



**Explore, Dream, and Discover
2018-2020**

Happy New Year!!! 2019 is an opportunity for memorable moments, great adventures, laughter, love, new challenges, good healthy and success! Wishing the best for all of you in the coming year.

Pi Chapter can look forward to an outstanding year too. Your presence is important so let's continue our 30 + attendance each meeting. We have dedicated officers who are doing a great job, young members who are making a positive impact in our chapter, engaged committees, new members ready to participate, interesting and informative programs, and planned discussion on our new collegiate membership and the restructuring of our fiscal year. We will end the year with our Founder's Day Banquet. While plans are still in progress, I am happy to announce that our International 1st Vice President, Becky Sadowski, will be our speaker.

Become more active in DKG and Xi State. Apply for a grant or scholarship. Present a workshop for your Xi sisters at our state convention (May 30- June 1) and attend the Southeast Regional Conference (June 27-29) in Asheville.

Join us this month to learn about Gear Up and to discuss our collegiate membership. I look forward to a great year for Pi and each member.

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Pi Chapter Officers/Leaders

President.....	Ann Gann
1 st VP	Rhonda Phillips
2 nd VP	Linda McCune
Recording Sec.....	Patsye Thurmon
Corres. Sec.....	Laura Phillips
Parliamentarian.....	Susan Fowler
Treasurer	Kathleen Benedict
Editor /Webmaster.....	Pat Stonecipher

Tuesday, January 8, 2019

Memorial United Methodist Church
5:00 p.m.

Inspiration
Vikki Burns

Hostesses
Pat Aldridge (Coordinator), Pat Stonecipher, Susan Jonely, Caroline McGaha, Diane Alsop

Program
Gear UP

Business
Collegiate Experience
Schools for Africa

Remember to Bring

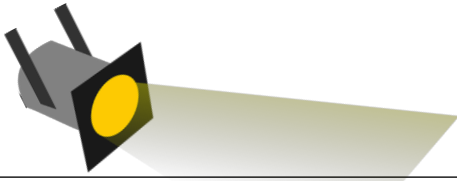


1. Change for Change Donations
2. Box Tops for Education

*Wear your DKG
pin with pride!*



Pi Chapter Local News



Spotlight on Members

Welcome to our Newest Sisters!

Melanie McDaniel has taught at Norwood Middle School, Clinton Middle School, and currently teaches Algebra I at Anderson County High School. She received her bachelor's degree from Maryville College and her master's degree from Carson Newman. Melanie always wanted to be a teacher and is passionate about helping her students become lifelong learners. She wants them to share the same curiosity for the world that she enjoys so much. When she is not teaching, Melanie loves coaching, spending time with her nephews and family, traveling, and mission work. Every Spring Break, you can find her, and her husband, at Disney World hanging with Mickey.



Abigail Roehl has taught at Norris Elementary, Fairview Elementary, and currently teaches second grade at Andersonville Elementary. She received her bachelor's degree from the University of Tennessee and her master's degree from Lincoln Memorial University. Abbi's own love of learning is what inspired her to become a teacher, and she hopes to pass on that curiosity and desire for knowledge to her students. Her personal mantra is to always be better than the day before. When she is not teaching, Abbi loves gardening, cooking, crafting, and reading. This dog mom rescues pit bulls to raise breed specific awareness. Her message to others is "Don't Judge a Book by Its Cover!"



Let's spotlight our members!

If you or someone you know has made a shift, moved up, or received any awards or advanced degrees, share the good news by emailing Pat Stonecipher (stonecipherp@gmail.com).

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Welcome to our newest Pi Sisters!

In December, we welcomed our three newest Pi Sisters. We are so fortunate to have these excellent young educators among our group. Please welcome them at our next meeting.

Left to Right: Jennifer Taylor, Abbi Roehl, Melanie McDaniel, Linda McCune, Ann Gann, Rhonda Phillips, Patyse Thurmon, Rachel Pemberton

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Joys and Concerns

Happy January Birthdays to: Rachel Pemberton (8th), Mary Ruth Cook (9th), and Felecia Reynolds (11th)

Condolences to Vera Jo Henegar upon the death of her husband, Howard Henegar, who passed away on December 17, 2018. Please keep Vera Jo and her family in your thoughts and prayers.

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.

Announcements for Pi Chapter Members

- We are responsible for cleaning up and returning room to original setup (if tables and chairs are moved). Trash bags removed from cans to storage room.
- Notify Rachel Pemberton (rpemberton@acs.ac) if absence is from school activity such as teaching or attending school or other educational meeting.

