



# Pi Lights

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## 2012 Spring Executive Board Meeting/Workshops/Awards & New Chapter Presidents' Leadership Development Seminar

May 4-5, 2012

Sheraton Syracuse University Hotel & Conference Center  
Syracuse, NY 13210

Look for *Registration Form and Hotel Reservation/ Directions* on pp. 13 & 14 of this issue.

### Workshops

- The **Educational Excellence Committee** will hold workshops on the DKG International Projects *Early Career Education* and *Schools for Africa*.
- There will be a workshop to assist **Chapter Treasurers**.
- **BYLAWS and Standing Rules** Committee will offer a workshop to help Chapters as they revise Chapter BYLAWS and Standing Rules in accordance with the new International Constitution.
- Music Education workshop will be presented.
- Barnes and Noble will offer a workshop about *Nooks and Books*.
- *Refer to the Pi State website for further information.*

### Schedule

#### Friday, May 4<sup>th</sup>

- 1:00-4:00pm International Steering Committee Meeting
- 3:00-9:00pm Registration
- 5:00-6:00pm Optional Dinner
- 6:30-7:15pm Workshop Session #1
- 7:30-8:15pm Workshop Session #2
- 8:15-8:55pm Dessert Reception
- 9:00-9:45pm General Session

#### Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>

- 8:00-10:30am Registration
- 8:15-10:15am Executive Board Meeting
- 10:30-11:45am Awards Brunch
- 12:00-4:00pm Leadership Development Seminar for Incoming Presidents, including box lunch**



~ Photos by Jim

The "Invitation to the 2012 International Convention in NYC" Skit, presented at NERC in Hershey, PA in July by Pi State Sisters

**Reminder to Chapters:** Elections or nominations for new Chapter Presidents should occur prior to Spring Executive Board Meeting/Workshops so that new Chapter Presidents may attend the Leadership Development Seminar for Incoming Presidents.

### New Deadline for Pi State Scholarships, Awards, Stipends and Grants-in-Aid

March 1, 2012

More details included in this issue.

Refer to the Pi State website for applications and further information.

### DKG INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS due FEBRUARY 1<sup>st</sup>

Remember that there are 30 chances for a \$6,000 award. The funds may be used toward a Masters degree, a second Masters, a graduate level Special Area degree, a PhD or an ED in an accredited program on campus or online. Refer to [www.dkg.org](http://www.dkg.org).

Barb Vann, Representative for the Northeast Region, DKG International Scholarship Committee



*"Be the Spark - Ignite the Flame"*

**Jeanne Schenk**

Pi State President 2011 - 2013

**HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

We are all settling into the year 2012 and hopefully, you now remember to put the correct year on things you write. It is just one of the changes we have to make. The New Year is a time for change and resolutions and it is no different for Pi State.

The registration form for our **Spring Seminar/Executive Board Meeting** is included in this *Pi Lights* and you will notice there are some changes from our usual format. In order to offer **Leadership Development for Incoming Chapter Presidents** on Saturday afternoon, we will be starting the Executive Board Meeting earlier Saturday morning at 8:15am. We will not have our usual Necrology Service this spring, but there will be a thoughtful remembrance of our deceased members at the Awards Brunch on Saturday morning after the Board Meeting. At the **2013 Pi State Convention in Buffalo**, the Membership Committee will plan the formal *Hour of Remembrance* for all deceased members in this biennium.

As a reminder, we have asked all State Chapters to either elect or nominate their new Chapter President before our Pi State meeting in May, so they can attend Leadership Development on May 5, 2012. *That is another big change!* Hopefully, this will give incoming Chapter Presidents the information and support they need as they prepare for a successful biennium. These changes should ease member's schedules in the summer.

***DKG International Convention in New York City from July 24-28, 2012.***

In 2012, the DKG International community will be traveling to New York City. Resolve to attend and participate in this special convention. **Karen Crumley, Tau**, Convention Chair, needs Pi State to be actively involved in all aspects of this convention. You can plan to be a hotel or workshop greeter, table hostess, work at the registration table, help make table decorations, or assist with our special **New York Night on July 24th**. There are many other ways you can help. A complete list can be found on the state website. Please plan to attend this once in a lifetime event so you can network with key women educators from around the world. Reservations can be made for the Sheraton Downtown Hotel and registration for the convention is now open. Check *Pi Lights* for numbers.

***Strengthening Pi State Chapters***

One of my biennium goals is to strengthen chapters, so it is disappointing to inform you that three Chapters asked to dissolve in the Fall. A common problem mentioned was finding members willing to take on leadership roles. Several Chapters were small and had not taken in new members in a number of years.

The health and viability of a Chapter comes from its members and Chapter programs. We are a society of key women educators so every member is a leader or has shown the potential for leadership when they were invited to join. Members may be willing to take on leadership roles if they can delegate responsibilities and count on their Committee Chairs to share the work.

If you have been a Chapter member for a long time, consider mentoring a newer member with positive enthusiasm to improve the strength of your Chapter. The Pi State Executive Committee is ready and willing to help any Chapter that is at risk. *Please feel free to contact us.*

***Let's work together so 2012 will be a year with strong Chapters, an effective state organization and a highly successful International Convention.***

## Awards Committee

Once again this year the Pi State Awards Committee is planning an **Awards Benefit Drawing** to raise funds for State Scholarships, Awards and Grant(s)-in-Aid. At the *Spring Executive Board Meeting/Seminars*, each of the ten state areas will donate a gift card along with an item that exemplifies what they love about New York. It may be something from a local chocolatier, a hand-crafted candle or Big Apple themed gift.

Benefit drawing tickets cost \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Tickets are available through Chapter Presidents. Each year Pi State recognizes women of accomplishment and monies from the **Awards Benefit Drawing** make this possible.

*Here is some good news for all Pi State members!*

**The deadline for all Pi State Scholarships, Awards and Grant(s)-in-Aid is now March 1, 2012.** That means there is still time to complete the applications.

*Kelly-Jo Riker*

## Looking for your Chapter Photos

The *Historical Records & Scrapbook Committee* is encouraging Chapters to send photos of meetings and projects to *Linda Evans, Sigma*, Chair. The outline from the digital workshop can be found on the Pi State web page: right column, scroll down to the bottom. It is very easy to do! These photos will be used in a presentation at the *Spring Executive Board Meeting/Seminars/ LDS for New Presidents* in Syracuse.

As always, Chapters may continue with scrapbooking if preferable. Chapters are encouraged to take photos of scrapbook pages for your files. If storage has become an issue for your Chapter, scrapbooks can then be dismantled.

