



Pi Chapter Newsletter

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Growing Possibilities 2016-2017

Dear Pi Sisters,

“I am so glad I live in a world where there are Octobers.”—Anne of Green Gables

It is hard to believe that is almost time for fall break. Thankfully, the temperatures are starting to drop, and the best time of the day is in the mornings when you can feel a little crispness in the air. I can definitely tell that we have been in school for almost eight weeks, and the week long break is a good time for me and my students to have a little time apart. My family and I are going to enjoy a Disney Cruise during this time, and I look forward to seeing the ocean again. It is good for my soul. I hope that however you decide to spend your time off, you come back renewed for the second nine weeks. Be good to yourself!

When I met with the executive board in August, I shared with them my two main goals as President this year. One is to increase membership, and the other is to increase attendance at our monthly meetings. If there are several women that you would like to recommend for membership, please invite them to attend our October meeting. They can experience firsthand what Pi Chapter is all about. If they can't attend the meeting, be sure to bring several names to nominate for membership.

October is the meeting of the fundraising dinner. Please come to the meeting with an empty stomach and a giving heart. This meal will help provide scholarships for two future educators. I always appreciate the work that our retired teachers put into providing the delicious meal for us. October is also the time to bring items for our Silent Auction baskets, and we will spend part of the meeting assembling the baskets/items in order to be ready for November.

I look forward to seeing everyone, and I hope to see a few new faces as well!

Rhonda

Pi Chapter Officers/Leaders

President.....Rhonda Phillips
1st VPPatsye Thurmon
2nd VP Reita Yadon
Recording Sec.....Amy Graham
Corres. Sec.....Lee Ann Eaves
Parliamentarian.....April Perry
Treasurer Kathleen Benedict
Editor /Webmaster.....Pat Stonecipher

Tuesday, October 4, 2016

Memorial United Methodist Church
5:00 p.m.

Inspiration

Hostesses

Kathy Hurst, Marilyn Buckner, Judy Miller, Marsha Livingston, Paula Campbell, Krista Whitaker, Kathleen Benedict, Ann Gann

Program

Assemble Silent Auction Bags

Business

Nominations

Remember to Bring

Monetary donation for our dinner
Dues
Items for Silent Auction
Change for Change Donations
Box Tops for Education

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




Pi Chapter Local News



There will be a donation jar/basket at the table for our fund-raising lasagna dinner. Please bring cash or make a check out to Pi Chapter.

Check out our new web page at www.xistatepichapter.weebly.com
The web page is still a work in progress. Please let Pat Stonecipher know if you have any suggestions!

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INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KEY WOMEN EDUCATORS
DELTA KAPPA GAMMA
The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International
Tennessee
Xi State Pi Chapter

*"Leading Women
Educators Impacting
Education Worldwide"*

Welcome to Pi Chapter
Anderson County, Tennessee

DKG International



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Education is the ability to listen to almost anything without losing your temper or self-confidence.

--Robert Frost

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TREASURER'S "TIDBITS" \$\$\$\$\$ September

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

Renew Your Delta Kappa Gamma Membership – 2016-2017

Join Pi Chapter for another exciting year of projects, meals, speakers, and fulfilling a mission and vision for key women educators. Pi Chapter needs YOU!

You impact education — renew your membership today.



Annual dues will remain \$85.00. We are fortunate to be able to do this!

Each year, some members have generously and voluntarily given an extra \$15.00 with the annual dues (for a total of \$100.00) with the extra 15.00 applied to the Recruitment Grant-in-Aide. If you wish to do this, I will list this donation in the Treasurer's Report as I usually do.

I am happy to offer you the following options for paying dues by November 10:

1. Mailing dues to me – Kathleen Benedict/P.O. Box 355/Knoxville, TN 37901
2. Paying dues in full or in payments at the September, October, or November meeting.
3. Paying dues electronically with credit or debit card at the September, October or November meeting. A \$2.35 bank fee will be added to to the credit or debit card.

