



ALUMNEWS

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"Envy is the art of counting the other fellow's blessings instead of your own." – Harold Coffin

"Do more than belong: **participate**
Do more than care: **help**
Do more than believe: **practice**
Do more than be fair: **be kind**
Do more than forgive: **forget**
Do more than dream: **work.**" - William Arthur Ward
(1921-1994) American writer of inspirational maxims

2011 Regional Convention

March 4-6 Crowne Plaza, Foster City
\$95 rooms until Feb 22nd Registration
\$120, form at NVCA web page or
<http://skylinecollege.edu/boo/regional11/>

Alumni elections: President, secretary, communications director, 4 directors.
Get involved and give back!

Overcoming a Culture of Entitlement

When people feel "entitled," they resist change, they drag their feet, they are not accountable, and leaders are constantly frustrated. What we need, instead, is a culture where people are accountable, proactive and take responsibility for themselves and the organization.

Busy- But Nothing Gets Done

- Organize
- Prioritize
- Complete tasks
- Stick to time allotments
- Don't sweat the small stuff
- Limit electronic communication during tasks

ALICE and ANDREW by Sheila Burson

Question: I am a disabled student, but can't seem to get the help I need at my university.

Alice: Once you are out of the community college system, often universities, particularly private ones, feel that you need to be proactive yourself rather than rely on them for help. While they often have some help (usually in the form of additional time for test taking), anything else is up to you to fight for.

Andrew: Contact your disabilities coordinator for help, get involved in your university's Associated Students government to stand up for what you need, and keep plugging away!

ALUMNI BOARD CORNER

Do you want to join the Alumni Association, but aren't sure if you can? Students may join the Alumni Association (one-time, life-time dues of \$40) any time during their last semester at community college. Dually, you may still serve as an officer in your chapter and the Alumni Association. If you would like to join and run for office, there are still three uncontested one-year terms as Director at Large. See www.ptkalumni.org for our membership application and candidate questionnaire. All alumni are welcome to join us in our monthly teleconference. Click on "Meeting Information" on our website.

The new regional pin (not just for alumni) will be available at the Regional Convention (March 4-6, San Francisco) for \$5 to support Phi Theta Kappa scholarships. We're also looking for volunteers to help with a lot of behind the scenes operations if you want to help at the Convention. If you can't make it to the Convention, you are still eligible to run for office, or to buy a pin by mailing a check. Send an email with the quantity you want, and I'll reply with postage cost and address to mail it to.

Cheers,
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