







MAY 31 — JUNE 3, 2018 | NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

Our convention isn't just a meeting.

IT'S AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE AN IMPACT.



# National CONVENTION ROSTER

1920	Baltimore, Maryland
1921	Lexington, Virginia
1922	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
1923	Richmond, Virginia
1924	Danville, Kentucky
1925	Williamsburg, Virginia
1927	Charlottesville, Virginia
1929	Tuscaloosa, Alabama
1931	Lexington, Kentucky
1933	Durham, North Carolina
1935	Cincinnati, Ohio
1937	Atlanta, Georgia
1939	Lexington, Virginia
1941	Baton Rouge, Louisiana
1943	No convention - WW II
1945	No convention - WW II
1947	Washington, D.C.
1949	Atlanta, Georgia
1951	St. Louis, Missouri
1953	Roanoke, Virginia
1955	Louisville, Kentucky
1957	St. Louis, Missouri
1959	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
1961	Stillwater, Oklahoma
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1966	Lafayette, Indiana
1968	Atlanta, Georgia
1970	Washington, D.C.
1972	Cincinnati, Ohio
1974	New Orleans, Louisiana
1976	Atlanta, Georgia
1978	Williamsburg, Virginia
1980	New Orleans, Louisiana
1982	Lexington, Kentucky
1984	Birmingham, Alabama
1986	Baton Rouge, Louisiana
1988 1990	Lexington, Kentucky Louisville, Kentucky
1990	Atlanta, Georgia
1994	Lexington, Kentucky
1996	West Lafayette, Indiana
1998	Knoxville, Tennessee
2000	St. Louis, Missouri
2002	Lexington, Kentucky
2004	Norfolk, Virginia
2006	Washington, D.C.
2008	Atlanta, Georgia
2010	Houston, Texas
2012	Charlotte, North Carolina
2014	Lexington, Virginia

2016

Grand Rapids, Michigan

2018 Nashville, Tennessee

# WELCOME!



Welcome to Omicron Delta Kappa's 50th Biennial National Convention and Leadership Conference!

Omicron Delta Kappa held its first national convention in 1920 in Baltimore. By 1920, OAK had four circles at Washington and Lee, Johns Hopkins, Pittsburgh, and Davidson. While our modern conventions cover three days, the first only lasted one. As is still our practice, the first convention included the election of the

National President and other officers.

From 1920 to 1925, O $\Delta$ K held conventions annually. However, complications of cost and coordination made hosting an annual convention challenging. At the 1925 convention in Williamsburg, our leadership made the decision to hold conventions on a biennial basis instead. The years during World War II were the only period in which conventions were not held.

Throughout its history, the convention has provided a space for members to respond to contemporary events and pressing issues. The 1968 Atlanta convention was held in the days immediately after the assassination of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The delegates passed a resolution, which recognized, in part, Dr. King's "unparalleled contribution to the peace and freedom of his people, his country, and of his world." The resolution also acknowledged Dr. King's "outstanding and ceaseless efforts on behalf of human dignity and justice are representative of the devotion to high ideals that are basic to the Omicron Delta Kappa tradition."

The first formal discussions about potentially initiating women into  $O\Delta K$  were also held at the 1968 convention. In 1970, the University of Alabama Circle proposed an amendment to the constitution to include women in our organization. The "Alabama Amendment" was defeated at the 1972 convention, but it was ultimately approved at the 1974 meeting.

In 2018, we have the special occasion to celebrate the 50th biennial convention in  $O\Delta K$ 's history. I invite you to join me in making our own history here which future generations of collegiate and campus leaders will look back upon as a significant point in the life of our Society. Make time to make new friends, learn about yourself, and explore strategies for facilitating collaborative leadership. Our convention is a great opportunity to learn about the national impact and promise of Omicron Delta Kappa.

I hope this will be a special weekend for each of you as we engage in Celebrating Leadership in Music City. Thank you for your devotion to the ideals of collaborative leadership and Omicron Delta Kappa.

Yours in  $O\Delta K$ ,

Matthew W. Clifford, Ed.D.

National President



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## THURSDAY, MAY 31

9 a.m. - 11 a.m.

#### SOCIETY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

**Embassy Suites Hotel** 

11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

#### **LUNCHEON FOR SOCIETY AND FOUNDATION BOARDS**

**Embassy Suites Hotel** 

12 p.m. - 2 p.m.

#### FOUNDATION BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

**Embassy Suites Hotel** 

11 a.m. - 9 p.m.

#### **REGISTRATION OPEN AND HOUSING CHECK-IN**

Frist Lobby, Inman Conference Center

4 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.

#### **CONVENTION ORIENTATION AND O△K 101**

Frist Lecture Hall, Inman Conference Center

All delegates are required to attend the orientation program. These brief orientations will provide an overview of the expectations of official delegates. Circle advisors and other convention participants are encouraged to attend.

5 p.m. - 5:45 p.m.

#### OPENING CELEBRATION WITH STATE OF SOCIETY ADDRESS

4th Floor Conference Room, Janet Ayers Academic Center

Belmont University President Robert Fisher will welcome participants, and Matthew Clifford, National President, will provide a brief State of the Society address. 5:45 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

#### **WELCOME DINNER**

Ayers 4th Floor Conference Room

Join all participants and guests for a welcome dinner.

6:30 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.

#### ARTS KEYNOTE: JANIS HIRSCH

Ayers 4th Floor Conference Room

## How to Succeed in Television Without Really Crying

Working in the entertainment industry has always been tough. Emmy-nominated Janis Hirsch has written and produced sitcoms since the mid-1980s, including "Square Pegs," "The Nanny," "Murphy Brown," "My Wife and Kids," "Frasier" and "Will & Grace," although she readily admits that "sometimes you have more fun on the flops than you do on the hits." She will share her leadership journey in the industry as well as her humorous observations about life. Janis will cover the challenges experienced by women in Hollywood and reveal her own #MeToo experience.

7:30 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.

**CONCURRENT SESSIONS 1-A** 

8:30 p.m. - 9:15 p.m.

**CONCURRENT SESSIONS 1-B** 



7:30 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.

#### **CONCURRENT SESSIONS 1-A**

#### The OAK Annual Conference 2020

National Leadership Conference Design Team Room 5001, Janet Ayers Academic Center

Join members of the design team and OAK staff for an open session about planning for the OAK annual conference which begins in 2020.

#### **O**\( \text{K} \) Campus Conversations Program

National Advisory Council Room 5003, Janet Ayers Academic Center

Be the first to learn about Omicron Delta Kappa's new national signature program. The Campus Conversations program will help your circle bring leaders together to have meaningful, productive conversations about the important resources available to circles. Part two of this program will be held on Saturday, June 2 at 3:15 p.m. during Concurrent Session 5.

