



# ALPHA PHI INFORMER

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How time flies! Here it is, Mid-August; school has started again and we've already had our first meeting of the year! I hope your summer has been fruitful and full of family and fun. We really enjoyed getting together for our first meeting of the year. Many thanks to those who provided our brunch and to all who came. It was wonderful fellowship!

Now it's time to invite potential members to our September 8 meeting at Gunbarrel Road Golden Corral (In front of Target). Danita Clark and Patsy Woodham will be our hostesses, pointing you in the correct direction to our meeting room. Several chapter members will take part in the "Bring a Colleague to DKG" program. Our Area III Director, Amanda Pritchett, will be with us, and I know you will want to meet and talk with her.

Arrive at 5:30 to go through the buffet line to eat, or arrive at 6:00 to be at the meeting. If you bring a colleague with you, the chapter will pay for their meal.

Twenty-four members have signed up for Remind so far. Please remember to do that so I can keep you in the loop on upcoming chapter events. <http://remind.com/join/jenisoud> is the link to sign up.

Thanks to all of you for your continuing dedication to our chapter and your membership. I'm looking forward to a great year with Alpha Phi!

## It is Yearbook Time

If you were not at the August meeting, please send a selfie bust shot of yourself, (or a more formal digital one if you have one, or mail a hard copy photo) to Jeanette Underwood by the end of this month. We are going to have members' pictures with our contact information in our chapter yearbook.

The same photo will be put on the website if you agreed to allowing your information to be placed on the website. If you have never signed a release for the website, please email Lin Marten, and she will send you a release form.

If you have any other changes for the yearbook (phone # change, address change, email address change, etc., please contact Jeanette Underwood

## Upcoming Event

### SEPTEMBER MEETING

September 8<sup>th</sup> Chapter Meeting 5:30 pm Golden Corral Gunbarrel Rd

Our next meeting will be at the Golden Corral on Gunbarrel Road. The meeting begins at 5:30 P.M. if you want to go through the buffet line and have dinner. The business meeting will begin at 6:00 P.M. Bring a colleague, guest or friend who might be a potential member. The chapter will buy your guest's dinner.

## 2015 Calendar of Events

<b>October</b>	Saturday, October 10, 2015	10:00 A.M.	Susie Westbrook's house in Hixson	Teaching Math
<b>November</b>	TBA	TBA	TBA	Chattanooga combined chapter Meeting: Initiation
<b>December</b>	Saturday, December 12, 2015	11:30 A.M.	Broad Street Gill Downtown Chattanooga	Christmas Luncheon

## Nashville 2016

**International Convention at Gaylord Opryland Hotel in Nashville, TN International  
It is less than a year away!**

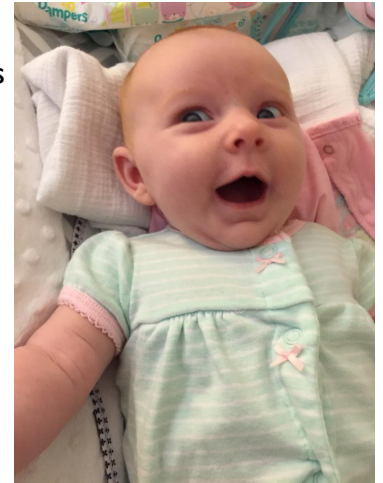
We will need everyone to help in some way.

Tennessee members will receive a discount on registration. Many of you will attend the entire convention, but some of you will be able to attend only a few days. We understand. Some of you plan to bring the family. There is lots to do in Nashville for kids and adults. We got a great room rate also.

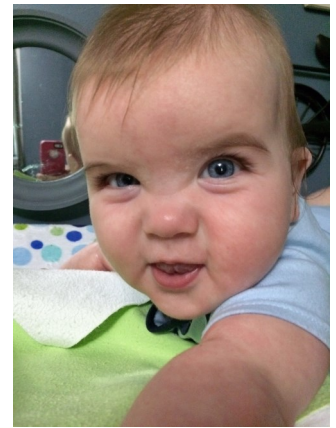
Please mark your calendars for July 5--9<sup>th</sup>.

