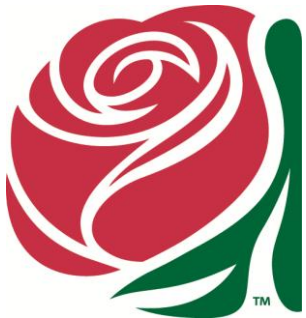


Alpha Xi News

Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Xi State

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Xi State... Growing Possibilities

Dear Sisters,

Fall has finally arrived with hints of "October's bright blue weather" all around us. In nature it is a time to store up for the winter as we see the squirrels gathering their winter store. For us it is a time to start unpacking our store and go to work.

First, I would like to thank all those who worked to make the September meeting a success. I was so sorry to miss this meeting, but heard good reports about the meeting.

October 22 is our next meeting with an international theme. It is a potluck and we are to bring an international dish to share. Please sign up and make sure to be at Hixson United Methodist Church Fellowship House at 5:30 for the meeting. Because of construction, parking is limited in the lot in front of the Fellowship House. There is more parking both in the lot above and across the road. At this meeting we have several items to vote on:

- 1) new members, 2) Girl Scout Project, 3) Budget (Good news, Judy is feeling stronger and is ready to assume the office of treasurer again---Many thanks to Beverly for once again stepping up to help the chapter),
- 4) Strategic Action Plan.

We also have a number of options for service projects which call for strong committees and volunteers to help us complete them.

- a) Fill mugs and collect contributions for the Christmas store at East Lake Elementary
- b) Volunteer to read at East Lake for Dr. Seuss' birthday celebration in February
- c) Volunteer to work at the sign- ups for Imagination Library in February/March (on a Saturday)
- d) Donate: 1) children/tweenage books to Northside Neighborhood house, 2) household items for Room in the Inn.
- a) Volunteer to work at the International Convention in Nashville July 5-9 (part time assignment available)

- b) Work with Girl Scout project (find troop, coordinate activities)



- c) Suggest opportunities for projects where we work (fellowship) together
- d) Donate to Schools for Africa (bring a contribution to Oct. meeting)
- e) Submit names to be invited to join our chapter (Read new recruitment plan in XI State News, Sept. 2015)

We have a lot of opportunities for members to work together and to reach out to the community. Join in the work, fun and connect with fellow members in fellowship.

The November 17 meeting will be the joint initiation of new members at the East Brainerd Church of Christ (7745 East Brainerd Road). Initiates and their sponsors should be there by 5:30. The meeting will begin promptly at 6:00. Cost for the catered meal is \$17.00 which is due to Judy Leach by November 1.

On December 14 we will meet at Nancy Bibler's home for refreshments provided by the board and preparing the Christmas gifts for East Lake Elementary. Bring mug(s), some items to go in them (lotions, soaps, candy, items you think the kids will want for gifts for family, friends, and maybe for themselves). The kids will use good behavior "bucks" to pay for the items. I look forward to seeing you all at the October meeting and most of all working with you during the coming months. Let's get together, have fun, and accomplish a lot.

Sincerely,
Deana James

MEMBER NEWS



Alpha Xi enjoyed Lenka Hailstone and her dancers from Peru as we celebrated Hispanic Heritage month at our September meeting. A delicious meal was catered by Salsaritas.



October
20 BILLIE BACON
21 JANE BROWER

Happy
Birthday

NOVEMBER
17 TAFFE BISHOP
21 HARRIET BOND
23 BRENDA HOOPER



Concerns



Judy Leach is at home and finishing up therapy as an out-patient.

Harriett Harris has completed physical therapy.

Both Judy and Harriett had pneumonia, so ladies check with your doctors about flu and pneumonia shots!

Norma Cate's husband is undergoing treatment for bladder cancer. So far he is tolerating them well.

Do not forget to check out our website!
<http://alphaxichattanooga.weebly.com>

IMPORTANT DATES

- October 22 Chapter Meeting at Hixson United Methodist Friendship House
5:30 Social Hour 6:00 Dinner
Program: Sister Cities and vote on new members
- November 17 Joint Initiation East Brainerd Church of Christ
Initiates and Sponsors: 5:30 Dinner 6:00
Cost for catered meal \$17; pay Judy Leach by November 1
- December 1 Deadline to send in 2016 Xi State Convention proposals to state First Vice President
- December 14 Christmas Tea at Nancy Bibler's home; Oak Street, Chattanooga
- December 31 Deadline to apply to Xi State Foundation grants and Liz Whorley Bradley Professional Growth Awards
- January 12 Board meeting at Western Sizzler in Ooltewah, 10:30
- February 18 Chapter meeting at Western Sizzler in Ooltewah; 5:30 Program: Literacy

