



Details From Dee Dee April 2011

President

Fifty Year Membership Recognition. Chapter presidents, please complete the attached form to recognized members across the state for years of service to the Society.

Xi State needs strong leaders! Chapter presidents, remember to encourage members to submit a request to serve on a state committee during the 2011-2013 biennium. Forms are online and were emailed to you mid March.

Questions—contact Dee Dee. rivesdd@bellsouth.net

Achievement Award

Cindy Schepman, chair

The Xi State Achievement Award Committee is actively seeking nominations for this prestigious award. It must be postmarked by **April 1st**. Application on the website.

Awards

Cindy Lynn, chair

Chapter Excellence Award on website and in last issue of Details
Deadline--postmarked by **April 15th**

FYI- There is no longer an "international program theme." So long as your programs fit one of the seven Purposes, they are fine.

Conventions

Xi State convention **June 9-11**, registration form on state website. Come fulfill several Society purposes while at convention. To prepare for the business sessions at convention, please read the proposed bylaw and rules changes located on website.

If your chapter has fund-raiser items for sale, load them up and bring them to convention. Form attached. Due **May 15th**.

Tennessee Breakfast at Southeast Regional Conference –

July 13-16 in Louisville Kentucky. Deadline for reservations postmarked Monday **June 13th**. Make plans to attend!!

Formed attached.

International

Check out the International website www.dkg.org for **new** Orientation Guide, Social Networking, Schools for Africa and Early Career Educator information.

Communication Buzz is attached.

Educational Foundation of DKG information is attached. Linda McCrary, TN, Foundation Chair, requests chapters share and post in their school faculty workrooms/lounges.

The International Educational Excellence Committee has established a Society focus of supporting early-career educators. Part of the focus includes using **THAT** (TEACHERS HELPING ANOTHER TEACHER) Check out the website for more information on this very important program emphasis of the Society.

Literacy

Mildred Welch, chair

March 31st deadline for Literacy Award. Application in March issue of Details The Xi State Literacy Committee asks that EACH ATTENDEE TO XI STATE CONVENTION bring along ONE OR MORE CHILDREN'S BOOK(S) to be donated to a Tennessee elementary school in need of books. A box will be placed at the Convention Registration Desk to collect the books.

Member e-mail address

Notify Elaine Warwick, elainewarwick@att.net, and Dee Dee Rives, rivesdd@bellsouth.net, if a member's e-mail address changes; all communication will be by e-mails, when possible, to save money.

Membership

Martha Bailey, chair

The International Membership Committee will be sending a monthly newsletter that will be forwarded to the chapter membership chairs. Please send the name and email address for your chapter membership chair to Martha Bailey at baileym26@comcast.net.

Music

The music committee is looking for some performers for Thursday night during the General Session. Do you play a musical instrument? Guitar, piano, violin, etc?? Would you like to share it with your Xi State sisters? Please contact Rosemary Smith at rhs423@charter.net

Also, don't forget, we need some singers for the Xi State chorus!!

Sing in the SER conference in Louisville. Information attachment.

Personnel

Donna Camper, Chair

Great opportunity to serve Xi State!!

Webmaster and Editor applications and job descriptions are attached. Encourage chapter members to apply.

Scholarship

Janice Sorsby, chair

Since interest rates are so low, the scholarship funds are not earning enough interest to maintain our eight Xi State scholarships at the present level. Therefore, we are asking chapters and members to make a contribution above the \$1.00 membership dues to the scholarship fund. At the Xi State Convention, bags will be placed on tables at the Awards Luncheon on Friday for donations. The fifth purpose of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society is "to endow scholarships to aid outstanding women educators in pursuing graduate study and to grant fellowships to nonmember women educators." We need your help to maintain our scholarships and fulfill the fifth purpose of our society. Janice Sorsby, chair

Silent Auction

Mary Jo Wilson, chair

The Special Events Committee is asking each chapter to participate in the Silent Auction at Xi State this June. There is no theme this year so let your creativity shine. Individual items or small, medium or large baskets will be gratefully accepted and put on the auction block.

If you have any questions, contact Mary Jo Wilson at mjwilson1545@yahoo.com or 901-490-4560. See you in June!!!

Visual & Performing Arts

Wanda Wright, chair

Visual and Performing Arts display at Xi State, Convocation Hall deadline for reservations is **April 5**, 2011. Let's get those ideas finalized and our displays and performances polished and ready for another celebration as we meet once again in Sewanee for the next Xi State Convention. Form was in March [Details](#) and on website.

Website: State

Check the state website www.xistate.org for forms and other information.

Xi State News

Next deadline, August 1, 2011.

Chapter presidents, one of your responsibilities is to help develop leadership among chapter members. Delegating responsibilities and working as a team, not as an individual, will help each sister grow. Feel free to contact me if I can assist you and/or your chapter in any way. Through your persistence and commitment to your chapter, Xi State and International, we all will celebrate!

Take care,

Dee Dee

2009-2011 Xi State President

