



CHI EPSILON SIGMA GAMMA CHAPTER • FALL 2024

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Hello!

I want to thank those of you who work so hard to make the Extension summer season a success! Now that we are switching gears and heading toward the cooler months, I hope you can be intentional in creating the space you need to recharge. For those of you who are just getting rolling with the new Homemaker and 4-H Program Year, please let us know if there is any way we can support you! I have a few exciting updates to share with you all. To start, I want to personally invite you to attend **Staff Appreciation Day on Friday, September 27, from 10:30 AM - 1:00 PM in the concourse of Kroger Field (Commonwealth Stadium)**. Although this is different than in years past, I still encourage you to take advantage of the opportunity to be together with your fellow colleagues. Chi Epsilon Sigma will be setting up a booth during this time, so feel free to stop by and say hi. We will have door prizes! I'd also like to mention that Round-Up will be Saturday, October 12th. We will not have a booth for this event, but it will still be an exciting day if you're interested!

In other news, the Board recently met to begin preparations for our 25th Annual Conference. This year, the theme will be a **Silver Jubilee: Success, Growth, & Resilience**. Members of the Board already have the details in the works, and we are thrilled to share more of them with you soon. For now, please mark your calendars and plan to join us in **Louisville** at the **Crowne Plaza** from **April 23-25, 2025!**

Last but not least, I want to wish you a happy beginning to the holiday season. Regardless of what or how you celebrate, I hope you can lean into the things that you are grateful for and can share time with those you love most. We're thankful you chose to be part of our organization!



Marie Grimes

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PAST PRESIDENT

Greetings CHIES Members,

Have you ever wondered what it takes to plan a conference? Ever wanted something changed about it? Now's your chance to explore the possibilities and how you can make a difference!

We currently have (2) vacancies on our CHIES Board. Donna Napier, E7-8 has taken a job outside of Extension and Debra Combs, E5-6 has retired. I would like to invite you to join our board and fill one of those spots to finish out their terms. You are not required to work in those areas to fill their positions.

Please reach out to me, Kim Campbell, at kimberly.campbell@uky.edu or call 606-349-3216 for information.

I assure you that it is a great experience; a time for you to use your leadership skills, be a voice for others, step outside the office, and give your input for the planning of our conference.

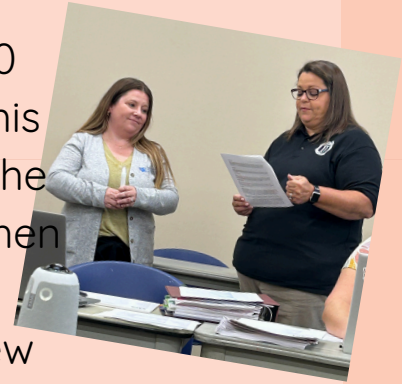
I encourage you to keep in mind that YOU are one of a kind and YOU have something to bring to the table that no one else has thought of, so come be a part of the board! We need you to make our team complete.

I look forward to hearing from you!

Kimberly Campbell

CONFERENCE PREP

The Chi Epsilon Sigma Board met on August 20 to start planning for the 2025 conference. At this meeting, Vickie Belt was officially sworn in as the Chi Epsilon Sigma Director of UK Princeton. When the discussion turned to the upcoming conference, everyone was enthusiastic. The new board members were ready to dive in, and many great ideas were proposed! As Marie mentioned, we will be celebrating 25 years of CHIES, so be sure to attend!



CHI EPSILON SIGMA SHIRT ORDERS

Chi Epsilon Sigma is having a fundraiser! The board thought members would like to have a general CHIES shirt separate from the conference t-shirts. We also thought it would be nice to have long-sleeved and sweatshirt options. The shirts will be simple with our logo on the front left chest.

Office apparel funds (for those that have it) may be used. The order form is on the last page of this newsletter. Please send only one order form and check per office.

Orders must be submitted by October 1.

PLEASE NOTE THAT WE MUST HAVE AT LEAST 50 SHIRTS ORDERED TO DO THIS!

MEMBER NEWS



Lisa Stevens, Pulaski County Staff Assistant, is a new Grammie!

Evelyn Hazel (Evie Lynn) Neeley was born August 13, 2024, weighing 7lbs 14ozs and was 19" long.

Kaitlin Travis-Heneisen, Livingston County Staff Assistant, married Luke Heneisen on May 5th, 2024, on James Lee Beach in Destin, FL. Fellow CHIES members Vickie Belt & Christy James attended.



Caverna Independent
Congratulations
Spencer Osborne
Middle/High School
Music/Band Teacher

Mr. Spencer Osborne is joining the Caverna family from Murray State University.



Spencer Osborne, son of Melissa Osborne in Daviess County, graduated from Murray State in the spring. He earned a Bachelor's in Music Education. He recently started a job at Caverna Independent School District.

MEMBER NEWS



Georganne Collins of Nelson County went on vacation in June with her mother. One of their stops was Niagara Falls. Her mom is 81 and this was her first time out of the county. They also visited the Butterfly Conservatory in Niagra, CA.

Georganne also shared pictures of the “masterpieces” her grandkids, Daisy and Cyrus, made at summer art studio.



Gavin, son of Robyn Edgell in Daviess County, participated in the Kentucky 4-H State Shooting Sports Competition.

He won the following:

- 1st in .22 rifle target
- 1st in air rifle target
- 1st in air rifle target (team)
- 3rd in bb rifle
- 1st in bb rifle (team)



We love to see what is going on in the lives of our ChiES members! When Directors reach out for the next newsletter, please consider sharing something.

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Chi Epsilon Sigma

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