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President's Message

Well... it appears that summer is "winding down" and everyone is in the "new beginnings" mode. That is exactly my feeling as I start my biennium as your President. We will be meeting this weekend to introduce Delta Kappa Gamma to five uniquely talented women educators. I am hoping they will catch our enthusiasm and join our group.

I told the Executive Board at our meeting this summer, that I'd like the next two years to be one of Engaged Enthusiasm for Excellence in Education. The idea for this theme for my term came from my experiences at Xi State Convention this past June in Sewanee. At so many of the meetings, break-out sessions and ceremonies, I saw and heard women speaking with enthusiasm and conviction about the projects in which they were involved. In so many of my encounters, I became aware of the concept that combined effort produces excellent results, as well as bonding members into friends.

Because of these insights I would like for the next two years to be full and rewarding for each of you as you participate in Delta Kappa Gamma. Our work ... for education, for our community, for our students and children, and for our group ... will be achieved through communication among us all and through our committees.

These committees are small groups dedicated to specific tasks, but they are dependent upon you. I hope each one of you has a chance to use your unique talents in some way in Delta Kappa Gamma. We need you! I also hope each one of you, this year, finds a special reason that makes being a member of Delta Kappa Gamma and Rho Chapter especially meaningful to you.

Looking forward to "new beginnings"...

Peggy

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"August Picnic"



Rho Chapter will begin the new school year with its annual picnic at the shelter at Crockett Park. This kick-off event will take place on Saturday, August 14th, at 11:00 a.m.

Orientation of prospective new members will be-

gin at 10:00 a.m. and will be conducted by our Orientation Committee and Rho Chapter officers. Members who are sponsoring potential initiates should also attend this orientation with their recommended member.

Each member should bring a covered dish of your choice to share for the picnic. We will try to begin serving at 11:30 and hope that everyone can plan to come and enjoy their summer activities and lots of good fellowship!



Rho Chapter Actively Involved at Xi State



Xi State held its annual meeting at the beautiful and peaceful campus of the University of the South at Seawanee on June 10-12 celebrating 75 years for Xi State. Xi State President **Dee Dee Rives**, presided over the festivities and International President, **Carolyn Rants**, was the featured international representative.

Rho Chapter offered three baskets of educational toys and games for children of various age levels for the Silent Auction and set up a Visual Arts display about Rho Chapter in Guerry Hall.

Rho Chapter received the Highest Award in Communications for our *Rhozette* newsletter and for our chap-

ter yearbook. Rho Chapter also received the gold level for the Chapter Excellence Award, and our Treasurer's reports received a gold status as well. Rho Chapter also received a Legislative Award. These various awards were presented during the Friday Awards Luncheon.

During the President's Banquet on Friday evening, outgoing Rho President, **Sara Davis**, escorted and presented our incoming Rho President, **Peggy Bryant**.

Pat Tyree presented a stamping workshop at the various breakout sessions in which attendees selected the designs for the cards that were created.

Rho member, **Betty Smith**, served as a page for this anniversary year.

Rho members who made the trek to Seawanee included **Sara Davis**, **Judy Jackson**, **Betty Smith**, **Peggy Bryant**, **Elaine Warwick**, **Pat Tyree** and **Marian Oonk**.

Summer Birthdays Galore for Rho Sisters



May Birthdays included:

Lois Coles—May 18

Ruth Graveno—May 27

Ruth Sanders—May 27

Sandra Juarez—May 7

Pat Tyree—May 26

Melonye Lowe - May 18

June celebrants included:

Marian Oonk—June 6

Charlotte Turner—June 19

Joyce Waggoner-Herring—June 19

Ollie McKenna—June 15

July remembrances observed:

Carolyn Bingham—July 11

Leigh Ann Pittenger—July 9

August celebrants included:

Judy Jackson—August 8

Elaine Warwick—August 17

Sandy Shiveley—August 24

Silent Auction on September 18th



Rho Chapter's annual Silent Auction is just around the corner so start thinking about and looking for those special items that will be sought after by everyone. Our Silent Auction will be held on **Saturday, September 18th**, in conjunction with our annual initiation. This year we are once again returning to the historic Ep-

worth United Methodist Church on Arno Road. Everyone loves to shop and will be looking for early Christmas gifts and fall seasonal items.

In the past people have been drawn to home baked goodies, hand-made cards, novelties to use as stocking stuffers, items with an iris motif, decorative holiday items, un-

usual tree ornaments, hand stitched items, beaded bracelets and matching earrings, and any other items that may entice a bid. Proceeds from this Auction will benefit our two grants-in-aid to two young women who are pursuing careers as teachers.

Rho Chapter goes to International



Rho Chapter and Tennessee were represented at Delta Kappa Gamma International which was held in Spokane, Washington from July 20-24th. International President, **Carolyn Rants**, presided over the meetings and Tennessee's own **Dr. Jensi Souders** was installed as the next International President for the 2010-2012 biennium.

