

GAMMA PHI GAZETTE



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Upcoming Dates & Deadlines

October 5th
Joint Chapters Meeting
at Cincinnati Woman's Club
J.T. Townshend-
Crime Detective Writer

November 9
DeSha's restaurant
Sonja Stratman- Growing Up Under
the Swastika

January 11
Springdale Recreation Center
Judy Bohn- SPCA

**Many thanks to Meier Bauer for her
dedication to DKG in her recent
role as our wonderful Ohio State
Organization president**



**and to Jane Houser who did a great job as
the Ohio State Organization convention.**

Happy Birthday Wishes To:

- Peggy Cochran October 18
- Elizabeth Midkiff October 29

Dear Gamma Phi Sisters,

Thank you all for your cards, notes,
and kind words after my father's
death in August. I am so glad to have
such supportive friends.

Cindy

Help Needed to Take Pictures

Do you have a cell phone with a camera? Then you can help!

I cannot be at every DKG meeting. As Historian, I am trying to have pictures from each of our meetings/events. These are posted on our web page; and, also, kept on our Google site. Katie, also, uses pictures for our chapter newsletter each month.

Would someone be able to volunteer to take pictures during the months of October, November, February, March and April? If you cannot be at one of these meetings, you can let me know and I will try to find someone. If TWO people volunteer, than you can tag-team taking the pictures.

LET KATIE KNOW IF YOU CAN HELP! IT'S EASY!

Thanks!

Photos from Our September Meeting at Promont House



Lottery Tree



Thanks to all of our chapter members who generously donated scratch off cards and money to create our lottery tree!

We hope many of the attendees at the Joint Chapter luncheon will buy raffle tickets to win it.

Proceeds from the auction go toward setting up a much needed Foster Care room at Hamilton County Job and Family Services agency downtown.

October 2019 Feature Member Sue Eades



I have spent my entire life within a five mile radius of Springdale where I was born. I attended Springdale School, grades one-eight. (before the Princeton

District) Upon graduation from the Wyoming High School, I attended Miami University earning a BS in Education. I did my student teaching in Wyoming the first semester of my senior year. My high school algebra teacher was then Superintendent. He hired me before I returned to Miami. What a relief to have a job!

I taught 36 wonderful years in Wyoming. During my tenure there I taught grades 2-7, was Director of the

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Congratulations to Leila Kubesch Ohio State Board District 4 2020 Teacher of the Year!

Leila attended our September meeting as our special guest and shared her experiences with our members. She will be officially recognized at a ceremony at her school, Norwood Middle School, on Friday October 4th at 9AM.

Our chapter members are invited to join Meier Bauer and Katie Gantz at the event. Leila is pleased that we want to be a part of her special day! Please let Katie know if you can attend so that we can let Leila know how many of us will be coming that day.



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Reading Lab, developed an individualized reading program for 5-6 graders, served on a committee to write curriculum, and served as Chair of the Reading Department. I coordinated children author visits not only to Wyoming, but to other schools as well. I began a Young Authors program for 4th graders and a Friday Night Live for 4th graders (a sleep over in the gym which included lots of reading, snacks, and live entertainment.) This event had a lot of “Doubting Thomases” , but we did it for four years!! I coordinated a Reading Booth at the annual Fall Festival selling gently used books, with the money being used for our author visits. Somewhere in all of this I had the honor of being named a Master Teacher in Wyoming.

After a few years of teaching I attended Xavier University earning a Master’s Degree and a Reading Specialist degree. I joined the International Reading Association which opened up so many doors of opportunity for me. I became active in the local council and later became President. This led me to get involved in the state organization (OCIRA). I was elected president and served two years.

After my presidency I was asked by the next president to be the Convention Coordinator for her convention. I held this position for two more conventions. As if that wasn’t enough I was asked by International to chair the Great Lakes Regional Convention which included 5 states. I was awarded the Greater Cincinnati Convention Visitors Bureau Achievement Award in recognition of work done to bring the convention to Cincinnati. I also had the honor of receiving the IRA Ohio Literacy Award for the promotion of Literacy in Ohio. There were many highlights throughout my career, but this is one I particularly remember. I received a phone call from the president of the IRA asking me to speak at the World Congress of Reading in Brisbane Australia. Of course I accepted. This led to future invitations to speak in Copenhagen, Helsinki, and Hawaii.

Ann Johnson, a teacher in Princeton, invited me to join Gamma Phi chapter. I considered this an honor to be invited to join an organization of outstanding women educators. I had the distinct privilege of serving two terms as president and recently as Convention Coordinator for the last two state conventions.

In all of these organizations I consider it an honor to have served in leadership positions. I have had the good fortune to have met and worked with amazing educators throughout Ohio and other states. It has been beyond my wildest expectations!

Upon retirement Doug, my husband, and I decided to pursue our passion for travel. The next several years were spent exploring different parts of the world. From the Pyramids in Egypt to the Great Wall of China and the Australian Outback we shared wonderful adventures. I am grateful to have had these many opportunities with him.

Today, I still love traveling, reading, walking, attending the theater, the POPS, and the ballet with DKG sister Diana Klenk. The ballet brings back memories of when I studied ballet at the Conservatory. I had the opportunity to audition for one of the dancers in summer stock productions at the Mesker Amphitheater in Evansville, Indiana. I spent two wonderful summers there as a member of the corps de ballet.

“Life is either a daring adventure or nothing. Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things you didn’t do than by the ones you did do.”

Author Unknown

I am always looking for the next adventure!