Chapter Presidents have been contacted concerning this process and have a list of what files and paperwork to save for your Chapter. For more information, contact *Linda Evans*, [lindaevans2343@gmail.com](mailto:lindaevans2343@gmail.com).

Do you have an idea that you are  
“fired-up” about?



A Pi State Scholarship may be  
just what you need!!!

Available for:

Enrichment study

Research

Master's study

Doctoral study

Post-doctoral study

Educational publication

Elderhostel

Continuing education

Applications are available on the Pi State website:

[www.deltakappagamma.org/ny](http://www.deltakappagamma.org/ny).

You may also contact your Chapter President,  
a Pi State Scholarship Committee member or

***Elaine McNulty***

*Pi State Scholarship Chair*

P.O. Box 35

Ashland, NY 12407

[emcnulty39@yahoo.com](mailto:emcnulty39@yahoo.com)

(518)299-3720

Applicants must be Pi State members in good standing  
for at least 3 years.

All application materials must be  
postmarked by **March 1, 2012.**



## Visitations 2012

March 29

**Gamma Delta**

Jeanne Schenk

April 11

**\* Alpha**

Joan Slagle and Jeanne Schenk

April 11

**Alpha Iota**

Jane Tanner

April 26

**Nu and Alpha Nu (joint meeting)**

Jeanne Schenk

May 11

**Rho**

Elaine McNulty

May 17

**Beta Delta**

Mary-Martha Harvey

May 23

**Alpha Sigma** and

Jeanne Schenk

**Beta Epsilon (joint meeting)**

**\*Special Congratulations to Alpha.** Alpha is the first Pi State Chapter to achieve its 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. **Please note:** Chapters are eligible for a visit from a requested member of the Executive Committee once every two years. **Refer to the NY website for request forms and further information.**

## Pi State Educational Excellence Committee

At the 2011 Pi State Convention in Syracuse, the Pi State BYLAWS were amended to include the *Educational Excellence Committee*. This Committee has taken on the work of the Legislation, Program, Personal Growth and Services and Professional Affairs Committees. Our overall focus is to assist all Chapters in developing programs and activities that are meaningful to members and will impact on education worldwide. Our Committee goals are to:

- Promote the *Schools for Africa Project* through donations to the U.S. Fund for UNICEF
- Support *Early Career Educators* by providing time, professional resources, or monetary support
- Encourage programs and activities that:
  - Increase members' personal and professional pride
  - Focus on educational excellence
  - Promote the DKG/UN relationship
  - Increase members' global awareness
  - Impact educational law and policy

As Chapters begin planning for next year, please consider these goals. There is a great deal of information on the *Delta Kappa Gamma* website. If you have specific questions, please contact me at [suze0079@aol.com](mailto:suze0079@aol.com); 315.363.7948.  
 Thank you for your interest and support during this transition.

*Sue Sharon*

## Frederica Hollister Professional Educators Award

You **DO** know a Pi State member who exemplifies the best in education and has made a significant impact in NY and possibly nationally. What better way to honor her than with a nomination for the *Pi State Frederica Hollister Professional Educators Award*?

*Who was Frederica Hollister, you ask?* She was a *Beta Rho* Chapter member, who was the 15th Pi State President in 1967, was instrumental in the beginnings of our *Native American Grant(s)-in-Aid* and was a dedicated educator and scholar during her lifetime. The *Frederica Hollister Professional Educators Award* was established in 1988 from a bequest made by her to recognize fellow members who have impacted education significantly.

There are many Pi State members who deserve this honor...*look around!* Nominations can be made by a Chapter or an individual. Nominees must meet the criteria set forth in **Pi State Standing Rules (SR 14.72)**: "...the woman who has exemplified the best in education in New York State...had considerable visibility...and made a significantly positive impact on education in New York State and possibly at the national level. Her contributions should be varied, widely known and should be well documented over a period of five years."

The nomination form and information are online at <http://www.deltakappagamma.org/NY/ASaGiA.html>.

ACT NOW to recognize that member in your Chapter or Area. We are looking forward to receiving many applications by March 1, 2012. For more information, contact Erin Merrill ([emerrill@cppmail.com](mailto:emerrill@cppmail.com); 607.962.0267)

The members of the **Frederica Hollister Professional Educators Award Committee** are Erin Merrill, *Beta Chi*, Chair; Annette Varcoe, *Beta Rho*; Deborah Bedard, *Alpha Epsilon*; Mary-Martha Harvey, *Omega*.

*Erin Merrill*

## IRS Approves Tax Deduction for DKG Fund Donations

*Great news!* The IRS notified DKG International that our DKG Supporting Corporation received 501(c)3 status. International will be renaming all of the appropriate funds to reflect this status. This affects all Society funds, except Available and Permanent. The control by committees remains the same.

This means that when donations to the *Golden Gift Fund* or the *Scholarship Fund*, etc. are made, these donations are now tax deductible in the USA!

The funds affected are as follows: *Educators Award Fund, Emergency Fund, Eunah Temple Holden Leadership Fund, Golden Gift Fund, International Speakers Fund, Loretta Halek Memorial Fund, Scholarship Fund* and *World Fellowship Fund*.

Donations may be mailed to The Delta Kappa Society International, Box 1589, Austin, Texas 78767-1589 or a credit card contribution on website [www.dkg.org](http://www.dkg.org).

*Lyn Schmid, EdD*

*Northeast Regional Director 2010-2012*

## Personnel Committee Announces Job Openings

Full descriptions of each position and application forms are available at our website, [deltakappagamma.org/NY](http://deltakappagamma.org/NY).



### PI STATE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY 2012-2016

Do you have excellent organizational skills?  
Are you willing to do a lot of work for a small honorarium?  
Do you love our society?

If *yes* is your answer for these three questions and you like to travel, then consider applying to be *Pi State Executive Secretary*. This is a four year position, receiving a modest honorarium. Candidates must be participating members who are active and in good standing. The *Pi State Executive Secretary* must demonstrate leadership skills, administrative abilities and knowledge of information technology. Computer skills are required.



### PI STATE FINANCIAL DEVELOPMENT FUND ADMINISTRATOR 2012-2016

Have you ever wanted to have a store?  
Do you like to travel?

Would you like to support Pi State in a meaningful way?

If you can answer *yes* to these three questions, then you would be an excellent candidate for the position of *Pi State Financial Development Fund Administrator*. This is a four year term, receiving a modest honorarium. The *Pi State Financial Development Fund Administrator* must evidence strong record-keeping and organizational skills. The position, as advertised in *Summer Pi Lights* "is the perfect position for someone who has wanted to open a store".