Rho Chapter member and Xi State Executive Secretary, **Elaine Warwick**, attended the conference and presented two workshops. One was entitled "State Strategic Plans" and the second was entitled "Chapter Strategic Plans". Elaine was also asked to be a spotter by Dr. Rants during the session when changes

were made to the constitution since Elaine is so well versed in parliamentary procedures and their relationship to the constitutional process. Elaine also gave a nominating speech for an international position for another Rho Chapter member.

Judy Jackson was elected as the Southeast Representative for the United States Forum which is held each spring in Washington D.C. Judy will serve in this capacity for the next two years and will continue her active involvement in the political scene as it relates to education. Congratulations, Judy!

Elaine and Judy regularly attend the U. S. Forum in the spring in order

to remain involved and up-to-date on national legislation that may impact teachers and education and how events in Washington may impact state and area issues. They are able to network with others from across the country and make important contacts with Tennessee's legislators in Washington.

Xi State also hosted a Tennessee breakfast for our delegation.

Dues Due & Remembrances



The Executive Board for Rho Chapter met on June 22nd to discuss plans for the 2010-2011 year and also determined that the dues for this coming year should remain at \$75 per member. Dues need to be paid by September 30 in order to allow Karen time to print an accurate and up-to-date yearbook for distribution at our October meeting. Any member paying after that date will be assessed a \$20 late fee, so please begin sending

your dues to **Emma McElroy** or plan to attend our picnic on August 14th and give them to her in person.

Remembrances

Our thoughts and prayers are extended to the families of **Kacky Johnson** and **Dianne Blair** as their newborn grandbabies struggle with physical problems.

Our sympathy and prayers are with the Butler family with the recent loss of **Judy Butler** who passed away on Saturday night (August 7) after a valiant fight against ovarian cancer.

Rho Awards Two Scholarships



Rho Chapter is pleased to announce that it is once again awarding two grants-in-aid to area young women who are pursuing educational careers. The presentation of the \$500 scholarships will be made at the September meeting at Epworth during the luncheon by **Betty Smith** who has served as chairman of the schol-

arship committee for Rho Chapter.

The two deserving young women are **Mallory Stephens** and **Chelsey Cothran**, both of whom graduated from a Independence High School which is one of the criteria for receiving our financial assistance.

Chelsey is pursuing a degree in

Early Childhood Education at MTSU with an expected graduation in 2012, and **Mallory** is majoring in Microbiology with a minor in Secondary Education at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville. Her expected graduation will be in 2011.

**THE DELTA KAPPA GAMMA
SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL**



Budget Report—June 2010

Xi State Organization
Rho Chapter in Franklin, Tennessee (Area VI)

Mission Statement
The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.



Balance 2-12-2010	\$1,348.40
Deposits- World Fellowship	164.00
Cluster Dinners	120.00
Collection for Emergency Fund	51.00
Reinstatement (Kathy Banks)	102.00
Withdrawals—Website	72.00
World Fellowship	164.00
Gifts & Presenters	76.41
Reinstatement	55.00
Emergency Fund	61.00
Balance 6-22-2010	\$1,358.13

Rho Calendar of Meetings for 2010-2011

The following dates, times and places for the meetings and fellowship of Rho Chapter are provided so that **YOU** can mark your calendars and plan to attend and join in the fellowship and support of your sisters:

Saturday, September 18, 2010 at 10:00 a.m.

Initiation of new members at **Epworth United Methodist Church** on Arno Road followed by lunch by the Ladies of Epworth and our annual Silent Auction.

Tuesday, October 26, 2010 at 4:30 p.m. at Otey Hall.

"Fall into Holiday Crafting" program presented by Rho members at Otey Hall. This program will allow Rho members to share respective crafting/

cooking talents with members.

Thursday, November 11, 2010 at 4:00 p.m.

"Legislative Forum"

Opportunity to meet with area legislators and State Department personnel to discuss and get answers regarding educational issues at Liberty Elementary in Franklin.

Saturday, December, 2010 at 11:00 a.m.

Christmas Brunch and Silent Auction with Phi, Alpha Rho, and Beta Rho Chapters in Lawrenceburg hosted by Phi Chapter.

Monday, January 24, 2011 at 4:30 p.m. at Otey Hall

Rick Warwick, Elaine's husband, will provide a unique program about Wil-

liamson County Women in History and how their contributions have made a difference for the county.

Tuesday, February 22, 2011 at 4:30 p.m. at Otey Hall

Community Outreach and Collection of teddy bears and underwear along with a cooking presentation by our favorite chef, Marilyn Hartz.

Tuesday, March 29, 2011 at 5:00 pm.

Cluster meetings & dinners in various locations.

Thursday, April 28, 2011 at 4:30 p.m. at Otey Hall

We will elect new members into Rho Chapter and prepare our baskets for the Silent Auction at the upcoming Xi State in June.