

# The Rhozette



Volume 6, Issue 3

Newsletter of Rho Chapter, Franklin, Tennessee (Area VI)

January 2011

## 2010-2012 Officers

President

**Peggy Bryant**

First V. P.

**Brenda Standish**

Second V. P.

**Karen Mauldin**

Recording Secretary

**Pat Tyree**

Corresponding Secretary

**Quen Williams**

Treasurer

**Emma McElroy**

Parliamentarian

**Elaine Warwick**

Past President

**Sara Davis**

## Inside this issue:

October meeting	2
Remembrances	2
Xi State Coming	2
Symposium & Forum	3
Teddy Bears Wanted	3
Rho Calendar	4
December meeting	4

## President's Message

**Happy New Year Sisters!**

My best wishes go to you for a healthy, happy, and blessed 2011.

Bringing in a new year sparks thoughts of new projects and new resolutions. This is an excellent time to introduce you to Delta Kappa Gamma's alliance with *Schools for Africa*, a UNICEF initiative.

Our Executive Board met earlier than scheduled in order to learn about this program and determine

Rho Chapter's response to it. We decided to use our upcoming meeting to present information to members and decide on a course of action.

DKG International has provided a heart-rending video, showing the deplorable educational conditions in many African countries. For you to understand the importance of the project and our participation, we want to share that video and provide brochures to

give you more information. As you watch and listen to the needs of these children, you will see Delta Kappa Gamma's reason for adopting this project as its first international project.

Read and learn more about Schools for Africa at : [www.dkg.org](http://www.dkg.org) or [www.unicefusa.org/work/education/schools-for-africa](http://www.unicefusa.org/work/education/schools-for-africa).

See you on January 24,

*Peggy*



## "Women in History"



On **Monday, January 24**, Rick Warwick, will provide a special program showcasing important women who have contributed to the history and heritage of Williamson County with a particular emphasis during the Civil

War period. Rick is the resident historian for Williamson County and husband of our own **Elaine Warwick**.

This program will begin at 4:30 p.m. in Otey Hall in downtown Franklin. There will be wonderful refresh-

ments provided by our hospitality committee and lots of warmth and fellowship from our Rho Chapter sisters.

Plan to attend and learn how women made an impact on our Williamson County heritage!!!

## October Meeting Provided Variety



The October 26th meeting held at Otey Hall in downtown Franklin was a gathering of Rho sisters who shared their talents as well as an opportunity to welcome a new member into our chapter.

The meditation from a Beautiful Life by Gwen Faulkenberry was offered by **Betty Smith**.

Rho President, **Peggy Bryant**, presided over the business meeting and the initiation of new Rho member, **Dr. Ann Gordon**, who is the principal at Grassland Elementary. Ann was unable to be initiated at the September meeting due to a prior commitment. **Mindy Cushenberry**, who is the Initiation Chairman, set up

the ceremony in the sanctuary of St. Paul's.

The October hostesses provided a beautiful fall table of delicious refreshments, which included pumpkin cake, cheese straws, pimento cheese sandwiches, wraps, veggies with dip, and a warm harvest punch. The recipe for the punch is included on the last page of this Rhozette. The hostesses included **Laurette Carle, Karen Mauldin, Jackie Arthur, Jaci Stewart, Mary Farrell, Patt Scruggs, and Kay Awalt-Musgrove**.

Our own talented and creative **Pat Tyree** provided the materials and ideas for creating fall cards and candy treats using her variety of

crafting tools, ribbons, and cardstock.

Iris note cards are once again being offered for sale for \$6 per package and would be great for thank you notes and other personal correspondence.

**Karen Mauldin** passed out current yearbook inserts to the members who were present. Others in attendance included **Sara Davis, Charlotte Turner, Elaine Warwick, Sandra Juarez-Posey, Brenda Standish, Mary Farrell, Ollie McKenna, Laurette Carle, Quen Williams, Lynda Gunter, Pat Scruggs, Marty Haselden, and Sandy Jones**.

## December/January Remembrances



Rho members celebrating December or January birthdays include:

**Susan Eades**—December 6

**Peggy Bryant**—December 14

**Jo Booth**—December 22

**Laurette Carle**—December 29

**Rosemary Hood**—January 14

**Charlotte Turner**—January 19

**Pat Scruggs**—January 23

**Lynda Gunter**—January 28

Our sympathy is extended to **Sara Davis** who lost her mother in December. Mrs. Vaden had always supported Rho Chapter's events and had offered her house for board meetings and cluster dinners.

Our thoughts and prayers are extended to **Ann Moran** who is recuperating at HCA after a fall.

## Xi State is Coming in June!!



Xi State Convention is coming to the University of the South at Seawanee on June 9-11. This is an amazing opportunity on the mountain top near Monteagle. The scenery surrounding the area is amazing and the fellowship shared by key women educators from across the state is awesome!

