

## President's Corner

By Ashley Witt

Happy New School Year!

I trust this news finds everyone well and getting back into the routine of school. With a super busy summer, I welcomed my school routine. Thank you to each of you for all your hard work last year. I was so proud to read and hear all the accomplishments of our chapter at XI State. It was wonderful to have five members attend the annual convention. I encourage anyone who has not been to XI State to go. It is a beautiful event.

The Executive Board met recently, and we are very excited about our upcoming year. Please make plans to come on September 14<sup>th</sup> and find your place in our adventure this year. One of the main focuses for our year will be membership. We not only want to strengthen our members but also grow our chapter. I hope that each of you is seeking out a candidate to invite to our chapter. We will also continue our Change for Africa campaign. Our chapter made a very generous donation last year, and we want to continue our tradition.

Thank you again for once again allowing me to serve you and DKG. I am very blessed to be associated with wonderful women educators.

See you September 14<sup>th</sup>!

*Ashley*

## *Xi State . . . Growing Possibilities*

September  
2015

### September Meeting Monday, September 14

Refreshments at 4:45 and Meeting at 5:00

**Location:** Sarah Jesse's house at 1618  
Glenhaven Drive

**Program:** Committee planning

**Hostess Committees:** Executive Board



### Meeting Dates

September 14, 2014—Monday

October 15, 2014—Thursday

November 9, 2014—Monday

December will be a brunch hosted by Beta Epsilon.  
Date to be determined.

February 8, 2015—Monday

March 10, 2015—Thursday

April will be a brunch hosted by Delta Chapter.  
Date to be determined.

**If you miss the September meeting, please  
contact your committee chairman about your  
committee and program responsibilities.**



## Member News

**Sherri Dowdy** accepted a consultant job with Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing. She will be based in Murfreesboro but will be traveling a lot. Best wishes on your new career move, Sherri!

**Dr. Elaine Alexander** presented a breakout session entitled "From the Dust of Halley's Comet: The Magic and Mystery of Mark Twain" at Xi State, the Southeast Regional Conference in Savannah, and the Northeast Regional Conference in Baltimore. Thanks for representing Beta Epsilon so well on the state and regional levels!

**Ashley Witt** presented a wonderful meditation at the Executive Board meeting at Xi State.

**Dr. Mary Tom Berry** is recuperating from a fall. She has been in a rehab facility for a few weeks and is improving daily. She hopes to move back to her apartment soon. Her mailing address is the same:

The Blake  
608 Steed Road Apt 228  
Ridgeland, MS 39157

**Dr. Elaine Alexander** and **Sandra Pineault** had a great time in Savannah attending the Southeast Regional Conference.

## Stay in Touch with DKG

**Beta Epsilon website—**  
<http://www.deltakappagamma.org/TN-betaepsilon/>

**Xi State website—**<http://www.xistate.org/>

**International website—**[www.dkg.org](http://www.dkg.org)

## Congratulations to New Xi State Officers

Officers for 2015-17 were installed at Xi State and include

- Dr. Dorrie Powell, President
- Sherri Collins, First Vice President
- Dr. Linda Eller, Second Vice President
- Dr. Beverly Hall, Recording Secretary
- Michelle Steen; Corresponding Secretary.

We look forward to the leadership provided by these ladies.

## Upcoming DKG Dates

- September 25-26--Xi State Committee Planning at Whitworth Buchanan School.
- June 2-4, 2016—Xi State Convention
- July 5-9, 2016—International Convention at Gaylord Opryland Hotel in Nashville

## Win Gift Card by Paying Dues

If Kim Day receives your dues (\$85) by the October meeting, your name will be placed in a drawing for gift cards. You can pay in person at the next two meetings or you can mail your dues to Kim at:

3404 Belle Chase Drive  
Murfreesboro, TN 37130



**Ashley Witt, Joan Howell, Sandra Pineault, Helen Campbell,** and **Dr. Elaine Alexander** pose outside the cathedral at The University of the South following the Xi State Ceremony of Remembrance. **Helen Campbell** delivered a very thoughtful prayer at the beautiful ceremony.