Welcome Collegiate Members!

The newly adopted International Constitutional amendment states:

Collegiate members shall be undergraduate or graduate students who meet the following criteria:

- a. Undergraduate student collegiate members shall
 - (1) be enrolled in an institution offering an education degree and have the intent to continue academically and professionally in the field of education; an
 - (2) be enrolled within the last two years of their undergraduate education degree.
- b. Graduate student collegiate members shall have graduate standing in an institution offering an education degree and have the intent to continue academically and professionally in the field of education. When a collegiate member starts her career as a paid educator, she will pay active member dues and become an active member. If a collegiate member does not pursue a career as an educator, her membership will expire upon graduation or withdrawal from the education degree program.

Pi sisters, how can we connect with and encourage chapter participation of collegiate members?

Pi Chapter Local News

Focus on our Charter Members



To celebrate our 75th Anniversary, each month through May we will learn a little about our charter members. You will notice that we do not have information on all of them. If you are interested in genealogy and have access to records through a service such as Ancestry, it would be wonderful to find out about these sisters!

Virginia Holt - (April 4, 1905-April 23, 2007) Pi Chapter President 1949-51. Graduated from East Tennessee State University. Taught for AC Schools for 43 years. Began her career at Briceville. Taught 7th grade at Shinliver and retired in 1970. In 1995, some Pi Chapter sisters picked her up at the Winwood Nursing Home and brought her to our chapter meeting to celebrate her 90th birthday. She was 102 at her death in April 2007 and was our last surviving charter member.

Rubye Augusta Wallace (Aug. 23, 1903-April 3, 1963) Served as Pi Chapter's first treasurer form 1943-46 and as chapter President form 1951-53. In 1943 she taught at Blowing Springs Elementary.

DKG and Xi State offer many opportunities for those seeking advanced degrees

2019 Xi State Scholarship Application Now Available

The Xi State Scholarship Committee under the leadership of chair Marsha Rains has updated the 2019 application for members seeking financial assistance with expenses for earning advanced degrees.

1. Scholarships available to be awarded:
 - a. **The Lois Jones Special** (Stipend of **\$3000**) for pursuing a doctorate (Ph.D., Ed.D., J.D.).
 - b. **Isabel Wheeler** (Stipend of **\$3000**) for pursuing a doctorate (Ph.D., Ed.D., J.D.).
 - c. **Maycie K. Southall** (Stipend of **\$3000**) for study beyond the Master's Degree.
 - d. **Mary Hall** (Stipend of **\$3000**) for study beyond the Bachelor's Degree.
 - e. **Evangeline Hartsook** (Stipend of **\$1250**) for study beyond the Bachelor's Degree.
 - f. **Lottye McCall** (Stipend of **\$1250**) for study beyond the Bachelor's Degree.
 - g. **Louise Oakley** (Stipend of **\$1250**) for study beyond the Bachelor's Degree.
 - h. **Eleanor Osteen** (Stipend of **\$1250**) for study beyond the Bachelor's Degree.

***Not all scholarships will be awarded each year; decisions to award or not will be made based on availability of funding and/or the number of qualified applicants.**
2. Eligibility:
 - a. Applicants must be members of a Xi State chapter for at least **three** calendar years.
 - b. Service to Delta Kappa Gamma is an important criterion in the selection of a recipient.
 - c. Applications that are electronically submitted on/before the deadline (**February 1st** of the year awarded) and are complete will be scored using the Application Review Form. A minimum score is required to be considered for a scholarship. Please review this rubric carefully. **Incomplete or late applications will not be eligible for consideration.**
 - d. Former recipients of a major scholarship (\$3,000) may not reapply.

Application and rubric are available on the Xi State web site. Please be aware that the new application process requires online submission of information via Google Docs so applicants will need to create a Google email account including a photo. **The submission date is February 1, 2019.** [Link to Xi State Scholarship Application](#). Please contact Scholarship Chair Marsha Rains at marsharains@yahoo.com if you have questions. **Members may also apply for one of the 30 International scholarships granted yearly - \$6,000 for graduate degree, \$10,000 for doctoral degree.** For more information and an application, visit <http://www.dkg.org>. **Application deadline is also February 1, 2019.**

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Congratulations to Linda McCune and her Committee for a Job Well Done!