*Collene Richardson*

## Excellence in Media Award

*You can make all the difference to a media outlet in your area.* Nominate an outstanding media outlet in your area for the *Excellence in Media Award* to be presented at the *July 2012 International Convention* in New York City.

The purpose of the *Excellence in Media Award* is to recognize radio and television stations, newspapers and their related websites that provide outstanding education coverage in New York State. Nomination forms are available on the Pi State website and linked to our *Facebook* page.

**Let your voice be heard for the media outlet in your area that has spoken with distinction for education!**

*Rita Moore*

## Membership Committee Report: Reinstatement

Recently a woman, who was a former colleague in my school district, asked me if she could be reinstated to our Chapter. I had not known she had ever been a member! Her husband was ill. I was busy with my teaching job and chauffeuring my teenage son around to his many activities, so our paths did not cross in the Chapter. Last spring when we were both attending a luncheon, she asked me if she could come to a Chapter event because she missed the collegiality and camaraderie. I invited her to our "Scholarship Tea" where we presented a Grant-in-Aid to a wonderful young woman who had overcome great odds to finish high school and was planning to attend college to become a teacher. My colleague was very impressed with this young woman and remembered how much that aspect of *Delta Kappa Gamma* meant to her, encouraging the future teachers and nurturing the young teachers in our midst, that she wanted to come back. As of this fall, she has been reinstated. *We are delighted to have her return!*

**Do you know someone who was once a member and then left the Chapter?** There are many reasons why that could happen as life unfolds for our members. Maybe you know of a Chapter geographically near yours that has dissolved and there are members with whom you are acquainted. **Why not invite them to attend one of your Chapter events?** Perhaps they are like my friend and miss all that *Delta Kappa Gamma* has to offer but especially the fellowship of the local Chapter. You might be the one to bridge the gap and give that woman the opportunity to pick up where she left off, probably better and stronger than before.

The **International Membership Committee** has been publishing informative monthly memos dealing with the many issues surrounding membership. The topic of the April memo was "**Reinstatement**," outlining the process of reinstatement as found in the *DKG Constitution* and giving suggestions of where to find members who have been "lost" and might be happy to be "found." You can find this complete memo and an archive on the website, [www.dkg.org](http://www.dkg.org): Click on Committees, then Membership, then scroll down in the box titled "Resources" to Memos.

**\*Reminder to Chapters: Each Chapter is required to complete an annual Necrology Report, due to me by February 1. The Report Form will be mailed to you and is available on line at the DKG Pi State website. It is Form 2. Chapter Presidents and/or Membership Chairs may fill them out. You can either mail or e-mail them to me, [rvw20@optonline.net](mailto:rvw20@optonline.net).**

*Rosemary Van Wart*

### ***Gladys L. Mersereau Grant-in-Aid***

Established in 1975 to honor **Beta Rho** member and past Pi State President **Gladys L. Mersereau** (1946-1948), this award is given to a non-member whose education was interrupted and who now needs financial aid to complete certification requirements.

When talking to members of your Chapter this year, discuss possible candidates for this State Award. Pi State may be able to give this person a special spark to help her reach her goal of a career in teaching. This award allows Pi State to recognize special women and encourage them to successfully enter a field of education.

Please consider helping someone apply for this state award. Applications are available on the state website or by contacting **Jeanne Schenk**, [jmos29@aol.com](mailto:jmos29@aol.com). All applications must be postmarked by March 1, 2012.

*Jeanne Schenk*

### **CALL FOR NOMINATIONS For the Bea Small Award**

Be an agent of change in education and the society by nominating a Chapter, whose current project deserves to be supported and recognized. The deadline for submitting nominations is March 1, 2012. Forms are available on Pi State's web site. **The Chapter recipients will be recognized at the Awards Luncheon at Pi State Spring Board Meeting/Seminar on Saturday, May 5, 2012 at the Syracuse Sheraton Hotel.**

Established in 1999 in memory of **Bea Small**, a member of **Omega**, the Award is presented to a Pi State Chapter(s) having an outstanding existing program or project, which addresses a need of a specific population within the Chapter's geographic area.

#### **Recent awardees include:**

**Alpha:** "April Showers" gives baby clothing, children's books, and other items to needy families in the city of Newburgh.

**Alpha Theta:** "Warm-Up America" makes knitted, crocheted, and fleece blankets for women's shelters in Niagara and Orleans counties.

**Alpha Xi:** "Project at Hope Hall" tutors children of Hope Hall who are at-risk learners, purchases book sets and organizes and cleans the science, computer lab and library for a private school outside of Rochester.

**Beta Tau:** "Choices and Changes: Battered Women Outreach" in the Livingston county area supplies exit baskets of needed household items when women leave to go to a safer environment.

**Beta Omega:** "Literacy Basket Project" brings books and other literacy items to newborns of low income families in the Saratoga county area.

The Bea Small Committee includes **Dr. Joyce Tang**, **Alpha Phi**, Chair; **Cynthia Lynch**, **Omega**; **Sue Pennock**, **Chi**; and **Barbara Bostwick-Quinn**, **Beta**.

#### **Send nominations to:**

**Chair, Pi State Bea Small Committee**

*Dr. Joyce Tang*

### **In Remembrance**

*(September 1 - November 28, 2011)*

<b>Alpha Kappa</b>	Rachel A. DiGennaro	4/4/11
<b>Beta Zeta</b>	Jeanne Durni	6/11
<b>Beta Nu</b>	Mary M. Chassin	9/13/11
<b>Alpha Nu</b>	Marie Muller	9/23/11
<b>Alpha Tau</b>	Kim Verstringhe	9/21/11
<b>Beta Delta</b>	Viola Smith Winthrop	10/24/11



***Always in our hearts ...***

### **Call for 2012 Convention Chorus**

*Heavy metal music at the 2012 international Convention in New York, NY !!!!! Not quite, but close! It will be more like "light metal music" as the sounds of kitchen utensils as the **Delta Kappa Gamma International Chorus** accompany themselves in concert. Sounds of African drums will accompany the International Chorus as the chorus pays homage to the "Schools for Africa" Project in song and performs throughout the convention.*

***You are invited to be a part of this exciting experience!***

**Contact Pat Taylor, International Music Representative, at [pianopt1@yahoo.com](mailto:pianopt1@yahoo.com)** and let her know that you would like to sing in the 2012 International Chorus. Be sure to include your voice preference (*soprano, 2<sup>nd</sup> soprano, or alto*) and bring a hard cover black folder or binder and a pair of kitchen utensils (*two forks, two spoons, etc.*) or kitchen items (*a metal pot and spoon, two pot lids, etc.*) with you to the Convention. **Please respond by April 15th, 2012.**

### **SAVE THE DATE**

**New York Night  
at 2012 International Convention  
Tuesday, July 24, 2011**

**Plan to join us for a wonderful evening of New York talent and fun New York eats!**

***Refer to Pi State website for updates.***

*Karen Butters*

## 2012 DKG International Convention

New York City  
July 24 – 28, 2012

### Needed Many Volunteers to Make Light Work---

To make the 2012 *Delta Kappa Gamma International Convention in New York City* the best ever, volunteers are needed to (wo)man the various Committees that make it all happen.