8:30 p.m. - 9:15 p.m.

#### **CONCURRENT SESSIONS 1-B**

#### **Diversity Toolkit for O∆K Circles**

OAK Diversity and Inclusion Committee Room 5004, Janet Ayers Academic Center

Aligned with Omicron Delta Kappa's commitment to diversity and inclusion, the Diversity and Inclusion Committee has developed tool-kits as a resource to help circle officers and circle student leaders infuse diversity and inclusion throughout their circles functions.

#### The Stone Ethical Leadership Program **O**\( \text{K} \) Leadership Development Programs

Room 5005, Janet Ayers Academic Center

We are often confronted by difficult decisions that challenge our values and ethics. These lead us to struggle with making the "right" decision. This workshop is a pilot run of one of the new elements in the Stone Ethical Leadership Challenge. The program examines several ethical approaches and challenges participants to consider the basis of the decisions they make daily.

#### **CONCURRENT SESSION TRACKS**

This year, the programming committee solicited programs from circles with four different themes or "tracks." Conference participants can follow one single track or choose to jump tracks and seek a broader experience.

**Circle Programming Leadership Development Member Engagement Professional Development** 

#### **CONVENTION ORIENTATION SESSIONS**

Welcome to the Omicron Delta Kappa Biennial National Convention and Leadership Conference. Beyond the workshops, speeches, and social events lie opportunities for members from every stage of life to network and learn. This is also the time when members have the chance to participate in decisions impacting the Society. In order to ensure convention participants understand the various roles and activities at the convention, there will be two orientation sessions. Delegates must attend at least one of the sessions even if you have attended a convention previously. For anyone who has not attended a convention, we highly recommend you also attend.

> Thursday, May 31 4 p.m. - 4:45 p.m. Frist Lecture Hall

Friday, June 1 7:45 a.m. - 8:15 a.m. Room 5001, Janet Ayers Academic Center

#### PLENARY SESSIONS

Plenary sessions are the official business meetings of Omicron Delta Kappa. Seating is assigned for all delegates. Please arrive on time and be ready to start the session promptly at the appointed hour. Delegates are required to attend both sessions in order to receive the travel grant.

> Friday, June 1 9:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. Frist Lecture Hall

Saturday, June 2 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Frist Lecture Hall

## FEATURED SPEAKERS



#### **TOM BOWEN**

(University of Memphis, 2014) currently serves as the athletic director at the University of Memphis, a position he has held since 2012. Tom held the same position at San Jose State University from 2004 to 2012. He previously worked in the front office for the San Francisco 49ers of the National Football League (NFL).



#### ERIC L. MOTLEY

(Samford University, 1995) is executive vice president at the Aspen Institute with responsibilities for institutional advancement and governance. He is the author of Madison Park: A Place of Hope. Early in his career, he served in the White House in the administration of George W. Bush.



#### **NANCY HUNTER DENNEY**

(Grand Valley State University, 2016) is a nationally recognized keynote speaker, author, and educator dedicated to empowering others to maximize their influence, inspire others, and seek happiness. She is the executive director of Lead365 and owner of Zing! Publishing which produces inspirational books on leadership and life's journeys.



#### **COREY SEEMILLER**

(Wright State University, 2016) is an assistant professor at Wright State University and an accomplished researcher about collegiate populations. She is the developer of the Student Leadership Competencies Inventory as well as the author of Generation Z Goes to College. She is the 2018 featured speaker for the advisor track at the convention.



**JANIS HIRSCH** 

(Rollins College, 2013) is a prolific writer and Emmy-nominated television producer. She has written and produced television programs including Frasier, Murphy Brown, and Will & Grace. She was also one of the very first women to work at The National Lampoon. Janis is the 2018 OAK Pillars of Leadership in Arts award winner.



#### **JAMIE WASHINGTON**

(University of Maryland, Baltimore County, 1994) is the president and founder of the Washington Consulting Group, a multicultural organizational development firm. Jamie, who is ordained minister, is also one of the founding faculty members of the Social Justice Training Institute.



KEVIN KRUGER

(University of Maryland, College Park, 1984) currently serves as president of NASPA: Student Affairs Administrators in Higher Education. Before his career at NASPA, Kevin served at the University of Maryland, College Park and the University of Maryland, Baltimore County. Kevin is the 2016 OAK Pillars of Leadership in Communications award winner.

#### **HOST INSTITUTIONS PRESIDENTS**

#### **Robert Fisher**

President, Belmont University

#### Sidney McPhee

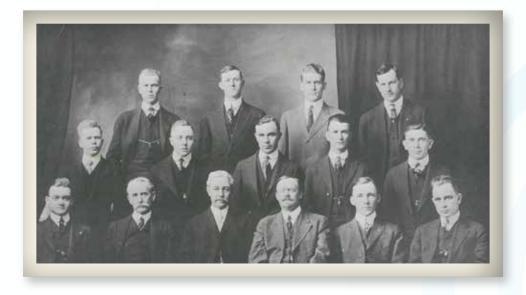
President, Middle Tennessee State University

#### Alisa White

President, Austin Peay State University

#### **Nicholas Zeppos**

President, Vanderbilt University



## Our Fifteen Founders and O $\Delta$ K's



Omicron Delta Kappa was founded on Dec. 3, 1914 on the campus of Washington and Lee University in Lexington, Virginia. The Society was founded by a group of 15 students and faculty who believed that leadership at the collegiate level should be recognized and encouraged across all phases of campus life. This general principle—that scholarship alone couldn't predict success, and that other intrinsic qualities had value too—became known as the  $O\Delta K$  Idea. The names of our 15 founders are below.

J. Carl Fisher Rupert Nelson Latture William Moseley Brown Dr. Henry Louis Smith Dr. De la Warr Benjamin Easter Professor David Carlisle Humphreys James Edwin Bear Carl Shaffer Davidson

Edward Parks Davis Edward A. Donahue Philip Pendleton Gibson Thomas McPheeters Glasgow John Eppes Martin William Caulfield Raftery John Purver Richardson, Jr.

Initially, the founders had no intention of extending the Society to other college campuses. However, requests for charters began to come in from local groups at the Johns Hopkins University, the University of Pittsburgh, and Davidson College. It was clear that the  $O\Delta K$  Idea was one that could benefit other institutions of higher learning. By 1917—just three years after founding the Washington and Lee Circle— Omicron Delta Kappa became a national leadership honor society.

During World War I, OAK remained intact in large part because of its faculty members—many of whom were too old to serve in the Army or Navy. After the war when students returned to their campuses, OΔK continued to grow and develop, chartering new circles at colleges and universities across the country.

