

# GAMMA PHI GAZETTE



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State Organization

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## President's Message

April showers bring May flowers!  
Mayflowers bring Pilgrims!



Okay. That was an OLD joke from my elementary years. But, we have Gamma Phi members bring guests and new members!

I was so pleased that at our March meeting we had several guests from the Gamma Eta chapter here in the Cincinnati Area and several guests from our chapter members. Several of them have already taken steps to join. How wonderful!

The strength of our chapter depends on getting new blood and new ideas. There is still the opportunity for you to invite a friend or colleague to join us.

Our June meeting will be full of fun and entertainment. We will also be installing our new officers for the next biennium. Perhaps we will be initiating new members as well.

What a great end for the year!

Blessings,  
Cindy



## Upcoming Dates & Deadlines

**April 6**

**Kerry Black**  
International OSO Speaker  
*Approaching Conflict with Grace*  
(Registration is closed)

**April 15-16**

**Flying Pig Volunteer Days at Brand Evolutions**  
details on page 3

**May 2**

**Flying Pig Volunteer Day**  
Duke Convention Center

**June 8**

Gamma Phi Chapter meeting & program  
*Coming From the West Side to Entertain You*  
Covedale Theater

## Staying Connected



Please review the March meeting minutes and the finance reports on pages 6-9 of this month's Gazette.

Any questions or corrections are to be directed to Meier Bauer, our recording secretary, or Margaret Murph, our treasurer.

## Happy Birthday Wishes To:

- Della Kartika Sari, April 14
- Kelsey Sagasser, April 19

## You Belong Here!

A motion was adopted during the March 9 chapter meeting establishing a **You Belong Here!** fund, to financially support members who participate in DKG sponsored State and International conferences, conventions, workshops, meetings and events.



Members attending DKG sponsored opportunities may request chapter reimbursement from this fund for mileage, registration fees and meals.

Members receiving reimbursement for attendance at the same event from Gamma Phi, OSO, ADSOEF and/or DKG International are not eligible to receive reimbursement for the same expenses through this fund.

### **There is no application process!**

Reimbursement requires receipts and the completion of a chapter reimbursement form. The form and receipts are submitted to the Gamma Phi Executive Board through an email to the President. Funds may be distributed so long as there is cash in the fund. Request a reimbursement form from the chapter President.

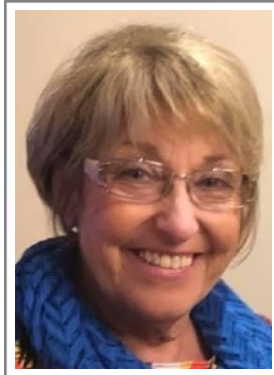
Funding for **You Belong Here!** is based on members supporting non-dues fundraising opportunities. No chapter dues may be deposited in this fund.

Diana Haskell

## 2024-2026 Gamma Phi Slate of Officers

The nominating committee has officially presented the slate of officers for the 2024-2026 Biennium and the chapter will vote on them at our June meeting.

They are:



President:  
Diana Haskell



VP Membership:  
Sherry Randall



VP Professional  
Affairs: Julie Schmidt



Recording  
Secretary:  
Beth Pohlman



Corresponding  
Secretary:  
Carol Ladrihan

At this time, we do not have a candidate for the position of President Elect/VP Programs.

If anyone would be interested in stepping up to fulfill this position, please contact Helen Romes.

Respectfully submitted,  
Helen Romes, Artis Martin and Diana Klenk  
Nominations Committee



President Elect/  
VP of Programs:

## News from the Finance Committee

### 2024-2025 Budget:

We presented a proposed budget for the 2024-2025 year at the chapter meeting on March 9th and the chapter will vote on it at the June meeting.



### Membership Dues:

It's not too early to renew your DKG membership for 2024-2025! Checks should be made out to Delta Kappa Gamma.

- Members: \$75
- Reserve: \$55
- Collegiate: \$54



Since there is no business meeting in May, we would appreciate your efforts to send your dues to Margaret Murph by the end of May. Her home address is in the chapter handbook.

If necessary, we can accept dues payments at the June meeting. Our deadline to renew is June 30th.

Thank you,  
Jane Houser and Margaret Murph

## DKG.org is For You

The member website is a treasure trove of information for every member. This website is for YOU! Access to the website is through your username **which is your 6 digit ID number** and password.

