Goals: To remind alumnae members of Pi Beta Phi’s six core values;
To reflect on our own personal core values and how we portray these to others.

Room setup/materials needed:
• Make sure you have enough room for participants to sit comfortably in small groups.

Getting Started
Talking points are indicated with a callout bullet (≡). Please use these as speaking guidelines, but be sure to jazz up the presentation with your own personality. Facilitation instructions are indicated with an arrow (→) and serve as hints you might find helpful when administering the material. Most importantly, have fun!

Instructions

→ Introduce the activity.

≡ The goal of this seminar is to encourage you to recognize how Pi Phi’s core values are or are not being portrayed by public figures such as musicians, artists, authors, actors, media broadcasters, athletes and others. You will then be encouraged to reflect on your own core values and how you portray these to others.

≡ Let’s quickly review Pi Phi’s six core values. Remember, there is a mnemonic device for remembering our core values!

   0 The mnemonic device (the first letter of each word corresponds with the first letter of a value) is: I Love Having Pi Phi Sisters!

   0 The six core values of Pi Beta Phi are Integrity; Lifelong Commitment; Honor and Respect; Personal and Intellectual Growth; Philanthropic Service to Others; and Sincere Friendship.
Break into groups of six-10 people. Ask the following questions and give groups about 10 minutes to answer both of the following questions.

- Choose a past or present TV show or movie; identify characters that exemplify each of Pi Phi’s core values, i.e. “Could they be a Pi Phi?” Then, discuss why.

- Identify characters that are the antithesis of Pi Phi core values, i.e. “Why would they not be good representatives of Pi Phi?” Then, discuss why.

Next, have members from each group sing the theme song or act out a scene from the well-known TV show or movie they picked. Have the remaining organization members guess which show it is and what Pi Phi core value is portrayed. After the show or movie has been guessed, have the group share which characters they chose would represent Pi Phi well and why; and also which characters would not represent Pi Phi well and why.

Now, I am going to ask for each group to either prepare to sing the theme song from the TV show or movie you picked or prepare to act it out in front of the organization so they may guess which show or movie you chose. You have about five minutes to prepare.

(After about five minutes) Ok, one at a time, I would like for each group to come to the front and present. Everyone else will try to guess which show or movie you picked. Then, we would like to hear why you chose the show or movie you did. Share which characters you chose would represent Pi Phi well and why and also which characters would not represent Pi Phi well and why.

Variation — this activity can be changed or replicated talking about musicians and the type of music they play, authors and their books, artists and the works they produce, media broadcasters and the information they share through various outlets, athletes and the way they conduct themselves while playing their sport and while not playing, etc.

Discussion Questions

Encourage alumnae organization members to reflect on their own personal values they use to guide their live at home, at work, or in their communities.

- When we reflect on our own lives at home, at work or in our communities, are there other core values we believe are important?

- How do you go about prioritizing/picking your top values and how do you define those values?

- What does your number one value mean to you and how do you show others this is a value that is important to you?

- As you reflect on Pi Phi’s core values and your own values, think about actions or areas in your life in which you could “stop”, “start” and “change” something in order to better reflect our individual values and Pi Phi’s values to others.

Final Wrap-Up
After participants have finished sharing their thoughts on each of the discussion questions, lead the group in the final wrap-up.

As we leave here today, think about the things you said you would “stop”, “start” and “change”. Where are you on accomplishing these goals? Always remember, as sisters we are here to keep each other accountable to live daily by the Pi Phi values set forth by our founders.

Thank everyone for coming.