

# AIP Communicator

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*Welcome*  
to our New AIP President,  
**Kay Allison Crews**

*“GETTING THINGS DONE in a democracy requires an understanding of the point at which democratic --- DECISIONS BUTT WITH RESPONSIBILITY FOR EXECUTION.”*

*Roger Gray  
Parliamentary Journal,  
January 1965 p. 4 Vol. 6, no. 1.*

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## PRESIDENT’S LETTER

by Kay Allison Crews, CP

First of all, a huge thank you to the delegates at the 2015 Annual Session who elected me as the next President of AIP. Following in Alison Wallis’ shoes will be a big job; I appreciate her support and assistance in making this transition seamless.

The next thing I want to ask is that you reserve the following dates on your calendar:

### February 4-6, 2016

#### *West Coast Practicum*

In Ontario, California. The topic is “Board Member – Be a Most Valuable Player” and instructors Michael Swift, CPP-T, PRP, and Sarah Merkle, JD, CPP-T, PRP, have exciting plans for us. The hotel is the Ayres Suites, the rate is \$92/night.

### June 10-12, 2016

#### *East Coast Practicum*

In Linthicum Heights, Maryland. The topic and instructors are TBD, but Curriculum Director Roger Hanshaw

and General Coordinator Alison Wallis are hard at work! The location is the Conference Center at the Maritime Institute.

### August 4-6, 2016

#### *Annual Session*

In Albuquerque, New Mexico, at the Hotel Albuquerque on October 2 EC meeting. There will be opportunities to see parts of Albuquerque, which is a beautiful city.

There are CPP exams anticipated at both the West Coast and the East Coast practica, and attending a CPP exam is an exciting and education event in its own right!

There is more news that is not quite ready for prime time yet; but keep your eyes on the Communicator for future AIP updates!

In AIP service,

Kay Allison Crews, CP

# 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.

## West Coast Practicum 2016

February 4, 2016 - February 6, 2016

Ontario, California

## East Coast Practicum 2016

June 10, 2016 - June 12, 2016

Linthicum Heights, Maryland

## Pre-Annual Session BOD Meeting

August 2, 2016

Albuquerque, New Mexico

## Business Development Institute

August 3, 2016

Albuquerque, New Mexico

## AIP Annual Session

August 4, 2016 - August 6, 2016

Albuquerque, New Mexico

*Hotel Albuquerque*

## Post-Annual Session BOD Meeting

August 7, 2016

Albuquerque, New Mexico

## Deadline Dates for the “Communicator”

November 1, 2015	December Issue
February 1, 2016	March Issue
May 1, 2016	June Issue

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## EDITOR'S EXCHANGE

By Martha Haun

I am very pleased to be your new editor for The AIP Communicator.

It now seems long ago that with great pleasure I edited the Parliamentary Journal for some six years. I found, however, that I like writing better than editing! I'm looking forward to preparing this publication for you as we renew long-time friendships and build new ones.

Make this easy for us all and send in your parliamentary bits and thoughts. I leave you with this thought:

*Parliamentarians are like dandelions – we have deep, strong roots grounded in democratic principles articulated by Jefferson, Robert and Sturgis and many others. At maturity in training and experience, we scatter – carried by winds of circumstance, need and timing – to influence the world.*

Martha Haun  
Editor

## AIP PRESIDENT BRINGS GREETINGS TO NAP

**2015-16 AIP president Kay Allison Crews expressed greetings and good wishes to NAP President Ann Guiberson with the following poem:**



### AIP Greetings

To NAP members, I bring you warm greetings  
From your AIP colleagues who wish you good meetings.  
We know that the business to be considered is great –  
It is clear that NAP has its Future to Create!

In many ways our fine groups agree,  
On subjects both like to explore, you can see.

Our Code of Ethics is Joint,  
To stress a main point.  
And you know it's the truth,  
That we all work with youth.

Mr. Robert is here – he's parliamentary aristocracy.  
His grandfather wrote the book that preserves our democracy.  
Parliamentarians help those with meetings deliberative  
To prevent their becoming a club that is primitive.

And both groups have professionals who are so proud,  
When we achieve our credentials, we say it out loud  
Two parliamentary authorities guide our every mode,

NAP likes RONR; we choose AIP's Standard Code.

Education's a shared goal, both strive for the best,  
AIP has two Practica, both East Coast and West.  
A three-day dive into a single broad theme,  
It includes both lecture and some work on a team.

AIP's membership is mighty, but small,  
We invite you to join, we welcome you all.  
If a member of our group you'd like now to be,  
We're waiting for you at AIPparl-dot-o-r-g.

But this ode is more than an ad, I'll mention.  
So NAP, have fun at your biennial convention,  
You'll meet, you'll learn, you'll visit and dine.  
And afterwards, let's all meet in the bar, for wine!

And as this little rhyme comes finally to an end,  
Remember: a parliamentarian makes the very best friend.  
These thoughts express AIP's true heartfelt views,  
To your President Ann Guiberson, from our President, Kay Crews.

# WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS OF AIP

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**James Paul Brady**  
**Daniel Foster**  
**John Pisacane**





# Dahms-Bierbaum Workshop presents: Nominations Elections Voting

**When:** October 30-November 1, 2015

**Where:** Hilton Hotel, Kansas City Airport  
8801 NW 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Kansas City, MO

**Who should attend:** Parliamentarians and leaders of associations, clubs, and membership organizations will gain skill and knowledge to ensure fair and open procedures and problem solving tactics.

**Register:** Complete information, registration and schedule at [www.dahmsfoundation.org](http://www.dahmsfoundation.org)

- ★ What do you do when there is a problem with the nominating process in an organization?
- ★ How do you respond when there is controversy over how elections should be handled?
- ★ Do you know the different ways to vote and to count votes? Which one is the fairest?

You will focus on various methods of voting and best practices and procedures for conducting nominations and elections. This interactive program will establish the basis to handle issues no matter if you're having problems finding candidates or faced with a hotly contested election.

Participants will:

- ★ Solve problems that are sometimes encountered nominations, in the various methods of voting, and in holding democratic elections.
- ★ Demonstrate correct procedures in practical applications.
- ★ Participate in a mock election.
- ★ Learn about statutory rules pertaining to elections and voting issues.

Instructors: Ann Rempel, CPP-T, PRP, Curriculum Director; Ann Guiberson, PRP; Sandy Olson, PRP; and Alison Wallis, J.D., PRP, CP-T.

**Register today!** [www.dahmsfoundation.org](http://www.dahmsfoundation.org)

**Registration fee until October 19, 2015 (postmarked): \$265**





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