#### Committee choices are:

Hotel Greeters  
Flags/Ceremonies  
Golden Gift Function  
Hospitality Room  
Lost and Found/First Aid  
Members with Special Needs  
Music/Technology  
NY Night  
Photography  
Posters/Placards & Printing  
President' Banquet Centerpieces  
Property Room  
Registration  
State Apparel  
State Attendance Books  
Subway Mentors  
Table Centerpieces for Luncheon  
Workshop Greeters  
Table Hostesses  
Tote Bags  
Tours/Night on the Town and  
Vendor Sales/Exhibits/Demonstrations

#### PROCESS for VOLUNTEERING:

Go to [www.dkg.org](http://www.dkg.org). Click on Society websites. Click on the Pi State icon. This brings up the *Pi State page*. In the upper left hand corner of the page is all the information for the 2012 convention.

#### Volunteers are needed July 22-28<sup>th</sup>.

Please indicate your committee preferences.

*Every effort will be given to make that happen.*

ALL VOLUNTEERS MUST BE REGISTERED FOR THE CONVENTION.

*Carol Lord and Jane Crosby*

## SILENT AUCTION

Benefit for the 2012  
Convention

To Be Held during the  
Spring Meeting in  
Syracuse

I've never known a *Delta Kappa Gamma* woman who was not interested in a unique shopping experience. There is going to be one at the Spring Meeting in Syracuse! The **Steering Committee** has collected handmade items to be auctioned off during the Spring Seminar/Executive Board Meeting.

*How would you like to own a painting done by a well-known Swedish artist? Birgit Svensson's* husband is that artist and she has donated one of his paintings to be auctioned off. **Jean Sekel, Pi**, has done three beautiful counted cross stitch pictures—DKG themed. There will be several more hand crafted articles and baskets full of must have items. One such basket will be full of Fairly Traded coffee, tea, chocolate and olive oil.

This is a must see and bid event. Check out the website for a full list of all the goodies and we will see you in Syracuse. **Bring some extra money and get in on the fun!**

*Betty Dennis*

## A SHOUT OUT TO PI STATE MEMBERS from your 2012 International Convention Volunteer Coordinators, Carol Lord and Jane Crosby

With the 2012 *Delta Kappa Gamma International Convention in NYC* just a few short months away, the need for volunteers becomes a real NEED. We thank those of you who have already sent your completed volunteer forms.

Forms may be found on the Pi State website, [www.deltakappagamma.org/NY](http://www.deltakappagamma.org/NY). Many people have indicated that they would be willing to volunteer, but the **VOLUNTEER FORM** is needed since it contains all the information needed by the Volunteer Committee to assign jobs and be able to get in contact with you.

Individual Chairpersons are also seeking volunteers. **All volunteers for any Committee MUST submit the volunteer form.** We may need you to fill other tasks as well. **We are in need of 300-400 volunteers!!!**

A tentative Convention Schedule can be found on the International website. You can plan which days you will be attending the Convention and will be available to volunteer. *Please make your decision to attend this once in a lifetime Convention! Send your completed volunteer form to Carol Lord as soon as possible.*

## Pi State Area Council Update

Take a moment to reflect on the size and geography of New York State...*large and varied*. Within this great state are **10 Area Councils of Pi State** encompassing all our Chapters. And, within those Chapters, are vastly creative members who are working hard to present fantastic **Area Council Conferences in the 2011-2013 Biennium**.

*It is EXCITING!*

The **North Central Area Council** presented “*Wine, Wind and Wandering Women*” in October 2011. Their creativity took participants through the beautiful Tug Hill Plateau area of NY from the Tug Hill Winery to the Maple Ridge Wind Farm, then on to the Boondocks Restaurant for a delightful meal and talk with artist **Loretta Lepkowski**. It was thrilling to be able to join Pi State sisters for this enlightening day.

Unfortunately, the Northern Area Conference was cancelled due to lack of attendance.

**Keep an eye on the Pi State website for updates on 2012 Area Conferences!**

<http://www.deltakappagamma.org/NY/CAW.html>

**Spring, 2012:** The **South Central Area Council** had every intention of presenting their October 2011 Area Council Conference titled “*Literacy and Technology: Picturing a World without Pencils and Papers*” presented by **Dr. Karen Bromley**, a Binghamton University professor. Unfortunately, the venue in Owego was severely flooded in September, causing a postponement. Watch the **Pi State website** for updated information.

**April 3, 2012:** The **East Central Area Council** will present “*East Central Goes to the Movies*” at the Ohmann Theater in Lyons.

**August, 2012:** The **Capital Area Council** Conference information will be forthcoming on the website.

**August 25, 2012:** The **Eastern Area Council** Conference will be at the Union Church in Newburgh. Participants will have an opportunity to have their treasures from the attic evaluated for their value.

**October 20, 2012:** The **West Central Area Council** Conference will be held at the NYS Wine and Culinary Center in Canandaigua. Information will follow on the website.

**October, 2012:** The **Southwestern Area Council** Conference information will be forthcoming on the website.

**November 3, 2012:** The **Northwestern Area Council** Conference will be held at Russell’s Restaurant in Amherst.

“*The Global Book Club*,” a partnership between the Buffalo State Master’s Degree program and Wegmans, will be presented.

**2012:** The **Southeastern Area Council** Conference is to be announced on the website.

*All Pi State members are invited to attend any Area Conference. Keep checking for further updates, information and Area Council registration forms!*

*Erin Merrill*

## World Fellowships

The **Pi State World Fellowships Committee** promotes the work of the *Delta Kappa Gamma International World Fellowships Committee* in granting world fellowships to women who are not DKG members and who live in countries other than the United States and Canada. The granting of fellowships is supported through contributions from Chapters and individuals.