Members attending the March meeting received their username and password on a personalized card. Members unable to attend the meeting were mailed their personalized card. Watch your mailbox. Do not hesitate to contact Diana Haskell if you have questions or if you did not receive your personalized card.

If you have not met Debbie LeBlanc, International President or Nita Scott, DKG Executive Director, you can join them for a short 10-minute video on *President's Page*. This broadcast is produced six (6) times each year.

A new edition will be available on April 1.

Diana Haskell



## Calling All Flying Pig Grunts

ONE LAST REMINDER TO SIGN UP FOR THE FLYING PIG !!!

This is a reminder to sign up to volunteer to work on Thursday, May 2, at Duke Energy.

We must work a 3 hour shift beginning at 10:00 and continuing until around 4:00.



DEADLINE TO REGISTER: APRIL 24

The link to sign up is being given again: Click here for the volunteer registration page: [2024 Spring Events Volunteer Registration Page](#) and enter the following password to access our group-specific registration page: **dkg**

### BRAND EVOLUTIONS:

Brand needs assistance on 2 days this year:

- April 15th and 16th
- 2 shifts each day, 10:00-1:00 & 1:00-4:00
- (Only 2 people per shift)
- Be sure to sign the sign-in/sign-out sheet when leaving.

Click here to sign up for shifts at Brand Evolution: [https://docs.google.com/document/d/14uhJ1wSJiR58x0w7q9H1IsoaCc-gWXOzrdT9PmA\\_R4/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/14uhJ1wSJiR58x0w7q9H1IsoaCc-gWXOzrdT9PmA_R4/edit?usp=sharing)

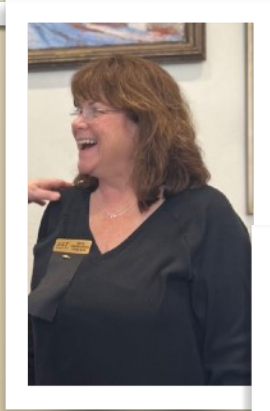


As always, thanks for your support of this longstanding and worthwhile project for our chapter. (15 years)

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# Memories from our March Chapter Meeting

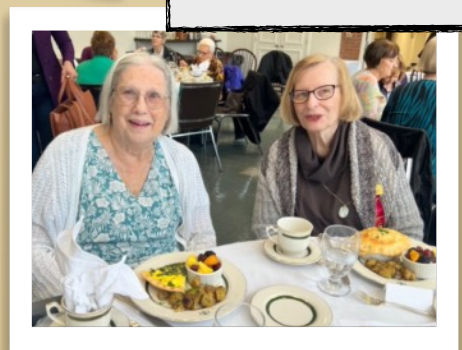
*Domestic Violence Awareness & Victim Support*



Website:  
[YWCAcincinnati.org](http://YWCAcincinnati.org)  
Womens Abuse Hotline:  
513-872-9259



Link to YWCA  
Youtube Video:  
<https://youtu.be/HQiVEkxk8AA?si=DqVFZY-oqzxQSIK>



There's still time to  
**SPRING**  
Into Action!

Participate in the  
**PIGGEST RAFFLE EVER!**

Purchase a Raffle Entry for \$5 each on behalf of Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, Gamma Phi Chapter. For each Pig purchased, you have a chance to win one of the prizes and Gamma Phi receives 100% of your donation!

- \* **GRAND PRIZE:** \$10,000 Cash (\$5,000 to the charity and \$5,000 to the winning ticket holder)
- \* **SECOND PRIZE:** \$5,000 Cash (\$2,500 to the charity and \$2,500 to the winning ticket holder)
- \* **THIRD PRIZE:** Cincinnati Get-Away Experience (\$1,500 in Downtown Cincinnati vouchers)

Ready to purchase?

Visit: <http://PIGGESTRAFFLEEVER.COM>  
to purchase a pig, . . . or two . . . or more!

Look for:  
"Delta Kappa Gamma Society  
International Gamma Phi Chapter"  
in the drop-down list of nonprofits.



Handy links to our chapter's website and social media platforms:



- [Link to Gamma Phi Chapter's Website](#)
- [Link to Gamma Phi Chapter's Facebook Page](#)
- [Link to Gamma Phi Scholarship Forms](#)

# March Meeting Minutes

## Gamma Phi Chapter Meeting Cincinnati Woman's Club March 9, 2024

The meeting was called to order by President Cindy Speakman at 10:30 am.

Karyn Kern-Lazear was appointed meeting secretary. In attendance were 18 members and 12 guests.

