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Be the Spark ~Ignite the Flame

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*“Be the Spark ~
Ignite the Flame
in the City of Light”*

2013 Pi State Convention

April 19-21, 2013

The Hyatt Regency Buffalo

2 Fountain Plaza

Buffalo, NY 14202

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Friday, April 19th

2:00-10:00pm Registration
2:00-7:15pm FDF Sales
5:30-6:15pm Optional Dinner
6:30-7:15pm Workshop Session #1
7:25-8:35pm Welcome and Keynote
8:45-9:30pm Workshop Session #2
9:30-10:30pm Dessert Social

Saturday, April 20th

8:00am-10:00pm Registration
11:15am-5:00pm FDF Sales
7:00-8:00am Optional Breakfast
8:15-9:15am Executive Board Meeting
9:15-11:15am General Session
11:15-11:45am Rehearsal for Hour of
Remembrance
11:15-11:45am Pi State Educational
Foundation Annual Meeting
Noon-2:00pm Birthday Luncheon
2:15-4:00pm Tours
2:30-3:15pm Workshop Session #3
3:30-4:15pm Workshop Session #4
6:00-10:00pm Founders/President's
Banquet
9:30pm Receiving Line

Sunday, April 21st

8:00am Registration
8:00-10:00am Hour of Remembrance
10:15am-noon Scholarship/Awards/
Grant(s)-in-Aid Brunch



"Be the Spark - Ignite the Flame"

Jeanne Schenk

Pi State President 2011 - 2013

2013 Pi State Convention

April 19-21, 2013

Hyatt Regency Hotel in Buffalo, New York

I want to wish all Pi State members a very happy and healthy New Year.

New York has endured some difficult days because of unusual weather events this fall. Members in various parts of our State, especially the Southeastern Area, suffered wind and flooding damage to their homes from Hurricane Sandy. DKG offered financial support, caring and encouragement to our members in a genuine spiritual fellowship. Sharing in a time of need is definite benefit of membership in our Society.

As we think about the benefits of membership, this is also the time to consider applying for International and Pi State Scholarships, Awards and Grants-in-Aid. The deadline for International Scholarships is February 1, 2013 with a maximum award of \$10,000 for members working for a doctorate. Our Pi State deadline is March 1, 2013, so there is still plenty of time to complete the applications, which are on our State web site. If you are a member with one-to-five years of membership, consider applying for a special Scholarship being offered this year that will help you attend the Northeast Regional Conference this summer in Portland, Maine.

During Chapter visitations, I encourage individual members to be a spark for their Chapters. Little things done by individuals do make a difference. Think of something that you can do to encourage an early career educator, mentor a newer Chapter member or complete some Committee work for your Chapter President. Please help to strengthen our Society by doing one new thing for your Chapter during the next few months.

Finally, I want to encourage all members to attend the *Pi State Convention in Buffalo* in April. In this issue you will find the Convention Registration Form. The 2013 Convention Steering Committee has planned an exciting weekend that will include interesting workshops and a chance to meet with members from across the State. The Membership Committee is planning a very special Hour of Remembrance to recognize our deceased members from this biennium.

Please join us in Buffalo, "The City of Light," on April 19-21, 2013.

Thank you for being the spark for your Chapter!



Wear your Keypin with pride. It is a mark of distinction and reflects the rich traditions of *The Delta Kappa Gamma Society*.



Dr. Joyce Tang

President: Joyce Tang

Joyce Tang, *Alpha Phi, Southeastern Area*, was initiated as a member of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society in 1998. Currently, she is the Pi State First Vice-President.

Joyce has served the Society as *Epsilon* Chapter's President, Corresponding Secretary, and Recording Secretary; a member of the Planning Committee for the Southeastern Area Conferences; liaison of Educational Services Committees, Society Mission and Purposes Committees, and Chapters in the Eastern Area; and Chair of the Bea Small Award Committee and of the 2012 International Convention Photography Committee.

In addition to regularly attending Pi State Seminars/Board meetings as a Chapter President or State officer, she attended the International Conventions in Minneapolis (Minnesota), Spokane (Washington), and New York City, and the Northeast Regional Conferences in Burlington (Vermont) and Hershey (Pennsylvania).

Joyce enjoys having the opportunities to work with members of Pi State to help more women enter and advance in education. An educator, researcher, and mentor, Joyce recognizes the importance of the Society in promoting professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education. She would like to have the opportunity to continue to serve the State membership by bringing in her experience and perspective as a sociologist.

Joyce obtained her doctorate in sociology from the University of Pennsylvania. She is a Professor of Sociology at Queens College of the City University of New York. Her work on scientists and engineers has appeared in numerous publications. She is the author of two books: *Doing Engineering: The Career Attainment and Mobility of Caucasian, Black, and Asian-American Engineers* and *Scientific Pioneers: Women Succeeding in Science* and a co-editor of *Women and Minorities in American Professions*.

Besides listening to new age music, Joyce often visits family and friends in Hong Kong and Toronto.

First Vice-President: Deborah Bedard

Deborah M. Bedard, *Alpha Epsilon, Capital Area*, is currently Pi State Secretary. She has served on the Pi State World Fellowship Committee and as registrar for the Executive Board Meeting held in the Capital Area and was on the Steering Committee for the Pi State Convention held in Saratoga. Deborah chaired the Capital Area Conference in Saratoga, "History & Horses."

In *Alpha Epsilon* Deborah has served as Recording Secretary, 2nd Vice-President, 1st Vice-President, and President for two terms and is currently Corresponding Secretary, including the responsibility for the e-mailed newsletter.

Deborah attended Russell Sage in Social Studies and Elementary Education and has a degree in English Language Arts from Castleton State College, Vermont. She has taught Reading & Writing (grades 5-12) and is currently a 1st grade teacher at Johnsbury Central School.

She is a respected, efficient and dedicated member of Delta Kappa Gamma.



Deborah Bedard

Second Vice-President: Karen Butters



Karen Butters

Karen Butters, *Beta Mu, Northern Area*, is currently her Chapter's President and Pi State Music representative on the Educational Excellence Committee. She has served as President, First Vice-President, second Vice-President, Membership and Music Rep within her Chapter and as Northern Area Council Chair.

She has been active in many community organizations and served on several local and state level Boards.