The following women are **2011-2012 Recipients** who are residing in and studying in Pi State:

**Maria Ishaq** resides in Albany New York and is studying at the State University of New York. She is from Pakistan and is working toward a Masters Degree in Educational Administration and Policy Studies. Receiving an extension is **Karen Cresci**, who is living in Brooklyn while attending New York University. She is working toward a Masters Degree in Comparative Literature.

Contributions to the World Fellowships Fund may be made using **Form 43** or with the on-line contribution form. Both may be accessed at [www.dkg.org](http://www.dkg.org). If you would like to see a complete listing of all recipients, you will find the current brochure on this website or you can look in the *Nov/Dec 2011 DKG News*. Contributions are tax free in the United States. If you would like more information, you may contact Pi State World Fellowships Committee Chair, **Bridget Bishop, Alpha Alpha; [meanmom5@rochester.rr.com](mailto:meanmom5@rochester.rr.com)**.

I would like to welcome Pi State World Fellowship Committee members for the 2011-2013 Biennium: **Wanda Ward, Alpha Xi-WC; Joan Goldstein, Gamma Alpha- SE; and Rita Moore, Alpha Kappa-C**.

*Bridget Bishop*



**~Important~**

The State Committee Guidelines have been updated for the upcoming Biennium 2011-2013. There are several very important changes that should be noted by the Chapters. Changes in the Chapters' *Standing Rules* should reflect these changes.

Amend **Section 8 Historical Records and Scrapbooks** by amending 8.31, 8.32, 8.33, 8.34

To Read:

**8.31** Historical records shall be kept electronically to assure the continuation of the history of the Society in Pi State.

**8.32** Chapters should be encouraged to up-date their histories electronically for the Pi State file.

**8.33** Chapters should be encouraged to use digital photography and photo storage files to keep a record of chapter activities.

**8.34** Chapters should be encouraged to submit chapter photos for electronic presentation at conferences/convention.

Amend **Section 8 Historical Records and Scrapbooks** by adding 8.35

To Read:

**8.35** Use of social networking will be encouraged by members. Chapter and Convention information will be posted on venues such as Facebook.

*Rationale: We need to be able to use modern technology to streamline our communications and to preserve and store our records.*

If any Chapters have questions as they update their documents, please don't hesitate to call 845.434.6022 or e-mail me [kcrumley@hvc.rr.com](mailto:kcrumley@hvc.rr.com). I am always willing to help in any way that I can.

**Karen P. Crumley**

## **Pi State Travel and Study Stipend**

2012 will be an exciting year for Pi State sisters since we will be hosting the *Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Convention in New York City in July*. Many of you have offered to be a volunteer. The Committee reminds all Pi State members that there are two stipends available to help with the expenses at the Convention, the *Seminar for Purposeful Living*, a CTAUN Conference or travel and study of your choice.

Two stipends may be offered not to exceed \$1000.00 each in accordance with the *Pi State Standing Rules*. Efforts will be made to award one stipend to a retired member of the *Pi State Delta Kappa Gamma Society International* and one to a Pi State member currently employed in the profession. Preference will be given to first time attendees.

This summer one of the 2011 stipend winners, **Dr. Andrea Morris, Alpha Beta**, attended the Southwest Regional Conference in Denver, Colorado. She reports that she was thrilled that her mini piano concert at the President's Banquet was "*enthusiastically received and she was very proud to represent Pi State.*" **Phyllis DiMiero and Louanne Hogan, Alpha Theta**, shared a stipend and said that "*it was a great springboard in looking forward to NYC 2012*" and afforded them a wonderful opportunity to attend their first NERC in Hershey, PA, enabling them to meet wonderful women of DKG.

The application can be found on our website, [www.deltakappagamma.org/NY](http://www.deltakappagamma.org/NY), or you can contact Chair **Joyce Krupnik** at [skrupnik@aol.com](mailto:skrupnik@aol.com) or other committee members: **Arlene Ida, Alpha Kappa**; **Marcia Swiatek, Alpha Lambda**; **Gail Rumsey, Omega**; and **Jonette Lancos, Beta Tau**. **Joyce Krupnik**

### **Refer to Pi State website for applications and further information:**

\* **The Verna Mulholland Friend of Education Award:** This award with a plaque and stipend for up to \$300 is given to a New York State woman, ineligible for membership, who has provided outstanding service to education. To nominate by March 1: Contact **Harlene Gilbert, Beta Delta**, [wilmaccpeebles@gmail.com](mailto:wilmaccpeebles@gmail.com), 315.585.6691.

\* **Native American Grant(s)-in-Aid:** Award is \$500 per semester with a maximum of \$5000 and given to Native American women pursuing college study in the field of education and social service.

To nominate by March 1: Contact **Deborah Packard, Beta Alpha**, [dpackard@bataviacsds.org](mailto:dpackard@bataviacsds.org), 585.637.2373.

\* **Pi State Achievement Award:** This gold pin award is given to honor a five year member, nominated or supported by a member or Chapter for outstanding service to Pi State.

To nominate by March 1: Contact **JoAnn Wallace, Alpha Omega**, [jctedi@aol.com](mailto:jctedi@aol.com), 315.449.9622.



### Omega Honors Past Presidents

Nine Past Presidents' of *Omega* enjoyed lunch at Nolan's Restaurant on the shores of Canandaigua Lake in August with special thanks for their years of dedicated service to *Omega* Chapter. *Front row left to right: Janice Wright (2002-2004), Betty Mussack (1984-1986), Maggie Wiegand (2006-2008), Patricia Younglove (1994-1996); second row left to right: Lois Ludwig (2000-2002), Mary King (2008 - 2010), Deborah Trombino (2004-2006), Donna Klage (1990-1992) and June Renner (1992-1994).*

*Gail Burr and Lois Ludwig*



### Invited Guests of Beta Delta

*Beta Delta* hosted East Central Area Chapters – *Alpha Tau, Beta Theta* and *Omega* - in a Joint Chapter Meeting at the Ramada Inn on the shores of Seneca Lake in May to affirm common goals.

*Diane Cappellino*

### Fifty Years of Teaching and Still Going Strong

**Martha Strever, *Alpha Zeta***, was recognized as one of the top five teachers of New York State at the Manhattan Ballroom at the Grand Hyatt Hotel in New York City in December. She received the **New York Milton Educator's Award**, sponsored by the Milton Foundation and the New York State Education Department. A scholarship has been established in her honor. ***Congratulations, Martha!***



Martha was also honored as *Grand Marshall of the Red Hook Hardscrabble Parade*. Martha is Head of the district Math Department and Middle School Math Teacher for the Red Hook School System. She is treasurer of *Alpha*

*Zeta*. She is the accompanist for her Chapter and has sung at state and area functions for DKG.