# Member News

⇒ Jessica Fulgham's new baby (and Barbara Northcut's grandbaby). The baby's name is Lillian Reese Fulgham, named after Barbara's mother. She was born 6/23/2015. Congratulations to both Jessica and Barbara!!!



⇒ An updated pic of Danita Clark's baby. His name is Matthew, and he was born on 2/21/2015



⇒ Our door prize winners from the August chapter meeting at Jensi's house. Lena Engstrom won a DKG blanket, Karla Riddle won a bag from the Southeastern Convention in Savannah, and Pat Hartline won a leather notepad from the state convention in June at Sewanee.



L to R: Lena Engstrom, Karla Riddle, Pat Hartline

⇒ Our active teacher award from the August meeting, Danita Clark, won \$100 for classroom supplies!



## Remind 101

### **A New School Year; A New Class**

Just

as we have a new class for the school year, we have to sign up as a new class for Remind 101. To receive messages via text, text to the phone number 81010 (put 81010 in the "To" box) and @jensisoud as the message. Or to receive messages via email, send an email to jensisoud@mail.remind.com. You can leave the subject blank. You need to do one or the other or both. Jensi sends out notices or reminders to the chapter concerning items that do not have time to make it to THE INFORMER, i.e. illness, births, deaths. Stay informed; sign up.

Remind is a free, safe, and simple messaging tool that helps teachers share important updates and reminders with students and parents. It is a wonderful classroom tool as well as for DKG. Subscribe by text, email or using the Remind app. All personal information is kept private. Visit remind.com to learn more.

## We Know You Love a Sale!

### **Here Is A great sale for you**

We have spoken often in chapter meetings about the need to support the Belk Charity Sale in November. The ticket sales go 100% to the chapter. For every five dollar ticket we sell, five dollars goes to the chapter. If we volunteer during the sale we get a hefty donation from Belk. Some of us have bought tickets in the past and forgone the sale because 6 am came too early. **HOWEVER, DID YOU KNOW YOU CAN SHOP EARLY BEFORE THE SALE?** Many people shop early the week before the sale; get the ticket discount; get the sale discount; and receive all the markdowns. You pay for your purchases which are held for you until sale day. The day of the sale you pick up your purchases at a time convenient for you. It is simple and you get a great sale.

From our August Meeting, by request of multiple members:

## Susie Westbrook's Grape Salad

Courtesy of Trisha Yearwood

Total Time:  
30 min  
Prep: 15 min  
Inactive: 15 min

Yield:  
12 servings  
Level:  
Easy

### Ingredients

2 pounds seedless green grapes  
2 pounds seedless purple grapes  
One 8-ounce package cream cheese, room temperature  
One 8-ounce container sour cream  
1/2 cup granulated sugar  
1 teaspoon vanilla extract  
1/2 cup brown sugar, firmly packed  
1/2 cup pecans, finely chopped

### Directions

Wash the grapes and dry thoroughly with paper towels. Put the dry grapes in a 9-by-13-inch baking dish. In a bowl, combine the cream cheese, sour cream, granulated sugar and vanilla. Mix well using an electric mixer. Pour this mixture over the grapes and toss together until all the grapes are coated. Chill in the refrigerator.

Just before serving, sprinkle with the brown sugar and pecans.

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## It's Time for Dues! Consider Spreading Your Payments!

Susie Westbrook has begun collecting dues for the 2015-2016 year. The dues are the same as last year—\$75.

This year, as a convenience to some of our members, the Alpha Phi Financial Committee is offering members the opportunity to pay their dues in two installments: **\$45 and \$30**, making sure the **second installment is paid before the end of October**. When you pay your first installment, you will receive a receipt with the amount paid so you will know what you owe.

You can mail your dues to Susie at Susie Westbrook, 2320 Green Valley Road , Soddy Daisy 37379. Make your checks payable to "Alpha Phi."

## Happy Birthday to our Members

### August

4th: Dr. Jessie Schmid  
 4th: Amy Wright  
 9th: Kathy Cox  
 16th: Sandy Smith  
 19th: Pat Veldman  
 23rd Marcia Christian



### September

13th: Amy Swoope

## New Website

Check out our new website address!! Please bookmark it for quick and easy access!



[www.deltakappagamma.org/TN-alphaphi/](http://www.deltakappagamma.org/TN-alphaphi/)