

HAWAI'I ALPHA DELTA KAPPA State President's Newsletter

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To Serve, to Learn, to Grow. Hawai'i Alpha Delta Kappa

Sunday, June 20, 2021

2022 HAAK STATE CONVENTION: Plan to treat yourself to a stay at the Ala Moana Hotel for our State Convention. The hotel allowed us to cancel our 2020 Convention without penalty due to the pandemic and is graciously welcoming us back for March 25-27, 2022 at nearly the same rates except for the standard inflation increases.

Workshops will be offered at our State Convention and we already have two mainland AAK guest presenters as well as several other interesting speakers.

As usual, the next biennium's 1st Expanded Executive Board (EEB) breakfast meeting will be held on Sunday morning. We are encouraging both the outgoing and incoming EEB members to attend to help make it a smooth transition for the new chapter presidents, state officers, and committee chairs.

Ladies, please make plans to join in celebrating a great biennium, despite the pandemic and limited in-person activities. Mark the dates on your calendar, and see you there!

HAΔK SISTERS - GOOD NEWS

LOGAN OKITA, THETA is the HAAK Teacher Scholarship 2021 recipient. She will use the funds for the NBob-PTS Maintenance of Certification fees. Logan is a first-grade teacher at Nimitz Elementary School. Congrats, Logan.



'ALOHILANI OKAMURA, NU is the recipient of 2021 Southwest Conference on Language Teaching Post-Secondary Excellence in Teaching Award in recognition of her exceptional commitment to language education. Dr. 'Alohilani Okamura is an ITE Adjunct Professor at the University of Hawaii-Manoa, College of Education.

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2022 NW/SW REGIONAL CONFERENCE: Hawai'i co-chairs are yet to be announced, but Hawai'i is ready to help make it happen. I think we all agree that we want to help make the 2022 NW/SW Regional Conference one of the best ever. The event was canceled in 2020, but International did decide to keep it in Hawai'i at the Hilton Hawaiian Village Hotel on May 31-June 3, 2022. The dates are not the most convenient for our working teachers, but it is better than the original August dates when most of them would be back in school.

Both President-Elect Susan Okano and I are encouraging everyone to attend this conference since it is being held right here in Hawai'i, and not on the mainland. If you have never attended a Regional before, this is definitely the year to attend. Since most of us did not get to travel last year, I hope you will treat yourself to a couple of nights (or more) at the beautiful Hilton Hawaiian Village Hotel.

CLARA GOTO IS "MY HERO" FOR ETA CHAPTER At 88

years of age, Clara continues "Taking That Leap." For almost 50 years, she has wholeheartedly served our chapters, State, and Regionals. She taught ukulele to Eta sisters, chaired the HAΔK's Na Wahine Mele, and conducted workshops at NW/SW Regional Conferences. As a consummate lifelong learner, she learned iMovie and produced a Christmas caroling video for the Hale Pulama Mau's residents. For an Eta's Birthday Celebration, she created a birthday video, now on the HAAK website,



playing the ukulele and singing the song in six languages. Clara also initiated a Zoom meeting for Fidelis Eta. Always up to the challenge, her passion for learning is inspirational to us all. President Binky Kusatsu said "Clara Goto is a sister extraordinaire. We are so amazed with what she is still accomplishing at her age, and she is no way near slowing down. When we grow up, we all want to be a Clara Goto!"

4th Expanded Executive Board Meeting

Friday, August 20, 2021 - Statehood Holiday 9:45 Sign-In ★ 10:00 am EEB Zoom Meeting EEB Reports #4 Due on August 7th.



PPG & Leadership Training Conference

Saturday, August 21, 2021 - Virtual Meetings 7:45 Sign-In 8:15 Opening Session

10:00 Workshop Sessions A ★ 11:15 Workshop Sessions B



ALZHEIMER'S LONGEST DAY: A FLYER was just sent out to the Chapter Presidents. HA Δ K sisters are invited to participate and support the Alzheimer's Association, one of the two altruistic organizations that are supported by the International A Δ K. Unlike most mainland A Δ K states and chapters, we are doing it locally so the funds collected will be donated to the Hawai'i organization to keep the funds here. It's easy to do by individuals or mini groups, and you get to choose the actual activity you want to do. You may get more information about this event by checking with your Chapter President or Altruistic Chair. The date of the Longest Day is June 20, 2021-the Longest Day for this year!

"MY HERO" NOMINATIONS WANTED: You are invited to submit a "MY HERO" nomination. Turn in a narrative in 100 words or less stating why she is your Hero. Recognize a sister who has been "Taking That Leap" to make an outstanding contribution to Hawai'i Alpha Delta Kappa. It will be a pleasure to include her in the next newsletter. The "My Hero" for this is issue is on the flip side of this issue.



HAAK On The TV Network

Honorary Member Winona Beamer was featured in a PBS rerun titled "A Century of Songs Celebrating Hawaiian Culture" on March 11, 2021. She was an educator, hula dancer, composer, and a champion of the Hawaiian culture. It was a thrill watching the video and



knowing that this amazing lady graced HA Δ K as an Honorary member, joining Omega Chapter in 1996.

Lambda's Tina Young appeared on a PBS Hiki Nō video clip on March 4, 2021. The program featured outstanding clips from the past 10



years, as they are celebrating their 10th Anniversary. One of the videos showed Tina's Hongwanji students who were 7th graders at that time, and are now seniors. Tina, their Hiki Nō teacher, excitedly shared her experience working with her two boys. Well done Tina. We are so proud of your work with Hiki Nō and your students.

Meredith's House on Magnum PI: Remember to tune in on Friday, April 9th on CBS Channel 7 at 8 pm. The action begins at the triangle park at the Ewa end of Kaau Street. There's a "chase" down the street to Meredith's house, then a run through her backyard and some actual action in her house. The Ching family's "reward" was a 4-night stay at the beautiful Hilton HVH in two suites with a nifty rainbow view of Magic Island. Get your popcorn ready and enjoy the show. Don't miss it.

Master Calendar Dates

July 5-16 International AΔK Virtual Convention

Fri August 20 State Expanded Executive Board Zoom Mtg

Sat August 21 20th PPG/LT Virtual Conference

October State Directory #2 Distribution by Email
October State Convention Packet Distribution

Sat October 9 Virtual Founders' Day (Lambda)

Sat December 4 Council of Chapter Presidents Meeting

Sat December 4 Expanded Executive Board Holiday Brunch Meeting