



Pi Chapter Newsletter

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Dear Pi Chapter,

The month of February brings thoughts of love, lots of candy, and Valentines. I also look at February as a time to think about women’s heart health. February 2nd was National Wear Red Day to remind women to look for the warning signs of heart problems. (My awesome English department colleagues wore red for me even though I was in LA for the Standards Institute.) Please check out <https://www.goredforwomen.org/> for important and helpful heart information.

Our guest speaker this month is Amanda Powers. She is over reading at the middle and high school level, and I look forward to hearing her speak about reading in Anderson County Schools.

Please be sure to make nominations for new members. Invite them to attend a meeting, so that they can see what Pi Chapter is all about! We usually vote on new members in March with the induction ceremony held in April.

Hope to see everyone on Tuesday!

Sincerely,
Rhonda A. Phillips

Tuesday, February 6, 2018

Memorial United Methodist Church
5:00 p.m.

Inspiration

Carolyn McGaha

Hostesses

Pam Allen (Coordinator), Laura Boden, Lucy VanCleve, Karen Long

Program

“Reading Focus”
Amanda Powers

Business

Recommendations for new members

Remember to Bring

Change for Change Donations
Box Tops for Education

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



In the end, only three things
matter: how much you loved,
how gently you lived, and
how gracefully you let go of
things not meant for you.

-Buddha

Pi Chapter Local News

75th 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!

PI CHAPTER MEMBERS: If your physical address, email address, phone or name change during the year, please notify Kathleen Benedict (kbenedict08@comcast.net) or Pat Stonecipher, so all materials from international can reach you.

Joys and Concerns

Happy February Birthdays to: Vikki Burns (2nd), Diane Alsop and Susan Jonely (27th)

Congratulations to Anderson County Teachers of the Year who are also Pi Chapter members: Julie Capps (ACCTC) and Laura Boden (Grand Oakes Elementary, Preschool).

Condolences to Kathleen Benedict. Her mother, Teresa Margaret White Dewine passed away on January 31, 2018. Her obituary can be found at http://obits.dignitymemorial.com/dignity-memorial/obituary.aspx?n=Teresa-DeWine&lc=7450&pid=188047182&mid=7747307&locale=en_US

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

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



Pi Chapter will once again send 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!

Please consider this worthy project!

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.**

The Schools for Africa Collection "Green Tub" will be at the Check-In table each meeting! Help Support Pi Chapter's effort to donate your loose "change" in the hope that your donation of change will, when combined with many other like-minded DKG members, make a real CHANGE in Africa by providing schools so that learning may be provided in areas where it is not now available. For more information:

<https://www.dkg.org/content/schools-africa>

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TREASURER'S "TIDBITS" \$\$\$\$\$ January 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

I am still collecting dues, as agreed upon, from 9 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.

All of 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!

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might include in the these help!

Moments from January Meeting



Melissa Harrell presented a program on Casting for Recovery, designed for 16 women who are breast cancer survivors, have breast cancer and/or are in treatment. The program allows women the opportunity to participate in fly fishing. This program started in 2007 and Melissa is also a river guide. Casting for Recovery's web site is

<https://castingforrecovery.org>

Melissa also represents Trout Unlimited. This organization sponsors "Women on the Water" which is open to all women.

Kathleen Benedict reported that we collected \$265 from the proceeds of our Silent Auction!



Pi Chapter Local News

**Congratulations to our Pi Sisters
Anderson County Teachers of the Year
They will be honored at the
Teacher of the Year Banquet, April 10, 2018**



Laura Boden

Grand Oakes Elementary, Pre School



Julie Capps

ACCTC, Business Tech

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Important Dates from Xi State

**February 6-7, 2018 Xi State Legislative Symposium
June 7-9, 2018 Xi State Convention, Sewanee**

Important Dates from International

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

US Forum Connection

For those of you desiring discussion of legislative topics there is a U. S. Forum Facebook page online at <http://www.facebook.com/DKG.US.Forum>

FORUM WEB SITE: <http://www.usforumdkg.org/>



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