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Xi State...Growing Possibilities

Letters from Lana

As we look at the beautiful colors of spring another school year is ending. Maybe the beautiful colors are why we are so happy during this time of year. (Whatever!)

As I reflect back on the school year, I can say I have grown mentally and hope to have encouraged several students to do the same. A challenging semester it has been, and I know new challenges will arise next school year. I always enjoy learning new material and feel pride in my accomplishment. I hope we can challenge each other in Beta Pi and feel a sense of accomplishment as this year ends and a new one begins.

I wish you a bright colorful summer. See you at the meeting on Saturday.

Roses are red Violets are blue School is ending And I'm not blue.

- Yana



Important Dates Scheduled Meeting - May 26 **Birthday Brunch** The Pineapple Tea Room, **Cumberland Gap**

1:00 p.m.

Meet in UCHS front parking lot to carpool by 12:15 a.m.

June 1-3: Xi State Convention, Sewanee July 19-22: Southeast Regional Conference, Myrtle Beach, SC Visit Beta Pi: www.xibetapi.weebly.com Xi State: www.xistate.org And ∆KΓ: <u>www.deltakappagamma.net</u>

Founders' Day

We will celebrate our Founders and the founding of Beta Pi Chapter as we gather in Cumberland Gap for our annual Birthday Brunch. We will be drawing to see who wins the attendance prize. We will also be setting a date for our July meeting. Don't forget to bring items for our Silent Auction basket. Anything that represents Union County or that you get in a store in Union County is good!

Summer Plans

What are we doing this summer? Lana: Going to Sewanee, and then to Daytona Beach for vacation Sherrie: Going to Sewanee and Myrtle Beach for DKG conventions Donna: Going to Sewanee *Linda*: Working Kim: Going to see Dirty Dancing Bonnie: Visiting the grandkids

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Dues

Active Dues - \$85 Reserve Dues - \$58

Summer Conventions

June 1-3, 2017, will be the Xi State Convention in Sewanee, TN. This year's convention will be another great time on the Mountain! Our special guest will be June Bowers, DKG Member-at-Large. We have lots of great workshops lined up for everyone to enjoy. We will also have a new set of officers installed to lead us into the new biennium. If you have not signed up for a State Committee position for the next two years, it is not too late. Serving on a State Committee helps you to be involved with the workings of DKG. It is a very rewarding experience. There are committees for everyone and every level of involvement. Please see Sherrie Collins, chairman for the EEC committee next biennium, if you would like to volunteer.

US Forum Update - Immunizations

Although it is not yet available, a potentially more effective shingles vaccine is in development. In the meantime, medical professionals recommend that people over the age of 60 get the currently available shingles vaccine, both pneumonia vaccines and an annual flu shot. Several institutions are currently working hard and long to develop a vaccine against the Zika virus. There is evidence that Zika may cause substantial hearing loss in older adults, and there have been several documented cases of Guillain-Barre Syndrome which developed after Zika virus infection of older adults.

Beta Pi Website

Our website needs to be updated. If you have a head shot that you like, send it to <u>collins.sherrie@gmail.com</u>, or I can take a picture at our meeting. I will also need any new members to sign a permission form to have their pictures and names on the website.

Attendance Drawing

Who will win this DKG bell that was purchased at the DKG International Convention in Nashville! This is a silver bell from The Bell Collection made especially for DKG. To look at the entire collection, go to <u>www.collectbells.com</u>.



Find out at our Birthday Brunch!



Initiation of Cheryl Bowman, March 2017

Southeast Regional Conference

The SE conference will be in Myrtle Beach this year. There is still time to sign up! This conference is a great way to be involved at the International level with DKG. You will also meet lots of sisters from the SE region.

Birthdays

Susan Bolinger, 5/25Linda Baxter, 6/1Sherrie Collins, 6/18Bonnie Dalton, 6/28