Karen has attended multiple State, Regional and International Conferences sponsored by DKG and other organizations. Karen is a retired Music Educator. Her love of teaching keeps her working as a Substitute Teacher. She is active at the Adirondack Museum.

Her special interests include music, gardening, and travel.

Secretary: Rosemary Van Wart

Rosemary Van Wart, *Alpha Pi, Eastern Area*, is presently serving in her second biennium as Pi State Membership Chair. In this position she has presented workshops at Leadership Development Seminars for New Presidents as well as and Fall Executive Board and Seminars. She was on the Steering Committee and Publicity Chair for the Pi State Convention in White Plains (2009) where she also presented a workshop on local Westchester history. She has attended both



Rosemary Van Wart

Regional and International events.

In *Alpha Pi*, Rosemary has served as Chapter Treasurer and three terms as President, her current position. Under her leadership, the Chapter has become more active and grown in membership. She was Secretary (2008-2010) and Chair of the *Eastern Area Council* (2010-2012) where she coordinated the Area Conference, "*Treasures in the Attic*".

A graduate of SUNY Cortland with a Masters Degree, specializing in Remedial Reading, and Slippery Rock State University of Pennsylvania, Rosemary's teaching career has spanned 32 years in elementary education and remedial reading. She also acted as the Somers Intermediate School Science Curriculum Leader and Science Fair Coordinator.

Rosemary currently serves as Youth Project Coordinator for the Somers Land Trust and is on the Board of the Somers Open Space Committee in Somers, New York where she lives. She is an active church member, an International Folk Dancer, enjoys the outdoors, yarn crafting, cooking and books.

Organized, thorough, sensible and sensitive with a great sense of fun and optimism, Rosemary will be an asset to the Pi State Executive Committee.

Nominations for the Finance Committee:

Anne Bail, *Psi*, from Northern Area
Susan Gruber, *Beta Chi*, from South Central Area
Janet Judson, *Alpha Gamma*, from Eastern Area
Rebecca Carter, *Pi*, from Capital Area
Jane Slack, *Chi*, from North Central Area

Nominations for the Nominations Committee:

Patricia Alena, *Beta Theta*, East Central Area
Carol Engle, *Alpha Lambda*, Northwest Area
Diane Battaglia, *Beta Nu*, South West Area
Barbara Brooks Quinn, *Beta Eta*,
West Central Area

The Pi State Nominations Committee recommends the 2012-2015 Slate of Officers and State Committees of Finance and Nominations, listed on pages three and four of this issue:

Chair: Ruth Mowry

Members: Georganne Albanese, Patricia Alena, Carol A. Engle, Margarethe McCurry, Patricia Mineo, Lochie Musso, Ellen Nowyj, Kelly-Jo Riker and Barbara Brooks Quinn

A Call for Interested Pi State Committee Members For 2013-2015

If you are interested in serving on one of the Pi State Committees for 2013-2015 biennium, please complete this form and mail or e-mail to:

Jeanne Schenk
7835 County Road 12
Naples, NY 14512
JMOS29@aol.com

Name _____

Committee _____

Chapter _____ Telephone _____

E-mail _____

A Pi State Thank You

Pi State sisters send sincere thank yous to our 2011-2013 Officers and Committees for all their hard work and unsurpassed commitment and dedication to Pi State.

Think Spring – It's Just around the Corner!

Not only is spring just around the corner, but so is our *Pi State Convention* which will be held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel located in downtown Buffalo from April 19-21, 2013!

The Planning Committee has been working very hard to make this our best Convention yet. Inside this issue of *Pi Lights*, you will find specific information on the fourteen scheduled workshops offered to you and connected with professional development, society business and recreational activities.

Two special tours are also being planned. These will provide participants a wonderful opportunity to be immersed in Buffalo's renowned culture and history.

PLEASE NOTE – DKG International picked up some of the cost associated with our *New York Night* from the July 2012 International Convention in New York City. As a result, each registrant for the *Pi State Convention* in Buffalo will be given a stipend of \$20.00 to reduce the cost of their Convention registration. You will notice this reduction on your 2013 *Pi State Convention* Registration Form.

Yes, spring is just around the corner and soon we'll be leaping forward to welcome Daylight Savings Time. Why not leap forward NOW and make your reservation to attend what we hope will prove to be a personally exciting, enhancing and rewarding Convention. The Convention Registration Form and hotel reservation information is in this issue of *Pi Lights*. Please don't procrastinate but act on both today!

The Convention Committee looks forward to welcoming you to Buffalo and the Hyatt Regency on April 19th!

Marcia A. Swiatek, Pi State Convention Publicity Co-Chair

In Remembrance

(September 1 to November 30, 2012)

Alpha Tau	Elizabeth E. Kocher	8/21/12
Beta Omicron	Jean Morgan Hillson <i>Chapter Charter Member</i>	8/22/12
Beta Nu	Elizabeth E. Maxwell	9/14/12
Gamma Zeta	Audrey Cloos Phelps <i>Member for 57 years</i>	8/11/12
Mu	Ruth A. Hicks <i>Member for 51 years</i>	12/24/11
Delta	Elizabeth Hittenberger Sipe <i>Member for 47 years</i>	10/20/12
Beta Lambda <i>(Now dissolved)</i>	JoAnn Demler	10/23/12
Chi	Lynne Rice Getman	10/26/12
Rho	Margaret Hazlett	7/19/11

Always in our hearts ...



Pi State Welcomes Initiates From Alpha Iota

The Initiation date is April 9, 2013

Deborah Amati
Susan Jones
Karen O. Miller
Shirley H. Sherwin

Reported by Elaine Suskin, Alpha Iota

Updates for Chapter Standing Rules

Chapters will need to update their *Bylaws and Standing Rules* by June 30, 2013. Complete copies should be sent by that date to **Karen Crumley**, Pi State BYLAWS and Rules Chair, and to **Jeanne Schenk**, Pi State President. Questions and further information may be obtained from Karen Crumley, P.O. Box 51, Rock Hill 12775-0051, 845.434.6022, kcrumley@hvc.rr.com.

Are you a member?

Lifetime membership in the **Pi State Educational Foundation** is \$25.00.

All donations are tax deductible.

Pi State has a membership of 2763 sisters in 61 Chapters and 10 Area Councils.

