

The Rhozette:

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## Upcoming Activity

Rho Chapter End of the Year Meeting and Friendship Fair 4:30 p.m. Thursday April 11, 2013 Otey Hall, St. Paul's Episcopal Church Franklin

Rho Chapter will end this year with a brief business meeting, then the fun will begin!

Our prime order of business is to nominate prospective members to our chapter. The form for New Member

Recommendation is printed in this newsletter. Everyone is asked to examine your acquaintances to consider an invitation

to membership. With so many excellent teachers in our midst, finding an outstanding woman educator should be easy.



After our business is concluded, a Rho Chapter "homecoming" is in store. We are inviting former members to join us for an olio of interest booths that include fashion, technology, décor, crafts, international education, gardening and FOOD. We will be starting at 4:45 and running till 5:45-6:00. If you know of a former DKG member , please invite her to be our guest.

## **Quick Reminder**

Donations for World Fellowship as well as stuffed animals to go to the Williamson Child Advocacy Center are being taken at this meeting. If you have not yet given to either of these projects this will be your last opportunity.



## Pat's Pearls ... A message from our President

# Welcome to a new biennium Rho Chapter!



A friend recently shared this little story with me...

A man who was scheduled on a cancelled flight pushed his way to the front of the reservation line and demanded to be put on a specific flight pounding the counter and shouting, "You have to get me on this plane!" When he discovered that he would not be able to make his chosen flight, he became more incensed, continuing his tirade with "Do you know whom you are talking to? Do you know who I am?" The ticket agent calmly picked up the microphone and announced over the intercom, "Ladies and gentlemen, we have a passenger here who doesn't know who he is – will someone who knows this passenger please come and identify him?" And with that the other passengers broke into applause. Sometimes we aren't as important as we think we are!

I offer this little story in CONTRAST to this message: <u>Sometimes we Rho members</u> <u>don't know HOW IMPORTANT each of us is to this chapter</u>! I hope you know how much we value YOUR input and look forward to YOUR active participation at meetings and this year's special events. And, right now, you can help us address a critical need – please select one or more distinguished women educators to honor with a nomination for membership. I am positive you know exemplary teachers who would complement our chapter! So please go to <u>http://www.dkg.org</u>, click on Forms, click on Membership, download Form 11 and bring a nomination to our first meeting!

I hope to see you all on Saturday, August 25 at Stove Works so we can begin our busy year with *everyone's* fellowship and ideas.

### Pat Tyree

## Xi State Convention is Coming!

"Time on the Mountain" will be here before you know it. Xi State's Convention is held each year in Sewanee, TN on The University of the South campus. For anyone who has ever attended, the setting, fellowship and camaraderie are not easily forgotten. Once you've gone you'll always think of returning.

For the last two years Rho Chapter members have had a special treat, as we have rented a vacation home near campus and have spent special time with our Sisters, while enjoying the ambience Monteagle Mountain provides. Even if you can't attend the Convention activities, consider coming to Sewanee to spend a nice day or two in the mountains.

Early registration for the Convention is available from now until <u>May 1</u>. Save \$25 and make your plans to attend. The registration form is at <u>http://www.xistate.org/forms/registrationform2013.pdf</u>. If this will be your FIRST convention

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#### Recommendation for Membership

Instructions:

Please complete and return this form. For information about qualifications for membership in The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, refer to sections on membership in the *Constitution* and the *International Standing Rules*.

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Name:			
Address:			
City: S	itate:	Zip Code:	
Country:			
Phone Number:	Fax Number:		
E-mail:			
Current position title:			
Employer:	Total years of profes	sional educator:	
Highest educational degree granted	Year:	Fie	ld:

Professional accomplishments: Include items such as professional development presentations, campus or departmental leadership roles, published materials, offices in other organizations honors and/or awards. (A brief resume may be attached to this application.)

	Community activities:		
Endorsed by one or more	e members:	Signature:	
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#### **Classy, Clattering Cluster Meetings!**

What a great time had by all at our recent cluster meetings. Lynda, Peggy and Sara loved opening their homes for members to relax and enjoy a wonderful meal, while laughing and sharing information, stories and experiences. Not only did the "Rock and Rho'll" program

get us moving, but the conversations covered a multitude of topics. At Peggy's, members discussed legislative issues, while at Linda's, teacher retirements were announced....woohoo!!! (Wouldn't you like to know who?). At Sara's, frivolity took over and everyone learned how to get husbands to take over cooking meals for the family! (Wouldn't you love to know that secret?) We just never know what to expect at Rho's rollicking, rousing Cluster Meetings! Thanks to everyone who helped with desserts and drinks to make this a wonderful time for all. What fun!

#### Rho Scholarships and Grants available!

Rho Chapter has three scholarship/grant accounts available for prospective teachers and professional development/workshop/conferences for Rho members and non-Rho members.



We will soon be publicly advertising for prospective teachers to apply for a \$1000 scholarship, so if you know of any fellow teacher's child who would be interested, please have them check the Rho Chapter's website for the application, (or you can print it from your yearbook disc!). Remember, applicants must be women in at least their 3rd year of educational studies and be a graduate of a Williamson County High School.

We also have a \$500 scholarship available for any Rho Chapter member who would like to attend a workshop or conference for professional development. An application is available on your yearbook disc or on the website.

Lastly, we have a new \$500 scholarship that is for beginning non-member teachers to attend workshops or conferences for professional development. So if you know of any dedicated young teachers at your school that would possibly be interested, please let them know.

(These applications are still being developed and should be ready this Fall.)

Don't forget, as you make plans for next year, that Xi State and DKG International have many scholarships available for members and non-members for workshops/conferences, advanced studies and degrees, and for developing activities for your classrooms. Check the <u>XiState.org</u> website. Many scholarships go unused because no one applies!

#### THE DELTA KAPPA GAMMA SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL

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

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International is a professional honorary Society of women educators. The Society promotes professional and personal growth of its members and excellence in education.

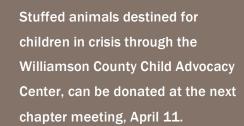


## DKG Opportunities ... Don't delay

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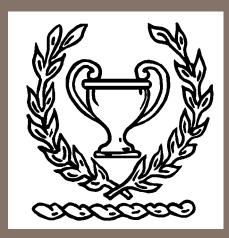
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We are accepting children's games, learning toys, and books to make our basket for the Xi State Silent Auction. Consider joining with another member or two for this to cut down on expense.

Xi State Convention (Sewanee,TN) and Southeast Regional Convention (Orlando, FL) registrations are on line at http://www.xistate.org/index.htm I. Early registration discount ends May 1.



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