

# Alpha Xi Update: October 2013



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## Meet Your Board Members



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## Save the Dates!

### Future meetings and events

Nov 5th - dinner meeting at  
Old Mill in Lexington

Feb 4th—dinner meeting

April 8th—dinner meeting

April 2014 - Election period

May 2014—Annual meeting

### Other Board Members and Selected Committee Chairs:

Kimberly Glenn, treasurer (2013-2015)

Sabra Smith, secretary (2012-2014)

Gloria Fowler, chapter counselor (2012-2014)

Sylvia Lufkin, Leadership Succession chair (2013-2015)

Ann Scott, Governance chair (2013-2015)

*A complete list of committee chairs and members can be found on our chapter website.*

## Alpha Xi in Action

Do you have an idea for a chapter service project? We need to re-energize this aspect of our chapter. Contact Amber Williams with ideas for how we can use our wealth of nursing expertise to benefit our community.

Alpha Xi's strategic plan includes funding to support scholarship and research by members. This is a vital mission of STTI and our chapter. Contact Courtney Catledge, research chair, at [catledge@mailbox.sc.edu](mailto:catledge@mailbox.sc.edu) for more information.

Our most recent dinner meeting on September 24 was attended by 20 members! A local physician gave a talk on issues of antibiotic use. If you know a speaker or would like to present at a future meeting, please contact Amber Williams.

## Keeping In Touch

Alpha Xi's revamped website is located at:  
[www.sc.edu/nursing/about/alpha\\_xi/](http://www.sc.edu/nursing/about/alpha_xi/)

Bookmark us and check the website for timely information on upcoming events. Have some news to share?

Contact Craig Smith, webmaster, at [craig.smith@providencehospitals.com](mailto:craig.smith@providencehospitals.com).

Information and voting instructions will be available here each spring during our chapter's election period.

Alpha Xi has a monthly column in the College of Nursing's e-newsletter, The Gamecock CONnection. Anyone interested in receiving this electronic publication and checking up on chapter happenings can subscribe by contacting Jan Johnson at: [jjohnso@mailbox.sc.edu](mailto:jjohnso@mailbox.sc.edu).

### **WANTED: Accurate email addresses!**

As with many other organizations, most of the business of Alpha Xi and much of our communication with members is conducted via email. We make every attempt to keep our email list up-to-date through STTI's website.

Especially if you are a recent graduate or have changed jobs—please log on to [www.nursingsociety.org](http://www.nursingsociety.org), choose "membership" at the top, then go to "My Membership." This is where you can update all of your contact information—most importantly, your email address! For any questions or problems, contact Sabra Smith at [smithsh2@mailbox.sc.edu](mailto:smithsh2@mailbox.sc.edu) or 777-0185.

***"You treat a disease, you win, you lose. You treat a person, I guarantee you'll win, no matter what the outcome."***

***-Patch Adams***

## Nurse Leaders Wanted!

Do you know an outstanding nurse who is not a member of Alpha Xi? He or she may be a candidate for a Nurse Leader Membership.

Alpha Xi is looking to expand our community influence through addition of Nurse Leader Members.

Nurses who did not join STTI as a student may be eligible for induction as a Nurse Leader Member if they have at least a BSN and have demonstrated achievement in a category such as education, practice, administration, research, etc.

Nurse Leader candidates must have a letter of support from a current Alpha Xi member. Contact Ellen Synovec for more information.

## 2014 Elections

The following officer and committee positions will be up for election in 2014:

- Secretary*
- Two Chapter Counselors*
- One Leadership Succession Committee member*

We hope to have nominees identified by February and open the election period by early May.

### **2014 elections will be conducted exclusively via electronic voting.**

Information will be posted on the chapter's website and sent out by email—another important reason to keep your email updated through STTI's website!!!

Potential board and committee members must be current members of Alpha Xi.

Please contact Sylvia Lufkin ASAP ([srlufkin@yahoo.com](mailto:srlufkin@yahoo.com)) if you are interested in being nominated for one of the upcoming open board positions. We need to add community representatives to our board and committees!

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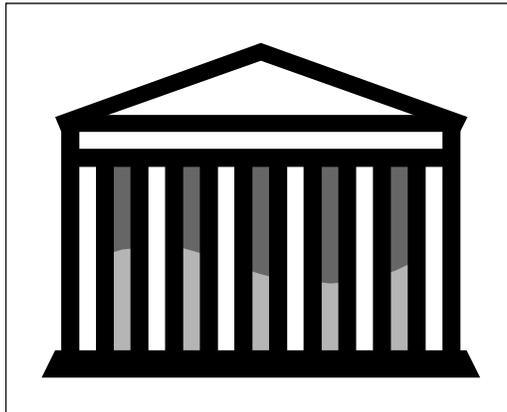
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