

August 2021



Pi Beta Phi Alumnae Club of Savannah

Dear Pi Phi Sisters,

We hope you are enjoying the summer and that you have been able to resume some of your normal activities. It certainly has been an incredible 18 months! It was wonderful to see so many of you at our gathering in April. Your board has been making plans for the coming year. We are moving forward, knowing that we need to be flexible if the current COVID situation changes.

Allison Smith, Vice President, Social has once again planned some great activities which you will see in this newsletter. You will also see that we are now making plans with other sororities to revive the annual Pan Hellenic event next February!

Sue Souls is continuing as our Vice President, Finance. She will be collecting our dues which are due by September 15, as national dues need to be sent to the Central Office before October 1. The dues form is included.

After many years of performing as our Secretary, (now Vice President, Communications), Ellen Atkins has stepped down. Many of us remember the beautiful invitations she made for our special events, and she was instrumental in the distribution of books for our annual Christmas donation. Many thanks to you, Ellen, and we hope to see you at some of our events this year! In that position will be Dianne Wergley and we welcome her to our board.

We are exploring potential projects to support our national focus on literacy. Patty Koch is our enthusiastic Literacy Chairman, and she writes: "We will be collecting children's books at our December 2021 get-together to donate locally as always. We managed to give 80 books to Backpack Buddies and refugee families despite the pandemic last year. Kudos to all who gave so generously!"

We hope to see you at our first event on October 14 at the famous Benedetto Guitars, which is located on Mall Terrace right off Waters Avenue, in our own backyard! We will be sending more information about this event, and as usual will have carpools available. Please let us know if we can help you.

We are looking forward to a fun year for a special group of ladies!

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2021-22 Calendar of Events

October 15: Benedetto Guitars Tour



Did you know that less than 15 minutes from Skidaway Island lies a mecca for jazz musicians? Founded in 1968 by American luthier Robert Benedetto, Benedetto Guitars are revered by jazz musicians worldwide. Their archtop hand built guitars are some of the best in the world. And we're going to have the opportunity to see some of these beautiful instruments as we immerse ourselves in the Benedetto story. Join us on October 15th for an informative one hour tour. Since they can only take a small group through, we have two time slots reserved: 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. In between, the whole group will enjoy lunch at a nearby restaurant. If you would like to attend, please email or call/text Allison by October 1st. allisonrsmith@comcast.net or 912-398-8440. If you have a preference in tour time, let her know. Carpooling from Skidaway will be arranged.

December 3: Holiday Cocktail Party

Sue Souls has once again graciously offered her beautiful home located at 206 Yam Gandy Road in The Landings, so we can share in some holiday cheer. This time you have the option of bringing your sweetheart. Our chapter will provide wine, bottled water & soft drinks. Each of you will be asked to bring an appetizer to share as well as an unwrapped children's book to continue our holiday literacy tradition. The party will run from 6 p.m. til 8 p.m. Please R.S.V.P. to Allison by November 26th and let her know if you are bringing a spouse/guest and if you will be needing a gate pass.



February 2: Sorority Sips & Savories

We are really excited to announce a Panhellenic gathering for the first time in six years. Pi Beta Phi, Delta Zeta, Kappa Alpha Theta and Zeta Tau Alpha have come together to plan a fun party at the Palmetto Clubhouse. 5:30-7 p.m. cocktails, wine & light bites. This event will be open to all sorority women. \$40 per person with a cash/member bar. More information will be shared later in the fall.



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April 30: Founders Day Luncheon



Back to Vic's on the River we go for a delicious lunch and a delightful presentation by Roger Smith. Many of you know Roger from The Learning Center. He's charismatic and so very knowledgeable about all things Savannah. His presentation will highlight women of influence who have shaped our beloved city. An invitation including lunch choices will be sent out in March for this special end of the year events.

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