The University of the South rolls out the red carpet for members of Delta Kappa Gamma in this state. The beauty of its campus including All Saints' Chapel and other buildings as well as the cross overlooking the interstate and the gorgeous Tennessee countryside provides a serene and tranquil setting for our yearly gathering.

ing.

A variety of Silent Auction items are available for purchase, and talented chapter members provide items for sale also. Members also use their expertise to lead and conduct workshop sessions about various topics and interests.

## Legislative Symposium in March

The Legislative Symposium and Breakfast sponsored by Xi State is scheduled for Tuesday evening, March 1st and Wednesday, March 2nd. The Tuesday evening event and Wednesday morning breakfast will be held at the Millennium Maxwell House in Nashville; Wednesday morning and afternoon meetings will occur at Legislative Plaza in downtown Nashville.

The Tuesday evening event will begin at 7:30 p.m. with a panel of distinguished guests who will be available to discuss relevant issues and answer questions from our audience. A confirmed panelist for this event includes Jerry Winters from the Tennessee Education Association and Connie Smith, the Director of School

Innovation, Improvement, and Accountability for the State Department of Education..

The Wednesday morning breakfast at the Maxwell House will begin at 6:30 a.m. and will cost \$20. The featured speaker for this event will be one of the new educators from the Haslam administration. **Judy Jackson**, who chairs Rho's Legislative Committee, will be making reservations for both the breakfast and attendance on Tuesday evening.

Last year a group of Rho members who attended on Tuesday evening met prior to the 7:30 p.m. panel and enjoyed dinner together. The panel was very informative, and it was inter-

esting to hear the variety of issues of concern expressed by members in the audience.

Since this is a politically new year of **major importance**, it behooves all of us as key women educators to stay alert and remain aware of legislative agendas and actions which may impact us all in one way or another for many years to come. One of our Society's seven purposes is to remain involved in the legislative process as it affects education.

Stay current about the status of NCLB and the new gubernatorial leadership as well as our state's new evaluation plans and licensure requirements.

## Legislative Forum Held at Liberty



Once again Rho Chapter proudly sponsored a Legislative Forum for all the educators in Williamson County. This Forum was held at Liberty Elementary School on Tuesday, November 16. This Forum provided educators an opportunity to ask questions of professional concern and hear the answers and viewpoints of our state senator, Jack Johnson and our representatives including Charles Sargeant and Glen Casada. Connie

Smith, State Department of Education, was also in attendance.

**Kay Awalt-Musgrove, Judy Jackson, and Elaine Warwick** served as moderators for the event.

We thank the principal of Liberty, **Jerre Ann Mathis**, for providing us this central location for this event.

Legislators answered a variety of

questions posed by area educators; the senator and the representatives expressed concern that students who had participated in preschool programs supported by the state were only even with their peers by the end of second grade. Our own **Kay Awalt-Musgrove** spoke up in support of the preschool initiative and reminded them that this is the objective of such a program!! Way to go, **Kay!!!**



## Wanted: Cuddly Teddy Bears with Big Hearts

The upcoming February 22nd meeting is that time of the year when we collect teddy bears for the Williamson County Children's Advocacy Center. These teddy bears are given to children in crises who need a warm and cuddly friend to help them through difficult times in their lives.

This meeting is also the time when

we collect diapers and new underwear items for the Williamson County Foster Children's Association. The underwear should range in sizes from birth through teen sizes for both boys and girls. This underwear is distributed to children who are placed in foster care in emergencies when the children may not have an opportunity

to pack clothes to take with them.

World Fellowship and the Children's International Education Committees will also be collecting monetary contributions to support our world fellowship student and the Columbia CIEC located in their public library.

**SHOP EARLY!**

## THE DELTA KAPPA GAMMA SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL

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.



### Harvest Punch

1 gallon apple cider      5 cinnamon sticks w/cloves

2 oranges (1 squeezed )      5 star fruit/star anise

Heat the above ingredients in a crock pot and then ladle into mugs or cups.



### December Brunch Held In Pulaski

The annual December Brunch which was hosted by Phi Chapter was held on Saturday, December 4th, in Pulaski. Members from Beta Rho in Columbia, Alpha Rho in Hohenwald, and Rho in Franklin were invited to the brunch to celebrate the holidays. The brunch was catered this year and featured delicious chicken crepes.

The featured speaker was Xi State President, **DeeDee Rives**, who shared opportunities and initiatives of Xi State and Delta Kappa Gamma.

Members who attended the brunch included **Peggy Bryant, Judy Jackson, Elaine Warwick, Emma McElroy, Karen Mauldin, Pat Tyree, Sandra Juarez-Posey, and Ann Gordon.**

# 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:

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

Rick Warwick, Elaine's husband, will provide a unique program about Williamson 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**

#### "Bear It All"

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 Convention in June.

### **June 9-11, 2011**

Xi State Convention at the University Of the South in Sewanee.

### **July 13-16, 2011**

Southeast Regional Conference for Delta Kappa Gamma in Louisville, Kentucky at the Marriott Hotel.