-December 2012

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

"Engage ... Collaborate ... Connect" – Linda Eller

Staying Connected with DKG International

Below are a few ways members can stay in touch with what is going on at International:

- * Read the *DKG NEWS*.
- * Visit the Society website, www.dkg.org.
- * Join the DKG Social Network.
- * Download the DKG App.
- * Join me on my *Facebook* page and the Society's *Facebook* page.
- * Follow us on Twitter.
- * Share information from *Presidents' Page* for Chapter Presidents.
- * State Organization Presidents can share information from *President to President* e-mail newsletters.
- * Read my Blogs and those of the Society Administrators. You can connect from the Society's home page on website.

Dr. Beverly Helms, International President 2012-14

Visitations Spring 2013

May 16

Alpha Eta

Joyce Tang

May 16

Tau

Grace Murphy

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.**

Women of Distinction Recognition Due March 1, 2013

The Pi State Educational Excellence Committee invites Chapters to nominate a DKG sister for recognition at the **2013 Pi State Convention** in Buffalo. All Chapters have members that reflect outstanding qualities. Please join us in nominating one member from your Chapter who will be recognized.

Chapter Presidents are asked to submit names by March 1, 2013 to *Educational Excellence Committee* member:

Barbara Bostwick Quinn
2892 State Route 89,
Seneca Falls, New York 13148
barbarabquinn@rochester.rr.com

LOOKING FOR YOUR CHAPTER PHOTOS

Do you have some great photos of your Chapter meetings, special events or a recent conference?

The **Scrapbook/ Historical Records Committee** would like you to send them via e-mail to be included in the DVD of Pi State activities for the Spring Convention.

Please refer to the Digital Photo Workshop notes on the Pi State website for instructions.

As you view your photos, please edit them and caption each one (*We like to know who you are!!*), rather than sending a whole file of unedited photos.

We are looking for more participation in digital scrapbooking as we move into the electronic era in Pi State. Please send files to lindaevans2343@gmail.com.

Linda Evans

Travel Stipends Available for Early Career Educators

A Pi State Fund of \$6000.00 has been created by a vote of the Fall Executive Board to fund members with one-to-five years of membership to attend the *2013 Northeast Regional Conference in Portland, Maine* or *2014 International Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana*. It is hoped that we will give three travel stipends of \$1000.00 each for the NE Regional in Portland, Maine this summer and three more stipends at \$1000.00 each next summer for the 2014 International Convention. There were monies left from the *2012 International Steering Committee*, and this was one way to encourage our new younger members to become involved and to network with members at the State and International levels of the Society.

A new initiative of the Society is supporting *Early Career Educators*. This is a perfect way for Pi State to support this new International initiative in a very practical way by giving them the opportunity to travel and hear outstanding keynote speakers, attend dynamic workshops, and network with fellow sisters. Please encourage your new Chapter members with one-to-five years of membership to apply for this special stipend to attend the Northeast Regional in Portland, Maine this summer from July 24-27, 2013. Applications are available on the Pi State website under Ad Hoc Committee. Please contact any member of the *Ad Hoc Travel Stipend Committee* with questions.

The Ad Hoc Travel Stipend Committee: Karen P. Crumley, Jeanne Schenk, Joan C. Slagle

DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS and APPLICATIONS: March 1, 2013

Refer to the Pi State website www.deltakappagamma.org/NY for applications and further information.

Title	Description	Send Applications to
Frederica Hollister Professional Educators Award	Nominations can be made by a Chapter or an individual. Nominees must meet the criteria set forth in <i>Pi State Standing Rules (SR 14.72)</i> : "...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." <i>Frederica Hollister</i> was a <i>Beta Rho</i> Chapter member, who was the 15th Pi State President in 1967, was instrumental in the beginnings of our <i>Native American Grant(s)-in-Aid</i> and was a dedicated educator and scholar during her lifetime. The <i>Award</i> was established in 1988 from a bequest made by her to recognize fellow members who have impacted education significantly.	Erin Merrill 2750 Davis Road Corning 14830 emerrill@cppmail.com
Gladys L. Mersereau Grant(s)-in-Aid	Established in 1975 to honor <i>Beta Rho</i> member and past Pi State President <i>Gladys L. Mersereau</i> (1946-1948) who wanted to help women become teachers, this award is given to a non-member whose education was interrupted and who now needs financial aid to complete certification requirements.	Jeanne Schenk 7835 County Road 12 Naples 14512 JMOS29@aol.com
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.	Harlene Gilbert 5338 East Lake Road Romulus 14541 wilmacpeebles@gmail.com
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.	Deborah Packard 232 Evergreen Road Brockport 14420 dpackard@bataviacs.d.org
Pi State Achievement Award	The Pi State Achievement Award is presented annually to honor a five year member, nominated or supported by a member or Chapter for outstanding contributions to education and exceptional service to <i>Delta Kappa Gamma</i> at the state level. Instituted in 1954, the award is a small gold pin in the form of a Tudor rose.	JoAnn Wallace 6246 The Hamlet Jamesville 13078 jctedi@aol.com
Bea Small Award	Established in 1999 in memory of Bea Small, a member of <i>Omega</i> , 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.	Dr. Joyce Tang 4140 Union Street Apt 12P Flushing 11355 Erindale@verizon.net
Travel & Study Stipend	Two stipends may be offered not to exceed \$1000.00 each in accordance with the <i>Pi State Standing Rules</i> . Efforts will be made to award one stipend to a retired member of the <i>Pi State Delta Kappa Gamma Society International</i> and one to a Pi State member currently employed in the profession. Preference will be given to first time attendees. The stipends are available to help with expenses at Convention, <i>Seminar for Purposeful Living</i> , CTAUN Conference or travel/study of your choice.	Joyce Krupnik 372 North Main Street Wellsville 14895 skrupnik@aol.com
Scholarship	Pi State Scholarships information, criteria and applications are available on Pi State website with a \$2000 maximum. International Scholarships are due February 1 by application to DKG International. Applications are available on website www.dkg.org .	Elaine McNulty PO Box 35 Ashland 12407 emcnulty39@yahoo.com

Membership and Expansion

By the time you read this article, *Hurricane Sandy* may be a distant memory for many Pi State sisters but still an ongoing problem for others. It is similar to the flood waters from *Irene* in 2011. During both of these natural disasters, Pi State members in DKG showed how they generously support one another and their communities at large. Maybe you made a donation to an emergency fund or perhaps your Chapter donated toys and games to help children have a holiday because their houses were destroyed. The assistance that DKG offers in the form of the International Emergency Fund is a helpful and caring benefit of our membership. It takes a long time to recover from disasters such as these, so please continue to reach out and support one another.

