

# The PDK-USC Kappan

*The Official Newsletter of the University of Southern California Chapter of Phi Delta Kappa International*

## INSIDE THIS ISSUE:

Ed.D. Student Presentation	1
Meet the Advisor	1
Meet the Ed.D. Students	1
January 2005 Photos	2
2005-2006 Elections	2
Save the Date	2
2005 Stoops Inspiration	3
2004-2005 Calendar	4



## MISSION STATEMENT

The purpose of Phi Delta Kappa shall be to promote quality education, in particular publicly supported education, as essential to the development and maintenance of a democratic way of life. This purpose shall be accomplished through research, service, and leadership in education.

*From the Constitution of  
Phi Delta Kappa International*



*From the Constitution of  
Phi Delta Kappa International*



## 2004-2005 PDK-USC GOVERNING BOARD

President	Dan Basalone
VP Programs	Stephenie Winn
VP Membership	Meg Palisoc
VP Projects	Randy Palisoc
VP Projects	Dr. Emery Stoops
Secretary	Dr. Robert Whipple
Treasurer	Linda Weber
Historian	Billie Jean Barrett
Research	Bill Wright
Foundations	Adda Serenil Paul Yokota

## Advisor:

Dr. Marian Fukuda

## Faculty Sponsor:

Dr. Stuart Gothold

## Committee Chairs:

Newsletter Dr. Robert Whipple

*Join us for our next PDK Dinner Meeting*

## THEMATIC DISSERTATION FOCUS

***The Effect of Teacher Evaluation Process on Teacher Practice***

**Advisor: Dr. Stuart Gothold**

Ed.D. Students: Josephine Zarro, Alicia Lindheim, and Elsa Mendoza

**Inspirational Speaker: Walt Greene**

Friday, March 11, 2005 6:00 P.M.

USC UPSTAIRS COMMONS CAFÉ

## Meet the Advisor...

### Stuart E. Gothold

Clinical Professor,  
Ed. D., University of Southern California



Prior to joining the university, Stuart Gothold served for over 20 years as school district and county superintendent. He teaches Ed.D. courses in organizational and instructional leadership and in governance, including restructuring and strategic planning. He assists in executive placement and serves as liaison to state and national educational organizations. Dr. Gothold currently coordinates the LA Urban Cohorts, groups of Ed.D. students specializing in urban school reform.

## Meet the Ed.D. Students...

### Josephine Zarro

Josephine Zarro serves as Professional Development Coordinator at Manual Arts High School, Los Angeles where she has taught English language arts and computers during her 25 years at the school. With eight more years at two other schools, Josephine has been and educator for 33 years.

### Elsa Mendoza

Elsa Mendoza is an Ed.D. Candidate studying the effects of the teacher evaluation process on the practice of high school teachers.

### Alicia Lindheim

Alicia Lindheim is currently a High School Specialist, District 3, in the Los Angeles Unified School District. She has also served as an organizational facilitator and middle school teacher. Mrs. Lindheim has a background in conflict resolution, program evaluation, and data analysis.

## Meet the Inspirational Speaker...

Dr. Walt Greene received his undergraduate degree from USC in 1963; he joined PDK on December 12, 1969. He did his graduate work at Pepperdine University. Dr. Greene worked for LAUSD for 37 years and has been working as an Assistant Clinical Professor at the Rossier School of Education since 2000.

# 2005-2006 USC PDK ELECTION OF OFFICERS

By Dr. Marian Fukuda, Advisor

The 2005 - 2006 slate of officers for the USC PDK Chapter will be announced at the March 11th PDK Dinner Meeting. The election and initiation of officers, in accordance with Article IX, Section 903 of the Chapter Bylaws, will be at the May 6th meeting by simple majority of those present and eligible to vote. The vote shall be by secret ballot. All current USC PDK Members are encouraged to participate in the election process.

## Photographs from January



Marguerite LaMotte delivering the 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Stoops Lecture.



Dr. Emory Stoops presenting Marguerite LaMotte with a commemorative statue for delivering the 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Stoops Lecture.

## SAVE THE DATE!!!

PDK-USC DINNER MEETING (**Ed.D. Student Presentations**)

@ UPSTAIRS COMMONS CAFÉ (Located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Student Union Building)

FRIDAY, March 11, 2005

6:00 P.M.