In 1974, the OΔK National Convention approved the initiation of women into the Society. Twelve women were initiated at the convention. In 1998, another woman made OΔK history—Cheryl M. Hogle became the first woman elected to serve as OAK National President. In 2003, Outgoing Foundation Trustee Sally Jones Hill became the first woman to receive the Laurel Crowned Circle Award. The 2018 convention is the 50th in O∆K's history.

To learn more about the history of OΔK, we encourage you to read *The Laurel Crowned Circle: Omicron* Delta Kappa and 100 Years of Leadership. The book is for sale at convention registration for \$10.00 or through the national headquarters.



#### 2016-18 SOCIETY **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Matthew W. Clifford, National President Davidson College

Bruce Forbes, National Vice President Morningside College

Allison Baier, National Student Vice President St. Lawrence University

**Darwin Jones**, National Treasurer University at Albany

W. Jeffery Edwards, National Counsel Washington and Lee University

Michelle Burke, Chair, National Advisory Council University of South Carolina - Columbia

Michael N. Christakis, Immediate Past National President, Alfred University

Sally Albrecht, Foundation President Rollins College

Andrew Brown, Student Member-at-Large Grand Valley State University

Cynthia Chapel Cochran, Member-at-Large, University of Miami

Alex DeJarnett, Member-at-Large Florida A&M University

Linda Hooks, Member-at-Large Louisiana State University

Tambria Schroeder, Student Member-at-Large The College at Brockport

## FRIDAY, JUNE 1

7 a.m. - 5 p.m.

#### **REGISTRATION AND O△K STORE**

Frist Hall Lobby, Inman Conference Center

7 a.m. - 8 a.m.

#### CONVENTION BREAKFAST

Johnson Center Dining Hall

7:15 a.m. - 8:15 a.m.

#### CIRCLE ADVISORS BREAKFAST

Vince Gill Room, Curb Event Center

Omicron Delta Kappa is special because of the involvement of circle advisors with collegiate members in the life of each circle. Circle advisors will be celebrated at a breakfast in their honor. Bruce Jackson from the C. Charles Jackson Foundation will make a special presentation about new resources available to circles.

7:45 a.m. - 8:15 a.m.

#### CONVENTION ORIENTATION AND OAK 101

Room 5001, Janet Ayers Academic Center

8:15 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS KEYNOTE - ADVISORS**

#### **Dr. Corey Seemiller**

Vince Gill Room, Curb Event Center

#### **Generation Z Goes to College**

Just as we have finally come to understand Millennials, it's time to shift gears and adapt to a new generation. Generation Z, born 1995-2010, may look like Millennials, yet differ in their characteristics, beliefs, styles, and motivations. Learn who these "Gen Zers" are and how to better communicate with, relate to, and work with this emerging generational cohort.

8:15 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.

#### COMMUNICATIONS KEYNOTE - COLLEGIATE MEMBERS

#### **Nancy Hunter Denney**

4th Floor Conference Room, Janet Ayers Academic Center

#### Stop Talking! Just Stop Talking!

Ever have great intentions and poor execution? Despite being "around" others trying to make your campus (and the world) a better place, collaboration becomes a challenge when group members lack the essential communication skills and understandings. Explore what happens when you combine an appreciation for civility, confidence, and the ability to constructively work within conflict in this engaging and practical session. After all, you didn't wake up today to be average!

9:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

#### PLENARY SESSION I AND MODEL RITUAL

Frist Lecture Hall, Inman Conference Center

11 a.m. - 12:10 p.m.

**CONCURRENT SESSIONS 2** 

12:30 p.m. - 2 p.m.

## CONVENTION LUNCHEON AND SERVICE KEYNOTE: ERIC MOTLEY

4th Floor Conference Room, Janet Ayers Academic Center

#### A Lifetime of Collaborations Providing Hope

Eric Motley's life has been filled with intentional collaborations that he credits with helping him get to his current position as the executive vice president of the Aspen Institute. From the extended family who raised him to the elementary and secondary educators who encouraged his scholarship to the faculty, staff, and friends at Samford University who embraced and supported him, Eric has cherished the connections that have facilitated his success including service in the White House administration of President George W. Bush. Eric will discuss his leadership journey and share insights from his recently published autobiography, Madison Park: A Place of Hope.

2:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.

#### **CIRCLES FOR SOLDIERS SERVICE PROJECT**

Mattox Grand Atrium, Curb Event Center

At each convention, we honor our 15 founders by encouraging our participants to serve. This year, the conference planning team choose to sponsor one service project where all members will participate together. O $\Delta K$  is proud to partner with Alpha Omicron Pi to present "Circles for Soldiers." Participants will build relief boxes for individuals serving in our armed forces.



4 p.m. - 6 p.m.

#### **TOURS OF THE GIG AT BELMONT**

(Gallery of Iconic Guitars) Lila D. Bunch Library

The Gallery of Iconic Guitars (GIG) at Belmont is Music City's premier venue designed to celebrate some of the rarest and iconic guitars and stringed instruments ever known. The GIG features an intimate experience for visitors to view these prized instruments up-close, along with historically and technically in-depth information on each. It is our hope that these magnificent instruments and their stories serve to inspire legions of music enthusiasts from all generations.

6:30 p.m. - 11 p.m.

#### THE NASHVILLE EXPERIENCE

No trip to Nashville would be complete with experiencing the sights and sounds of Music City USA.

Buses will transport participants to Centennial Park and downtown Nashville for a night on the town. Enjoy free acoustic performances at Musicians Corner in Centennial Park with food trucks available for dinner. Wander along the Music City Walk of Fame and meander through Honky Tonk Highway.

Look for a complete guide and map in the conference materials.



## BIENNIAL NATIONAL CONVENTION AND LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE PLENARY SESSION I AND MODEL RITUAL

FRIDAY, JUNE 1 9:30 A.M. - 10:45 A.M. FRIST LECTURE HALL, INMAN CONFERENCE CENTER

#### **AGENDA**

- 1. Welcome Matthew W. Clifford, National President
- 2. Roll Call John Herbst, National Parliamentarian
- 3. Quorum Statement John Herbst, National Parliamentarian
- 4. Society Board of Directors Report Matthew W. Clifford, National President
- 5. Introduction of Proposed Constitutional Amendments W. Jeffery Edwards, National Counsel
- 6. National Nominating Committee Report Michael N. Christakis, Chair
- 7. Initiation Ceremony Bruce Forbes, National Vice President
- 8. Announcements Tara S. Singer, Executive Director
- 9. Adjournment until Saturday, June 2 Matthew W. Clifford, National President



#### 11 a.m. - 12:10 p.m.

#### PROGRAMMING FOR **NEW CIRCLES AND OFFICERS**

#### **Joseph Bouchelle**

Southern Virginia University Room 5001, Janet Ayers Academic Center Circle Programming

We love the leadership and service for which OAK stands. Many yearn for more robust programming efforts for our circles, yet we all have various professional duties, loved ones, deadlines, and a desire for quiet time and relaxation. How can we balance all these needs and provide a meaningful program for our circle members?