Readers for today's minutes - Katie Gantz and Diana Haskell

Reflections/Personal Growth – Diane Heilmann read Michael Shelton's newspaper article "Reflections on Domestic Violence".

Members Updates and Announcements – Dr. Stephanie Morton is attending her daughter's wedding. The following guests were introduced: Irene Diesel, Carol Parsons, Glenna Baumbaugh, Ann Harper Hanson and Nancy Glasgow from Gamma Eta Chapter; Molly Hunter, Judy Pflaumer, Maria Cholak, Holly Scroggins and Pat Eveslage as guests of members and Rickell Howard Smith and Nicole Williams from the Cincinnati YWCA.

Approval of December minutes. – The December 9, 2023, meeting minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report – Margaret Murph, treasurer reported revenue \$3,975.22; expenses \$3,143.14. Checking account balance \$6,146.91. Scholarship/Grant account balance \$4556.98, disbursements from Scholarship/Grant account \$745.00.

### Committee Reports

Membership – Dianne Donnelly recommended for membership by Carol Ladrigan; Judith Pflaumer recommended by Carolyn Lamping and Molly Hunter recommended by Meier Bauer.

Rules – Katie Gantz, Parliamentarian, announced Gamma Phi Chapter Rules were revised, following notification in The Gamma Phi Gazette, to remain in compliance with the DKG governing documents. The Chapter Rules now read:

3.1 New members shall be recommended at any regularly scheduled meeting of the fiscal year.

3.2 Membership in the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International shall be by invitation. At the time she pays her dues, a member becomes a member of the International Society, a state organization and a chapter.

Professional Affairs – Karyn Kern-Lazear, Professional Affairs Vice President, stated Diana Haskell, Sherry Randall and Kelsey Randall Sagasser applied and received Gamma Phi Scholarships for professional and personal growth. Julie Schmidt, Scholarship Chairman, distributed the award checks.

The Scholarship Committee will review the non-member guidelines application.

Finance Committee – Jane Houser, Finance Committee Chairman, distributed the 2024- 2025 proposed chapter budget. She noted: President/Conventions increase to \$400; President Elect/Conventions increase to \$350; Nominating Committee decrease to \$0; Installation of Officers decrease to \$0; President Pin/Gift decrease to \$0; Miscellaneous increase to \$400 and New Officer Training decrease to \$0.

## March Meeting Minutes continued

It was moved to establish a Board Designated *You Belong Here!* Fund for Gamma Phi members to receive financial support to attend DKG International and State Conventions, Conferences, Workshops, Meetings and Events. Funding revenue to come from The Piggest Raffle Ever! and other non-dues revenue sources. The fund to be managed and awards made by the Gamma Phi Executive Board. **The motion was adopted.**

The Finance Committee will present a revised 2024-2025 budget. The budget vote occurs at the June 8, 2024 meeting.

Nominating Committee – Helen Romes, Nominating Committee Chairman, announced the slate of officers for 2024-2026,

President - Diana Haskell

President Elect/VP of Programs – open

VP Professional Affairs – Julie Schmidt

VP Membership – Sherry Randall

Recording Secretary – Beth Pohlman

Corresponding Secretary – Carol Ladrigan

Programs Update – Diana Haskell, Program Chairman, acknowledged committee members for their dedication to programing and philanthropic opportunities provided to the membership. Members are encouraged to volunteer at Brand Evolution in April and register to participate at the Duke Center on May 2. Dollars earned for our volunteer time are donated to the chapter scholarship fund.

The Piggest Raffle Ever! continues through May 4. To date members and supporters have purchased \$220 in raffle tickets. The raffle ticket amount will be returned to the chapter by the Flying Pig Organization.

Encouraged members to register to attend the Ohio State Organization meeting and workshop on Approaching Conflict with Grace on April 6, 2024, in Grove City, OH. Registration closes March 20, 2024.

The next chapter meeting will be June 8, 2024.

New Business – A member survey will be sent to all members.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 AM.

Program – Rickell Howard Smith, CEO and President of the Cincinnati YWCA and Nicole Williams, Domestic Violence Prevention and Support of the YWCA presented a program on data and services provided to those seeking support due to domestic violence.

