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President's Message

We have started 2011 with extra special meetings. Our Picnic and Orientation found new members and old rejoining for fellowship. Our first business meeting culminated with approval of revised chapter rules. While most of the revisions addressed organization of the document, one major change was a decision to stagger officer and committee changes, with a hope to provide stability and continuity to our work as a chapter.

The brightest news of all is our 6 Initiates. New faces, bringing new ideas and experiences, make our chapter grow and be vibrant and effective. We look forward to introducing the work (and fun) of our Chapter to Terry Rogers, Judy Rogers, Joan Blackwell, Carla Richards, Carol Cortez, and Pam Lankford. We accepted Marianne Gilbert as a Reinstated Member from Troy, AL as well and know each new member will bring special gifts to Rho Chapter. Welcome!

Finally, I want each member to be aware and support our efforts as we continue with our Legislative Forum for November. We will need the participation of each of you through questions and attendance as we proceed with this endeavor in a political climate that we have not previously experienced. As always, I know Rho Chapter sisters will rise to the challenge.

Happy Fall to All,
Peggy

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"Rho Initiation"



The initiation of new members into Rho Chapter is scheduled for Saturday, October 1st, at 10:45 a.m. This annual event will take place at the historic Epworth Methodist Church on Arno Road. An Evite invitation has been sent so

that members may RSVP.

After the initiation ceremony, Rho members will gather in the Fellowship Hall for a delicious luncheon prepared by the Ladies of Epworth and will hear an address by Beverly Smith who has

served in several offices for Xi State including First and Second Vice-President. During the luncheon Rho members will have several opportunities to bid on items in our annual Silent Auction which will benefit our two

Rho Chapter Gets Down to Business

The first official meeting of Rho Chapter for this 2011-2012 year was held on Tuesday, September 20th, in the meeting room at the Williamson County Public Library on Columbia Highway in Franklin. This first meeting was designated as a business meeting to discuss revised and new Chapter Rules for submission to Xi State. Chapter business was also addressed and another orientation of prospective members who were unable to attend the picnic orientation followed the regular meeting of chapter members.

Rho Chapter President, Peggy Bryant, presided over the business meeting and presented the proposed rule changes and revisions via

a power point presentation. She recognized the members of the Rules Committee who had worked together to organize and revise the rules for Rho Chapter. These members included Kay Heep, Charlotte Turner, and chaired by Sandra Juarez. The proposed changes were discussed and voted on by the membership in attendance. Correspondence was read aloud, and a confirmation of meeting dates and agendas for each date were shared and discussed.

Fall refreshments were enjoyed by all and were provided by Selma Hicks, Sandy Shiveley, Rosemary Hood, and Brenda Standish,

Rho members in attendance included Sandy Jones, Selma Hicks, Beth Stange, Betty Smith, Emma McElroy, Elaine Warwick, Charlotte Turner, Mindy Cushenberry, Ann Moran, Sara Davis, Karen Mauldin, Pat Scruggs, Kay Musgrove, Judy Jackson, Ollie McKenna, Marty Haselden, Lynda Gunter, Quen Williams, Pat Tyree, and Jackie Arthur.

Prospective members who participated in the Orientation process included Joan Blackwell, Mary Ann Gilbert, Carla Richards, and Pam Lankford

Birthdays Galore for Rho Sisters

August celebrants included:

Mary Lou Bryson—August 3

Joan Wilkes —August 3

Judy Jackson—August 8

Elaine Warwick—August 17

Sandy Shiveley—August 24

Mary Farrell—August 30

September birthdays included:

Susan Miles—September 3

Julie Sparrow—September 3

Sara Davis—September 6

Cyndy Howes—September 18

October birthdays included:

Sue Bailey—October 12

Betty Smith—October 18th

Charlotte Baird—October 21

Jackie Arthur—October 24

Ruth Wingfield—October 31

Silent Auction on October 1st

the initiation at the historic Epworth

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, October 1st, in conjunction with our annual initiation. This year we are once again hosting

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, handmade cards, novelties to use as

stocking stuffers, items with an iris motif, decorative holiday items, unusual 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.

Snapshots of Summer Picnic



The annual Rho Chapter picnic was held on Saturday, August 20th, at 11:00 at the Crockett Park Shelter. Wonderful food and great fellowship were enjoyed by everyone present.

