

# Pi Chapter Newsletter



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## Celebrate 2010-2012

**Pi Chapter Officers/Leaders**

President.....	Ann Gann
1 <sup>st</sup> VP .....	Joni Simmons
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Our March meeting should be a busy, but fun evening. We have an opportunity to increase our fund balances by making a donation for the meal provided by the hostess committee. In lieu of a business session, you will watch a short video about DKG's Schools for Africa project and discuss ways for Pi Chapter to support this new project. The remainder of the evening will be spent in committee meetings.

The work of our Society is carried out by the officers and the various committees. I have asked each officer and each committee to complete a yearly report. My hope is that by reviewing the duties of the job, creating objectives for the year and listing accomplishments, each member will have a better understanding of the work she is to do and take pride in her accomplishments. I also asked that recommendations for future actions be given. These recommendations will be a starting place for any added objectives next year. These yearly reports will become a history of the work done by each officer and committee and will provide a starting point for new officers and committee members.

I will be attending the Legislative Symposium on March 1 -2 so I will not be at our chapter meeting. I cannot express to you how conflicted I am about missing the March meeting. I am very proud of the good work done by Pi Chapter members and want to participate in the discussion of your yearly reports. Because our state legislative climate seems so anti-teacher right now, I feel a strong obligation to attend the Symposium so I can learn more about the issues we face and the actions we can take to improve this climate.

Joni Simmons will serve as president. I know you will support her, enjoy the meal and work diligently on finalizing your yearly report.

Ann



**March 1, 2011 Meeting**  
 Memorial United Methodist  
 Church Fellowship Hall  
 5:00 p.m.  
**Inspiration**  
 Bobbye Pointer  
**Hostesses**  
 Patsye Thurmon, Pat Aldridge,  
 Vera Jo Henegar, Rita Hackler,  
 Kathy McGrew, Reita Yadon


**Fundraising meal:** Potato and  
 Salad Bar, Dessert and  
 Beverage --- Donation to Pi  
 Chapter Projects Appreciated.

**Program**  
 Schools for Africa Project  
 Committees Report

**YOU NEED TO BRING**

- Item for Silent Auction Basket
- Old, broken or unused gold
- A hearty appetite

**Remember to wear your official  
 DKG jewelry to Pi Chapter meetings  
 or be prepared to give Kathleen  
 Benedict fifty cents per pin.**



Show your pride. Order a DKG tee shirt. Cost is \$10. Rhonda Phillips and friends are heading up the project and Kathleen Benedict will graciously accept your money. Be one of the "in" (a tee shirt) crowd!!

### *Joys and Concerns*

**Kathy McGrew** is Clinton Middle School Teacher of the Year.

**Ann Gann, Kathy Hurst, Susan Fowler, and Legislative Chair Marsha Livingston** will be traveling to Nashville for the Xi State Legislative Symposium on March 1-2. If you have a question or need information from one of our local legislators, let one of the ladies know before the end of Feb. Congratulations to **Dr. Terri Gilbert**. Terri has just completed her doctoral program at UT.

Happy Birthday in March to **Kathy Hurst, Kathy McGrew and Michelle Shory**.

**Pi Chapter** has just received notice that we qualify for Xi State's Highest Communications Award once again.

**Lee Ann Eaves** has requested prayers for her children, Michelle and Michael, whose father passed away suddenly.

**If you know of a member who should be included in our Joys and Concern section of the newsletter, please <mailto:vhenegar@bellsouth.net>**



MEET KELLY WHITE

Kelly White, initiated in 2010, is one of Pi Chapter's newest members.. She is the librarian at Lake City Elementary School.

#### PI CHAPTER BANQUET

The Pi Chapter Founders' Day Banquet is always a highlight of the year. The banquet will be catered by the United Methodist Women's Unit at Memorial Church. Cost for the banquet is \$15 which can be paid in advance to Treasurer Kathleen Benedict. Dr, Jensi Souders, International President, will be our guest speaker. You don't want to miss this special occasion.

#### XI STATE CONVENTION

If you are planning to attend the Xi State Convention June 9-11 and want to stay with other Pi Chapter members in the same dorm, bring your reservation form found online at [www.xistate.org](http://www.xistate.org) and check to the March meeting and let's send them in together. Our chances of getting a suite are better that way.

#### DATES TO REMEMBER

- Feb 25 - Advanced Leadership Management Sem, Joelton, TN
- Mar 1-2 - Xi State Legislative Sym., Nashville
- Mar 1 - Pi Chapter meeting
- Mar 15 - Pi Chapter Orientation
- Mar 15 -Deadline HS Essay
- Mar 15 -Deadline Legislative Award form
- Mar 15 -Deadline Comm. Award form
- Mar 15 -Deadline to submit Order of the Rose Nomination form
- Apr 1 -Deadline to submit Ach. Award form
- Apr 5 -Pi Chapter meeting

#### PI CHAPTER PROJECTS

In order to be a working Society, a chapter needs funds for its many worthy projects. Dues do not begin to cover the expenses for these projects, and so, the chapter needs to find other ways to fund and participate in the projects of the organization. One of the things that Pi Chapter is planning is a fundraising dinner before the March meeting. Hostesses for the meeting are preparing a potato and salad bar for your enjoyment. **Members are asked to make a donation of at least \$7 for the meal.** Funds collected will go into the general budget for Pi Chapter use.

Other ways that you can help are:

- Items for our basket for the Xi State Silent Auction, "Tea With PI"
- Old broken or unused gold for resale
- Buy a DKG tee shirt
- Order a DKG bracelet from Kathy McGrew

#### HAZEL MCCREARY GRANTS AWARDED

Pi Chapter Scholarship Chairman Judy Miller presented requests for Hazel McCreary Grants from Kathy McGrew and Joni Simmons. Pi Chapter voted to award both grants. Kathy will use \$150 to buy art supplies for the students at The Anderson County Learn Center. Joni was awarded \$227 to purchase atlases for the use of students at Claxton Elementary School. Congratulations to both Kathy and Joni and to the students who will use these materials.

#### ORIENTATION/REORIENTATION PLANNED BY MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

The Membership Committee is holding an orientation for incoming members and reorientation for all interested members on Tuesday, March 15 at 4:00 in the Fellowship Hall of Memorial UMC. This will be a golden opportunity to learn more about DKG, the honor and obligations of membership. Occasionally, all of us need a reminder of what our Society means to our community, our state and internationally. If you feel the need to know more, be there.