

# Pi Beta Phi Alumnae Club of Savannah

## From Our President

### September 2014

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Here is to Another Great Year for Pi Beta Phi Alums in Savannah!

2014-15 Officers

Sandy Ramstad, President

Frances Mills, Vice President

Ellen Atkins & Andrea Felkins, Secretaries

Becky Lowell, Treasurer Dear Savannah Pi Phis,

I hope you have had a great summer. We are looking forward to a wonderful year of Pi Phi activities during our 2014-15 year. Thanks to our Vice President, Frances Mills, for planning a great slate of activities. (see calendar on page 2)

I look forward to seeing you at our first event, the October 17<sup>th</sup> SCAD tour. We had 53 paid members last year and hope to have many more this year. We are blessed to have a fraternity that continues to grow and colonize. We added 4 new chapters last year. By paying your dues to our alumnae club, you will also be paying National dues

as well and will continue to receive the Arrow from National.

Our National Pi Phi philanthropy is the "Read, lead,



Achieve" initiative. We will continue to support it with our dedication to literacy.

Please let me know if you have news or concerns about any of our members that should be shared. Our group is here for each other. This year, we plan for a "Sunshine" page on our website where we hope to celebrate special events as well as find ways to support those in need.

Please send your dues to Becky Lowell (information on page 2). We want you all to be a part of a special year in Savannah Pi Beta Phi Alumnae Club. If you are thinking about joining us ~ we encourage you to give us a try. We WELCOME YOU and look forward to sharing Pi Phi times ahead!

Pi Phi Love and God bless!



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## Savannah Pi Phi's Have a Website PiPhiSavannah.org

Welcome to the new Millennium (albeit a bit late!) Pi Beta Phi Alums in Savannah have our own website now!

Please make a note of the address

#### www.PiPhiSavannah.org

We plan to use this site to post our calendar and get more timely information to members as information changes! You can still count on invitations to major events, but when you just can't find your copy of the newsletter, bookmark the site and check us out online!

We hope to include pictures, recipes and Sunshine information as it becomes available.
We encourage your participation!

Have something to contribute? An interesting article to link to? An idea to share? Questions?

Contact Andrea Felkins, our newsletter editor and our web-

master: email her@

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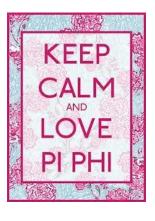
click on the link on the website, or call 598-2801.



## 2014-15 Calendar of Events



"The mission of Pi Beta
Phi Fraternity for
Women is to promote
friendship, develop
women of intellect and
integrity, cultivate
leadership potential
and enrich lives
through community
service."



October 10, 2014: Day on the Island at Isle of Hope Methodist Church. This is not one of our events, but a great opportunity for many of us to meet, have lunch and tour 5 of the homes on Bluff Drive. The day starts at 9:30 with house tours until 3:00PM. Lunch is served at the church from 11:00-1:00. There are Christmas shops and a silent auction. Cost is \$25. Call Sandy Ramstad for tickets. It would be a fun day.

#### **OCTOBER**

October 17, 2014: SCAD Tour! This will be a special tour led by Savannah native, Sharon Galin. The tour will begin with a walking / bus tour, giving us an overview of the college's history and growth as well as an introduction to SCAD's interesting and diverse academic resources. We will start at the college's historic flagship building, Poetter Hall (dates back to 1892 when it was the Savannah Volunteer Guard Armory) and will culminate with a walk through the internationally recognized SCAD Museum of Art. We will meet at 9:30 in the parking lot of the Hive Cafe, 231 W. Boundary St. The Hive is the main dining facility for SCAD. Our tour will be followed by lunch. The

cost for our tour, bus, lunch and all gratuities will be \$37. Checks should be sent to Ellen Atkins. We need a count by Oct. 11. Those who took Sharon's tour of the Georgia Port last season will look forward to a special tour of SCAD.

#### **DECEMBER**

December 11,2014: Annual Christmas Luncheon at the Landings, hosted by Sue Souls (206 Yam Gandy Rd) and catered by our own JoAnn Morrison. We will have a meeting and a short program. Please save the date ~ and plan to bring new children's books to be distributed to our area schools and those in need. Look for an invitation with details to follow.

#### **JANUARY**

January 29, 2015: Please join us for a private tour of the Wayne Gordon House at the Juliette Gordon Lowe Birthplace, Savannah's <u>first</u> Registered National Historic Landmark, with lunch to follow. This home has lovely antiques and a story to tell of four generations in the Gordon family home. Details to follow.

#### MARCH

March 1, 2015 is Literacy Day and a celebration of Dr. Seuss'

Birthday. Please consider reading in the local schools on this day. The elementary

children welcome us to participate in this adventure! Bring a book or let them choose one for you. Participating in this is part of the National Pi Phi *Read, Lead, Achieve* initiative. Ellen Atkins will chair this event. More information to follow, but please SAVE THE DATE and Ellen will coordinate times and places with volunteers. Many of us meet for lunch after our morning reading!

March 14, 2015 is our annual author luncheon and talk. This year will feature Janet D. Stone, Ph.D., author and history professor at Armstrong Atlantic State University. She will present the history of the University, 1935-2010, followed by lunch at the University.

#### APRIL

April 26,
2015: Pi Beta
Phi Founder's
Day. We will
join this year with
Pi Phis from Bluffton and Hilton Head for our annual
Founder's Day at Savannah
Golf Club where we will honor
Golden Arrows and our Found-

#### Dues Reminder

We have enclosed a Dues Form with this newsletter. If you have misplaced it, you may get a copy from our website. All club checks should be payable to *Pi Beta Phi Alumnae Club* and mailed to

Becky Lowell 39 Peregrine Crossing Savannah GA 31411 by November 1<sup>st</sup> to be listed in our local Pi Phi Directory.

#### \*\*\*Pay your alumna dues and be entered to win!\*\*\*

From the Pi Phi national website: : "Annual alumna dues make it possible to provide the many programs and services, which benefit and bring value to all our members, including you. With that in mind, we are excited to announce any alumna who pays her annual alumna dues between July 1-December 1, 2014, will be entered to win one of four Kindle Readers or a \$250 Pi Phi Express gift certificate." You may pay your dues through the club to qualify. Visit www.PiBetaPhi.org to learn more.

#### SCAD Tour Reservation

To be included in our SCAD tour event, please mail your check for \$37 **before October** 11<sup>th</sup> to

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Check us out online at www.PiPhiSavannah.org

