

# THE PRISM

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## Alpha Delta Kappa – Delaware Newsletter

### *A Message from Jeanne Ciecko*

### *Delaware President 2018-2020*

On this cold and rainy day I finally get to sit down and reflect on all that has happened over the past few months.

In July nine Delaware sisters attended the NER Conference in Providence, RI-Terry Celano, Pat McKeon, Sally Fraticelli, Julie Beebe, Tanya Humes, Margaret Alexander, Cindy McDougall, Lorraine Lacsny and me. While there we listened to inspiring speakers and participated in workshops that covered a broad range of topics and voted on the World Understanding Project for 2018-2020 T.E.A.C.H TOO. Evenings were spent enjoying group dinners at various Providence restaurants. Linda Bledsoe and Nancy Burkett surprised us by arranging a before dinner cocktail at Bravo's. Delaware ALPHA was mentioned as a Pearl Award winner at NER. Congratulations, ALPHA.

In October we celebrated Founders' Day at the Maple Dale Country Club. Members from each chapter shared their chapter's altruistic project which was in keeping with our theme-**Altruism in Action**. It is my hope that listening to how other chapters approach their altruistic projects will stimulate new and creative ways to reach out into our communities.

During our Founders' Day Dinner we were joined by some of our Maryland Alpha Delta Kappa sisters including Maryland's State President, Diana Ogul. In turn, Linda Bledsoe and I were delighted to attend the Tidal District of Maryland's Founders' Day celebration. It was a wonderful way to share sisterhood across regions and we look forward to future visits.

Before too long we will begin planning for our Spring Meeting, but for now I would like to wish you all a joyous holiday and a wonderful new year.

Jeanne Ciecko

Delaware State President

2018-2020



## **Important Dates**

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| <b>January 12, 2019</b> | <b>State Executive Board Meeting<br/>9 AM Maple Dale Country Club,<br/>Dover, DE</b>                       |
| <b>January 31, 2019</b> | <b>Postmark Deadline for International Dues</b>  |
| <b>March 9, 2019</b>    | <b>State Executive Board Meeting<br/>9 AM Maple Dale Country Club,<br/>Dover, DE</b>                       |
| <b>March 15, 2019</b>   | <b>Chapter Altruistic Report due to State Altruistic<br/>Chair, Jenna Hall/Stacy Mile</b>                  |
|                         | <b>Chapter By-Laws or Policy Statement due to<br/>State By-Laws Chair, MaryAnn Rozsas</b>                  |
| <b>April 6, 2019</b>    | <b>State Meeting<br/>8 AM-Noon Maple Dale Country Club,<br/>Dover, DE</b>                                  |
| <b>April 15, 2019</b>   | <b>State Altruistic Chair Report due to Headquarters</b>   |
| <b>July 17-20, 2019</b> | <b>International Convention<br/>Minneapolis, Minnesota<br/>(See December, 2018 Kappan for Information)</b> |

## **AΔK Membership Campaign January 1 - April 30**

### **Alpha Delta Kappa** **“Strengthen Your Chapter with New Members.”**

**Membership definitely begins with ME! Recruiting and retaining members begins with you and your Member Enthusiasm. Your enthusiasm for Alpha Delta Kappa will attract others who will want to join you in our organization and remain in our organization. Your enthusiasm and commitment can truly make a difference!**

**Prospective members may include classroom teachers, principals, administrators or anyone engaged in a specialized field of education (e.g. college and technical school faculty). The criteria for membership in Alpha Delta Kappa are that the prospective member be an outstanding educator, have a degree in education or be certified, be actively engaged in education and under contract in the field of education. Retired educators who are still involved in education are also eligible. Think of the outstanding women educators you know who meet our membership criteria and would benefit from all Alpha Delta Kappa has to offer!**

**In order for Alpha Delta Kappa to remain a vibrant organization, the challenge is to initiate new members or reinstate former members.**

*(The above message is from the [www.alphadeltakappa.org](http://www.alphadeltakappa.org) website.)*

**Is your chapter planning a special meeting in the next few months to introduce prospective members to the benefits of membership in Alpha Delta Kappa?**

**Please keep in mind the changes in eligibility. There is no longer a waiting period once someone is working in an educational setting and retired teachers involved in education are eligible. If you have any questions about someone's eligibility status you can contact Stacy Bruce, the Membership Coordinator, at [sbruce@alphadeltakappa.org](mailto:sbruce@alphadeltakappa.org)**





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**Fraternity Education**

Unfilled

**Membership Recognition**

Hap Fox

**Scholarship**

Sally Fraticelli

**World Understanding**

Roz Freeman

**Altruism**

Jenna Hall &amp; Stacy Mile

**Alpha Delta Kappa Month**

Cyndi McDougall

**Web Master**

Unfilled

## 2018 Alpha Delta Kappa – Delaware



**Jenna Hall presents Delaware State Altruistic project - PAWS FOR PEOPLE- at Founders' Day**



**Nancy Burkett is recognized as a Sapphire Sister at Founders' Day, 2018.**



**Delaware Alpha Delta Kappa representatives at NER in Providence, 2018**



## 2018 Alpha Delta Kappa – Delaware



**2018-2020 NER State Presidents**



**Terry Celano (Eta) presents at NER Conference in Providence**

## 2018 Alpha Delta Kappa – Delaware



**Eta Chapter presents proceeds from their annual  
Wine-Tasting & Silent Auction to the  
Mary Campbell Center**