



# Pi Chapter Newsletter

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## Growing Possibilities 2016-2017



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For each new morning  
with its light  
for rest and shelter  
of the night  
For health and food  
for love and friends  
For everything  
Thy goodness sends.  
--Ralph Waldo Emerson

Dear Pi Chapter,

November is a time when we are supposed to reflect on being thankful for all of the blessings in our lives. It is easy to get bogged down with the daily stresses we have at home and in our classrooms. I wish that there were a few more hours in the day so that I could accomplish everything on my ever growing "to do" list. While it is easy to become discouraged and tired, we need to always keep in the back of our minds just how very blessed we are. I always try to remember how lucky I am to have my health, my family, my sweet niece, and my work family. I am even thankful for my students (most days). We are also extremely blessed to have caring and supporting sisters in Pi Chapter.

I hope that you are looking forward to spending time with family during Thanksgiving. (I personally look forward to the turkey and mashed potatoes.) Whether your Thanksgiving might involve a week-long meal preparation or making a dinner reservation, whether you are traveling or staying at home, whether you are braving the crowds on Black Friday or shopping online, I hope that you are able to take a few moments to appreciate all the good things and people in your life.

At the November meeting, we will be having our Silent Auction, which helps to fund our scholarships. I am excited about our guest speaker, Jennifer Casselman, who will discuss all things travel. She is my sister's best friend from high school, and she is very knowledgeable. I know that we will enjoy hearing from her.

Be sure to invite potential members to the November and/or December meeting, so they can see what Pi Chapter has to offer. If you have any other donations to bring to the Silent Auction, be sure to let Caroline McGaha know.

Sincerely,  
Rhonda

### Tuesday, November 1, 2016

Memorial United Methodist Church  
5:00 p.m.

#### Inspiration

Caroline McGaha

#### Hostesses

Kate Roovers, Mary Ruth Cook, Vikki Burns, Hopy Merryman, MaryLee Stuart, Amy Kelly Graham

#### Program

Silent Auction  
"Travel Talk" Jennifer Casselman

#### Business

Nominations

#### Remember to Bring

Dues  
Money for Silent Auction  
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 November Birthdays to:** Kelly Williams (9<sup>th</sup>), Julie Capps (10<sup>th</sup>), Deckie Conley (22<sup>nd</sup>), April Perry (27<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.

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

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 members who have paid dues!!! I am waiting to hear from just two members.**

**Thank you also to all the members who gave an extra 15.00 when you paid dues to benefit the Recruitment Grant!!!! Wow!!!**

**We have reached our 1,000.00 goal to fund two recruitment grants!**

**Fundraiser this meeting to benefit Xi State First Time Attendee and Recruitment Grant.**

**Thank you in advance for your generosity!**

*Your Treasurer,*

*Kathleen Benedict*

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Anyone interested in traveling to Italy and Greece in June please see Lori Price or email her at [lprice@acs.ac](mailto:lprice@acs.ac).

## Pi Chapter Local News

### Pi Chapter Committee Chairs:

Membership: Caroline McGaha

Nominations: Diane Alsop

Finance: Vera Jo Henagar

Rules: Ann Gann

Strategic Action Plan: Rhonda Phillips (President)

Chapter Executive Committee: Rhonda Phillips (President)

Programs and Personal Growth: Patsye Thurmon

Professional Affairs/Research:

Schools in Africa: Linda McCune

Early Career Educators: Rhonda Phillips and Kate Roovers

Legislative: Kelly Williams

Scholarship/Grant-in-Aide/High School Essay: Judy Miller, Ginger Cook, April

Perry, Terri Gilbert, Lisa Smith, Rhonda Phillips

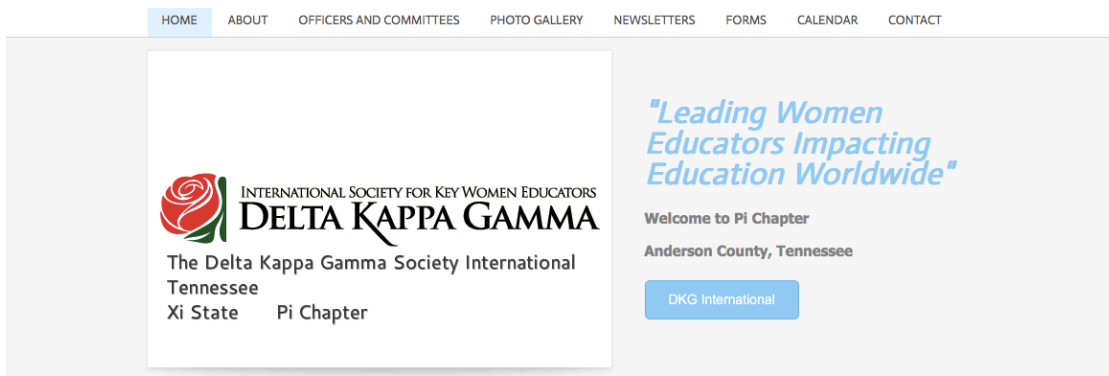
Literacy: Kate Roovers

Special Events:

Archives/Scrapbook:



Don't forget to vote Tuesday, November 8, 2016!



Check out our new web page at [www.xistatepichapter.weebly.com](http://www.xistatepichapter.weebly.com)

The web page is still a work in progress. Please let Pat Stonecipher know if you have any suggestions!



Welcome to Pi Chapter  
Anderson County, TN

## Pi Chapter Local News

### Schools for Africa Project “Change for Change” 2016-2017



**Pi Chapter will once again ask members to save “change” coins to donate to DKG Society’s Schools for Africa Project. Please consider helping this worthy cause by chipping in your collected change or a larger, one-time amount to help out!**

**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

**June 1-3, 2017: Xi State Convention, Sewanee**

**Important Dates from International**

**July 19-21, 2017: Southeast Regional Conference, Myrtle Beach, SC**

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