Pi State has a legacy of assisting others. I can't say this enough. All we have to do is look at the way so many of our Chapter and State sisters have volunteered in the past and continue to volunteer in their communities to see that. It may be working in soup kitchens, shelters, community and school libraries or working with the underprivileged that our members show what a concerned and committed group of Society sisters we are. Numerous Chapters have projects that support people in the community who need assistance of one kind or another. Some Chapters have programs that assist their own members by spreading out dues into a couple of payments instead of requiring it all at once. Some members pay the dues of another who is on a pinched budget.

When you belong to a DKG organization, you have another group of friends who care about the welfare of their members and who are more empowered by the numbers in a larger group to go out and help others. That's one of our purposes in DKG: "*To inform members of current economic, social, political, and educational issues so that they may participate effectively in a world society*". We strive to do that, and I would say that we meet that goal over and over.

That should make all of us proud to belong to DKG! We should sing our praises more often.

Information for Chapter Presidents about February 1st Deadline for 2012 Chapter Necrology Report:

If you have sent me the annual Chapter Necrology Report for the year 2012, *thank you*. If you have not sent this to me, please remember that it is an important requirement. Please send it by deadline of February 1, 2013.

We base our list of those we honor at the **Hour of Remembrance Ceremony** at the *2013 Pi State Convention* on your report and on "*Form #6, Report of the Death of a Member*" that we receive from you. In regards to that, if your Chapter had a member pass away in 2011 or 2012 and we received Form #6, you will be hearing from the Membership Committee very soon to arrange for your representative to place a rose for that member at the Hour of Remembrance at the Pi State Convention in Buffalo in April. The Necrology Report Form #2 as well as Form #6 can be found on the DKG website (www.dkg.org).

Please contact me if you have any questions, rvw20@optonline.net.

Rosemary Van Wart

Educational Excellence Committee Update

In September, Grace Murphy and I presented a workshop to review the two Delta Kappa Gamma International initiatives: ***Schools for Africa Project and Supporting Early Career Educators***. We were so pleased by the great attendance and interest. Please keep these projects in mind as your Chapters are planning programs. We would hope to see increased participation in each area and look forward to hearing about your Chapter programs and initiatives.

Remember to record all monetary contributions to UNICEF and track how your Chapter supports Early-Career Educators. This information will be important as the Committee prepares State Reports for our 2013 Pi State Convention.

We are looking forward to the 2013 Pi State Convention in Buffalo. Many interesting Workshop Proposals were submitted and there will be a wide variety of offerings. ***Thank you*** to those who submitted a proposal or encouraged someone to do so!! We will again recognize *Women of Distinction* at the 2013 Pi State Convention. All Chapters have those members that are a ***spark*** for their Chapter. If you are a Chapter President, please submit your nomination for a *Woman of Distinction* to Barbara Quinn. Information relating to this can be found on the Pi State website.

Members of the *Educational Excellence Committee* are from across the state. If your Chapter or Area needs ideas or assistance, please contact me or a Committee member.

We look forward to seeing you at **2013 Pi State Convention** in Buffalo!

Sue Sharon

Pi State Educational Foundation

The *Pi State Educational Foundation* is a tax-exempt organization. Its mission is to promote literacy by promoting and supporting literacy projects developed by Pi State members and/or Chapters. It is supported solely by your contributions.

Membership in the *Pi State Educational Foundation* is \$25 (*tax deductible*) and makes you eligible to apply for grants and to serve on the Board of Directors of the Foundation. Contributions *in memory of* or *in honor of* are also accepted.

Since its formation in 2005, membership in the *Pi State Educational Foundation* has grown slowly. Since its formation in 2005, the Foundation has awarded \$6,810 to members for their projects. Twelve projects have been supported, including "Read to Your Baby," Family Math Night, Project Back Pack, and a project providing low-income students with musical instruments.

If you haven't joined yet, sit down and write a \$25 check payable to *Pi State Educational Foundation*. Forms for membership and contribution are available on the Pi State website. The *Pi State Educational Foundation* and the *International Foundation* are two different organizations.

In addition to becoming a member, consider applying for a grant. Many Chapters have projects that need financial help. Many members do individual projects that could use financial help. **Project Grant Application forms are also available online on the State website and are due May 1 and November 1.**

Membership Challenge for 2013 Pi State Convention

At the 2013 Pi State Convention in Buffalo, the Pi State Educational Foundation will recognize the Chapter with the greatest percentage of members who are members of the Foundation. Membership and Contribution Forms are available on the Pi State website.

Agnes Becker

Chapter President 2012 Annual Report due February 1, 2013

Chapter Presidents received Form 8, *Chapter President 2012 Annual Report*, in November. This is an important form for Pi State. When you complete the President's Report, if you are unable to answer a question, please complete what you can and send it to Pi State President, **Jeanne Schenk**. Partially completing the Chapter President Report is better than not completing the form. The forms can also be found on the International web site www.dkg.org under Forms, then Reports and then Chapter Reports.

If you need any assistance, please contact Pi State President, Jeanne Schenk, 585.374.5728, JMOS29@aol.com.

Pride of Pi: Congratulations

***To Lenora McCabe**, *Alpha Eta*, for her recent appointment as Lieutenant Governor of the Hudson Tri-County Division for Kiwanis

***To Lori Burke**, *Alpha Alpha*, for creating the Chapter website, <http://www.dkgalphaalpha.org> and soon to be linked to the Pi State website

***To Judy Wadsworth**, *Alpha Alpha*, for creating an exceptional monthly newsletter communication and flyers for special events

***To Rosemary Callard-Szulgit**, *Alpha Alpha*, on her recent publication, *Molly Rose Baxter...*

An Almost Perfect Little Girl, and the second edition printing of her books: *Parenting and Teaching the Gifted* and *Perfectionism and the Gifted Children*



Rosemary
Callard-Szulgit

Attention Convention Attendees!

We need your voices for Convention music. There will be rehearsal times scheduled during the weekend as we are singing for the *Opening*, *President's Banquet* and *Hour of Remembrance*.

