



# Pi Chapter Newsletter

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**Explore, Dream, and Discover  
2017-2018**



Dear Pi Chapter,

I can't believe it is already April, and we are close to the end of another school year. I truly believe that each year goes by faster than the last one! I am thankful for warmer days and good weather.

Our April meeting is going to be jam packed: We have DeWayne Emert as our guest speaker, and he will be discussing legislative and educational issues (And he always loves to eat with us.). We will also be inducting two new members into Pi Chapter, and I look forward to welcoming them. I love that our chapter is growing, and I am excited to see how these new members will grow within our organization! Finally, we will be installing officers for the 2018-2020 biennium. Needless to say, it will be a full meeting.

Be sure you have marked your calendars and are planning on attending our May banquet at Calhoun's. Pi Chapter will be celebrating our 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary, and it will be a wonderful afternoon of celebration and fellowship. You can reserve your spot by giving Kathleen Benedict your \$25 for the meal.

See you soon,  
Rhonda A. Phillips

### Pi Chapter Officers/Leaders

President.....Rhonda Phillips  
1<sup>st</sup> VP .....Patsye Thurmon  
2<sup>nd</sup> VP ..... Reita Yadon  
Recording Sec.....Amy Graham  
Corres. Sec.....Lee Ann Eaves  
Parliamentarian.....April Perry  
Treasurer ..... Kathleen Benedict  
Editor /Webmaster.....Pat Stonecipher

### Tuesday, April 3, 2018

Memorial United Methodist Church  
5:00 p.m.

**Inspiration**  
Kathy Hurst

**Hostesses**  
Lisa Smith (Coordinator), Terri Gilbert, April Perry, Lori Price, Sara Idzik

**Program**  
"Legislative Update"  
DeWayne Emert

**Business**  
Initiation of new members  
Installation of New Officers

**Remember to Bring**  
Cards with favorite memories of Pi Chapter activities  
Change for Change Donations  
Box Tops for Education

*Wear your official DKG pin  
or pay fifty cents.*



**VERY IMPORTANT  
INFORMATION TO READ FOR  
RETIRING AND INCOMING PI  
CHAPTER OFFICERS See Page 3  
of this newsletter.**

## Pi Chapter Local News

### 75<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party!!!

It's official so mark your calendars! We are having our 75th Birthday/Founders' Day Banquet on May 1st at Calhoun's in Oak Ridge. We have two private rooms reserved with access to a deck right on the water. Lots of plans are being made that we will share in the coming months. We're hoping that all of our Pi Chapter sisters will attend this special event!

### Door prizes needed!

We want to give door prizes at our 75th Anniversary celebration. If you have a gift closet or could purchase an item for a door prize, please bring it to the April meeting. It doesn't have to be expensive. We'll provide the gift bags. Thanks for helping make this a special celebration for our chapter!

Pat Aldridge

### Joys and Concerns

**Happy April Birthdays to:** Laura Boden and Carrie Stewart (1<sup>st</sup>), Rhonda F. Phillips (11<sup>th</sup>), Amanda Weaver (13<sup>th</sup>)

Please let us know if you or another sister has had a health related problem so that we may let the chapter members know.

Please let Pat Stonecipher ([patstonecipher@att.net](mailto:patstonecipher@att.net)) know of any joys or concerns to include in the newsletter. If your birthday is wrong, please let me know!

### ***TREASURER'S "TIDBITS" \$\$\$\$\$\$ April, 2018***

In order to minimize the time I talk at meetings, I thought that I newsletter some thoughts that you would find of interest. Hope these



might include in the help!

**I am still collecting dues, as agreed upon, from 3 members of our chapter. As you know, I will help anyone spread out dues payment to meet specific needs. This has worked well in the past for members and for our chapter.**

**We have surpassed our \$1,000.00 goal for awarding two 500.00 Grants – in – Aid by 300+ dollars. Also, we still have an inventory of t-shirts to sell that when sold will generate pure profit.**

**I have sent our budgeted contributions to Xi State or DKG Society International. Additionally, we collected 196.00 from members to send to DKG Society International for the Emergency Fund. I will mail all monies collected for Schools for Africa to UNICEF after the March meeting. Our total for 2017-2018 is 71.11.**

