



Celebrate 2010-2012

I am proud to be a member of Pi Chapter, a group of strong, successful women educators. We have made and are making a positive impact in the lives of thousands of children and young people. We make our voices heard in the state legislature on educational issues. We are involved in our Society and our community through many service projects. Let's begin the celebration of our rich heritage at our "Welcome Back" meeting on September 7, 2010!

Reasons to celebrate:

- The Executive Board meeting was well attended and very productive! I was so pleased with the positive attitude and can do spirit expressed at the meeting.
- Your officers and committee leaders are already at work and are committed to carrying out Society business through excellent programs, meaningful projects and activities.
- We have a new website! Kay Porter spent many hours this summer creating the new site. Check it out at <http://xistatepichapter.com/>. Let Kay know how much you like the changes.
- New activities/projects include gathering additional information on our Charter Members and our early history, updating biographical information on current members, and preserving our historical documents in digital format.
- Our chapter is beginning the year "in the black" financially.
- Our greatest asset is our membership. Your talent, enthusiasm, and dedication are the driving force to a successful chapter.

I am very excited about the year ahead. Thank you to the other officers for accepting your new roles of leadership and for attending summer workshops. Thank you to those of you who said, "YES" to serving on committees!

I'll see you at the "picnic"!

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Pi Chapter Officers/Leaders

President.....	Ann Gann
1 st VP	Joni Simmons
2 nd VP	Lisa Swisher
Recording Sec.	Rhonda Phillips
Corres. Sec.	Patsye Thurmon
Parliamentarian.....	Susan Fowler
Treasurer	Kathleen Benedict
Editor	Vera Jo Henegar
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Webmaster.....	Kay Porter

.September 7,2010 Meeting

Annual Picnic

Memorial United Methodist
Church Fellowship Hall
5:00 p.m.

Bring a covered dish and
Recommendations for
Membership!

Insp. - Paula Campbell
Host- Pi Chapter Officers
Program

Report from Convention
Committees will meet and
Pictures will be made of
individual members.

Creative Arts Retreat Planned

The second annual Xi State Creative Arts Retreat is planned for October 1-2, in Columbia, TN. Learning to crochet, knit, breadmaking, tatting jewelry making, and many more. Yoga is also included plus Mary Kay Cosmetics demonstration for those interested. Tour the James K Polk Home and Presidential Hall. Cost is \$35 (\$25 for Sat. only). This is a wonderful opportunity to enjoy a weekend at a very nominal cost. Registration is available online at www.xistate.org.

Joys and Concerns

Pi Chapter is pleased that **April Perry** has returned to AC and will be rejoining us as an active member this year. April is teaching at ACHS.

Kay Porter is beaming because her son, Samuel, and wife Susan are expecting her first grandchild in a few months. AND in addition to that, she has designed a new website for Pi Chapter. Check it out!!

When you see Lisa Harrison, be sure to call her by her new name, **Lisa Smith**. I hear that she was a beautiful bride this summer!

Vickie Curtis spent a big part of the summer helping her new daughter-in-law plan her wedding to Vickie's son. Ask her about buying the dress she wore as mother of the groom!

Kathleen Benedict's son, Dan, will marry his fiancée, Amy, this month.

If you are wondering why **VJ** is popping her buttons, ask her about the Princess of the AC Fairest of the Fair.

Ann Gann, Rita Hackler, and Vera Jo Henegar traveled to the University of the South for the Xi State Convention. Be sure to come to the September meeting to hear all about the 75th Anniversary Celebration.

Remember **Rita's** husband, Dean, who has been hospitalized recently.

Pi Chapter sympathy to **Louis Childress** in the death of her son last month. Fred Childress, Jr. was killed in an accident while riding his motorcycle out west.

If you know of a member who should be included in our Joys and Concern section of the newsletter, please email info to vhenegar@bellsouth.net.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Aug 31 Deadline for registering for the Creative Arts Retreat

Sept 7 - Pi Chapter Meeting

Sept 30 - Deadline for applying to attending the Xi State Lead. Dev. Seminar

Oct 1-2 Creative Arts Retreat

Oct 5 - Pi Chapter Meeting

Oct 31 - Deadline for Nominations for Xi State Office, 2011-2013



Ellen Eggers presented flower to Pi Chapter Member Anna Lane at the August meeting of the ACCCRTA . Anna was recognized for the work she did in securing a pension plan for the teachers of Tennessee. Anna served as president of the ACEA in the '60's. She has been an active member of Pi Chapter for 55 years. She is presently our longest serving member. She has served as treasurer and president.

TOM'S SHOES

For every pair of Tom's Shoes purchased by Delta Kappa Gamma members, Tom's Shoes will donate \$5 to the DKG Educational Foundation and a pair of shoes to a child in need. Go to TOMS shoes, make your shoe selection and when prompted enter the code **dkgsi** in the discount code box. Check it out.

Chapter Dues

Pi Chapter dues must be paid by October 31. Plan now to pay your dues at the Sept. or Oct. meeting. Dues are \$85. Dues may be paid in full or in two separate payments in Sept and Oct.

REMEMBER TO WEAR YOUR
KEYPIN TO PI CHAPTER MEETINGS
OR BE PREPARED TO GIVE
KATHLEEN BENEDICT 50¢ per pin .



RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

Membership Committee will be accepting recommendations for membership at the September and October. Voting in Nov on the recommendations. Nominate those in this area worthy of membership. Prospective members may be invited to attend meetings before their initiation.

July/Aug 2010 DKG News is only an online issue. Check it out!!!

Did You Know?!

The State of Tennessee now has mandatory kindergarten largely due to DKG/Xi State lobbying our legislators for it. Hundreds of members from across the state met in Nashville and sponsored a breakfast at the Hermitage Hotel for all state legislators. Members sat at the table with their legislator and pleaded with them to support legislation to ensure that all five year olds in TN would have kindergarten. It took a couple of years but we won them over.



Rita Hackler, Chairman, led the **Membership Committee** in a productive meeting in Aug. Members are Felecia Reynolds, Ann Gann (ex officio), Rita, and Vickie Curtis. Ann Brown was unable to attend due to illness (bronchitis), Vera Jo Henegar attended as immediate past president.