

*BETA KAPPA THETA NEWSLETTER*

*Welcome New Members*



**Chapter Fellowship**

Several Beta Kappa Theta members, including some new inductees, took Tennessee Region Vice President - West, Ashley Wright out to the Columbia Pizza Hut after the Fall Induction Ceremony. A good time was had by all!



The Beta Kappa Theta chapter's Fall Induction Ceremony welcomed 72 new members on October 23 at Columbia State's Ledbetter Auditorium.

Tennessee Region Vice President-West Ashley Wright, from Vol State, was the honored guest. In his speech, he highlighted the many opportunities that Phi Theta Kappa members have to make a difference and encouraged every new member to get involved. A special thanks to Ashley for being our guest!



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Apples make teacher's happy;  
hurricane relief

As part of the Beta Kappa Theta chapter's Phi Theta Kappa Founder's Day celebration, members participated in an "Apple for your Favorite Teacher" project. Paper apples, upon which students were encouraged to write personal messages to their favorite teachers, were sold for \$1 each. The apples were hand-delivered and stuck on the office doors of the faculty members. Over \$300 dollars was raised by the project, \$250 of which will be sent to the **Phi Theta Kappa International Hurricane Relief Fund**. The remaining amount went toward the **Ricky Martin Memorial Scholarship Fund** bringing the total to \$200 donated to Ricky's Fund.

Sociology instructor Candace Warner enjoys the Apples from her students.

An additional \$250 was donated to the Red Cross Hurricane Relief Fund bringing our total Hurricane Relief donations to \$500!!!

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### Food Drive Huge Success

Beta Kappa Theta participated in a very successful SGA food drive this year. More than meeting the goals, at least 20,000 food items were donated and \$2500. Students, faculty and staff held "can wars" with Ms. Lacey Benns' classes defeating Dr. Gidcomb's classes by three cans!

### Final Honors Seminar

The title of this seminar is "Jesus in America" Personal Savior or Cultural Hero?" It will be Thursday, February 2, at 3:30pm in Hickman (or WLHB) 122.

### Regional Convention to be held at Motlow

On March 24 through 25 Motlow State will host the Regional Convention. If you would like to attend please let Dr. Gidcomb or one of our advisors know ASAP. Our tentative deadline for registration is February 24.

### Notes from Our Williamson County Chapter

1. FOUNDER'S DAY, Nov. 15 & 16: Popcorn was handed out to students. Also, money was raised through "Apple For Your Favorite Teacher".
2. GREAT AMERICAN SMOKEOUT: A banner was hung in the smoking area and pamphlets from the American Cancer Society were made available.
3. CHRISTMAS FELLOWSHIP, Dec. 15: We all had a wonderful time at Marla Fulscher's home (thanks Marla!) We played games and ate great food (especially the chili) !
4. CHRISTMAS PROJECT, Dec. 14: Several Williamson County PTK members aided St. Phillip's Church in their endeavor to make Christmas better for the needy by helping with gift wrapping toys for the children.
5. RELAY FOR LIFE: Planning for this years event is in the early stages. Get involved! We're in for a lot of fun this June! A fund-raising committee has been formed to plan fund raising activities. Please share you ideas with Rodger, Donna, Daniel or Bill Lanier (at [william.lanier@ptk.org](mailto:william.lanier@ptk.org)) Our goal is to beat last year's donation total of a little under \$2300!

### Literary Competition

Your essays, short stories and poems are waiting to be heard! Take this opportunity to share your creativity! We can have as many entries as we want, but the important thing to remember is to have your entries in to Dr. Gidcomb by January 20. The entries can be e-mailed to Dr. Gidcomb as an attachment in Word format. The attachment should have a title and the text, but the member's name should not be on the attachment. Short stories are limited to 2,500 words and essays are limited to 1,000 words. Happy writing!