Obviously, the sooner you can pay your dues or alert me that you intend to pay, the better! Then, I will know how to plan our finances and forms. I will and have worked with anyone, in any way I need to, in order to help you, but I need to know

that you do intend to pay membership dues for 2016-2017 in order to be a member!

In the event that you must decide to drop your membership from DKG, please write Pi Chapter President Rhonda Phillips (6207 Jim Fox Lane/Powell, TN 37849) a letter to explain your wishes.

Thank you so much for attending to this important matter.

Your Treasurer,

Kathleen Benedict

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Check Out Your Member Benefits:

- ✓ Fellowship and Networking with other key educators around the world; DKG Publications
- ✓ Leadership Roles and training. Access to the DKG Social Network.
- ✓ Opportunities to impact education worldwide. Scholarships for academic study and projects.
- ✓ Professional environment for presenting and publishing.

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Joys and Concerns

Happy September Birthdays to: Angela (Hoppy) Merryman (6th), Kate Roovers (14th), Terri Gilbert (22nd), Judy Miller (23rd), Marilyn Buckner and Kay Porter (27th),

Happy October Birthdays to: Carmen Barrera (2nd), Marsha Livingston and Heather Powell (9th), Melanie Lamberson (17th), Patsye Thurmon (29th)

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.



If you would like to travel for eleven days to England, Ireland, Wales, and Scotland in June 2018, please check out our tour at

www.eftours.com/1914380VD. If you have any questions, please see Rhonda Phillins



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) for inclusion in our next newsletter.

Dates to Remember

November 1, 2016

Pi Chapter Meeting

December 6, 2016

Pi Chapter Meeting

January 3, 2017

Pi Chapter Meeting

Sunshine Cake

From Gwen Payne

Beat together:

- 1 box yellow cake mix (I use Duncan Hines)
- 1 can mandarin oranges (do not drain)
- ¼ cup oil
- 4 eggs

Bake in 3 round cake pans at 350 degrees for 25-30 minutes.

Cool completely, then frost.

Frosting:

Mix together 24 oz. Cool Whip (the recipe calls for 16 oz., but I like a lot of frosting, so I use 24 oz.), 1 box vanilla instant pudding, large can crushed pineapple (juice included). Pudding will thicken the mixture so it spreads.

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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
Literacy: Kate Roovers
Special Events:
Archives/Scrapbook:
Webmaster/Newsletter: Pat Stonecipher



If you are interested in purchasing a Reverse Raffle Ticket for the Education Foundation for Clinton City and Anderson County Schools, please see Hoppy Merryman or Vikki Burns at our October meeting.

Make Your Wallet Happy.

The Education Foundation for Clinton City and Anderson County Schools will be having a raffle to raise funds for technology for the school systems.

1st Prize: \$5,000 2nd Prize: \$500 3rd Prize: \$500

The drawing will be held at the Clinch River Antique Fall Festival on October 7, 2016 and **you do not need to be present to win.**

Rules for The Education Foundation Raffle:

- You must be at least 18 years of age to purchase a ticket.
- Winners will have 30 days after they are notified to claim their prize with proper identification or forfeit the prize to The Education Foundation.
- The event is subject to the sale of a maximum of 2000 tickets.
- Tickets will be drawn down to 25 tickets, an attempt will be made to contact the final 25 ticket holders and a time given for the final 25 to be drawn in a reverse raffle.
- All proceeds will benefit Clinton City and Anderson County Schools for educational purposes.

Pi Chapter Local News



Thanks, Jimmy Andrews, for the generous donation of the 8G jump drives to our new teacher goody bags in September. In addition Jimmy (the owner) is a CHS graduate who always gives back to our schools when he can.

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**



Congrats to these Xi State Members for being selected to serve on an International Committee: Beverly Smith--Expansion; Elaine Warwick--Chair--Educator's Book Award Committee, Becky Sadowski--International Second Vice President, and Dr. Beverly Hall--Finance Committee.

Xi State...Growing Possibilities

