



# Pi Chapter Newsletter

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## Growing Possibilities 2015-2016

Dear Pi Sisters,

Wow! Time flies! This is my last article for this biennium. I don't know about you but these last two years have passed quickly for me. I have learned so much as one usually does when in a leadership position. As teachers we learn more about a topic when we must teach such material. I had thought I knew how to be a leader, but the workshops I have attended have taught me that I still have more to learn. I hope to continue learning about a variety of topics because, otherwise, life could be so dull. I am quite thankful for the other officers who have served this biennium. As first vice-president Paula Campbell has been there whenever I needed her. She had to step in at the last minute at least twice to take over when health issues forced me to stay home. She has graciously and admirably done so. Gwen Payne has done a great job on our yearbook and stepped up whenever we needed extra hands (like computers at CES). Pat Aldridge has done more than just take minutes at our meetings; she has kindly reminded me when I forgot: details like getting minutes approved at meetings.

Our corresponding secretary Rhonda Phillips has gone ahead and completed her responsibilities without needing any reminders from me. Ann Brown has been our parliamentarian for those times when I got something out of order. Finally, one of the persons who is foundational to our chapter, Kathleen Benedict has served as our treasurer. Kathleen has guided me in all things financial, and has helped me understand some of the finer details of our organization that are not written anywhere. I have been honored to have served with these ladies.

Xi State Convention is just around the corner. We have ten who are going to attend. Then soon after that is our International Convention in Nashville. That will be a highlight for the summer. I am so pleased that we have so many volunteers to work there. Before the conventions we have our annual Founders' Day Banquet. See you there!

Deckie

### Pi Chapter Officers/Leaders

President.....Deckie Conley  
1<sup>st</sup> VP .....Paula Campbell  
2<sup>nd</sup> VP ..... Gwen Payne  
Recording Sec.....Pat Aldridge  
Corres. Sec.....Rhonda Phillips  
Parliamentarian.....Ann Brown  
Treasurer ..... Kathleen Benedict  
Editor /Webmaster.....Pat Stonecipher

### Tuesday, May 3, 2016

Memorial United Methodist Church  
5:00 p.m.

#### Inspiration

Kathleen Benedict

#### Hostesses

Caroline McGaha, Vera Jo Henegar,  
Kathy Hurst, Paula Campbell, Reita  
Yadon, April Perry, Deborah Keck

#### Program

Founders' Day Program

#### Business

#### Remember to Bring

Change for Change Donations  
Box Tops for Education

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



## Pi Chapter Local News

### Joys and Concerns

**Happy May Birthdays to:** Paula Campbell and Cheryl Harris(12<sup>th</sup>), Pam Allen (19<sup>th</sup>), Kristen Whitaker (20<sup>th</sup>), Shannon Smith (23<sup>rd</sup>), LeeAnn Eaves and Amy Graham (29<sup>th</sup>),

Caroline McGaha has had surgery on her knee. Please keep her in your 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](mailto:patstonecipher@att.net)) know of any joys or concerns to include in the newsletter.

### Chapter May Founder's Day Banquet

Our annual Founder's Day Banquet is Tuesday, May 3, 2016.

The Methodist Memorial Women's Group has generously kept the price for the dinner at 15.00. They always prepare a delicious meal!

We will honor the students from Clinton High School and Anderson County High School who will receive our Recruitment Grant Awards at the May Founder's Banquet.

Thank you Caroline McGaha and all her committee for this May's Founder's Day Banquet!



#### Call for Recipes!

Do you have any good recipes you would like to share? If so, please submit them to Pat Stonecipher ([patstonecipher@att.net](mailto:patstonecipher@att.net)) for inclusion in our next newsletter.