If you'd like to participate in the *Convention Choir*, please contact **Karen Butters**, 518.352.7726, kbutters@frontier.com. You will receive a packet of our music in mid-March. There will be a small charge to cover printing and postage.

I look forward to working with you.

Karen Butters

2013 Northeast Regional Conference

Portland, Maine

July 24-27, 2013

Refer to DKG International website www.dkg.org
for Registration Form and
Hotel Reservation/ Directions

Call for Nominations for Bea Small Award Due March 1, 2013

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, 2013. Forms are available from Pi State's website. Chapter recipients will be recognized at the *2013 Pi State Convention Awards Brunch* on Sunday, April 21, 2013 at the Hyatt-Regency Hotel in Buffalo.

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

The **2012 Awardees** are: *Alpha Sigma* -- Books for Babies; *Gamma Zeta* -- Salvation Army Backpack Program; *Beta Gamma* -- Warm Scarves and Hugs; *Alpha Zeta* -- Literacy; *Alpha Eta* -- Children's Comfort Dolls; *Alpha Phi* -- Books for Tots; *Alpha* -- April Showers; and *Beta Tau* -- Chances and Changes: Battered and Homeless Women Outreach.

For questions or further information, contact **Dr. Joyce Tang**, 718.997.2839, erindale@verizon.net.

The Bea Small Award Committee: Dr. Joyce Tang, Chair; Cynthia Lynch; Sue Pennock; Barbara Bostwick-Quinn

World Fellowships Update

The 2012-2013 International World Fellowships have been awarded and list of the recipients can be found in the most recent International World Fellowships brochure. In order to access this, you must go to www.dkg.org and click on the home page. Once there you should click on Committee, then World Fellowships, then 2012-2013 recipients.

I would like to encourage all of you to send e-mails of welcome to two new women who are studying at universities in the state of New York. I have received permission to publish their e-mail addresses.

***Carolina Munoz Parra** is from Chili and is studying curriculum and teaching at Columbia University. (carolinamunozpa@gmail.com)

***Nguyen Phong Dieu** is also at Columbia University. She is from Vietnam and is working toward her Masters degree in TESOL. (ltn2109@tc.columbia.edu)

And, of course, please do not forget **Maria Ishaq Khan**, who presented at our luncheon in Albany. Her e-mail address is: mariaishaq@live.com.

I do believe that our contributions to World Fellowships are making a difference in these three women's lives as well as all of the other recipients this year. If you are interested in personal information of all of the recipients, please send me an e-mail or a note. You can also request this information through the International World Fellowships Committee. I can be reached at meanmom5@rochester.rr.com or at 115 Sherwood Dr. Brockport, NY 14420.

Bridget Bishop

"Alpha Alpha Year of Commitment"

(Flyer 10.30.12)

"We are an active Chapter of busy, talented members.

We understand that we all can't take major roles in Chapter activities.

We hope that each of us can find time to do something more this year to support *Alpha Alpha*.

Here are some activities suggested by our Committee leaders:

- Invite another member you haven't seen in a while to accompany you to the next meeting.
- Help the *Helen E. Quinn* Award Committee prepare for the March 20 dinner meeting.
- Help any Committee at the registration table when they're hosting a meeting.
- Create or purchase an item or two to include in a Silent Auction or to sell at a meeting to support our awards and scholarship funds.
- Offer to read a poem or short story, present a short musical piece, display a work of art ... before a Chapter meeting.
- Send notes, cards, and/or e-mails to one of our scholar award recipients—or to a World Fellowships recipient.
- Invite someone new to attend Chapter meetings and perhaps nominate that person for membership
- Donate any amount to our Chapter Holiday Fund or for a speaker's meal or to any of our scholar awards funds.

Opportunities to use your talents and interests are plentiful.

TRY IT! YOU'LL LIKE IT!"

Donna Noble, President, and Judy Wadsworth, Editor

Eastern Area Conference
“Treasures in Your Attic”

Eastern Area held a Conference at Union Church Fellowship Hall in Newburgh on August 25 entitled *“Treasures in Your Attic”*. Thirty-three women attended, including Pi State Second Vice President **Erin Merrill**, to learn about antique appraisal.

Guest speakers William and Andrea Jenack of William Jenack Estate Appraisers and Auctioneers from Chester, New York gave an interesting presentation, using items that attendees had brought from home for informal appraisal. Following that, Andrea Jenack spent more time appraising pieces of jewelry that had been brought. Lunch capped off the Conference.

The lesson the Jenacks seemed to want us to take away was to be careful about selling your gold jewelry. When you factor in craftsmanship and quality of a piece, perhaps the antique dealer could give the better value for the antique than the person buying gold for scrap.

Rosemary Van Wart



Evan Dawson
 Photo by Donna Noble

Omegans were charmed by author, Channel 13 Anchor and journalist Evan Dawson's presentation at their October meeting as he regaled the audience with an insider's view of many of the people behind the stories in his internationally celebrated book, Summer in a Glass: The Coming of Age of Winemaking in the Finger Lakes. In his words, his book is “not a book about wine ... It's a

book about hope.” Members were delighted that the author took time to personally write messages and autograph his books.

Gail Burr

Southwest Area Conference

“Igniting the Flame of Learning at Chautauqua: A Pillar of Education and Arts”



Guest Speaker, John Schmitz, Chautauqua Archivist and Historian presented the program: “Chautauqua What?” in historic Bellingier Hall on October 6. This was a historical overview of the founding and programs of the Institute. Members were

also treated to a private bus tour of the community.

West Central Area Conference
“Partnering for the Future”



Carol Berry, Mu, West Central Area Council Chair, and Jane Hogan, President Alpha Xi, greet guests at NY Wine & Culinary Center in Canandaigua on October 20.

Photo by Donna Noble

Thank you, Jeanne, for your leadership and dedication to Pi State



Photo by Judy Wadsworth

At the West Central Area Conference, President **Jeanne Schenk** gave a summary of Pi State events and praised sisters for their meaningful and significant work on behalf of Pi State, their Chapters and Areas.



Sheila Brady-Root, Alpha Xi, coordinates raffle sales.

Photo by Bridget Bishop



Bridget Bishop, Alpha Alpha, chats with **Barbara Brooks Quinn, Beta Eta**

Photo by Judy Wadsworth

E-MAIL ALERT: Since there have been several problems with e-mail accounts this past year, we all need to be sure that we are receiving safe e-mails. To protect those receiving your e-mail, please indicate **DKG** in the subject line.