In this session, we will provide some readymade programming efforts, traditional OΔK programs, ideas for simple OAK events, and other activities which can offer a depth and breadth to your circle's programming efforts. Additionally, participants will be asked if they'd like to share their favorite programming endeavors. Following this workshop-style conversation, attendees should come away with several activities applicable to their circles and the ways to accomplish them from start to finish.

#### S.M.A.R.T.E.R. LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Megan McInnis, University of Tennessee at Knoxville

Room 5003, Janet Ayers Academic Center Leadership Development

When setting goals, leaders must balance the demands of tasks and relationships. This session allows each participant to walk out with a personalized action plan for two years of leadership development. This highly interactive workshop is ideal for undergraduate or graduate students as well as those working with students who want to help them with leadership development.

#### ENGAGING, ADVISING, AND DEVELOPING GENERATION Z STUDENTS

#### **Corey Seemiller**

Vince Gill Room, Curb Event Center Member Engagement

Generation Z has different motivations, interests, and passions than Millennials, yet we still use our same old tricks to engage. advise, and develop them. Participants in this session will break into small discussion groups for deeper dialogue on how to best design opportunities, programming, and experiences to engage those Gen Zers!

#### ZING! YOUR LIFE AND LEADERSHIP

#### **Nancy Hunter Denney**

Room 5005, Janet Ayers Academic Center Professional Development

Where is the "it" you need when you need it? Simply put, your ability to lead is directly related to your ability to influence others. Taking strategies from her book, Zing! Your Life and Leadership, Nancy Hunter Denney will offer a creative way of defining what it means to be a leader in this day and time. Overcoming various obstacles and having the proper perspective are just two parts of the formula. Influence can happen in an instant or span a lifetime. This session challenges you to always remember what time it is and the opportunities ahead.

# CANDIDATES FOR NATIONAL ELECTED AND APPOINTED POSITIONS

n conjunction with the 2018 Biennial National Convention and Leadership Conference, the convention delegates will formally elect the National President, National Vice President, Student Vice President, and one Memberat-Large for the Omicron Delta Kappa Society Board of Directors.

Michael N. Christakis, past national president (Alfred University), serves as the chair of the National Nominating Committee. Other members of the committee include Allison Baier (St. Lawrence University), Jane Teel (Auburn University), Ryan L. Upshaw (University of Mississippi), and Richard I. Williams (Grand Valley State University).

The proposed slate of elected positions for the 2018-20 term on the Society Board of Directors is presented below.

Matthew W. Clifford, National President Nominee Davidson College

**Linda Hooks**, National Vice President Nominee Louisiana State University

Andrew Brown, National Student Vice President Nominee, Grand Valley State University

Willie Banks, Member-at-Large Nominee University of Georgia

In addition to identifying candidates for the four elected positions on the Omicron Delta Kappa Society Board of Directors, the National Nominating Committee is tasked with presenting candidates for appointed positions on the Society board and on the National Advisory Council. The formal appointment of these positions will be made by the 2018-20 Society Board of Directors at a meeting on June 2, 2018, at the conclusion of the Biennial National Convention and Leadership Conference. The nominees for the appointed Society Board of Directors positions are presented below.

**Darwin Jones**, National Treasurer Nominee University at Albany

W. Jeffery Edwards, National Counsel Nominee Washington and Lee University

**Cynthia Chapel Cochran**, Chair, National Advisory Council Nominee, University of Miami

William Waff, Member-at-Large Nominee University of Mississippi

Mike James, Member-at-Large Nominee Harding University

John Herbst, Parliamentarian Nominee University of Kentucky

# ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS TO THE NATIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

The National Advisory Council provides a voice of circle and alumni leadership on items posted by the Society Board of Directors and items of interest to the National Advisory Council. In addition, individuals on the council serve as members of committees or task forces as needed and appointed by the National President.

The National Advisory Council is composed of no fewer than nine (9) and no more than fifteen (15) members of the Society. The Board of Directors appoints the members of the National Advisory Council for two-year terms each. The National Advisory Council is to be composed of four constituencies: collegiate members, circle coordinators, faculty advisors, and alumni. At a minimum, no fewer than two (2) members from each of those groups should be represented on the National Advisory Council at any given time.

# NOMINEES FOR THE 2018-20 NATIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

**Cynthia Chapel Cochran**, Chair, University of Miami

C. Paul Brockwell
University of Richmond

Catherine Bruns Concordia College

**Jonathan Ciecka**Middle Tennessee State
University

**Alex DeJarnett**Florida A&M University

**Nicholas Sampogna**George Washington
University

**Gregory Singleton**University of Memphis

Gene Siegal
University of Louisville

**Brooke Supple**University of Maryland,
College Park

**Cynthia Uviedo** Trinity University

**Leslie Werden** Morningside College

Three students and one faculty member will be appointed to the NAC following convention.

## SATURDAY, JUNE 2

7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

#### **REGISTRATION AND O∧K STORE**

Frist Lobby, Inman Conference Center

7:45 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.

#### CONVENTION BREAKFAST

Johnson Center Dining Hall

8 a.m. - 9 a.m.

#### NATIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL BREAKFAST

(2016-18, 2018-20)

Private Dining Room, Johnson Center Dining Hall

The current and incoming members of the National Advisory Council meet to discuss plans and issues for the coming biennium.

9 a.m. - 10:10 a.m.

#### **CONCURRENT SESSIONS 3**

10:15 a.m. - 11:25 a.m.

#### ATHLETICS KEYNOTE: TOM BOWEN

#### **Creating a Culture of Champions**

4th Floor Conference Room, Janet Ayers Academic Center

Nearly every day, one has the opportunity to read about an ongoing scandal in intercollegiate athletics. Managing a large organization, such as an athletic department, has special challenges given the ages of the student-athletes, large numbers of employees, complexities of NCAA rules, and pressures from fans and donors to be successful. Tom Bowen. athletic director at the University of Memphis, will describe setting high standards, managing expectations, and creating a departmental culture that succeeds on the court, in the classroom, and throughout the community.

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

#### PLENARY SESSION II

Frist Lecture Hall, Inman Conference Center

12:30 p.m. - 1:50 p.m.

#### OFFICER INSTALLATION LUNCHEON

4th Floor Conference Room, Janet Ayers Academic Center

Join us as we install the newly elected 2018-20 Omicron Delta Kappa Society officers.

2 p.m. - 3:10 p.m.

**CONCURRENT SESSIONS 4** 

3:15 p.m. - 4:25 p.m.

**CONCURRENT SESSIONS 5** 

4:30 p.m. - 6 p.m.

