



Pi Chapter Newsletter

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**From the
Heart
2020-2022**



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Dear Sisters,

Many things are slowly moving toward a sense of normal while others are turning us toward a new kind of normal in our lives. We are hoping our December gathering is one of those new kinds of normal in our fellowship through Pi Chapter. As we have made plans for this meeting we are grateful for your contributions and support over the past year and a half of this biennium. It is our hope that we will see many of your faces that have been missing from our gatherings at this meeting. Please note, our meeting time has changed by 30 minutes to start at 5:00. We do hope you can attend!

There are many topics for our discussions that need to be addressed over the next several months: new members, election of officers for the next biennium, compilation of Maycie points for Pi Chapter for this year, and the variety of ways that the TNSO has managed to expand its offerings to members through online programs and activities. These new normals have helped to expand TNSO reach to our members and across the state to provide critical, timely, and often, simple information for our Chapters to utilize in maintaining our activities for members.

The December meeting will provide time for long-awaited and anticipated fellowship with one another while we celebrate the dedication of our yearbook for this year. We owe Linda McCune a huge handclap for all the work she has done to update and design a template for Pi Chapter that has become the state's template exemplar for all chapters in the state organization. Thank you Linda!

If, by chance, you are not able to attend on Tuesday, enjoy making precious memories with your family and friends over the next several weeks and please be safe as we enter the new year. We hope you do have a wonderful holiday season and will plan to see you in the new year!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Vikki and Abbi

Tuesday, December 7, 2021

5:00 p.m.

Memorial United Methodist
Church – Fellowship Hall

Inspiration

Kathleen Benedict

Program/Business

Yearbook Dedication
Committee Reports



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Joys and Concerns

Prayers of comfort for: Felecia Reynolds and her husband Steve
Kathleen Benedict

Happy December Birthday to: Pat Aldridge (10th) and Lisa Harrison Smith (17th)

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) know of any joys or concerns to include in the newsletter.



**Where Can We
Find Members?**

Announcements for and From Pi Chapter Members

Do you know of someone you would like to nominate to join us in Pi Chapter? Please think of those you might want to nominate. We hope to have an induction ceremony later this year. (You can find the nomination form on our website <https://xistatepichapter.weebly.com/forms.html>)

Bonnie Moore, TX, reminded us at her workshop in San Antonio that we should expand our thoughts of what a professional educator looks like and to think beyond the typical classroom teacher. Here are some of the examples she shared:

Counselor	Preschool Teacher	Paraprofessional
Corporate Trainer	Christian Ed Director	Yoga Instructor
Personal Trainer	Librarian	CPR Instructor
Financial Counselor	Facilitator	Museum Curator
Bank Trainer	Human Resources Trainer	IT Trainer
Trades Teacher	University Staff	Food Service

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Notes from the Presidents *Time Dated Information*

Date: December 12, 2021

Arts and Personal Growth

The Arts and Personal Enrichment Committee is hosting an event at the Cumberland County Playhouse in Crossville on Sunday, December 12 at 3:30 p.m. EST/2:30 p.m. CST for *Scrooge, the Musical*. Members will have an opportunity to spend a fun afternoon together

Due Date: December 31, 2021

Vision Foundation

Liz Whorley Bradley Professional Growth Award and Project Grants: Please consider filling out an application to attend a seminar, workshop, or professional meeting or to conduct educational research and/or develop special projects for your classroom. Applications and guidelines for Project Grants and the Liz Whorley Bradley Professional Growth Award are found on the TNSO website under *Vision Foundation/Guidelines/Applications* or *Resources/Scholarships & Grants*. Up to \$2000.00 is given to the winner of the Liz Whorley Bradley Professional Growth Award and up to \$1000.00 is given to each winner of a Project Grant. Applications are due no later than December 31, 2021. Applications may be submitted to Dr. Cathy Meredith, cdmeredith18@gmail.com.

Scholarship

The Tennessee State Scholarship Application is now available on the website, so members are encouraged to start their application process. All parts of the application must be submitted electronically to Donna Campbell campbelld1013@gmail.com no later than February 1, 2022 though earlier submissions are more than welcome (please!). More information is available on the state website *Resources/Scholarship & Grants*. Please contact Donna Campbell with any questions.

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Chapter Officer Leadership Training

The dates and locations for Chapter Officer Training have been set!

- Middle Tennessee: April 9th at Goodpasture Christian School in Madison
- East Tennessee: April 23 at Oak Ridge High School in Oak Ridge
- West Tennessee: May 7 at Southside High School in Jackson

This includes training for Chapter President, 1st Vice-President/EEC Chair, Treasurer, Membership Chair, Communications/Webmaster, and Bylaws/Rules Chair. If your chapter is interested in raising funds by providing a meal at one of the trainings, please reach out to Recording Secretary Chasity Ragsdale by emailing dkgtstatersec@gmail.com. Registration will be available beginning February 1, 2022.