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International
Pi State PROPOSED BYLAWS and STANDING RULES CHANGES FOR 4/20/13
Karen P. Crumley, *Tau*, Chair

Please save the following pages 12 - 14 and bring to the Pi State Convention, April 19-21 at The Hyatt Regency Buffalo.

PROPOSED BYLAWS CHANGES FOR 4/20/13

In accordance with ARTICLE XII Section A of the BYLAWS of Pi (New York) State of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, the Bylaws and Rules Committee and the Pi State Executive Committee propose the following amendments to the BYLAWS of Pi (New York) State of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International to be voted upon by the Pi State Executive Board and the Pi State Convention at their meetings April 20, 2013 in Buffalo, NY.

In addition to the following proposed changes, the Bylaws and Rules Committee, in consultation with the Pi State Parliamentarian reserves the right to make numbering and wording changes and to update the Table of Contents as is deemed necessary for clarity and ease-of-use.

1. To amend Article III Section D 2 which reads:

A complete record of all membership in Pi State that has been terminated shall be maintained by the Pi State Executive Secretary. The record shall include the reason and the date of termination. The chapter shall maintain its own membership records and inform the Pi State Executive Secretary of the name and reason for any termination of membership.

By deleting Pi State Executive Secretary and replacing with Pi State Treasurer to read:

A complete record of all membership in Pi State that has been terminated shall be maintained by the **Pi State Treasurer**. The record shall include the reason and the date of termination. The chapter shall maintain its own membership records and inform the **Pi State Treasurer** of the name and reason for any termination of membership.

Rationale: This is how Pi State is currently handling Pi State's records of membership.

2. To amend Article III Section E which reads:

A former member may be returned to active membership after a review of the reasons for membership termination. The candidate for reinstatement shall be voted upon by ballot in a Chapter meeting of the receiving Chapter. Approval by four fifths (4/5) of the ballots cast shall be required.

By deleting the above to read:

A former member shall be reinstated by the Chapter receiving the request.

Rationale: This acknowledges that Pi State is in compliance with the International Constitution and Standing Rules 2010.

3. To amend Article IV Section D by adding #7 to read:

Any Chair/Administrator in contact with Pi State monies must provide an accurate accounting of all transactions and present such for audit to the Pi State Audit Committee each fiscal year.

Rationale: Since the Pi State Audit Committee audits all Pi State fundraising activities and all Pi State events, it should also audit all monetary transactions conducted for the state.

Received from: Finance Committee

Pi State PROPOSED BYLAWS and STANDING RULES CHANGES FOR 4/20/13

Karen P. Crumley, Tau, Chair

4. To amend Article IX Section C e # 2 and 3 which reads:

(2) The Committee shall encourage the writing and updating of Chapter histories

By adding **if the Chapter has a committee member in this position**

To Read:

The Committee shall encourage the writing and updating of Chapter histories **if the Chapter has a Committee member in this position.**

Rationale: If this committee is not in effect, the President sends a report of Chapter events so the history is still being recorded.

Received from: Historical Records and Scrapbook Committee

(3) The Committee shall encourage the keeping of yearly Chapter scrapbooks pertinent to Chapter activities and its members.

By deleting **the keeping of yearly Chapter scrapbooks pertinent to Chapter activities and its members** and adding **electronic means to record photos of Chapter members and activities.**

To Read:

The committee shall encourage **electronic means to record photos of Chapter members and activities.**

Rationale: This change is in keeping with the efforts of Pi State to use electronic means to record chapter histories and happenings

Received from: Historical records and Scrapbook Committee

To add Article XIV Pi State Educational Foundation which will read:

Section A.

As a means of furthering the educational purposes of Pi State consent is given to the establishment and operation of an educational corporation under the New York Non-Profit Corporation Act, to be named, "The Pi State Educational Foundation," for such purposes and to be formed and operated in such way that said Foundation will be exempt from federal income taxation under the Internal Revenue Code now or which shall hereafter be in effect; and the proper officers of the Pi State Educational Foundation are authorized to advise the Secretary of State of New York that Pi State of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society approves and consents to the use of such name by said foundation.

Section B.

Such officers of the Pi State Educational Foundation are designated in the Bylaws of said Foundation, are authorized to act as officers and trustees of the Pi State Educational Foundation and to elect officers and trustees of said Foundation according to the Bylaws of said Foundation.

Section C.

This act shall become void only upon the dissolution of Pi State as provided in the Bylaws of said Foundation.

Rationale: This acknowledges the Pi State Educational Foundation.

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International
Pi State PROPOSED BYLAWS and STANDING RULES CHANGES for 4/20/13
 Karen P. Crumley, *Tau*, Chair

PROPOSED STANDING RULE CHANGES for 4/20/13

In accordance with Section 13 of the Standing Rules of Pi State (New York) State of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International the Bylaws and Rules Committee and the Pi State Executive Committee propose the following amendments to the Standing Rules of Pi State (New York) State of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International to be voted upon by the Pi State Executive Board or the Pi State Convention at their meetings April 20, 2013 in Buffalo, NY.

In addition to the following proposed changes the Bylaws and Rules Committee in consultation with the Pi State Parliamentarian reserves the right to make numbering and wording changes and to update the Table of Contents as is deemed necessary for clarity and ease-of-use.

1. To amend Section 2 Finance 2.23

To Read:

2.23 Pi State Committee Chairs who are requested to attend International Workshops shall be reimbursed for one night's lodging and **travel expenses if she is participating for a majority of the days of the Regional or International Convention.**

Financial Impact: The cost of travel to the event.

Rationale: These Chair needs to be valued for their work and this would be in accordance with International guidelines for committee chairs.

2. To amend Section 3 Chapters by adding a new 3.19

To Read:

3.19 The Chapter President shall submit to the Pi State Historical Records and Scrapbook Chair a report of Chapter events at the end of her biennium.

Rationale: If we amend Article IX Section C e #2 and 3, SR 3.19 becomes necessary.

3. Amend Section 5 Officers and Related Personnel by deleting SR 5.52 Pi State Executive Secretary and renumbering the remainder of the section.

Rationale: If article III Section D2 of the Bylaws is amended SR 5.52 is unnecessary,

4. To amend Section 5 Pi State Treasurer by adding a new 5.68

To read:

5.68 She shall keep a permanent file on membership and shall serve as consultant to the Pi State Membership/Expansion Committee.