#### 2018-20 SOCIETY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

**Embassy Suites Hotel Lobby** 

6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

#### **CIRCLE SHOWCASE AND RECEPTION**

1st Floor, Inman Center

Visit the displays from circles around the country as they share the exciting leadership programs and services from their campuses.

7 p.m. - 9 p.m.

#### **AWARDS BANQUET**

4th Floor Conference Room

OAK celebrates excellence at the local and national level by presenting outstanding members with a variety of awards.

#### SCHOLARSHIP KEYNOTE: JAMIE WASHINGTON

#### Leading for the Next Round: We are Better Together

Jamie Washington will share the importance of leadership and collaboration as we close the 50th Biennial National Convention and Leadership Conference.

9 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.

#### **CONVENTION CELEBRATION**

Frist Lecture Hall and Lobby Celebrate the end of a wonderful convention with dancing, refreshments, and activities.

# === SERVICE ====

## IN HONOR OF OUR 15 FOUNDERS

2:30 p.m. - 5 p.m. **Circles for Soldiers Service Project** Mattox Grand Atrium, Curb Event Center

The Biennial National Convention and Leadership Conference is a time for OAK members to learn and demonstrate leadership. One way to honor the 15 founders is to serve. This year we added a little spin on the biennial service project.

All convention participants will join in one service project to build care packages for individuals serving in the armed forces. We are



partnering with Alpha Omicron Pi and the Austin Peay ROTC to provide much needed comfort supplies to those who serve us. We hope to package over 300 boxes as we stand side by side in service. Wear your 2018 Convention T-shirt and comfortable shoes.

## **BIENNIAL NATIONAL CONVENTION AND LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE PLENARY SESSION II**

**SATURDAY, JUNE 2** FRIST LECTURE HALL, INMAN CONFERENCE CENTER 11:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

#### **AGENDA**

- 1. Roll Call John Herbst, National Parliamentarian
- 2. Foundation Board of Trustees Report Sally K. Albrecht, President Omicron Delta Kappa Foundation
- 3. Voting on Proposed Constitutional Amendments W. Jeffery Edwards, National Counsel
- 4. Elections Michael N. Christakis, Chair, National Nominating Committee
- 5. Introduction of New Resources Tara Singer, Executive Director
- 6. Resolutions John Herbst, National Parliamentarian
- 7. Adjournment Matthew W. Clifford, National President



9 a.m. - 10:10 a.m.

#### **CIRCLE PROGRAMMING STRATEGIES** THAT WILL HAVE YOUR MEMBERS SINGING. "I WILL ALWAYS LOVE O∆K!"

#### Matthew Yelle, Stephanie Gray, Sage Williams, and Shane Reynolds

Stephen F. Austin State University Room 5001, Janet Ayers Academic Center Circle Programming

OAK members are busy people, and their schedules often extend beyond "9 to 5." How can your circle involve these leaders who are already so committed on campus and in the community? This session will focus on member engagement and the overall impact it plays on circle retention. We will discuss the "life cycle" of a member within a circle and key programs and initiatives that are vital to the membership experience. Come discuss a data-driven approach to increasing the value of membership for your student leaders and learn how to be intentional in facilitating programming that will have your members singing, "I Will Always Love O∆K!"

#### **DEVELOPING LEADERSHIP** SOFT SKILLS

#### **Kathryn Stoudemire and Madeline Carzon**

University of South Carolina, Columbia Room 5003, Janet Avers Academic Center Leadership Development

Soft skills are described as those personal attributes and traits that facilitate harmonious working relationships with other people. Research studies have shown that leadership is one of the most in-demand soft skills followed by communication, collaboration, and time management. For even the strongest of leaders, biggest challenges include conveying a point, working cohesively with others, and finding the time to do everything. As lifetime members of a national leadership honor society, we have the ability to not only act as directors of change on college campuses but in larger community settings after graduation and beyond. This session will incorporate reflection and interactive activities to address leadership development and member engagement as it pertains to Omicron Delta Kappa members.

#### THE CIRCLE NEVER ENDS: **ENHANCING ALUMNI ENGAGEMENT**

#### Joel Hermann and Clayton Bond

Fontbonne University Room 5004, Janet Avers Academic Center Member Engagement

The Omicron Delta Kappa initiation ritual discusses our key - struck in the form of a circle that symbolizes union forever. Unfortunately, that concept of "forever" often fades away as members cross the stage at commencement. But the circle of OAK membership truly never ends, and it is important for current members to highlight alumni and the impact they left on the organization in new and exciting ways.

In this session, participants will engage in conversations about best practices surrounding alumni engagement, recognition, and circle history. Utilizing the strengths and weaknesses of one's circle and campus as a whole, participants will develop a comprehensive action plan that will allow for direct enhancement of alumni engagement.

#### LOSING CAN STILL HELP YOU WIN: ONE DWEEB'S PERSONAL APPROACH TO ACADEMIC SUCCESS

#### **Gene Siegal**

University of Louisville Room 5005, Janet Ayers Academic Center Professional Development

We all know some students who seem on the road to success as 12-year-olds but are washed out or burned out by the time they are 21. The stories of his or her opposite are often more interesting - the young person who achieves great academic success seemingly against all odds and out of nowhere.

This session, featuring a successful physician who was something of high school underachiever, explores life lessons about strategies leading to greater achievement. In the case of the presenter, success was realized in the fields of medicine and science, but there is nothing magical about these strategies which could not be applied to English literature or business administration. Also, because there is great value in 'holding up a mirror' and looking at one's own success stories, session participants will be given the opportunity to share and identify their triumphs.

#### 2 p.m. - 3:10 p.m.

#### CREATING OAK SIGNATURE **PROGRAMS**

#### **Bruce Forbes,**

Jesse Nitzsche, and Marisa Christie

Morningside College Room 5001, Janet Ayers Academic Center Circle Programming

Many of the stronger OAK circles sponsor at least one annual "signature event," a program or activity that simultaneously contributes to the school or community and also enhances the reputation of the OAK circle on campus. This session will offer principles and suggestions about how to choose such an event for your circle and how to develop it. Teams of students from Morningside College and two additional circles that sponsor one or more signature events will describe their major activities. This session will also include group discussions applying the principles and examples to each circle's local situation.

#### **BEYOND DIVERSITY TO EQUITY AND INCLUSION**

#### Jamie Washington

Room 5003, Janet Ayers Academic Center Leadership Development

Campuses and organizations have been working hard to increase demographic diversity for more than 50 years. These efforts have resulted in work places and campus communities that are vibrant and full of opportunities and challenges. This session will focus on the "Now What?" How do we move beyond the optics of diversity to more equitable and inclusive campus environments?

