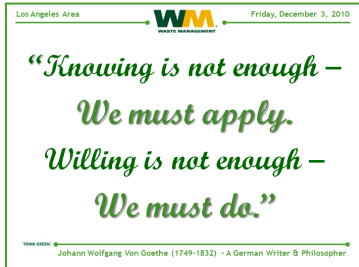




ALUMNEWS

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This is my last newsletter. It has been fun and challenging. I encourage all Alumni to get involved and give back to Phi Theta Kappa. *Faustina*



Phi Theta Kappa member, Sheila Burson, was a top winner in a contest that highlighted non-traditional college experiences, sponsored by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation as part of their ongoing initiative to boost college completion. The contest co-sponsor was GOOD, a division of msn.com.



Sheila Burson

**Our very own
Alumni Vice
President wins big!**

"These winners speak for many thousands of community college students who have overcome adversity and succeeded," said Phi Theta Kappa Executive Director Dr. Rod Risley. "Hopefully students experiencing similar challenges will be inspired by their success and will be motivated to complete community college and reach their goals." —International Phi Theta Kappa Alumni Newsletter

Attn: "student w/disabilities"

Students with disabilities are served by the disability resource center @ each university. Federal requirements and funding, as well as (usually) state funds and laws support the DRC. Contact information for your university's DRC should be able to be located through the office of the registrar, or the general information line by phone.

DRC offices are able to coordinate not only extra time for test taking, but also a quiet test environment, note takers, including for labs, supportive equipment to

include electronic media and assistive programs, ergonomic/specific seating (specialized chair, or footrest), and advocacy for each registered student with each professor of each course in which the student is enrolled. There are a broad reach of assistive supports for students with disabilities who register with their university's Disability Resource Center.

As a recent Magna Cum Laude graduate of the School of Social Work at UNLV, a student with disabilities, and Phi Theta Kappa Alumnus, I highly encourage any student with disabilities to register with your local DRC and make use of the range of supports available to you. Doing so increases your opportunities for academic success. Keep your focus on your academic achievement, and use the resources available to soar! Good Luck!

Sincerely, **Rhonda K.**, Alumnus PTK Alpha Xi Beta, Las Vegas, NV

ALICE and ANDREW (Sheila Burson)
Question: I really, really miss Phi Theta Kappa at my college. How can I stay involved?

Alice: Easy answer – Join the Alumni. You've already done that? Okaaaay.

Andrew: Better answer. Contact your admissions office at the college and your executive board for the NCRAA (we're on the web, check out the websites above) and we will work with you at your university to start a Phi Theta Kappa at the university level. Or come to the Convention in March and ask any of us in Hawaiian shirts!

ALUMNI BOARD CORNER



Alumni dress code for the 2011 Regional Convention in Foster City is Hawaiian shirts. Grass skirts optional.

Join alumni, run for office, have fun.

Have you gotten a lot from Phi Theta Kappa? It is time to give back!

\$500.00 Scholarship to be awarded at the Regional Convention. 150 word essay on **"How I will pay back through NV/CA Regional Alumni Association."** Submission ends 4-5-2011, 10am