**We have much to celebrate for our 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Pi Chapter at Founder's Day Banquet in May! Our Pi Chapter members contribute in so many creative ways to fulfill our mission! Many of you who cannot attend all the meetings send in donations with members who are coming and communicate with me to send money supporting our projects. Thank you!! Whatever you contribute, you are appreciated! Your Treasurer, Kathleen Benedict 865-599-1646 [kbenedict08@comcast.net](mailto:kbenedict08@comcast.net)**

## Pi Chapter Local News

### **VERY IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO READ FOR RETIRING AND INCOMING PI CHAPTER OFFICERS**

The retiring and incoming officers will need to line up in the following order in a pew right behind the membership of Pi Chapter when going to the sanctuary for the initiation of new members and the induction of officers on April 3. In the left aisle seat will be **Rhonda, then Patsye, Reita, Amy, and LeeAnn**. In the pew, each will have a red rose and a copy of the program with the appropriate part highlighted. Directly across from the retiring officers will be the incoming officers with a script at each of their places. **Ann** will sit on the aisle, a space, **Linda**, a space, **Laura**, and **Kathleen**. When I get up, Rhonda and Ann side by side will lead the two processions that will form a semi-circle several feet away on each side of the table in front on the same side as you were sitting and facing the opposite officer leaving the same spaces as outlined above. Immediately after Rhonda has read her outgoing president's script, she will give Ann a rose and take her place in the space between Ann and Linda. Next, Patsye will read her outgoing first vice president's script and then give Rhonda a rose and take the space between Linda and Laura. The rest of the retiring officers will read their scripts, presenting their roses to the appropriate incoming officers and taking their original positions. The scripts for the incoming officers are provided only so that they can follow the order of the induction and will need only answer, "I will," after the retiring officer speaks directly to each. Kathleen, you will only be on the incoming officer side. I will read your duties just to refresh the membership on what a big job you have. On my cue, the incoming officers will approach the table and place their roses simultaneously in the bowl that has three roses already in it, so the membership can see. I speak again and then the induction is concluded.

**IF ANYONE LISTED ABOVE CANNOT BE AT THE INDUCTION ON APRIL 3, PLEASE LET ME KNOW IMMEDIATELY AFTER READING THIS.** [dianealsop@comcast.net](mailto:dianealsop@comcast.net)

If you have questions, you can check your places in the sanctuary before the regular Pi Chapter meeting. I will be there to clarify.

Also, incoming officers will need to check that night with Rhonda if you have not already heard concerning new officer training scheduled in April. Retiring officers will continue in their positions until the end of June. Incoming officers will take office on July 1.

### **Schools for Africa Project "Change for Change" 2017-2018**



**Pi Chapter once again sent a contribution on behalf of "Pi Chapter, Delta Kappa Gamma" to UNICEF, the organization that administers the funds for the Schools for Africa Program. I am so proud to be a little part of this effort! Thank you for your**

**kind help! Current Total for 2017-2018: 71.11**

**This worthy project accomplishes the following:**

**With Support from The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International and Others, the Schools for Africa Program Is...**

- **Benefiting nearly 5 million children, with a special emphasis on girls, orphans, and children living in extreme poverty**
- **Building and rehabilitating almost 1,000 schools**
- **Training nearly 100,000 teachers**
- **Supplying notebooks, pens, desks, chairs, and other essential school materials**
- **Making sure schools have clean, safe drinking water and separate bathrooms for girls and boys**
- **Creating schools that offer a protective environment.**

## Pi Chapter Local News



How does a trip to Venice, Cinque Terra, Milan, Florence, Pisa and Switzerland sound? If you are interested in the trip of a lifetime in June of 2019, please contact Lori Price at 865-599-6243 for more information.

### Help Needed!

If you have any photos of Pi Chapter activities, please submit them to Deckie Conley. She is using them for our Chapter Scrapbook. You may send them to [deckie.conley@gmail.com](mailto:deckie.conley@gmail.com) or bring them to the April or May meeting.

## Xi State News International News

### Important Dates from Xi State

**June 7-9, 2018 Xi State Convention, Sewanee**

### Important Dates from International

**July 16-20 International Convention  
Austin, TX**

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