#### **HEALTHY CIRCLES**

**Membership and Circle Standards Committee** Room 5004, Janet Ayers Academic Center Member Engagement

Is your circle as active and healthy as it should be? Taking care of your circle is important no matter its age. Come explore ways to improve circle well-being including setting regular meeting times, strengthening your core recruitment efforts, having a balanced membership roster from across the five phases. and collaborating with leaders throughout your campus and community. We will help you conduct a circle check-up and create a plan to make your circle healthier and stronger. No co-pays are required for this interactive session with Tim Reed and the OAK Membership and Circle Standards Committee.

#### O∆K TO CAREER: INTEGRATING CO-CURRICULAR EXPERIENCES INTO PROFESSIONAL DOCUMENTS AND **INTERVIEWS**

#### **Jamie Bouldin**

Stephen F. Austin State University Room 5005, Janet Avers Academic Center Professional Development

Employers state they are seeking candidates with proven skills in leadership, communication, problem-solving, work ethic, initiative, and analytical/quantitative abilities, among others. Omicron Delta Kappa collegiate leaders have opportunities to gain experience in all these areas through their co-curricular involvement, but members must be able to articulate these skills in resumes and cover letters, as well as during the interview process, to advocate for themselves when seeking employment. This session will present results of recent research and surveys, outline the skills employers are looking for in recent college graduates, and demonstrate how participation in Omicron Delta Kappa can provide fertile ground for developing and honing these marketable skills. Participants will have the opportunity to outline and practice articulating their talents and experiences and application of both to the world of work.

#### 3:15 p.m. - 4:25 p.m.

#### **CAMPUS CONVERSATIONS PART II**

#### **National Advisory Council**

Room 5001, Janet Ayers Academic Center Circle Programming

In part two of the introduction to  $O\Delta K$ 's new national signature program, individuals will have the chance to participate in a facilitator workshop to gain first-hand skills for fostering collaborative conversations at their institutions.

#### LEADERSHIP IN ATHLETICS

#### **Tom Bowen**

University of Memphis Room 5003, Janet Ayers Academic Center Leadership Development

Making Progress in Modern Intercollegiate Athletics

In this session, University of Memphis Athletic Director Tom Bowen will discuss the challenges and opportunities facing intercollegiate athletics. He will touch on the Rice Commission report and the work of the Knight Commission on Intercollegiate Athletics. Additional time for questions and answers will be included as part of this session.

#### STRENGTHENING YOUR FOUNDATION: ENGAGING YOUR CAMPUS VIA PILLAR PROGRAMS

Meredith Amelotti, Morgan Patterson, and Lucas Diffey, Fontbonne University Room 5004, Janet Ayers Academic Center Member Engagement

It is understood that circles often struggle with educating their entire campus about exactly "what" Omicron Delta Kappa represents. The Society prides itself on highlighting members that excel within various pillars or phases of campus life. To inform the campus community about these distinct pillars, and to showcase programming from each, the Fontbonne University Circle introduced "Pillar Programming" to the school in 2014. Through utilizing the five pillars as a programming model, the circle hosts five signature events every year to complement the work being done by student leaders in each phase. In this session, participants will learn about the model and be challenged to implement this action plan at other institutions.

#### CHANGE LEADERSHIP: THE ONLY CONSTANT IS CHANGE

Kim Davey, Samford University Room 5005, Janet Ayers Academic Center Professional Development

The familiar adage states that the only constant in life is change. Leaders face this reality on a daily basis. Effective leaders understand that change is a constant and that leaders play a pivotal role in leading and managing change within their organization. This session will introduce attendees to the concepts of change leadership and management. It will use John Kotter's classic text Leading Change to identify the eight stages of organizational change and strategies for successfully leading and managing change at each stage. The session will also address common mistakes leaders make related to organizational change.

## CIRCLE SHOWCASE

#### HIGHLIGHT YOUR CIRCLE'S PROGRAMS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Twenty circles will have the opportunity to participate in the Circle Showcase prior to Awards Banquet at the Biennial National Convention and Leadership Conference. This is a great opportunity see what other circles do in terms of programming.

Display Construction Zone for the schools participating in the Circle Showcase will be open on Thursday and Friday during the times that registration is open.



#### **ENGAGEMENT CONTRACT**

By attendance at the 2018 ΟΔΚ Biennial National Convention and Leadership Conference as a representative of my circle and my institution, I accept the responsibility for my actions and for my personal growth during the next four days.

While participating in the 2018 convention, I will do the following:

- ★ Attend all sessions with a positive attitude;
- Wear my nametag to all events, but not away from Belmont University for safety reasons;
- ★ Embrace the numerous opportunities to network;
- ★ Appropriately share my experiences on social media;
- \* Respect the presenters and conference planners by being on time for all sessions and events;
- ★ Abide by all state, local, and Belmont University laws and policies regarding any controlled substance with the understanding that violation of any of these laws or policies in public areas or accommodations may result in the immediate expulsion from the convention without refund as well as notification to your circle and institution;
- ★ Dress appropriately for each occasion during the convention; and,
- $\star$  Live the values of O $\Delta$ K throughout the convention.

#### COLLEGIATE MEMBER LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

There are a number of opportunities to serve Omicron Delta Kappa at the national level for the 2018-20 biennium as an undergraduate student, graduate student, or recent graduate:

- **1.** Society Board of Directors: The National Student Vice President has already been nominated; however, there are two other student positions available with the Society Board (student members- at- large). The Society Board holds four conference call meetings and two inperson meetings a year (one in June and the other in January).
- 2. National Advisory Council (NAC): The two student members- at- large noted above will also serve on the NAC. In addition, there are two other spots on this advisory council for students. The NAC is an ad-hoc committee to the Board of Directors that represents all of OAK's key constituencies—students, circle coordinators, faculty advisors, and alumni-and provides guidance on a range of issues affecting the Society. The NAC holds six conference call meetings a year.
- **3.** Student Advisory Board (SAB): The SAB consists of up to eight currently enrolled students or recent graduates. The SAB serves as an ad-hoc committee to the Board of Directors, is led by the National Student Vice President, and seeks to understand and address concerns of all collegiate members. The SAB holds bimonthly conference call meetings.

#### To be considered for any of these positions, individuals should submit the following:

- **1.** An email message containing applicant's name, title, institution, mobile phone number, and email address.
- **2.** Digital photograph. A standard professional headshot is most appropriate.
- **3.** Current resume or CV devoid of personal information (e.g., home address, home phone number) and with any references removed. The resume or CV should be submitted in PDF format.
- 4. Candidate statement (500-700 words, Microsoft Word format) that clearly and concisely articulates the applicant's leadership philosophy, position(s) applying for, purpose for applying, and goals for the Society's future.