Rho Chapter's orientation of new members occurred at 9:30 at the shelter and these prospective members were invited to enjoy the picnic festivities at 11:00. Membership Chair, Mindy Cushenberry, provided a presentation with the help and support of Rho Chapter members.

Rho President, Peggy Bryant, provided grilled chicken and the chapter's membership brought their respective favorite dishes for everyone to enjoy. It was a feast for the

eyes as well as the palate.

Rho members who were present included Karen Mauldin, Pat Tyree, Lynda Gunter, Sandra Posey-Juarez, Judy Jackson, Quen Williams, Sandra Jones, Denise Goodwin, Betty Smith, Emma McElroy, Jackie Arthur, Jaci Stewart, Marian Oonk, Brenda Standish, Pat Scruggs, Laurette Carle, Joyce Herring, Diane McCord, and Angie Wilson.

Prospective members included Terri Rogers, Carol Cortez, Judy Rogers, and Rosie Mitchell. These prospective members work in various capacities for the Williamson County Schools and Franklin Special School

District.

After the delicious lunch, Rho sisters shared their summer memories and family updates with each other as they enjoyed the shady surroundings of the shelter.

Prompt Dues Payment is Appreciated



The Executive Board decided at its July meeting that the Rho Chapter dues for the 2011-2012 year needs to remain at \$75.00. These dues are required to be paid by September 30th which will allow Karen time to print an accurate and updated yearbook by our November meeting. Any member paying after that date will be assessed an additional \$20 late fee, so please begin sending your dues to Emma McElroy.

These time constraints are important for both our Second Vice-President Karen Mauldin and our Treasurer Emma McElroy. Karen is responsible for making sure that our Rho Chapter yearbook is current and up-to-date for submission in December to Xi State. Emma is responsible for making sure that our Chapter's financial reports are submitted to the Xi State Treasurer in November. Both of these responsibilities earn our

Chapter additional points toward our Chapter Excellence Award.

Please make sure that you get your dues to Emma without additional notice. She is busy also and appreciates your prompt payment so that she does not have to make lots of telephone calls as reminders. Thank you in advance for being responsible with this timely submission of dues.

Quick & Easy Recipes



Poppyseed Chicken

7 c. cooked chicken, shredded into pieces

2 cans (10 3/4 oz) cream of chicken soup, undiluted

1 16-oz. container sour cream

1-2 T. poppy seeds

2 jars Green Giant sliced mushrooms, drained

1/2 c. butter, melted

2 c. Ritz crackers, crushed

Cooked rice

Mix soups, sour cream, mushrooms, poppy seeds, and chicken together.

Add about half of the buttered crumb mixture into the chicken mixture. Stir well. Pour over a bed of cooked rice placed in a 9 x 13 greased casserole dish. Sprinkle the remaining crumb mixture on top of the casserole. (1 pkg of slivered almonds may be added to this crumb topping, if desired). Bake at 350 degrees for 30 minutes.

Rho Chapter Budget 2011-2012

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

Balance as of 8-20-11 \$ 113.00

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



Estimated Income	6650.00
Memberships	4650.00
Transfer from CDs	1500.00
Other	500.00
Estimated Expenditures	\$6752.00
Membership	3427.00
Scholarships	1983.00
Donations	280.00
Chapter Expenses	1062.00

Rho Calendar of Meetings for 2011-2012

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, October 1, 2011 at
10:45 a.m.

Initiation of new members at Epworth United Methodist Church on Arno Road.

Tuesday, November 15, 2011 at
4:30 p.m.

"Legislative Forum"

Opportunity to meet with area legislators and State Department personnel to discuss and get answers regarding educational issues at Liberty Elemen-

tary in Franklin.

Saturday, December 3, 2011 at
11:00 a.m.

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

Tuesday, January 24, 2012 at 4:30 p.m.

Business Meeting followed by an opportunity to "Cook with Marilyn", our favorite hostess and chef.

Tuesday, February 28, 2012 at 4:30 p.m.

Community Outreach and Collection at Otey Hall.

Tuesday, March 13, 2012 at 5:00 pm.

Cluster meetings & dinners in various locations.

Tuesday, April 17, 2012 at 4:30 p.m.

Installation of new Rho Chapter officers for the 2012-2014 biennium and election of new members.

Other important dates to remember:

March 2012—New Officer Training

June 2012- Xi State, University of the South at Sewanee

July 2012—International Meeting in New York, New York