The following is an email from our Xi State First Vice-President;

Greetings Linda,

I received your chapter yearbook and was able to review it during my morning break. I enjoyed reading about your upcoming programs and like how you listed all your information for meetings in an easy to find and read format. The photos for your members is a nice touch and will make a wonderful keepsake for your chapter members. Having the website info on one page is a great idea as well. It was fun to read the chapter *lore* on page fourteen. Additionally, having your committee responsibilities summarized in each committee heading is a smart idea. It is evident that you spent a lot of time and energy creating this yearbook for your chapter. Congratulations to Pi chapter for earning Highest Honors on chapter yearbook!!!!

Regards,

Beverly

Beverly Hall, Ed.D
Delta Kappa Gamma Society International
International Finance Chair
Xi State Tennessee First Vice-President



Street Hope Update

DKG sisters showed their generosity this holiday season by choosing to donate to the new safe home for girls, Garland Oaks, to be built by Street Hope TN.

Pillows, sheets, gift cards and cash donations among other items were graciously given in hopes that the home can be well supplied when it is complete.

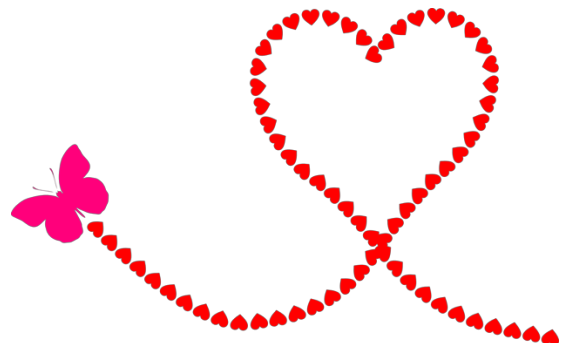
Submitted by Rachel Pemberton

Dear Pi Chapter Sisters,

Thank you for your love and support during the last month. The flowers were so beautiful and appreciated. Your thoughts and prayers for my family and me helped us through a very difficult time. I love each and every one of you and hope to be back to meetings soon.

With grateful thanks,

Vera Jo



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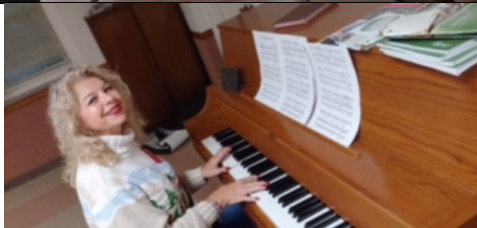


Note: If your committee has anything to report, please submit it to Pat Stonecipher (stonecipherp@gmail.com)

Xi State High School Essay Contest – Pi Chapter submitted two essays from Clinton High School students Kynedi Robinson and Scarlett Ayers. Thanks to our school officials for this project: Terri Gilbert (CHS) and Carolina McGaha/April Perry (ACHS).

Thank You - Membership Committee for providing both an Orientation Program and a meaningful Induction Ceremony for our new members. A special thank you to Kathleen Benedict and Pat Aldridge for arrive early to ensure all was ready for our Induction Ceremony.

Moments from our December Meeting



Xi State News International News

New Look for Xi State Website

Congratulations to Xi State Webmaster Jaime Kerns for updating our state organization website! Please take time to check it out (same web address – www.xistate.org) and familiarize yourself with the new design. It is both inviting and user-friendly. As we are making the transition, please contact me at elaineGalexander@comcast.net if you cannot locate information you may need. We look forward to using the new site!

Nomination for the Xi State Order of the Rose

Application Deadline: **March 15, 2019**

Pi Chapter has several members who have made *outstanding contributions to chapter and community*, but who have not received recognition at the state level through other means and have been an active participating member for *at least 15 years (member since 2004)*. A list of chapter Order of the Rose recipients is in our yearbook. Please submit your suggestions to an officer by Feb. meeting.

An Announcement from Elaine Warwick, Southeast Regional Director

The 2019 international conference will be held in Asheville, NC, **June 27-29, 2019**. The theme for our conference is the Arts and Humanities. Plan to attend and present a workshop. Workshop forms are now available online by going to the www.kdg.org, clicking on Events, and then the Asheville Conference logo. These workshops can be focused on the conference theme though workshops on other topics will be accepted. Let's get creative and submit a workshop today. Submissions are due by **January 15, 2019** to elainewarwick@att.net.

Dates to Remember



March 5 & 6, 2019 – Xi State Legislative Seminar (Maxwell House Millennium Hotel)

March 15-16, 2019 – Advanced Leadership Seminar

May 20 – June 1, 2019 – Xi State Convention