These materials will not be edited by the Nominating Committee or OAK's National Headquarters staff, so it is essential that candidates carefully prepare and review their materials before submitting them. Application materials should be submitted to Tara Singer, executive director, via email at tara@odk.org no later than June 30, 2018.

#### 2016-18 STUDENT **ADVISORY BOARD**

The Student Advisory Board serves a vehicle for students to serve the Society by providing valuable insight into the programs and services from the student perspective. Members are appointed by the National President and serve a two-year term. Members must be an undergraduate or graduate student at the time of appointment.

Allison L. Baier, Chair St. Lawrence University

**Andrew Brown** Grand Valley State University

**Catherine Bruns** Concordia College

**Brvce Gordon** Concordia University Irvine

Ashlvnn Rickord Carthage College

**Tambria Schroeder** The College at Brockport

Palavi Vaidya Georgia Institute of Technology

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# OAK Fast Facts

## Our History

- Founded: December 3, 1914
- Birthplace: Washington and Lee University
- Colors: white, black, and light blue
- Flower: blue delphinium

## Our Members

- Number of inductees in FY 2017: 8,647
- Number of living addressable members: 300,000
- Number of active circles: 315
- Total number of circles established (including those that are now inactive): 415

## Our Organization

- National Headquarters: 224 McLaughlin Street, Lexington, VA 24450
- Incorporation: Incorporated as a 501(c)3 in 1992 in the Commonwealth of Kentucky
- Operating budget: \$1,041,951
- Size of staff: 8 full-time
- Membership fee: \$88
- Memberships: Association of Leadership Educators, International Leadership Association, NASPA, Honor Society Caucus, The Center for Nonprofit Excellence, Fraternity Communications Association
- Strategic alliances and partnerships: Teach For America, Washington Scholars Fellowship Program, Washington Internship Institute, University of Miami School of Law, Coro Fellows Program, The Fund for American Studies, C. Charles Jackson Foundation, Silicon Valley Academy

## Our Programs

- Number of scholarships awarded annually: 38 including Leader of the Year
- Number of scholarship dollars distributed annually: \$46,000 including Leader of the Year
- Number of Maurice A. Clay Leadership Development Initiative Grants awarded annually: 10 (\$5,000)

## Our Foundation

- Incorporation: The Omicron Delta Kappa Foundation, Inc. was incorporated as a separate 501(c)3 in 1982 in the State of Florida
- Size of endowment as of December 31, 2017: \$1,340,296
- Dollars raised in FY 2017: \$452,734
- Number of individual donors in FY 2017: 1.526
- Giving website: odk.org/donate



#### 2016-18 FOUNDATION BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Omicron Delta Kappa's Foundation is a separate 501(c)(3) organization and uses the money it raises to support leadership development programs and scholarships to OAK members. The Foundation is governed by its own leadership board, which is comprised of up to 19 members, including the current national president, national treasurer, and executive director.

Sally K. Albrecht, Foundation President Rollins College

J. David Gibbs, Foundation Vice President University of Richmond

W. Jeffery Edwards, National Counsel Washington and Lee University

Matthew W. Clifford, National President Davidson College

**Darwin Jones. National Treasurer** University at Albany

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**Virginia Edwards** University of Kentucky

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William "Bill" Latture Washington and Lee University

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Tara S. Singer, Executive Director University of Louisville

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Jeffrey I. Stone Auburn University

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Sally Jones Hill Auburn University

Palmer Gene Vance II Transylvania University

William R. Johnston Washington and Lee University

### 2016-18 NATIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Members of OΔK's National Advisory Council represent OΔK's key constituencies—students, circle coordinators, faculty advisors, and alumni—and are appointed by the Board of Directors to serve twoyear terms. Because of their experience in  $O\Delta K$  and their expertise in other areas of business or collegiate life, they are able to provide guidance on a range of issues that affect the Society.

Michelle R. Burke, Chair, University of South Carolina, Columbia

Michael Bergler, University of California, Riverside

Andrew Brown, Grand Valley State University

Lawrence Burke, Florida Southern College

**Jesse Chen, University of Maryland,** College Park

Elizabeth Dorssom, Chatham University

Joel Hermann, Maryville University

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Matthew B. Nobles, University of Florida

**Tambria Schroeder,** The College at Brockport

Alan Sickbert, University of St. Thomas

Gene Siegal, University of Louisville

**Gregory Singleton, University of Memphis** 

Ryan L. Upshaw, University of Mississippi

### 2018-19 SCHEDULE OF **DEADLINES AND EVENTS**

#### August 15, 2018

Applications open for 2019 Clay Grants

#### October 30, 2018

Deadline for 2019 Clay Grant applications

#### November 30, 2018

Deadline for 2018 Clay **Grant Reimbursements** 

#### December 3, 2018

Circle affiliation fees due

#### **December 5, 2018**

Applications for 2019-20 Foundation Scholarships open

#### December 5, 2018

Applications open for 2019 Circle Leader of the Year awards

#### February 1, 2019

Nominations deadline for Laurel Crowned Circle Award

#### February 1, 2019

Nominations deadline for 2019 Circle Leader of the Year awards

#### March 1, 2019

Application deadline for 2019-20 Foundation Scholarships

#### March 1, 2019

Application deadline for 2019 National Leader of the Year awards

#### April 1, 2019

Nominations deadline for Morlan-Bishop Circle Officer Award

#### April 1, 2019

Nominations deadlines for Hogle and Roark awards

#### April 11, 2019

National Day of Service/National Day of Giving

#### June 30, 2019

Deadline for 2018-19 Circle Annual reports

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We want all attendees to feel comfortable, yet present a professional presence during the conference. The general dress is business casual. Upscale spirit-wear from your institution or OAK circle is acceptable as well (no t-shirts); however, on Friday during the service project, we ask all attendees to wear the conference t-shirt. On Friday night, we recommend you do not wear spirit wear, OΔK gear, or your nametag when you are away from



# Thank You

#### OUR CONVENTION WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE WITHOUT THE SUPPORT OF THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANIZATIONS.

#### **Convention Sponsors**

- C. Charles Jackson Foundation Appreciation Breakfast for Circle **Advisors**
- Kaye LaFollette and J. David Gibbs 2018 Convention Operations
- E. A. Morris Foundation Janis Hirsch Arts Keynote Address
- Nationwide Insurance Convention Bags

 Richard I. Williams Awards Banquet and Conference Celebration

#### **Support for Convention Programs**

- Alpha Omicron Pi Fraternity
- Awake Chocolate
- Five Star Food Service
- Herff Jones
- Mid Valley Press

# Special Thanks

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#### 2018 CLAY GRANT RECIPIENTS

Austin Peay State University, Growing Our PEAYple

Christopher Newport University, Coming Full Circle: What To Do With Your Degree?