*Candy Pisterzi*

### Congratulations!

To **Marian Opela, *Chi***, who was selected as the Croghan Lions Club *Citizen of the Year*. She is currently President of the BRCS Board of Education and Secretary of Croghan Lions Club. Her organizational skills, energy, dedication and enthusiasm are hard to duplicate.

To **Jane Hogan, *Alpha Xi***, who was the invited speaker at the 50th anniversary of Newton South High School in Newton Centre, Massachusetts. She was the first Editor for her high school's newsletter, *Denebola*, one of 6 in the US still in publication for 50 years. The title, *Denebola*, is the name of the star which is the tail of the Lion in the constellation, *Leo*.

To **Rose Hosp, *Alpha Chi***, who was named *Volunteer of the Month* by the Parkway Senior Center in Utica, NY; nominated for the *Older American Community Service Award* by the city of Utica; and honored with the *Community Service Award* by Holland Patent Lions and Adirondack Rotary.

***“Unite with other Delta Kappa Gamma members as we become a global force in achieving educational excellence.”***

*Dr. Helen Popovich, Chair  
Educational Excellence Committee  
DKG International*

***Congratulations*** to **Dr. Jacqueline T. Basker, *Gamma Alpha***, who presented her film, “*Aftermath 9/11 and New York Artists*,” at New Jersey City University while she was in NYC for “*The Biennial of Culture and the Arts*” Conference. She is the Fine Arts Computer Graphics Chair, NY Institute of Technology in Ammon, Jordan. *Irene Ferguson*

*The DKG Society International promotes the professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.*

### North Central Area Conference “Wine, Wind and Wandering Women”



Sylvia Dopking, President, Nu, Ontario, Canada and Risë Messmer, President, Nu, Pi State

On October 15, the North Central Area Conference “Wine, Wind and Wandering Women” lived up to its name as the wine flowed at the Tug Hill Winery, the wind howled across the Tug Hill plateau, and nearly 20 cars, decked out with their rose car flags, wandered their way through the Maple Ridge Wind Farm as the rain pelted their windows. Sisters had the opportunity to learn about the wine making process from one of our *Chi* members and the winery’s vintner, Dale Crossman-Cole, and then tasted the wine and did some shopping in the winery’s gift shop.

Wine and shopping – who could ask for more? Our caravan wound its way down off the Tug Hill to Boondocks Restaurant for a delicious buffet luncheon, good conversations, a presentation by a local artist Loretta Lepkowski, and drawings for 7 bountiful baskets of North Country products. We raised \$655 on the drawings.

Thank you to all who bought tickets and especially to our *Chi* members who donated all of the products in the baskets. As a result, we were able to make generous donations to both the *UN Schools for Africa* program and the *Delta Kappa Gamma Emergency Fund*.

We were delighted to have four sisters from *Nu* Chapter in Kingston, Ontario, spend the day with us. For the past several years, *Chi* and *Nu* have been exchanging visits across the border, usually twice during the summer. This time, we had Pi State’s *Nu* Chapter meeting our Canadian *Nu* sisters, making this an international gathering. We also enjoyed having Pi State Executive Committee members, **Joan Slagle**, **Karen Crumley** and **Erin Merrill** join us. The conference gave guests the opportunity to visit Lewis County, a rural part of NYS, some for the first time, and hopefully, not their last.

Sue Pennock

### Carol Berry, Mu, Receives 2011 NYS Senate “Women of Distinction” Award

NY State Senator Tom O’Mara (R-C, Big Flats) of the 53<sup>rd</sup> Senate District and his Senate colleagues honored **Carol Berry, Mu**, of Hornell, as a 2011 “*Woman of Distinction*.” Carol is a long-time regional library professional and currently Director of the Dormann Library in Bath. Carol is the current **West Central Area Council Chair**.

The Senate’s “*Women of Distinction*” program, which began in March to coincide with *Women’s History Month in New York State*, allows senators statewide to select one honoree from their respective legislative districts. Senator O’Mara stated that “The Senate tribute says it best: ‘Wherever Carol Berry goes, a high quality library is sure to follow.’ It’s a well-deserved testament to an outstanding life’s work. Local libraries play a vital role in shaping the quality and strength of our local communities and schools, and Carol Berry has dedicated her career to building and leading high quality libraries across our region. Her work has been inspiring and she’s made an enormous difference in the lives of so many area students, families, seniors and everyone else for whom a library is a lifeline.”

**Congratulations Carol!**



Senator O'Mara, Carol Berry, Mu, Carol's son Richard, and Lorraine Patti, President of the Dormann Library Board of Trustees

Photo Courtesy of Senator O'Mara  
New York State Senate

### Special Honors to Beta Chi Sisters

Retired professor from Corning Community College, **Pauline Leveen, Beta Chi**, continues to be a path blazer for women. She is a 2011 recipient of the prestigious **Athena Award**, presented by the Chemung County Chamber of Commerce. This award is given to women, nationally or internationally, who mentor and develop the next generation women leaders.

**Margaret Roe, Beta Chi**, was selected by the *Leader* newspaper for her exemplary role in primary level education. **Laura Bronson, Beta Chi**, received the **WETM/Twin Tiers Golden Apple Award**.

We are proud of these outstanding women educators from *Beta Chi* chapter.

Susan St. John-Jarvis

## Pi State Communications/Publicity Honors Sisters

Our committee wishes a *Happy New Year* to all of our Pi State Chapters. We are looking ahead to a successful 2012 when we will welcome one and all to the International Convention in NYC this July.

My many thanks and appreciation go to **Kathy Broderick, *Beta Alpha*** (NW), **Pat Mineo, *Beta Nu*** (SW), **Judy Wadsworth, *Alpha Alpha*** (WC), **Linda Armstrong, *Alpha Tau*** (EC), **Lisa Sackett, *Rho*** (SC), **Sue Pennock, *Chi*** (NC), **Rachelle Romoda, *Lambda*** (N), **Leslie Hooper, *Alpha Psi*** (Capital), **Debby Hill, *Alpha*** (EC), **Lois Branch, *Alpha Delta*** (SE) and **Mary-Martha Harvey, *Omega*** (EC), ex-officio, who have shared the many accomplishments that make Pi State a vibrant and innovative state.