Legislation

The Legislative Committee is planning the 2022 Legislative Symposium and the Day on the Hill. Next year's events will be divided into three components:

1. Approximately two to three weeks prior to our Day on the Hill, we will again offer a Virtual Symposium, consisting of a panel of legislators, local and state representatives and a keynote speaker, TBD. This event will be available to all DKG TN members.
2. One week before the Day on the Hill, the Legislative Committee will host a virtual workshop, or "Prep Rally". This workshop will inform members on legislative contacts, proposed bills concerned with education and review procedures for the Day on the Hill.
3. The Tennessee State Organization looks forward to our Days on the Hill. Dates for the Legislative Symposium, "Prep Rally" and Day on the Hill will be available in early December. Please contact Amber Roberts (ahroberts@ortn.edu) for further information.

New The Legislative Committee is offering the Legislative Award for the 2021-2022 year. The form is found on the state website *Resources/Chapter Forms & Reports*.

Deadline for submission is March 15, 2022, ahroberts@ortn.edu.

Treasurer's Report

November 2021 DELTA KAPPA GAMMA, PI CHAPTER

TREASURER'S REPORT

KATHLEEN BENEDICT, TREASURER

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BEGINNING BALANCE.....	6,314.84
Deposits	+ 67.00
DISBURSEMENTS.....	- .00
ENDING BALANCE.....	6,361.84

TOTALS IN EACH FUND

Grant-in-Aide Fund (Funded by donations and fundraisers) 414.17

Beginning Balance 11-30-2021 347.17 + 20.00 October Happy Jar + 47.00 November Happy Jar = 414.17

Vera Jo Henegar Scholarship Fund 3,380.00

Established in Memory of Pi Chapter member Vera Henegar and funded with kind gifts...

Xi State Convention Fund for First Time Attendees*.....

0.01

Balance 11-30-2021 0.01 [Includes Gifts In Memory of Joe Tackett, husband of Paula]

Discretionary Fund (Funded by donations.)

298.10

Balance 11-30-2021 = 298.10

Hazel McCreary Classroom Grant Fund (Funded by donations.)

146.24

Balance 11-30-2021 146.24

AVAILABLE REGULAR FUND..... 2,143.32

(Member dues, collected each year, fund a budget for this fund.) Beginning balance 11-30-2021 = 2,143.32

TOTAL MONEY IN ACCOUNT.....

6,361.84

Anna Mae Lane Memorial Fund (Established by gifts from the family and friends of Mrs. Lane in tribute to her longtime service to education.) Balance 10-31-2021 = 210.00

[This fund part of the Regular Fund.]

[*When the goal of \$1,000.00 has been reached for the two recruitment grants, Happy Jar money will go towards the fund for Xi State First Time Attendees. If no one applies, all monies will remain in Grant-in-Aide Fund.]

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Note: If your committee has anything to report, please submit it to Pat Stonecipher (stonecipherp@gmail.com)

It's Nomination Time for Pi Chapter

Pi Chapter Sisters, it's time to think about the leadership of Pi Chapter for the 2022-24 biennium. Our current officers have done an outstanding job, but some have served for 2 consecutive bienniums and will not be able to fill those positions for the upcoming biennium. The nominations committee is seeking members to step up and lead, and we may be calling you. We hope to present a slate of officers at the February meeting. If there is an office you are interested in, please let one of the committee members know. The committee is Pat Aldridge, Amy Graham, Kathy Hurst, and Amanda Powers. Vera Jo Henegar told me when I became a member in 1987, "A good DKG member never says no!" Please consider serving so Pi Chapter can continue to be one of the outstanding chapters in Tennessee.

Submitted by Pat Aldridge, Nominations Committee

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Future Programs

- **December** – DIY Gift Ideas (Share Ideas and create a DIY wreath)
- **January**– Support for READ Across America (Bring a favorite children’s book to donate to local schools.)
- **February** – A Time to Plant (ACCTC Agriculture Program)
- **March** – Legislative Session, Reducing Stress with Essential Oils
- **April** – Induction Ceremony
- **May** – Founders’ Day Program and Installation of New Officers



State and International News



June 2—4, 2022 Tennessee State Convention (Sewanee)

July 12—16 International Convention (New Orleans)

Virtual Events

There are lots of activities you can enjoy from home. Please check out the available events, upcoming or on demand. Just click on the link below

<https://www.tndkg.org/virtual-events>

Come to New Orleans, LA

Start planning now to attend the 2022 International Convention in New Orleans, LA. Our speakers and workshops are going to be great, the setting is beautiful, the price is excellent, and genuine fellowship will be in abundance. Try to bring at least three members from your chapter.

The convention will be held at the Sheraton New Orleans, 500 Canal Street, New Orleans, LA 70130, right in the heart of New Orleans. Discover the heart, soul, rhythm, blues, and yes, the passion of New Orleans.

This year, we will have a special opportunity for those attending the convention for the first time