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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

by Kay Allison Crews, CPP



Dear AIP members.

AIP continues to advance, despite the fact that this is a fairly quiet time in the "AIP year" as we prepare for 2018, but have had no new events

since the 2017 Annual Session.

Your President was thrilled to get to attend the 2017 National FFA Convention, serving as a judge for the parliamentary procedure AND the conduct of meeting events. AIP members Daniel Foster and Al Gage, respectively, serve as the Superintendents of those events. AIP had a heavy presence at the parliamentary procedure event. Judges included AIP members Jim Connors, Kay Crews, Will Fett, Roger Hanshaw, and Daniel Ivey-Soto. The final judging panel consisted of all AIP members: Roger Hanshaw, Will Fett, and I had a difficult time with four stellar teams to choose from!

Additionally, AIP member Barry Glazer served as the parliamentarian for the FFA business meetings, and Ann Guiberson served as a judge for the Conduct of Meeting events. In something new, the following AIP members agreed to review team answers to mini-option problems from their homes, sending the results back via email: Kay Crews, Will Fett, Roger Hanshaw, Richard Hayes, Maurice Henderson, Julie Palm, Mary Remson, and Jeanette Williams. Thank you to all for your assistance.

We also celebrated a new credential: Atul Kapur was awarded his CP credential. Congratulations, Atul!

In an effort to increase the ranks of new CPs, a "Boot Camp"

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Additional information regarding dates and registration will be available on the AIP website at http://www.aipparl.org as they become available.

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West Coast Practicum

Change Is Inevitable:

The Fine Art of Amending with Authority

February 8-10, 2018

Hampton Inn Tropicana

Las Vegas, NV

East Coast Practicum

June, 2018

Annual Session

August 1-5, 2018

Le Pavillion Hotel

New Orleans, LA

Deadline Dates for the "Communicator"

February 15, 2018

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EDITOR'S EXCHANGE

By Martha Haun

Never Too Old For Boot Camp!

Why would a person of sound mind willingly choose to sign up

for boot camp? Isn't that a prison for youthful offenders run along military lines or a military training camp required for new recruits with strict discipline? Well, it happened!

Just one week before Christmas 2017 more than a dozen excellent multi-generational parliamentarians voluntarily gathered in Dallas, Texas to study and challenge one another to even higher parliamentary plateaus! They chose to voluntarily engage in this short, intensive, and rigorous course of parliamentary training! Driving and flying from across the U.S. and eastern Canada, we traveled in order to improve skills and learn! Many of the participants seek higher credentials in AIP and/or NAP.

Under the excellent instruction of Kay Allison Crews, CPP, PRP, and with the organizational skills of Lucy Hicks Anderson, PRP, an already well-credentialed group of parliamentarians united to challenge and help one another master three leading parliamentary authorities – *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised [RONR], American Institute of Parliamentarians Standard Code [AIPSC] and Demeter's Manual of Parliamentary Law and Procedure [Demeter].

In this two-day intensive study, participants covered some 200 slides of "content" and explored how and why variations in the parliamentary authorities exist and have evolved. Many attendees prepared multiple-choice questions suitable for use in a game format and/or suggested mnemonics for remembering content. All contributed to questions and discussion.

Participants included Valerie Althoff, Lucy H. Anderson, CJ Cavin, Kay Allison Crews, Sharon Daughtery, Daniel Foster, Martha Haun, Carolyn Hoxie, Helen McFadden, Pam Meyercord, Ed Moore, Doug Offermann, Kirk Overbey, Robert Peskin, Beth Sapp-James, Libby Willis and Lee Woodward.

See who you can identify in the picture below and the others on page 7.



WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS OF AIP

Welcome new members of AIP - June through December 2017. Be a supportive member and contact any who live near you.

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117 Hobby Avenue Sylvania, GA 30467 was held in Dallas in December to help individuals learn about the exam and go through some of the key differences between the various parliamentary authorities. While this was taught by Kay Crews, it was not an official AIP event. About sixteen people attended. Most interesting to me was that certain of the attendees were not even members of AIP, but wanted to learn more about the process. (And AIP got some new members from this effort, too!) If you are interested in hearing about future events of this type, please contact me at Kay@DallasParliamentarian.com! To learn more about the event held in Dallas, see other articles in this newsletter!

In the last issue, it was announced that the 2018 West Coast Practicum will be held February 8-10 at the Hampton Inn Tropicana in Las Vegas. Much work has continued on the work of the practicum, which revolves around the theme "Change is Inevitable: The Fine Art of Amending with Authority." Come, learn,

meet with old friends (and make some new ones).

There are a LOT of people doing a LOT of work behind the scenes for AIP! BUT, we have one gap that still needs to be filled:

• Education Director: Ruth Ryan resigned due to family obligations. I seek a CP-T or CPP-T who can complete the term (through Annual Session 2018).

If you think you can help, please let me know at president@aipparl.org!

I hope to see you, too, at an AIP event this spring. Remember to keep looking for ways to help advance the cause of AIP.

Kay

Thank You For Your Contributions

CP Boot Camp

Kay Crews

Edmund Donoghue

Elizabeth Sapp

Lee Woodward

In Memory of Dick Weber by Jeanette Williams

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or contact AIP Headquarters at 888-664-0428.

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2018 WEST COAST PRACTICUM

FEBRUARY 8-10, 2018, LAS VEGAS, NV

The Hampton Inn Tropicana, Las Vegas, Nevada, is the venue for the 37th annual AIP West Coast Practicum. Conveniently located off the Las Vegas Strip, the hotel is about six miles from McCarran International Airport. Shuttle is free.

Also free are in-room WiFi and breakfast if you tell the hotel that you are with AIP when making your reservation. The only meal not included in the practicum registration fee is Friday evening dinner.



The registration form may be found on the AIP website (www.AIPParl.org).

Our two outstanding leaders, Kay Crews, CPP, PRP, and Barry Glaser, CPP-T, will guide our study of "Change is Inevitable: The Fine Art of Amending with Authority" using both Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised as well as the American Institute of Parliamentarians Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure. All levels of instruction will be presented and practiced.

Take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to grow in your parliamentary knowledge!

For hotel reservations, call (800) HILTONS or (702) 948-8123, state that you are with AIP (for the rate of \$124/night plus tax) and be sure to go to AIPParl.org and register or



you can call #888-664-0428 to register.

AIP practicums provide a safe environment to learn and practice parliamentary skills. This practicum will help all attendees to improve their presiding skills many times over! Please join us for an enjoyable and exciting learning experience in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Start: 8 am, Thursday, Feb. 8, 2018 **Conclude:** After the banquet, Saturday, Feb. 10

Curriculum Director Mary Remson, CPP-T, PRP is planning an educational program that you won't want to miss!

Dollie McPartlin, CP-T, PRP Coordinator, West Coast Practicum



Scenes From A CP Boot Camp

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Put higher priced purchases and gifts into the AIP bookstore and purchase them through the bookstore for a higher donation to AIP. Anyone who would like to coordinate that type of activity need only contact President Kay Crews for help!

This is "free money" for AIP, and anyone who supports these programs is also supporting our professional organization!!!