Communications

CREATIVE COMMUNICATIONS

Many Chapters:

* Provide notices, newsletters, *Facebook*, website, articles for *Pi Lights*;
* Plan events, activities to get to know each other;
* Use local newspapers for notices;
* Use Flickr for sharing photos;
* Use websites and *Facebook* to showcase meetings & Chapter activities.

Some examples:

* Provided a tech workshop at Chapter meeting (*Alpha Theta*)
* Presented "Using the Cellphone for Teaching" involving small groups using cellphones for research (*Gamma Alpha*)
* Created recruitment video tape (*Alpha Alpha*) accessible at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aJrqTgpttE8&feature=youtu.be

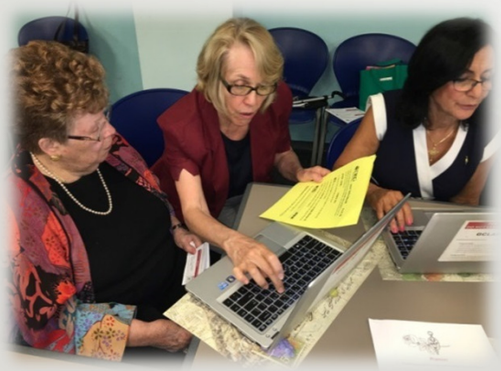
INFORMING MEMBERS ABOUT DKG

Many Chapters:

* Provide digital and paper copies plus links to DKG & Pi State via Chapter websites;
* Schedule Founders Day celebrations, new member orientation and initiation, Chapter meetings and annual business meetings;
* Invite Pi State Officers to Chapter meetings;
* Host joint Chapter meetings.

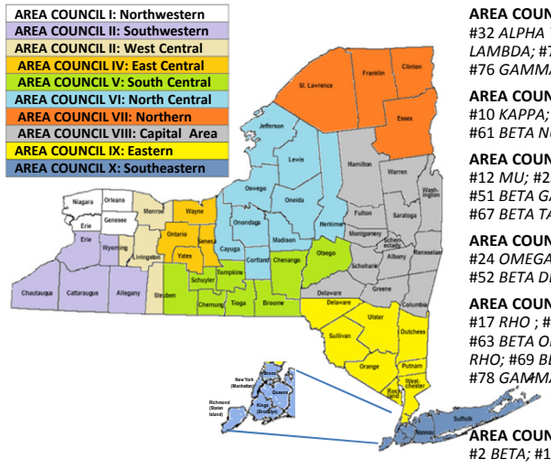
Some examples:

* DKG Trivia Night (*Rho*)
* After-school teas for prospective members (*Alpha Pi, Gamma Epsilon*)
* Bookmarks with links for DKG and Pi State information (*Alpha Theta*)



Gamma Alpha **website training**

Pi State Areas & Chapters



AREA COUNCIL I: Northwestern
#32 *ALPHA THETA;* #35 *ALPHA LAMBDA;* #75 *GAMMA GAMMA;* #76 *GAMMA DELTA.*

AREA COUNCIL II: Southwestern
#10 *KAPPA;* #53 *BETA EPSILON;* #61 *BETA NU.*

AREA COUNCIL II: West Central
#12 *MU;* #25 *ALPHA ALPHA;* #51 *BETA GAMMA;* #55 *BETA ETA;* #67 *BETA TAU.*

AREA COUNCIL IV: East Central
#24 *OMEGA;* #43 *ALPHA TAU;* #52 *BETA DELTA;* #56 *BETA THETA.*

AREA COUNCIL V: South Central
#17 *RHO* ; #41 *ALPHA RHO;* #63 *BETA OMICRON;* #65 *BETA RHO;* #69 *BETA PHI;* #70 *BETA CHI;* #78 *GAMMA ZETA.*

AREA COUNCIL VI: North Central
#2 *BETA;* #13 *NU;* #18 *SIGMA;* #22 *CHI;* #33 *ALPHA IOTA;* #46 *ALPHA CHI;* #48 *ALPHA OMEGA;* #58 *BETA KAPPA.*

AREA COUNCIL VII: Northern
#11 *LAMBDA;* #23 *PSI;* #60 *BETA MU;* #77 *GAMMA EPSILON.*

AREA COUNCIL VIII: Capital
#16 *PI;* #29 *ALPHA EPSILON;* #34 *ALPHA KAPPA;* #37 *ALPHA NU;* #47 *ALPHA PSI;* #72 *BETA OMEGA.*

AREA COUNCIL IX: Eastern
#1 *ALPHA;* #6 *ZETA;* #19 *TAU;* #21 *PHI;* #27 *ALPHA GAMMA;* #30 *ALPHA ZETA;* #31 *ALPHA ETA;* #40 *ALPHA PI.*

AREA COUNCIL X: Southeastern
#5 *EPSILON;* #26 *ALPHA BETA;* #45 *ALPHA PHI;* #62 *BETA XI* ; #71 *BETA PSI* ; #73 *GAMMA ALPHA.*

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To learn more about Chapter activities, including specific examples, visit the Pi State Website at https://www.dkgnystate.org/

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Pi State Chapters

Connect Collaborate Communicate

The 55 Chapters of Pi State (New York State) support DKG purposes as they –

Connect with DKG members within and beyond their Chapters,

Collaborate in creative projects with other groups,

Communicate to inform and invite.