### *Congratulations to Chapters Who Have Established Chapter Web Sites*

I would like to give a “shout out” to the following sisters who have established websites for their Chapters: **Dodie Gearing, *Alpha Nu***; **Jane Tanner, *Beta Kappa***; **Barre Hall, *Gamma Epsilon***; **Donna Miller, *Lambda***; and **Lois Ludwig, *Omega***. You may refer to these sites on [www.deltakappagamma.org/NY](http://www.deltakappagamma.org/NY). The challenge is on for the rest of us to create our own Chapter’s website this year!

### *We, as key women educators, have made a difference in our Pi State:*

#### *By providing financial assistance, personal involvement and mentoring to schools:*

- *Alpha Xi* for their support of Hope Hall for 13 years
- *Alpha Lambda* for providing Haven House yearly with school supplies and for an *Educational Project* at Winchester Schools
- *Beta Eta* for setting up the book room at Rochester City School #48
- *Omega* for “*Read for Life*” projects in Canandaigua and Geneva Central School Districts and for the *Manchester One Room Schoolhouse Project*

#### *By establishing community awards:*

- *Alpha Alpha* for their *Helen E. Quinn Community Service to Education Award* for 20 years
- *Gamma Epsilon* for their *Red Rose Award for Community Contributions to Education*

#### *By providing community service:*

- *Beta Tau* for *Chances & Changes*, helping victims of domestic violence
- *Rho* for giving to the *Butler Fund for Parkinson’s Disease Research*
- *Rho* for their providing “*Goody Bags*” for children in hospital
- *Alpha Sigma* for *Books for Babies* for Olean General and Jones Memorial Hospitals
- *Lambda* for “*Born to Read*” Child Development program at Birthing classes
- *Alpha Chi* for *Joint Cookbook Project* with The Couch Utica
- *Delta* for *Children’s Books to Whitney Young Health Center*
- *Alpha Tau* for book donations to the *WIC Program*
- *Omega* for book donations to stock 16 *Little Red Bookshelves* in Canandaigua, Hopewell, Clifton Springs
- *Alpha Nu* for project to collect items for the Columbia Greene County Domestic Violence Shelters
- *Lambda* for *Outreach Project* to support CAVA
- *Gamma Epsilon* for providing tote bags to be used by families with an infirmed family member in the Ogdensburg Area Nursing Homes
- *Beta Gamma* for “*Project Read*,” encouraging parents to read to their children fifteen minutes daily

#### *By providing incentives for current teachers:*

- *Nu* for *Educational Enhancement Project* aid for field trips, speakers
- *Beta Delta* for *Early Career Teacher Gift* to new faculty in each of 7 schools
- *Alpha Alpha* for *Early Career Teachers* invitations to networking and gifts of supplies
- *Pi State Educational Foundation Grants*- twice a year

#### *By supporting Scholarships and Grant(s)-in-Aid for graduating senior girls pursuing teaching:*

- *Beta Theta* for their *Mary Putnam Award*
- *Alpha Alpha* for their *Katharine Reichel and Clara Bishop Scholars*
- *Mu, Alpha Eta, Alpha Omega, Alpha Iota, Beta Eta, Zeta, Alpha Tau, Alpha Nu, Beta Kappa and Omega* for their *Grant(s)-in-Aid Awards*
- *Alpha Omicron* for their 5 scholarship awards in Putnam County

These are just some of the highlights that have been shared so far. Please contact the Committee Member in your Area Council to share additional news, success stories and Chapter needs. Several chapters are already jointly planning programs during the year. Way to go! ..... **“Be the spark... Ignite the Flame!”**

**Sue Genthner**

**REGISTRATION FORM**  
**Pi State Spring Executive Board Meeting/Workshops**  
**May 4 - 5, 2012**  
**Sheraton Syracuse University Hotel & Conference Center**  
**Syracuse, NY 13210**

Please **PRINT** the following information:

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Badge Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_

*Registration Fee includes Friday Night Dessert Reception, Saturday Brunch and meeting materials.*

**Early Registration Fee (Due by March 31<sup>st</sup>)** **\$45.00** \_\_\_\_\_

**Late or On-site Registration Fee (Postmarked after March 31<sup>st</sup>)** **\$50.00** \_\_\_\_\_

**Friday, May 4**

**Optional Dinner 5:00 – 6:00pm** **\$29.00** \_\_\_\_\_

Please select one of the following:

\_\_\_\_\_ **Pork Loin Roulade** (with apple stuffing, cider glaze or caramelized apples and onions)

\_\_\_\_\_ **Chicken François** (chicken breast with lemon veloute)

\_\_\_\_\_ **Sautéed Mixed Greens Salad** with a grilled portabella mushroom cap with grilled veggies

*All meals include mixed green salad, Chef's veggies, rice, rolls and coffee or tea.*

**Dessert Reception 8:15-8:55pm** **Included in Registration**  
**Guest Charge \$16.00** \_\_\_\_\_

*Mini-dessert pastries and assorted mousse, cheese cakes, and fresh fruit;  
 fresh brewed coffee, decaf and tea*

**Saturday, May 5**

**Awards Brunch 10:30-11:45am** **Included in Registration**  
**Guest Charge \$17.00** \_\_\_\_\_

*Broccoli and cheese baked in a fluffy scrambled egg quiche served with breakfast breads,  
 sliced fresh fruit, breakfast potatoes; fresh brewed coffee, decaf and tea*

**TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED FOR REGISTRATION AND MEALS** **\$** \_\_\_\_\_

List any dietary needs \_\_\_\_\_.

Please make check/money order payable to *Delta Kappa Gamma Pi State*.

**Mail to: Pat Thompson, Registrar, 349 Dry Brook Road, Delhi, NY 13753-3284**

**E-mail: pandg1@live.com Phone: 607.746.3497**

*Please note: No refunds offered after April 15, 2012. Returned checks will be subject to a \$35.00 fee.  
 \$2.00 from each registration fee is dedicated to the 2012 International Convention account.*

**Remember to make your ROOM RESERVATIONS directly with Sheraton Syracuse Hotel 315.475.3000 or 1.800.395.2105. Mention DKG to receive room block rate. See back for HOTEL DIRECTIONS.**

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**www.sheratonsyracuse.com**



**DKG Room Rates: Single or double room rate is \$134.47, including all applicable taxes.**

***Note:* DKG special room rate expires April 2, 2012.**

**RESERVATION PROCEDURES**

All guests will make reservations directly with the Hotel on an individual basis, identifying Delta Kappa Gamma for special room rate. The Sheraton Syracuse University Hotel and Conference Center phone number for those within the (315) area code may call 315.475.3000 and those outside the (315) area code may call the toll free number 1.800.395.2105.

