

**XI STATE BIRTHDAY BRUNCH
JUNE 4, 2016
UPPER CRAVENS HALL
UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH**

The Xi State Birthday Brunch began at 9:00 a.m. (CDT) on Saturday, June 4, 2016, in Upper Cravens Hall at the University of the South in Sewanee, Tennessee. Dr. Jensi Souders, Alpha Phi, welcomed everyone to the Birthday Brunch. Xi State President, Dr. Dorrie Powell, Beta Sigma, presided over the meeting. President Powell thanked Dr. Elaine Alexander, Beta Epsilon, Chair of the Membership Committee, for the lovely Ceremony of Remembrance. She also thanked hostess chapter members from Alpha Upsilon and Alpha Phi for the charming decorations.

Debi Gray, Alpha Lambda, provided the “Moment of Possibility” inspiration.

Dr. Linda Eller, Xi State Second Vice-President, recognized first time attendees and held a drawing for a paid registration to the 2017 Xi State Convention.

Pam Jefferies, Beta Phi, Special Events Committee Chair, announced the total from the Silent Auction and sale of Iris Note Paper was \$4,236.00. Jefferies also presented the Apple Award to Beta Phi chapter for raising the most money for the Silent Auction.

Marsha Brewer, Beta Upsilon, Chair of Arts and Personal Enrichment Committee, issued an invitation to the Creative Arts Retreat to be held in Red Boiling Springs, Tennessee on September 23-24, 2016.

Judy Jackson, Rho, Chair of International U.S. Forum, encouraged members to attend the U.S. Forum at the 2016 International Convention in Nashville.

Dr. Kathie Harned, Beta Upsilon, provided a tribute in honor of our Founders to Dr. Maycie Southall titled “Remembering Maycie.”

Xi State Second Vice President, Dr. Linda Eller, made final announcements. Eller announced June 1-3, 2017 as the dates for the 82nd Xi State Convention.

President Powell thanked Steering Committee Chair Eller and her steering committee members. Powell recognized Chris Carlson and the summer conferences staff; the food services staff; and Tim Garner and media services staff, for the wonderful services they provide during convention. Powell thanked Nita Scott for “coming home” and all members for making the 2016 Xi State Convention a success.

The Birthday Brunch concluded at 10:30 a.m. (CDT) with singing “The Delta Kappa Gamma Song.”