Beta Theta **initiation**

South Central Area Meeting

Supporting Education

PROMOTING LITERACY

Many Chapters:

* Involve members as volunteer tutors and readers in area schools;
* Donate books (to libraries, schools, service groups, Head Start programs, children's hospitals, women's shelters, Ronald McDonald House, food banks);
* Host book discussion groups;
* Contribute to the Pi State Education Foundation.

Some examples:

* 30-year plus affiliation with USMC Books for Tots (*Alpha Phi*)
* Donation of tote bags to hospital for children (*Beta Omicron*)
* Implementation of Pi State Foundation Grant, "Building Vocabulary through Storytelling" at P.S. 305 Brooklyn (*Gamma Alpha*)
* Sponsorship of Book House outside a local food pantry containing books for children and adults to borrow (*Beta Omega*)

FUNDRAISING

Many Chapters:

* Organize auctions, silent auctions, membership donations;
* Sell handmade donated items;
* Organize auctions to benefit World Fellowship Fund;
* Host wine and cheese and music evening;
* Organize walking campaigns to raise funds;
* Send a holiday letter seeking donations for initiative identified by members;
* Host a holiday gala with annual appeal for awards funds;
* Organize garage sales.

Some examples:

* Cookbook sale (*Alpha Lambda*)
* Virtual garage sale (*Beta Eta*)
* Famous Women's Tea (*Beta Mu*)

***Alpha Alpha*: Scholar award recipients**

Supporting Communities

SUPPORTING COMMUNITY EFFORTS

Many Chapters:

* Donate to hurricane victims and World Fellowships;
* Involve Chapter members as volunteers with other agencies;
* Donate supplies to hospices, treatment centers, pantries, shelters;
* Donate to groups serving families and/or education, recovery centers, women veterans, homeless people;
* Plan Chapter programs on community efforts to deal with needs.

Some examples:

* Support of Manchester One-Room Schoolhouse (*Omega*)
* Help for Girl Scouts to earn the DKG Patch (*Beta Mu*)
* Creation of memory books for nursing homes (*Gamma Epsilon*)
* Donation of supplies to Citizens Against Violent Acts (*Lambda*)

SUPPORTING PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Many Chapters:

* Involve members in charity walks;
* Raise funds to support DKG Emergency Fund;
* Contribute to local agencies (food banks, women's shelters);
* Donate books, stuffed animals to hospitals;
* Involve members as volunteers in local programs.

Some examples:

* Donations of books, gift cards, toys to Camp Good Grief (*Beta Xi*)
* Sponsorship of Women Helping Girls Conference to empower middle school students for careers (*Alpha Nu*- until 2017)

***Alpha Rho*: backpack books with food bank**

***Alpha Nu*: mentoring**

***Gamma Delta*: holiday gift stockings**

***Beta Delta*: Fill the Bus initiative**

Supporting New Educators

PROVIDING SCHOLAR AWARDS FOR MEMBERS AND STUDENTS

Many Chapters:

* Provide annual scholar awards to women training for education careers;
* Provide scholarships for members for continuing education;
* Provide Grant-in-Aid for a student during student teaching;
* Provide funds for books for a senior college student;
* Encourage members to apply for local, state, and DKG grants;
* Take up collections at meetings for Pi State scholarships.

Some examples:

* Creation of a benefit basket by each school district represented in the Chapter each spring (*Beta Gamma*)
* Awards to members for professional development, to a high school senior majoring in language in college, and to a student teacher (*Alpha Rho*)

SUPPORTING EARLY CAREER EDUCATORS

Many Chapters:

* Provide programs on topics of interest to early career educators;
* Provide welcome bags, gift baskets to new teachers;
* Support a member scholarship fund to benefit current educators;
* Mentor Chapter award recipients and new Chapter members;
* Schedule grant writing presentations at Chapter meetings.

Some examples:

* Annual award to an early career educator for school supplies (*Beta Delta*)
* $200 stipend to 2-3 Early Career Educators for class supplies (*Alpha Beta*)
* 1 or 2 meetings a year that offer PDP credits (*Gamma Delta*)

***Beta Mu* with sponsored girl scout troop**