Karyn Kern-Lazear, Recording Secretary pro tem

# 2024-2025 Proposed Budget

2023-2024		July 2023-2024	GAMMA	PHI	TREASURE'S REPORT	
						7-01-2023--June-2024
						<b>\$6,618.20</b>
	<b>Proposed Budget</b>					<b>To Date</b>
<b>Revenues</b>						
Dues	\$2,609.00					
Initiation Fees						
Pin Fines						
Miscellaneous						
<b>Non-Budget Items:</b>						
Lunches						
Joint Chpt. Reservations						
<b>Total To Date</b>	<b>\$2,609.00</b>					
<b>EXPENSES</b>						
Dues/Fees State	\$467.00					
International	\$1,380.00					
Scholarship Fee						
<b>Sub-Total</b>						
<b>Administrative</b>						
President	\$25.00					
President/Conventions, Mtgs	\$400.00					
President Elect	\$25.00					
President Elect/Conventions	\$350.00					
Vice President Membership	\$150.00					
Vice President Prof Affairs	\$150.00					
<b>Committees/Coordinators</b>						
Chapter Programs	\$800.00					
New Membership Orientation	\$100.00					
New Member Lunches	\$100.00					
Name Tags	\$100.00					
Initiation Coordinator	\$25.00					
Historian	\$0.00					
Scholarship Coordinator	\$20.00					
Charity Donation	\$200.00					
Speaker/Guest Lunches	\$200.00					
Directory	\$0.00					
Mailings	\$10.00					
Finance Committee	\$20.00					
Treasurer	\$20.00					
Nominations	\$0.00					
Installation of Officers	\$0.00					
President's Pin/Gift	\$0.00					
Joint Chpt. Meeting	\$0.00					
Miscellaneous	\$400.00					
New Officer Training	\$0.00					
<b>Non-Budgeted Items:</b>						
Lunches						
Jt. Chpt. Reservations						
<b>Sub Total</b>						
<b>Total Expenditures</b>						
Scholarship/Grant Savings \$	\$5,301.96				Checking Account	Balance
						<b>\$6,142.91</b>



# March Treasurer's Report

2023-2024		9-Mar-24	GAMMA	PHI	TREASURE'S REPORT		7-01-2023--June-2024
							<b>\$6,618.20</b>
	<b>Budget</b>						<b>To Date</b>
<b>Revenues</b>							
Dues	\$2,700.00				\$2,630.00		\$2,630.00
Initiation Fees							
Pin Fines							\$3.00
Miscellaneous					\$12.50		\$32.50
<b>Non-Budget Items:</b>							
Lunches					\$468.61		\$949.72
Joint Chpt. Reservations							\$360
<b>Total To Date</b>	<b>\$2,700.00</b>				<b>\$3,111.11</b>		<b>\$3,975.22</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>							
Dues/Fees State	\$466.00				\$491.50		\$491.50
International	\$1,400.00				\$1,400.00		\$1,400.00
Scholarship Fee to Saving	\$26.40				\$7.60		\$34.00
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$1,892.40</b>				<b>\$1,899</b>		<b>\$1,925.50</b>
<b>Administrative</b>							
President	\$25.00						
President/Conventions, Mtgs	\$200.00						\$231.72
President Elect	\$25.00						\$14.56
President Elect/Conventions	\$100.00						
Vice President Membership	\$150.00						
Vice President Prof Affairs	\$150.00						
Committees/Coordinators							
Chapter Programs	\$800.00				\$201.51		\$671.07
New Membership Orientation	\$100						\$26.95
New Member Lunches	\$100.00						\$54.00
Name Tags	\$100.00						\$277.31
Initiation Coordinator	\$25.00						
Historian	\$0.00						
Scholarship Coordinator	\$20.00						
Charity Donation	\$200.00				\$50.00		\$125.00
Speaker/Guest Lunches	\$200.00						\$18.00
Directory	\$0.00						
Mailings	\$10.00						
Finance Committee	\$20.00						
Treasurer	\$20.00						
Nominations	\$10.00						
Installation of Officers	\$100.00						\$12.94
President's Pin/Gift	\$75.00						
Joint Chpt. Meeting	\$0.00						
Miscellaneous							\$20.00
New Officer Training	\$100.00						\$20.00
<b>Non-Budgeted Items:</b>							
Lunches					\$468.61		\$947.72
Jt. Chpt. Reservations					\$360.00		\$360.00
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>\$2,530.00</b>				<b>\$720.16</b>		<b>\$2,423.01</b>
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$4,422.40</b>				<b>\$2,619.22</b>		<b>\$3,143.13</b>
Scholarship/Grant Savings \$	\$4,556.98	\$745.00			Checking Account	Balance	\$6,146.91