

WDJAA Report 2002-2003

Brothers and Sisters,

Since the last District Convention, I have taken a lot of time with both actives and alumni trying to get ideas. Attending a variety of events has always been a good recruiting tool and I believe that my many trips in California and Utah this year will pay off in the future membership of both new and past graduates.

I believe that I was re-elected because people liked what I was doing, so I tried to push the envelope a little further. As with last year, some ideas were more successful than others (the ritual wish list), some had issues that weren't anticipated (active/alumni joint fundraisers), some didn't pan out (the district alumni roster) and some are yet to be judged (the meet and greet at the 2004 C4C). The full list of activities is available on the "highlights" section of this report.

Last year we replaced NEARLY the whole board. Thank you to Alicia Lane Boyd and Diana Puig as our Vice Presidents for Membership, Dawn Farmer and Tanya Marsh as our Vice Presidents for Programs (special props to them for volunteering for the job during National Convention) and Jessup Ferris as our Treasurer. Unfortunately, we were never really able to touch base with Tony "Q'ayle" Stevens for Secretary duties, but special thanks to him for serving as a "guinea pig" on the idea of "graduating into an office".

During National Convention, the NAA Board of Directors restructure caused us to lose Richard Mackey as one of our district representatives. We would like to thank both Heather and Richard Mackey for their continued service in the NAA on our behalf (Heather continues on as our BoD representative while Richard is chairing the finance committee).

I would like to charge next year's WDJAA president with the following:

- Getting on the District "Presidents Listserve"
- Continuing those programs which have been well received
- Improving on those programs which are not yet as well received
- Trying something new
- Resolve the issues with our checking account
- Ensure that Nationals not only receives our dues check, but gives us credit for it.

It has been an honor to continue to serve in this position and I thank the members of WDJAA for this singular opportunity. Special thanks go to all of the alumni who have volunteered their time, ideas and efforts, especially Aaron Seifert of Gamma Kappa for continuing as our webmaster, Melissa Gibbs of Zeta Rho for her work towards convention and Steve Vanosdall for his help reviewing our bylaws following National Convention. I would also like to thank the Lambda Alpha, Iota Kappa Eta Mu, Zeta Xi and especially Beta Omicron Chapters. You guys have changed my life in so many ways and I can never fully repay your many kindnesses.

Jessica "Stixen" Stone
Life/Alumna KKPsi Beta Omicron

WDJAA President 2002-2004

WDJAA 2003-2004 Highlights

Donations

Bought ritual equipment for several chapters

Angel trees for children asking for music-related toys donated on behalf of brothers and sisters in each state, except CA which was split into Southern and Central/Northern due to number of chapters

Attendance (at least 1 member of WDJAA present)

LA degrees

SDSU's degrees

Psi's degrees

IA's first degree

WDLC in Logan, Utah, presentation of responsibility web at the behest of WD Presidents – had several requests for more information in order to use this on the chapter level

AZ state day

CA state day

General Assistance

Answered alumni questions for several chapters and alumni

Publication

Accent Articles

Fundraising

Joint fundraiser with IK at National Convention

Selling boxes via the internet

Problems

Nationals repeated loss of our dues check

Issues with checking account

Lack of communication/ new and different ideas

Busy with work/school/volunteering

Future Endeavors

Help facilitate a SDSU and possibly an ASU AA

Continue supporting chapters

Reach more alumni on a regular basis

Improve membership numbers

Pay fees in a manner that Nationals won't lose

More fundraising