

# GAMMA PHI GAZETTE



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## Can You Offer a Helping Hand?

Our Chapter is honored to have members who are current educators. We know that educators individually and collectively have a ripple effect on students, classrooms and communities. The chapter honors these members for their service to students and to education in 2023 – 2024:

Peggy Cochran	Barbara Evers
Diana Klenk	Artis Martin
Elizabeth Midkiff	Olajumoke Oshokoya
Beth Pohlman	Kelsey Randall
Sherry Randall	Helen Romes
Julie Schmidt	Suzie Spafford
Debbie Stallo	

**Elizabeth Midkiff is in need of a Helping Hand on Thursday, August 10 from 10:30 – 2:00 at Heritage Hill Elementary in the Princeton City School District.** Please contact Elizabeth at [ESMidkiff@gmail.com](mailto:ESMidkiff@gmail.com) if you can cut out laminated items, assemble data folders and organize book baskets. She will be grateful for the assistance!

Beth Pohlman will be asking for our assistance when her elementary school in Madeira reopens.

If our current educators need a Helping Hand please reach out to [DianaHaskell1@gmail.com](mailto:DianaHaskell1@gmail.com).



## Upcoming Dates & Deadlines

### August

Social Event at various local schools  
“Helping Hands Project”

### September 9

Chapter Meeting and Program at  
Cincinnati Woman’s Club  
“Lost in Nebraska and Other Cycling  
Adventures”

### October 28

Joint Chapter Meeting at Cincinnati  
Woman’s Club  
“The Women of Music Hall”  
More information coming soon.

## Happy Birthday Wishes To:

- Katrinka Stone Aug 15
- Bonnie Albers Aug 27
- Sara Lou Teets Aug 28
- Sherrie Foster Aug 31

## Lost In Nebraska & Other Cycling Adventures

**SEPTEMBER 9, 2023**  
**GAMMA PHI CHAPTER MEETING**  
**CINCINNATI WOMAN'S CLUB**

Mary Jo Peairs, Carol Olausen and Becky Johnson will take us on a vicarious cycling adventure on September 9 following the chapter business meeting.

Take this cross-country journey without wearing a bike helmet.

Don't miss their adventure – Don't miss the first meeting of the year.

What a great way to end the summer!



10:00 Social with Music and A Look Back  
10:30 Business Meeting  
11:30 Program  
12:15 Lunch

### **IMPORTANT!**

Every member is asked to use the RSVP link below to inform the meeting planners of your intention to attend or to be absent from the business meeting. It will also provide you with luncheon menu options.

Link: <https://forms.gle/r9F82z6AN4ysWegEA>

**PLEASE** complete the RSVP form link by  
**September 1st!**

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU**  
**ON SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 9TH**

## State Plans for the New Biennium Are in Full Swing!

On July 29th, Gamma Phi was well represented at the State Leadership Training for OSO Chairs and the Related Personnel.



The meeting was held at the Northside Branch of the Columbus Metropolitan Library.

## Chapter Rules Update

Good news! We have finally received feedback from the state rules committee that our chapter rules revision is approved with a couple very minor adjustments.

We have already made these changes, and Carol Ladrigan will be including our updated chapter rules in the revised chapter handbook later this summer. She is still waiting on other lists from the state before moving forward.

Katie Gantz  
Parliamentarian



**We stepped back in time last month . . .  
and visited the Heritage Village Museum  
in Sharon Woods!**



## Chapter Notes



- ♪ An update to all from Cindy Speakman: Thom was placed in Brookdale Assisted Living in Springdale in the memory unit in early July. They are both comfortable with this. He is safe and secure. He is also very close by - just 3 miles from their home. Thank You from Cindy for all your prayers and practical help!
- ♪ In mid July, Susan Taylor's husband, Bill, was in the hospital and had abdominal surgery. He was discharged but had to return for additional treatment. He is currently resting/recovering at home.
- ♪ We also have some very good news from the Taylors: In June they were inducted into the prestigious Hughes Society at Miami University. This was done at the Miami's Alumni Weekend and marked their 50th year since graduating.
- ♪ Olajumoke Oshokoya and her husband recently purchased a house in Forest Park. Also, she defended her dissertation in late July and she passed! She is now officially Doctor Jumoke! Congratulations!
- ♪ July was a busy month for Meier Bauer, with visiting grand daughters, the DKG Conference in Detroit, and two Ohio State Organization Meetings in Columbus. The Detroit Conference workshops provided ideas and encouragement for all levels of our organization. After returning home, I took and passed the National Association of Parliamentarians Examination.
- ♪ A DKG July for Diana Haskell who began the Detroit Conference by attending a full day of Parliamentary Procedure training with DKG Registered Parliamentarians Lynna Gene Cook and Dr. Helen Popovich. Diana is a member of the National Association of Parliamentarians and the Ohio Association since 2021. Special moments, meaningful connections and amazing friendships are what make attending an International Conference exciting. It is always a meaningful adventure to learn from others and to explore the Detroit area.



Photo with DKG Parliamentarian, Dr. Popovich.



Photo with Monica Easton, Keynote Speaker



Photo with Ohio DKG Officers and Members

## Save the Dates!!

*Note: There are new updates since last month!!!*

Mark your Calendar for these social and meeting events!

**August** – Social Event at various local schools  
“Helping Hands Project”

**September 9** – Chapter Meeting and Program  
“Lost in Nebraska and Other Cycling Adventures”

**October 28** – Joint Chapter Meeting at CWC  
“The Women of Music Hall”

**November 11** – Social Event at Bette Sherman’s  
Home in Wyoming - “Fashion Show and Tea Party  
provided by the Queen of Stuff”. Lunch at a local  
restaurant

**December 9** – Chapter Meeting and Program  
To be announced

**March 9** – Chapter Meeting and Program - Supporting  
Victims of Domestic Violence. Speaker Rickelle Howard  
Smith, CEO of the Cincinnati YWCA

**April 6** – Social Event - Leadership Luncheon for all Ohio Members in greater Columbus area  
Support for Flying Pig at Brand

**May** – Social Event  
Support for Flying Pig at Duke Center

**June 8** – Chapter Meeting and Program  
Installation of Officers  
To be announced



**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](#)