Dalton State College, Fostering Future Leaders:

Encouraging and Developing Leadership skills in High School Students

Georgia College, First Annual- OAK Leadership Summit

Rutgers University-Camden, The OAK Scarlet Power Brunch; Leadership in the 21st Century: Your Leadership and Learning Journey

University at Albany, O∆Kx UAlbany

University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Life Design Catalyst Coach Training Program

Virginia Military Institute, Service Networking: From Campus to Community and Back

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University,

Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets Cultural Awareness Round Table Discussion

Wagner College, Omicron Delta Kappa Leadership Summit

### MEMBER BENEFITS

Members of Omicron Delta Kappa can earn special discounts and promotions at companies that value the role our Society is playing in shaping tomorrow's leaders. Check our website often because there are always new discounts and promotions to share. The details for each of these offers can be found on the Member Benefits page at odk.org.





















#### **CONVENTION 2020**

Omicron Delta Kappa is taking the bold step to change from a biennial convention to an annual leadership conference beginning in 2020. Over the next several months, two teams of OAK students, advisors, and volunteers will be creating the process for identifying our conference cities and establishing a new curriculum model for the conferences. We are planning to announce the locations of the 2020 and 2021 leadership conferences by December 2018.

If you are interested in learning more about the process and providing valuable feedback, please attend the OAK Annual Conference 2020 Concurrent Session 1-A on Thursday, May 31.



## STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS AND ALLIANCES

Omicron Delta Kappa has developed several strategic alliances and partnerships since 2012. These programs, predominantly for currently enrolled members and recent graduates, provide individuals with opportunities to explore career options and further enhance their leadership development potential. Detailed information and links to these and other partnerships can be found on the  $O\Delta K$  website: odk.org/members/partnerships/

#### **WASHINGTON D.C. INTERNSHIPS - THE FUND FOR AMERICAN STUDIES**

The Fund for American Studies (TFAS) sponsors summer programs based in Washington, D.C. Each program includes academic credit through George Mason University, an internship placement, furnished housing, guest lectures, and site briefings as well as professional development and networking events. OAK has partnered with TFAS to offer scholarships to qualified members who are accepted into the 2019 Summer Programs. Scholarship applicants must be rising seniors (graduation date between December- August each year). http://www. dcinternships.org/admissions/

#### **SVACADEMY**

SVAcademy is a 12-week online, part-time fellowship for seniors and recent college graduates. Upon completion of the fellowship, students are placed in high-paying jobs in the Silicon Valley with an average starting full-time offer of \$78,000. SVAcademy has forged strong relationships with leading companies in Silicon Valley and worked with top mentors in the industry to craft a program to accelerate career growth. https://sv.academy/ODK.

#### **WASHINGTON SCHOLARS FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM**

A semester in the Washington Scholars Fellowship Program can be a great opportunity for politically minded students and recent graduates to be placed in premier internships in government agencies, media outlets, and certain non-governmental organizations. These positions offer a unique look at Washington and how the political process works from a hands-on point of view. https://www.washingtonscholars.org/

#### **WASHINGTON INTERNSHIP INSTITUTE**

The Washington Internship Institute's semesterlong academic internship program is carefully designed to provide college sophomores, juniors, seniors, recent graduates, and graduate students from the U.S. and abroad with practical, handson experience and academically rigorous courses emphasizing public service, leadership, and professional development. Members of Omicron Delta Kappa are eligible for a \$500 scholarship for this program. http://wiidc.org/

#### **TEACH FOR AMERICA**

Teach For America is an organization devoted to growing the movement of leaders who work to ensure that kids growing up in poverty get an excellent education. Since 2012, more than 200 OAK members have served as teachers in communities across the United States. Learn more about the organization's views on issues of the day, conversations about education, and stories from classrooms across the nation on www.teachforamerica.org.

#### **CORO FELLOWS PROGRAM**

The Coro Fellows Program trains ethical, diverse civic leaders nationwide. Coro leaders develop skills; master tools needed to engage and empower communities; gain experience in government, business, labor and not-for-profit community organizations; and participate in special community and political problem solving processes. Waivers for application fees are available. Visit www.corofellows.org or email CoroSoCal@coro.org for more info.



# NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS STAFF

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#### **Anne Tyler McCabe**

Membership Services Coordinator Hampden-Sydney College

## SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

#### THURSDAY, MAY 31

9 a.m. - 11 a.m.

11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

11 a.m. - 9 p.m.

12 p.m. - 2 p.m.

4 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.

5 p.m. - 5:45 p.m.

5:45 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

6:30 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.

7:30 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.

8:30 p.m. - 9:15 p.m.

Opening Session and State of the Society Address Welcome dinner

Arts Keynote: Janis Hirsch Concurrent Sessions 1-A

Society Board of Directors meeting

Registration open and housing check-in

Foundation Board of Trustees meeting

Convention Orientation and OAK 101

Concurrent Sessions 1-B





7 a.m. - 5 p.m.

7 a.m. - 8 a.m.

7:15 a.m. - 8:15 a.m.

7:45 a.m. - 8:15 a.m.

8:15 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.

8:15 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.

9:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

11 a.m. - 12:10 p.m.

12:30 p.m. - 2 p.m.

2:30 p.m. - 5 p.m.

4 p.m. - 6 p.m.

6:30 p.m. - 11 p.m.

Registration and O∆K Store

Convention Breakfast

Circle Advisors Breakfast

Convention Orientation and OAK 101

Communications Keynote for advisors: Corey Seemiller

Communications Keynote for collegiate members: Nancy Hunter Denney

Plenary Session I and Model Ritual

Concurrent Sessions 2

Convention Luncheon and Service Keynote: Eric Motley

Service Project in Honor of the 15 founders

Tours of the GIG at Belmont (Gallery of Iconic Guitars)

The Nashville Experience

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 2

7:45 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.

7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

8 a.m. - 9 a.m.

9 a.m. - 10:10 a.m.

10:15 a.m. - 11:25 a.m.

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

12:30 p.m. - 1:50 p.m.

2 p.m. - 3:10 p.m.

3:15 p.m. - 4:25 p.m.

6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

7 p.m. - 9 p.m.

9 pm. - 11:30 pm

Convention Breakfast

Registration and OAK Store Open

2016-18 and 2018-20 National Advisory Councils Breakfast

Concurrent Sessions 3

Athletics Keynote: Tom Bowen

Plenary Session II including elections

Luncheon featuring installation of officers

Concurrent Sessions 4

Concurrent Sessions 5

Circle Showcase

Awards Dinner and Scholarship Keynote: Jamie Washington

Convention Celebration

#### **SUNDAY, JUNE 3**

6 a.m. - 11 a.m.

6 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Check out and Departures/Airport transportation

Grab and go breakfast