



**Sigma Phi Alpha**  
National Dental Hygiene Honor Society  
*Scholarship, Leadership, Service*

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Dear Sigma Phi Alpha Chapter Secretary:

It is an honor to serve this year as your Supreme Chapter President. Sigma Phi Alpha strives to stimulate scholarship, professional accomplishment, and exemplary service in the field of dental hygiene in order to enhance the profession's role in health care.

The Board of Directors has been communicating throughout the year to conduct the business and move forward on issues that come before the group. The board of directors have devised an ongoing strategic plan to improve communication with our chapters and visibility of SPA. Currently we are working on increasing our visibility to our Membership through our website and maintaining updated and current information. The intent for the future is to create a website more interactive, accessible and user friendly. The supreme chapter would appreciate each chapter to send news, events and pictures to the regional trustees about your component to be shared on the website.

The 2020 ADEA SPA annual meeting will be held in the city of National Harbor, Maryland. For more information about the ADEA meeting go to: <https://www.adea.org/2020/> Please join us at the SPA Annual Business meeting being held on Saturday March 14 from 6:30-8:00pm. Currently we are seeking nominations for Vice President. If you are interested in serving in a position please contact us.

The 2020 ADHA Annual Conference will be held in New Orleans June 12-June 14<sup>th</sup> where we co-sponsor a continuing education program with ADHA (<https://www.adha2020.org/>). Further information will be posted on the SPA website regarding the program being sponsored by SPA once details are finalized. We look forward to seeing you there!

We continue to support the annual ADEA/Sigma Phi Alpha Linda Devore Scholarship Award and the ADHA/Sigma Phi Alpha Journalism Awards: one for a baccalaureate degree or degree completion candidate and one for a master or doctoral level candidate. In addition, SPA Hu-Friedy Scholarship was established in 1998 for the purpose of awarding SPA component chapters \$500.00 towards the purchase of Hu-Friedy hand held instruments, ultrasonic inserts, cassettes, and other associated products. I encourage you to share these valuable opportunities with your students and colleagues.

I would like to thank the Board of Directors, SPA chapters and officers for their service and dedication to promote, recognize, and honor scholarship, leadership and service among dental hygiene students and graduates of dental hygiene programs throughout the year.

Sincerely,

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