



# ALUMNEWS

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"The best years of your life are the ones in which you decide your problems are your own. You do not blame them on your mother, the ecology, or the president. You realize that you control your own destiny." – **Albert Ellis**

"He who angers you conquers you." – **Elizabeth Kenny**

"The true measure of a man is how he treats someone who can do him absolutely no good." ~**Samuel Johnson**, 18th-century British author

"When you have power, you can afford to show gentleness"-  
R.C. Sproul

## Qualities of a Good Leader

**Submission.** Only a leader who has followed well, knows how to lead others well. Connecting with people becomes possible because you've walked in their shoes. Leaders who've never submitted to authority tend to be proud, unrealistic and autocratic

**Self-discipline.** To make consistently good decisions requires character and self-discipline. To do otherwise is to lose control of ourselves. British essayist John Foster writes, 'A man without decision of character can never be said to belong to himself. He belongs to whatever can make a captive of him.

**Patience.** Leaders look ahead, think ahead and want to move ahead. That's what makes them leaders. But the true goal of leadership is not to cross the finishing line first, but to take as many others with you as you can. For that reason you have to deliberately slow your pace, stay connected to your people, keep them informed and inspired, enlist the help of others to fulfill your vision, and keep going. And you can't do that if you're running too far ahead of everybody.

**Accountability.** Many people feel that accountability is a willingness to explain your actions. In reality, real accountability begins long before you take action. Most wrong actions come about because we are not being accountable early enough.

**Even though you may not notice it in the moment, the most effective leaders forever alter the course of your life.**

Join us

Nevada/California  
Regional Leadership Conference

November 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>

Crowne Plaza Hotel, Irvine CA



### ALICE and ANDREW

Question: How do I finance my post-community college education?

Alice: Now it is time to be proactive – for yourself. Remember, just because you are at a new school, they also have financial aid departments. Start there and expand!

Andrew: Work-study works for me and allows me to keep connected on campus. When I received my financial aid package, there was an amount there that I can work for on campus. Just remember, don't go over that amount or your hours will be considered strictly volunteer!

### ALUMNI PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hello Fellow Members~

As you all know by now, our Regional Leadership Conference is just around the corner! We, your humble NCRAA Board, would love to have any and all NCRAA members that can make it to join in the fun. NCRAA is proud to have the past and current Vice Presidents, Neill Kovrig and Sheila Burson, speak this year at Leadership on our Power series. Neill, will be presenting *"The Power of Transition: Transferring to Higher Educational Institutions"* with Sheila presenting *"The Power of Financing Your Education"* the Regional Board along with members from the host chapters, Alpha Omega Mu and Alpha Beta, will also be presenting informative sessions suited not only for continuing your educational experience but also sessions geared to one's leadership roles in the workforce and beyond.

We have had a few of our NCRAA members volunteer to help already and if anyone else would like to join us, feel free to contact us at [nvcaraa@gmail.com](mailto:nvcaraa@gmail.com) for further information.

*Once a Phi Theta Kappan, Always a Phi Theta Kappan!*

~Jesse Lyn Clark