



**PLT Fort Wayne Chapter
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PLT Membership is open to undergraduate and graduate students in education, educators, and professionals who have contributed to education (including psychologists, counselors, nutritionists, librarians, etc.) with 3.5 or higher GPA. For more information:

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PLT Perspectives

International Honor Society and Professional Association in Education

From the Desk of the President . . .

Greetings to my fellow Pi Lambda Thetans! We ended the 2001-2002 program year with education, innovation, and rejuvenation! Several events helped kickstart our planning and preparation for the upcoming program year.

The Great Lakes Region II Professional Conference was held at Crystal Lake, IL on June 26 - 28, 2002. Myra Wright Powell, Sandra Ziewe, the Chicago Chapter, with Thalia Sipple and Anne Devney formed an impressive team in the planning and coordination of this edifying and fun-filled event. Presentations were provided to meet every need. Some of the topics included "Technological Techniques to Adapt to the Curriculum," "Using Data for School Improvement," "Empowering Chapter Members to Enhance Student Learning," "The Northwest Evaluation Association (NWEA)," and many more.

A warm and heartfelt welcome is extended to new members, Gloria Campbell-Whately, Ph.D., Pamela Cook, and Janice Schroeder, Ph.D. It is the infusion of new blood that continues to sustain, strengthen, and enhance our organization.

Deviating from tradition at our final meeting of the 2001-2002 program year was a pleasant surprise for all. Normally, we head to Thelma Brown's lake cottage in Syracuse for R&R. But, this time, with the assistance of Thelma, we conducted Initiation and Officer Installation ceremonies. The lake provided a wonderful backdrop to the solemn occasion.

We are ecstatic about the upcoming 2002-2003 program year. The Program Committee worked long and hard in selecting the programs and presenters from all of the recommendations received from the chapter. The Committee was unable to include all the suggestions and will keep the list for future programs. Our members are our greatest asset and together project a wealth of knowledge, expertise, and inspiration toward continuous improvement. Thank you to everyone who proposed topics and presenters.

I am deeply honored and humbled at being elected President of this prestigious organization. I am grateful for the trails blazed by our past presidents who have committed to nothing less than excellence in education. These are great shoulders that I stand on. I will work hard and long to carry on our awesome legacy. Many thanks to our outgoing president, Nancy Grote, Ph.D., who has been a friend, mentor, and advocate.



Ruby Cain (center) with International President, Barbara Sorenson (right) and International First Vice President, Rita Jones (left) at 2002 Great Lakes Region II Professional Conference in Crystal Lake, IL.

Ruby Cain
PLT Fort Wayne Chapter President



Great Lakes Region II Officer Installation Ceremonies at Crystal Lake, IL

Great Lakes Region II PLT Officers 2002-2003

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Happy Birthday Thetans!

September

Janet Keith
 Gloria Campbell-Whatley, Ph.D.
 Mary Gold-Armstead
 Cheryl Lovinger
 Ruby Cain

October

Betty Gorrell
 Ruth Niewyk
 Roma Jean Bradburn
 Sheila Kiefer

November

Janet Comp
 Darlene Kurtz
 Adeline Smith

December

Pamela Cook
 Kathleen Sherman

Mark Your Calendars!
Great Lakes Region II
Business Meetings
Saturdays
September 21
&
April 26

2002 - 2003 PLT Fort Wayne Chapter Programs

Saturday, September 21, 2002, 8:00-3:15 p.m. Great Lakes Region II Information Bank & Business Meeting. All PLT members are encouraged to attend.
 South Bend - Hampton Inn - 52709 US 31 North - see details below

Wednesday, October 2, 2002, 4:15 p.m. "Empowering Educators" by Ruby Cain
 United Way Building 2nd Floor Conference Room, 227 E. Washington Blvd.
 Dinner: O'Charley's at Jefferson Pointe, 6:00 p.m. (RSVP to Pamela Cook, 627-2302)

Thursday, November 14, 2002, 7:00 p.m., "A Day in the Life of an Administrator" by Dr. Gloria Shamonoff, Kathy Sherman, and Marty Burns
 International Business College
 Dinner: Hall's Tavern at Village of Coventry, 5:15 p.m. (RSVP to Pamela Cook, 627-2302)

Wednesday, December 4, 2002, 4:15 p.m., "Floral Arranging" by head designer, Kate Willer
 Cottage Flowers, 236 E. Wayne St.
 Dinner: Light meal at Cottage Flowers Deli (RSVP to Pamela Cook, 627-2302)

Thursday, January 30, 2003, 7:00 p.m., "Learn the New Teaching Method Used in Assisting Children with Learning Disabilities" Scottish Rite Center, 431 W. Berry St.
 Dinner: Dash-In, 814 S. Calhoun, 5:15 p.m. (RSVP to Pamela Cook, 627-2302)

Tuesday, February 11, 2002, 7:00 p.m., "Learning Style - How Does This Affect the Way You Teach?" by Gabe Keri. Pat Kohart's house.
 Dinner: BBQ-N-Pasta, Pine Valley Mall, 5:15 p.m. (RSVP to Pamela Cook, 627-2302)

July 24 - 27, 2003 PLT International Biennial Council, Boston Massachusetts

Everyone is Invited to Great Lakes Region II Business Meeting

PLT Great Lakes Region II is only as strong as the commitment of its members. All PLT members are invited and encouraged to attend the business meeting, which includes Information Bank and Professional Conference. Mark your calendars for Saturdays, September 21 & April 26.

Location for meeting is South Bend - Hampton Inn - 52709 US 31 North

Saturday, September 21 Business Meeting Schedule

8:00 a.m.	Complimentary Breakfast	8:45 a.m.	Delegate Registration
9:00 a.m.	Introductions & Organization	9:15 a.m.	Committee Work
10:30 a.m.	Break	10:45 a.m.	Information Bank
11:15 a.m.	Professional Conference	11:45 a.m.	Lunch
1:15 p.m.	Business Meeting	3:15 p.m.	Adjournment

PLT Leadership Award

Distinguished Pi Lambda Thetan Award application deadline is November 1 (Even Years)

The Distinguished Pi Lambda Thetan Award is presented in recognition of outstanding contributions to Pi Lambda Theta and the profession of education. The award consists of an engraved plaque. The recipient is announced at Biennial Council. Expenses are paid to attend and receive the award. The recipient may be asked to serve as a Biennial Council speaker.

The award, established in 1979, is the highest honor Pi Lambda Theta can bestow on a member.