



# GAMMA ZETA CHAT



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## *President's Message*

Dear Members,

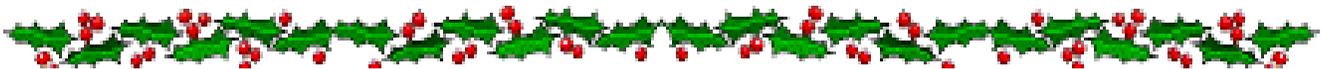
I enjoyed our holiday tea party, "A Cup of Christmas Cheer." Meigs North provided a festive atmosphere, and we discussed business. Two members brought dresses for our Africa project. We also had correspondence from Sandra Shaw concerning our partnership with FCCLA. Unfortunately, we did not have a quorum and could not conduct any business.

I would like to encourage members to attend in February. Members from the high school and central office are sponsoring this meeting. The date of this meeting is tentatively set for Tuesday, February 12. We have at least two items of business that we need to address. We need at least twenty-seven members to have a quorum; this is two-thirds of our active members. We have at least two items of business that we need to address.

I pray that this season is a season of joy! I am thankful for each of you. As you spend time with your family and friends, I pray that good health is with all.

Merry Christmas!

Amanda



## **New Chapter Officers for 2012-2014**

**President** - Amanda Pritchett

**1st Vice-President** - Cyndi O'Daniel

**2nd Vice-President** - Laura Jennings

**Treasurer** - Janice Jolley

**Recording Secretary** - Mary Evelyn Perkinson

**Corresponding Secretary** - Lee Ann Cross

**Webmaster/Editor** - Joan Glasser

**Parliamentarian** - Rebecca Burnette



## *Birthdays*

### **November**

5 Leigh Clark

5 Kristy Ward

15 Mary Evelyn Perkinson

21 Janna Cable

### **December**

3 Laura Jennings

12 Joan Glasser

18 Shelly Ellison

18 Edna Howard

## Mark Your Calendars

### **2012 Xi State Legislative Symposium February 19 & 20, 2013**

Millennium Maxwell House  
Nashville, Tennessee  
Registration Information available on Xi State  
Webpage



### **Xi State Advanced Leadership Management Seminar Hachland Hills Retreat, Joelton, TN March 1-3, 2013**

Make plans to attend.

## Chapter Activities



Cookie Lee jewelry sales were a big success. We are getting very close to our goal of becoming a Visionary Chapter.



Members enjoyed Wassil and Christmas treats at the December meeting at Meigs North. They shared Christmas Cheer by donating much needed items to the Brookewood Nursing Home.



## Preview of Meetings

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| <b>October 23</b>  | Meigs South - Invite potential new members to visit |
| <b>December 13</b> | Meigs North - We will discuss membership            |
| <b>February 7</b>  | Meigs High School - Vote for new members            |
| <b>March 27</b>    | Middle School - Initiation                          |
| <b>May 7</b>       | Retired Teachers - Founders Day                     |



## *What Members Are Doing*



**Patty Harris** - Megan and Josh are expecting a boy in April. Parents and Mady, big sister, are excited. So am I!

**Monica Key** - 'Tis the Season to be busy! At school we have been busy glittering, singing Christmas songs, and reading lots of stories. My boys and girls have all been very good, and I know Santa will bring them lots of goodies! At church, we have been busy visiting our Senior Saints, Singing lots of Christmas songs, exchanging cards, and directing our Children's Christmas Play. My husband and I are celebrating our 2<sup>nd</sup> Wedding Anniversary on December 18<sup>th</sup>. It's amazing, but I still love him, and for some crazy reason, he still loves me! Thanksgiving and Christmas always remind me how truly blessed I am. I just want to say Thank You Lord for everything in my life! Merry Christmas to all my sisters, and I pray that God will continually bless your new year!

**Betty Mason** - Hi not much to share. We are going to spend a week in Orlando with grandchildren, Macy and Rachel, between Christmas and the restart of school. Disney World and Lego land.

**Mary Evelyn Perkinson** - Gamma Zeta now has a total of \$654.75 toward the vision foundation goal of \$1,000. This last endeavor raised \$258.00 from Cookie Lee sales and \$70.00 in donations from 3 chapter members. Hope everyone has a Merry Christmas and great New Year.

**Missy Posey** - Looking forward to spending time with family during the holidays. Mark and I will also be getting our baby's nursery ready over the next few weeks. Baby Harper will be arriving around March 1st.

Also, I would like to share that our third graders enjoyed singing Christmas carols and presenting a Christmas program where they played holiday songs on the bells and boom whackers. A great way to spent our last day of school before the holidays.



**Amanda Pritchett-** We have been busy helping one of our daughters move into her first house. Doug has been remodeling the kitchen and using all of the skills that he learned years ago in builders trade. I imagine that a lot of my Christmas break will be spent with her as we get everything up on the walls and put away in the kitchen. We are also looking forward to a trip to Pigeon Forge to see the Christmas lights and Santa. The grandchildren are excited and counting the days down until they will be able to go sing songs with Santa and sit on his knee. I am looking forward to seeing their eyes light up. Last, but not least, I am looking forward to seeing the grandchildren participate in our Christmas play at church. This is truly going to be a very special Christmas season.

**Shelia Yarborough -** I have been "working" with the eighth grade at Meigs Middle School since the middle of October tutoring for the writing assessment test that will be given in February. This year they will have an explanatory essay to write on a given topic, 60 minutes, and on the computer. Ladies, it is a different age and a different world. This "old bird" is too old for this (as the kids say) *stuff*. **Kudos to all you teachers and all you do.** The technology age is here and left me in the dust. (The sad part of this is, I don't really care). Hope your holidays are (were) full of joy and much needed rest.



## **Wassail – A cup of Christmas Cheer**

2 cups water  
2 cups sugar  
2 cinnamon sticks  
1 tsp. ginger  
1 tsp. allspice  
10 whole cloves  
1 qt. cider  
1 qt. orange juice  
½ cup lemon juice  
2 qts. ginger ale

Simmer water, sugar and bag of spices – 10 minutes  
I tie my spices in cheese cloth.  
Stir until sugar is dissolved – then cover  
Cool and add cider and fruit juices.  
Add ginger ale just before heating to serve.



## *Dates to Remember*

**February 19-20, 2013: Xi State Legislative Symposium,** Millennium Maxwell House  
Nashville, Tennessee

**March 1-3, 2013: Xi State Advanced Leadership Management Seminar,**  
Hachland Hills Retreat, Joelton, TN

**June 6-8, 2013: Xi State Convention at Sewanee.**

**July 10-13, 2013: Southeast Regional Conference** Gaylord Palms Orlando, Florida

**July 28-August 1, 2014: Delta Kappa Gamma International Convention: J. W. Marriott,**  
Indianapolis, IN

**July, 2015: Southeast Regional Conference:** Georgia

**July, 2016: Delta Kappa Gamma International Convention:** Gaylord Opryland Resort  
and Convention Center, NASHVILLE, TN