**DINNER RESERVATION DEADLINE IS Monday, March 7th.**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Total # Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

PDK Membership # (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Meal Choices (Select one)

:

Meal Choices: \_\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian (Portobello Mushroom Burger) \_\_\_\_\_ Chicken \_\_\_\_\_ Salmon

Mail your check (made payable to *PDK-USC Chapter*) for **\$25.00\*** per person (NOT including parking) with this form before Monday, March 7th to:

PDK-USC Chapter  
c/o Stephenie Winn  
15529 S Normandie, Unit A-1  
Gardena, CA 90247

*\*This amount does not include parking. Parking on campus costs \$6.00.*

# 2005 Annual Stoops Inspiration

*By Dr. Joyce Stoops-King*

**L**ast spring in my Inspiration, I referred to the situations that we sometimes overlook because our focus is elsewhere. We might not fully appreciate apparently insignificant incidents of factors in our lives.

As we mature, our understandings grow. I mentioned the Veteran at the VA Hospital who had just lost a leg. As he sat in his wheelchair on the patio, he said, "I'm so lucky to sit here and watch the squirrels play."

Some people seeing a frog sunning itself on a rock might react by thinking, how ugly. But a biologist, teacher, or professor would appreciate that same frog as a wonderful creature, with bright eyes, muscular legs, and superb coordination as the frog spies a tiny insect and catches it for a snack. The biologist's perceptions are more learned and are different.

A second-grader from the Midwest gazed at the vast Pacific Ocean for the first time and commented, "I don't think it's any bigger than Lake Erie" - perspective.

I also mentioned a dandelion I picked from the lawn of the VA grounds, and marveled at the bright little flower's growth into lovely form and color without any encouragement. As educators, we give untold time and attention to our students. We strive at every level of learning to help them to stretch their capabilities and to appreciate life's possibilities.

Some will go on to explore our God-given world and its inestimable wonders - from the tiniest forms of life to the vast spaces of our universe and beyond.

It's all a matter of growth of human understanding through the development of perceptions and perspectives. Teachers are at the heart of it - God Bless you on this journey!



Gathered together are the attendees of all forty-two Annual Stoops Lectures. These five USC Kappans have attended this special lecture series which began in 1962: Paul Yokota (left), Dr. Emery Stoops (left center), Peter Nisotis (center), Dr. Joyce King-Stoops (right center), and H.M. Berhart (right). Picture taken on January 21, 2005.

*New Publication from USC Kappan*

**MARIAN PATTERSON**, 30 Year USC Chapter PDK member and former PDK Board member, USC US 1947, USC Ed.D. 1981 of Los Angeles published *Prayers in Praise of God*, a compilation of prayers she wrote and delivered as an elder and liturgist in her church.

*Excerpt from the Trojan Family Magazine (p. 53).*

## 2004-2005 PDK-USC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March

11 - PDK-USC General Dinner Meeting,  
Upstairs Commons Café, 6:00 p.m.

Rossier School of Education Student Research Presentations

May

6 - PDK-USC Annual Awards & Installation Dinner,  
Upstairs Commons Café, 6:00 p.m.

2005-2006 PDK-USC Chapter Board Elections

April

7 - PDK-USC Board Meeting, WPH 900, 5:30 p.m.

June

9 - PDK-USC Board Meeting, WPH 900, 5:30 p.m.

### **Phi Delta Kappa International 2005 Conference and Exhibit**

Plan now to attend the Phi Delta Kappa International 2005 Conference and Exhibit from Nov. 10 to 13. The New Orleans Riverside Hilton is preparing to welcome educators from across the United States and the world to this cutting-edge conference, which is focused on the theme: **Doing What Matters: Education, Democracy, and the Future**. If you're interested in submitting a session proposal visit <http://www.pdkintl.org/pdkconf05/welcome.htm>.

### **Support the PDK Educational Foundation**

Please consider making a voluntary contribution of \$5 or more to support the PDK Educational Foundation. Your pledge to the Educational Foundation helps to provide scholarships, publishes books, sponsors seminars and institutes, and supports other significant activities. You will receive a pledge card soon via the mail or you can pay online at [www.pdkintl.org](http://www.pdkintl.org).

The PDK-USC Kappan  
Phi Delta Kappa International Chapter #0029  
USC Rossier School of Education  
WPH 1101  
Los Angeles, CA 90089-0031

*Address Correction Requested*