#### Dates to Remember

**May 3, 2016**  
Pi Chapter Meeting  
Founder's Day Banquet  
Installation of Officers

## Pi Chapter Local News

### TREASURER'S "TIDBITS" \$\$\$\$\$\$ May

In order to minimize the time I talk at meetings, I thought that I might include in the newsletter some thoughts that you would find of interest. Hope these help! Kathleen Benedict

- ✓ Thank you to all members for submitting dues! I am still waiting on two members to pay dues. Please remember to take care of this important detail.
- ✓ Pi Chapter currently has 62 active members, 2 reserve members and 1 chapter honorary member, for a grand total of 65.
- ✓ The Treasurer's Report will reflect changes made by motion at the January meeting! We now have a "Xi State Convention Fund for First Time Attendees" area on the report. This is exciting! We are in excellent financial shape. Expenditures are below budgeted amounts and all dues have been collected except for 141.00.

### Progress Towards Recruitment Grant – Goal \$1,000 **March, 2016**

Here is the progress thus far towards our \$1,000 goal to provide to grants to seniors from CHS and ACHS who will major in education:



Beginning balance ..... 994.37 January, 2016  
Happy Jar..... 5.03 February, 2016  
TOTAL 2-29-2016.....1,000.00

**FUNDS Ready for Two 500.00 Recruitment Grants – Yeah!!!**

**\* Voted at January Pi Chapter Meeting: After recruitment grant goal of 1,000.00 is reached for the year, remaining Happy Jar proceeds will be directed towards sending a First time attendee from Pi Chapter to Xi State Convention, until goal is reached.**

**Once, First Time Attendee to Xi State Convention funds are met (275.00), then Happy Jar money will continue to build up funds in Recruitment Grant Fund for 2016-2017.**

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Xi State Convention First Time Attendee Fund *Xi State . . . Growing Possibilities*

We did it!!! Thank you, Pi Chapter!! We met our goal with your generosity! Felecia Reynolds was chosen as our first recipient of the trip to Xi State Convention in June!

Please see below the current breakdown of the status of our fund:

**Xi State Convention Fund for First Time Attendees ..... 275.00**

**Balance 4-30-16** 70.00 transferred from T-Shirt Fund + January Happy

Jan 40.02\* = 110.02 + February Happy Jan 56.52\* = 166.54 + April Happy Jan  
109.46! = 275.00

[Total Cost of One Attendee to Convention – 275.00; Check mailed for Felecia  
3-7-2016]

“If the purpose for learning is to score well on a test, we’ve lost sight of the real reason for learning.”

*Jeannie Fulbright*

“Education is the most powerful weapon we can use to change the world.”

*Nelson Mandela*



Are you looking for an exciting adventure for June of 2017? If you are, come with Lori Price to Italy and Greece. We will be traveling to Florence, Rome, Venice, the Isle of Capri and enjoying the beaches of the Greek Islands!! Lori has been taking this tour for 20 years and says it is her favorite. Please call or email Lori Price at [lprice@acs.ac](mailto:lprice@acs.ac) or 865-599-6243 for the complete itinerary.

## Moments from April Meeting



### Pi Chapter Initiation



### Welcome to our newest sisters!



**Terri Gilbert, Inspiration**



**Linda McCune, Rhonda F. Phillips,  
Ginger Cook**

## Pi Chapter Local News

### Schools for Africa Project “Change for Change” 2015-2016



Pi Chapter donation balance for this year thus far is: **104.05**. If you haven't been able to contribute change yet, please consider helping this worthy cause by chipping in a larger, one-time amount to help out!

I will need to send our donation in to Xi State immediately after the May Banquet. 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” is always at the Check-In table for meetings! 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>

## Xi State News International News

### Important Dates from Xi State

**June 2-4, 2016: Xi State Convention, Sewanee**

**July 5-9, 2016: International DKG Conference:**  
Opryland Hotel, Nashville, TN

### Important Dates from International

**July 14-18, 2015** Southeast Regional at  
Westin Hotel in Savannah, Georgia

**July 5-9, 2016** International at Gaylord  
Opryland Hotel in Nashville, TN



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