Rationale: This is the present practice of the Pi State Treasurer.

5. To amend Pi State Guidelines For Vouchers

IV. PARLIAMENTARIAN: The bolded listed below shall be added to **Meetings and Responsibilities**

To read:

Special DKG meetings at the request of the President

Financial Impact: Minimal as those costs are already in the Voucher Guidelines

Rationale: This allows the State President to voucher expenses for Leadership Development.

5. To amend Pi State Guidelines For Vouchers by deleting Executive Secretary and adding State President

To read:

Vouchers for authorized expenses are available from the State Treasurer and the **State President.**

Rationale: This is the present practice of the State Treasurer and State President.

Friday, April 19th

Workshop Session #1 6:45-7:30pm

A. Overview of Amended Bylaws & Standing Rules

This will be an open forum for members to ask questions and have an understanding of the Amended Bylaws & Standing Rules to be presented Saturday morning at both the Executive Board and General Session Meetings.

Presenter: Karen Crumley, Tau

B. Female Civil War Surgeon

Dr. Mary Edwards Walker was born in Oswego, NY. She was active in many various 19th Century Women's movements. Mary was also the only female Civil War Surgeon. Come hear about a very interesting woman who worked hard to advance the role of women in American history.

Presenter: J. Thompson, Gamma Gamma

C. Who Needs the UN Now?

Let's talk about why DKG has NGO (*Non-Governmental Organization*), the status at the United Nations and what that means and how UN makes a difference in our lives.

Presenter: Grace Murphy, Alpha Beta

D. Choir Rehearsal

Presenter: Karen Butters, Beta Mu

Workshop Session # 2 8:45 – 9:30pm

A. Alphabet Soup: APPR, DDI, SLO, RTL, AIS

Roundtable discussion of what the schools around the State are doing. Come share successes and ask questions.

Presenter: Suzanne Patrick, Rho

B. Cultivating Critical Connections: Campus Research and Membership Outreach

How do novice teachers come to know their "selves"?
How are veterans' experiences passed on?
How do educators address loss of institutional wisdom?
This workshop will illustrate how one teacher educator and DKG members are collaborating, conducting undergraduate research and archiving experiences.

Presenter: Dr. Michelle Pinard, Alpha

C. Fantastic Skin at Any Age

Shirley is a licensed esthetician who will talk about skin care, products for your face and looking your best at any age.

Presenter: Shirley Puleo, Beta Alpha

D. Choir Rehearsal

Presenter: Karen Butters, Beta Mu

Be the Spark ~ Ignite the Flame

Saturday, April 20th

Workshop Session # 3 2:30 – 3:15pm

A. Making Sense of Your Money

This workshop will discuss the importance of financial forms for the IRS. Non-dues revenue for Chapter, State and International will be discussed.

Presenter: Phyllis Hickey,
DKG International Guest

B. Foundations for Success

Find out opportunities that are available through both Pi State Educational Foundation as well as The Delta Kappa Gamma Educational Society. There is money available for Chapters as well as you personally.

Presenters: Jane Tanner, Beta Kappa
Agnes Becker, Gamma Delta
Roselyn Freedman-Baum, Alpha Xi

C. Using Music and Movement to Promote Literacy

This interdisciplinary workshop will present some examples of children's literature that incorporate musical instruments and movement to enhance the literacy learning process with children across elementary grade levels. This workshop is interactive, so be prepared to sing, play instruments and move!

Presenter: Jennifer Lee-Alden, Beta Omega

Workshop Session # 4 3:30 – 4:15pm

A. Global Book Project with Wegmans

Buffalo State College Elementary Education and Reading Department has joined together with Wegmans on Amherst St. in Buffalo to have a weekly literature experience for children in the multi-culturally diverse neighborhood on Buffalo's Westside.

Presenters: Dr. Pixita del Prado Hill
Dr. Kim Truesdale

B. The Power of Story Telling

Stories bring us together. Through stories, we can speak from the heart, laugh together and understand one another. Professional storyteller Annemarie Jason invites you to join her in making stories from around the world come alive.

Presenter: Annemarie Jason, Alpha Lambda

C. Remarkable Women – Preserving Our History
Alpha Alpha Chapter's Golden Gift Award resulted in a DVD of our founding and long-time members. Come find out how your Chapter can create a parallel project to keep the stories of your own "remarkable women" and preserve your scrapbooks and pictures.

Presenter: Pamela Eberhardt, Alpha Alpha

International Guest



Phyllis Hickey

Our International guest is **Phyllis Hickey**, *Alpha*, Texas, DKG International Operation Services Administrator since August 15, 2007. Her duties include: Ex-officio member of the Finance, Scholarship, Non-Dues-Revenue and World Fellowship Committees; responsible for maintenance of the Headquarters

building; and works with state and chapter treasurers.

She was initiated on November 15, 1986 into *Theta*, Connecticut and transferred to *Alpha*, Texas in 2009.

Her DKG experiences are many. At the Chapter level, she is currently World Fellowship Chair and has served as President, Co-Chair of Program, Nominations Chair, Photographer and Historian. At the State level, she has served as President, First Vice-President, Leadership Development Chair, Personal Growth and Services Committee, Achievement Award Committee, Chair and Charter Member of State Outstanding Volunteer Service Awards, Connecticut State Ambassador, Photographer and is the Recipient of the *Alpha Kappa* State Achievement Award in 2001. At the International level, she has served on Personal Growth and Services Committee; Nominations Committee; Primary NGO Representative to the United Nations; Administrator of the PROMAYA Child Friendly School Project in Chiapas, Mexico; Coordinator and Administrator of the Afghanistan Project; and was a Graduate of the 2001 Golden Gift Leadership/ Management Seminar.

Phyllis holds a BA in Behavioral Sciences and certification in Elementary Education grades 1-8 from Annhurst College; MA in Computer Education from Eastern Connecticut State University; and is a Graduate of the Norwich Principals' Leadership Academy. She taught 7th and 8th grades for 16 years, primarily math, including 8 years of technology and served 12 years as Principal of Pre-K to Grade 8. She is a presenter at local, national and international conferences for educators, a member and Chair of State and New England Accreditation Teams, Member-at-Large on Committee on Teaching About the United Nations (CTAUN), and serves on the Steering Committee for Austin CTAUN Conference. She has appeared on *Family Feud* with her brothers and sisters and loves genealogy and travel.