**GUEST CHECK-IN / CHECK-OUT**

The Sheraton Syracuse University Hotel & Conference Center check-in time starts at 3:00PM. Check-out time ends at 12:00 noon. Every attempt will be made to accommodate either early arrivals or late departures based upon guest room availability. Later check-outs must be requested in advance and approved to avoid additional charges after 12:00 noon.

**HOTEL GUEST PARKING**

Complimentary Parking is available in the Hotel's attached parking garage for all overnight guests. There is a reduced fee of \$8.00 per vehicle for guests who are not staying overnight.

**HOTEL DIRECTIONS**

**From Syracuse Hancock International Airport:** The average cab fare to the hotel is \$28.

Take Interstate 81 South to Exit 18 (Adams Street). Bear left and go to the 2nd light. Turn left on East Adams. At the 4th light turn right on University Avenue. The hotel is 2 blocks on the left. *Distance from the hotel: 5 miles*

**From New York City**

Take Route 17 to Binghamton. Take I-81 North to Syracuse and then take Exit 18 (Harrison/Adams Street). Turn right on East Adams Street. Go to the 4th traffic light and turn right onto University Avenue. Hotel is two blocks on the left.

**From the East**

Take Interstate 90 to Exit 34A. Take 481 South to 690 West to the Teall Avenue Exit. Turn left onto Teall and go to the 2nd light. Turn right onto Erie Boulevard East and then left onto University Avenue. Go for 7 blocks and the Hotel will be on the left.

**From the West**

Take Interstate 90 East to Exit 39. Take 690 East to 81 South and take Exit 18 (Adams Street). Follow the signs to Adams Street and then turn left onto Adams. At the 4th light, turn right onto University Avenue. The Hotel will be on the left.

**From the South**

Take 81 North to Exit 18 (Harrison/Adams Street). Turn right onto East Adams Street. Go to the 4th traffic light and turn right onto University Avenue. Hotel is two blocks down on the left.



Dr. Andréa Morris

### TRAVEL AND STUDY STIPEND Southwest Regional Conference June 24-July 2, 2011 in Denver, Colorado

As the **2011 Pi State Travel and Study Stipend Recipient**, I want to thank *Pi State's Travel and Study Stipend Committee Chair and Members* for granting me a stipend for travel, hotel accommodations and expenses for the **Southwest Regional Conference in Denver, Colorado**. The opportunity of being invited for the first time to give a mini piano concert at a Regional Conference, other than my own, was quite a surprise.

Preparation for travel to unfamiliar territories is the key to eventful experiences! Prior to my flight to Denver, I checked with the Denver Tech Hyatt Regency Hotel & Convention Center regarding whether they had a shuttle from the airport to the hotel. The reply was in the negative. They stated that the hotel was 40 miles from the airport and advised me to get a taxi which would cost approximately sixty dollars.

The flight to Denver was excellent. The Baggage Claim area was easy to find. Denver's Airport is spacious. One has to take a high-speed train to the main entrance! I arrived at the Denver Tech Hyatt Regency Hotel at midnight, but just before "turning into a pumpkin."

My touring of Denver was limited to attending Conference Sessions and practicing on the hotel piano. However, I did have the opportunity to do some of my favorite things: shopping and having dinner with some of my *Golden Gift Sisters, Class of 2001*, from the Southwest Region. I was also invited to join the **Southwest Regional Director, Dr. Barbara Baethe** and some of her *Golden Gift Sisters* for dinner on another night.

The mini piano concert at the President's Banquet went very well and was enthusiastically received.

***This was a rewarding experience and I was very proud to represent Pi State.***

***Dr. Andréa H. Morris***



Jane Tanner

### Jane Tanner Nominee for DKG International Educational Foundation Board of Trustees for 2012-2018

**Jane D. Tanner, Beta Kappa**, of Parish, New York, has served as a member of the International Finance Committee and is currently the Treasurer for the 2012 International Convention in New York City. Other Committee assignments have included the Golden Gift Fund and Research. She has participated and presented workshops at state and international meetings. Her experience includes Pi State Executive Secretary and Pi State Treasurer. She is an active educator, teaching many classes online.

***Congratulations, Jane!***

### Alpha Chi Partners to Publish Cookbook, *Our Global Table*, to Benefit Area Refugees

Lisanne Divine with  
Carol Zaleski, and  
Nancy Zukowski

*Alpha Chi* has published a cookbook, *Our Global Table*, with the Mohawk Valley Resource Center for Refugees in Utica, NY, featuring 350 mouthwatering ethnic, cultural and family favorite recipes. Proceeds from the cookbook will benefit various community projects that reflect the missions of both organizations. Recipes represent the upstate New York counties of Herkimer and Oneida and the truly global cultural heritage in this area. This was a true learning experience for all involved. *Alpha Chi's* partnership with MVRRCR began more than two years ago when sisters started collecting school supplies for refugee children in area schools.

If you are interested in purchasing a cookbook, contact **Carol Zaleski, Alpha Chi President**, 315.339.0096 or [carolz@darkroomunltd.com](mailto:carolz@darkroomunltd.com). The books are \$10 plus \$5 for priority mail.

### Articles by Pi State Sisters in *The Delta Kappa Gamma Bulletin*

Congratulations to **Maria G. Dove, Alpha Phi**, for inclusion of her article, "*The Effects of Leadership on Innovative Program Implementation*" in the Spring issue 2011, Volume 77-3.

Congratulations to **Dr. Vicky Giouroukakis, Alpha Phi**, and **Andrea Honigfield, Alpha Phi**, for inclusion of their article, "*High-Stakes Assessments and English Language Learners*" in the Summer issue 2011, Volume 77-4.

Congratulations to **Carol A. St. George, Alpha Alpha**, for inclusion of her article, "*Making Mentoring Matter: Perspectives from Veteran Mentor Teachers*" in the Fall issue 2011, Volume 78-1.

Congratulations to **Dr. Joyce Tang, Alpha Phi**, for inclusion of her article, "*Educators and Founders: How Leadership Evolved*" in the Fall issue 2011, Volume 78-1.

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*You can:*

\* Join social network; use resources; refer to Committees; learn Conference details; refer to *Ideas & Projects*; learn about Grants & Scholarships & **find lots more!**

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Look for more features, Chapter highlights, photographs and information  
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**Pi Lights Deadlines for 2012**

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