

Ode to Beta Pi, 50th Birthday Celebration
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May 18, 1974, Beta Pi began
Chesterfield County, VA, educators were honored
Alpha Alpha Chapter leads the way with Maxin Hagar
Giving the young chapter guidance to stand

In 1975, Beta Pi found its calling
Dedicated to serving those in need
The Children's Shoe Fund, Donations for Meal-in-a-Bag
The chapter would proceed to do good works indeed

Positive Leadership for Purposeful Action was the 1975-1976 theme
Special recognition of members
Speakers were invited to keep Beta Pi informed
Beta PI would proceed, always learning, growing, and working as a team

The Friendship Quilt Project started in 1977
Handmade white embroidered squares by Beta Pi members
With the state names and state flowers created carefully
Presented to State President Maxine Hagar on May 11, 1979, on the 50th anniversary of DKG
Deeded to the Virginia Museum of History and Culture in Richmond in 2023 for all to see

In 2024, we're celebrating Beta Pi...50 years, to be exact
Food Pantry, Reach Out and Read, Davis Child Advocacy Center, Grants for Teachers, and more
An old suitcase rich with artifacts telling of history and holding traditions of long ago
The past, the present, and the possibilities...Beta Pi
Emerita Virginia State President Jane Williams did say

Fifty Red Roses for Beta Pi
Fifty Years of Giving Service
Fifty Years Honoring the Delta Kappa Gamma Mission
Happy 50th Birthday, Beta Pi of Virginia