Phyllis will be an integral part of our Convention as speaker, guest and presenter.

Convention Tours

Tours will be on Saturday, April 20th
2:15-4:00pm.

TOUR A: Theodore Roosevelt Inaugural National Historic Site



The Wilcox Mansion is also known as the site where President Roosevelt was sworn in as President of the United States after the assassination of President McKinley. The site also offers a glimpse of the Pan

American Expo that was held at that time. **\$26.00**

TOUR B: Darwin D. Martin House Complex



This complex is considered one of the greatest achievements Frank Lloyd Wright's Prairie School period. The magnificent estate is the largest residence designed by Wright and consists of the Darwin House, the George

Barton House, the Gardener's Cottage, a Conservatory and a Carriage House. **\$26.00**

Registration Form

Seating is limited for each tour.

Tour prices include transportation and entry fees.

Due by March 4

Name _____

Address _____

E-mail _____

Phone _____

Select One: TOUR A \$26.00 _____

TOUR B \$26.00 _____

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Early registration fee is \$70.00 for forms postmarked on or before March 4. Late registration fee is \$80.00 for forms postmarked after March 4. **All Pi State members, attending the Convention, will receive a \$20.00 stipend from the 2012 DKG International Convention's NY Night to reduce the cost of registration.** Please subtract \$20.00 from your total on page 2 of Registration Form.

Registration must be paid by all persons attending.

Registration deadline is March 4, 2013.

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_____ **One Day Registration** **\$50.00** _____

Friday, April 19th

Optional Dinner 5:30 – 6:30pm **\$33.00** _____

Buffalo Buffet (*Salad, Antipasto, Roasted Baby Reds, Mild Buffalo Chicken Wings, Roast Beef on Kimmelweck Rolls, Meatballs in Marinara Sauce, Italian Sausage with Peppers and Onions, Jumbo Stuffed Cream Puffs, Coffee, Tea, and Decaf*)

Dessert Social 9:30-10:30pm **Members: (NO CHARGE)**

Non-members: \$20.00 _____

Assorted Cookies (Chocolate Chip, Oatmeal Raisin, Peanut Butter), Sliced Fresh Fruit, Coffee, Select Teas & Decaf

Saturday, April 20th

Optional Breakfast 7:00-8:00am **\$21.00** _____

Chilled Juices, Fresh Melon, Scrambled Eggs, Bacon and Sausage, Hyatt Signature Breakfast Potatoes, Assorted Bakeries, Coffee, Tea, & Decaf

Birthday Luncheon 12 noon-2:00pm**\$35.00** _____

Select One: Luncheon choices include Chef's Choice Soup, Champagne and Raspberry Dressings and 77th Birthday Cake.

___ **Chicken Spinach Salad** (*Fresh Spinach, Honey-glazed Chicken Strips, Roasted Red Peppers, Dried Cranberries, Sliced Portobello Mushrooms and Candied Walnuts*)

___ **Spinach Salad** (*Fresh Spinach, Roasted Red Peppers, Dried Cranberries, Sliced Portobello Mushrooms and Candied Walnuts*)

Founder's and President's Banquet 6:00-10:00pm**\$50.00** _____*Select One:*___ **Sliced Tenderloin** *with Merlot Demi*___ **Hand-rolled Vegetable Lasagna** *with Pomodoro Sauce and Roasted Garlic Crostini*___ **Seared Salmon** *with Lemon Bur Blanc*

All dinners served with Hyatt Signature Caesar Salad, Parmesan Yukon Encrusted Potato, Spring Medley and Chef's Choice Dessert.

Sunday, April 21st**Scholarship/Awards/Grant(s)-in-Aid Brunch** 10:15am-12 noon**\$25.00** _____

Plated Quiche, Fresh Fruit, Orange Juice, Homemade Bakeries, Coffee, Tea and Decaf

Please be specific about Dietary/Seating Needs _____

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Keynote Speaker



Dr. Wendy Paterson

A native of Kenmore, Dr. Paterson followed her life's ambition to become a teacher, earning her Bachelor of Science in Education *summa cum laude* and Master of Science with certification in Literacy in the 1970s. Her career includes: Reading Specialist in Kenmore-Tonawanda Public Schools; support services for

higher education as Coordinator of Developmental Skills & Services to Handicapped Students at Trocaire College in South Buffalo; Buffalo State in 1988 to help launch the academic support system which grew into University College, a specialized division of the college devoted to student support and retention.

In 1996 SUNY honored her with the *Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Service*. She earned her Ph.D. in Elementary Education from SUNY Buffalo in 1997 and then moved from staff to faculty as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Elementary Education and Reading, where she was promoted to Associate Professor in 2001 and to Full Professor in 2009.

Dr. Paterson was Chair of the Department of Elementary Education and Reading at Buffalo State for two consecutive terms. She left Buffalo State to become the second Dean of the Ralph C. Wilson Jr. School of Education at St. John Fisher College, a position she held for three years until returning to her alma mater, Buffalo State, as Dean of the School of Education.

Dr. Paterson is an internationally recognized scholar whose publications include a critically acclaimed book on single parenting, Unbroken Homes: Single Parent Mothers Tell Their Stories (2001), selected for the *Innovations in Feminist Research Series* by Haworth Press. In 2010 her second book on single parenting, The Forgotten Parent: Divorced Dads on Parenting Through and Beyond Divorce, published by Cambridge Scholars Press. She and four research colleagues were awarded the acclaimed *Albert Harris Award* from the

International Reading Association for innovative research on instructional technology and early literacy published in Reading Research Quarterly (2003). She has also published her research in the *Oxford University Forum* on Public Policy Online and the *International Journal of Diversity in Organisations, Communities and Nations*.

Her vision for the School of Education at Buffalo State encompasses three major objectives:

- *to provide opportunities for students and faculty to develop their own distinctiveness, pursue research and provide hands-on service to improve schools, families and communities
- *to enrich courses and programs that will lead all graduates to be highly effective teachers and
- *to cross borders within and across the many disciplines that prepare educators and educational leaders so that collaborative engagement may build our profession and merit the respect it earns each day in each classroom across our nation and in the world.

Dr. Paterson is an invaluable resource for educators and Pi State is honored to have her as our Keynote.

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Collene Richardson

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