

GAMMA PHI GAZETTE



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Upcoming Dates & Deadlines

May 2

(if conditions permit)

Biennium Wrap Up

Induction of 2020-2022 Executive Board

Initiation of New Members

If the meeting is cancelled, our chapter business will be handled either via email or at the September meeting.

Happy Birthday Wishes To:

None of our members this month.

No one in our chapter has a birthday in April!

A Reflection

Many thanks to Diane Heilmann for this poem which inspires us to look forward to happier days ahead!

Hope

Mine is a song of hope
For the days that lie before;
For the grander things
The morrow brings
When the struggle days are o'er.
Dark be the clouds to-day,
Bitter the winds that blow,
But falter nor fail,
Through the howling gale -
Comes peace in the afterglow.

Mine is the song of hope,
Of hope that sustains us all;
Be we young or old,
Be we weak or bold,
Do we falter or even fall,
Brightly the star of hope
From the distance is shining still;
And with courage new
We rise to do,
For hope is the God of Will.

Edgar A. Guest



Important Update on 2020-2022 Officer Nominations

The State has sent guidelines to help each chapter vote via email or mail and our first step is to have nominations submitted "from the floor" via email. Any members being nominated must agree to be nominated, and there must be the formal nomination followed along with a second. Several weeks ago our chapter had already started this process. We temporarily moved to a "virtual meeting" status for the nominations process and asked all of you to email any nominations for the unfilled President Elect position to me.

Since then, I have received the following 2 motions from Karyn Kern Lazear:

- "I move that Cindy Speakman be nominated for the office of President-Elect/First Vice President for the Gamma Phi Chapter of OSO for the 2020-2022 term. I have her permission to make this motion." Carolyn Lamping seconded the motion.
- "I move that Linda Ausman be nominated for the office of Corresponding Secretary for the Gamma Phi Chapter of OSO for the 2020 - 2022 term. I have her permission to make this motion." Helen Romes seconded the motion.

(Note: These are changes to the 2020-2022 Executive Board slate as it was announced at the February meeting. Cindy has removed her name from consideration for Corresponding Secretary so that she can now be in consideration for the President Elect position.)

I will still accept any additional nominations until Saturday, April 5th in case any others wish to submit other names for consideration. I can be contacted at kgmathgeek@gmail.com. Please feel free to contact Karyn Kern-Lazear, our Parliamentarian, for further information on how to make the nominations. She would be happy to provide guidance and can be contacted at lazearkaryn@gmail.com.

The next step will be for me to send out the revised information about the slate. I will officially notify the membership of the members who have been nominated for the open board positions, who made the nominations and who seconded them by April 7th.

The final step will be to conduct an electronic vote. The window for voting will be open for 48 hours after the ballots are sent out in the middle of the month and the election results will be announced within 2 to 3 days of the close of the voting window. The official installation of our new executive board may need to wait until our September meeting, but the State is still requiring the names of the new officers to be submitted by June 30th.

Thanks to all of our members who have expressed willingness to accept leadership positions for the next biennium! We are fortunate to have such a great group of ladies in our chapter!

Katie Gantz



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

<https://gammaphiohio.weebly.com/index.html>
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2358967190829279>

The Early Bird Catches The Worm!

Dear Sisters,

As COVID-19 challenges our creativity, the membership and finance committee would truly appreciate your support for our chapter. We are asking you to think about paying your dues for the 2020-2021 year before this June 1st.

Those choosing to pay by May 1st will be entered into Early Bird drawings for two \$20 Kroger gift cards. We will notify the 2 winners, probably by email about May 5th or at the May meeting if we are fortunate enough to have the meeting.

Please send your check for \$75 payable to DKG and mail it to:

Margaret Murph
1548 Hollywood Ave
Cincinnati, Ohio 45224

Thanks!
Jane Houser and
Margaret Murph



Flying Pig Rescheduled



Dear Sisters,

We are now aware that the Flying Pig Marathon is being changed to October.

At this point, we feel that our volunteer work will not be needed at this time. We will be waiting to hear from the volunteer coordinator about their future needs.

We will keep your Release Form, if you have already completed one. As we receive information about the future volunteer work we will share that with you.

Thanks for all of your support,
stay healthy and safe!

Sue Eades and Jane Houser

Grand Finale 2020 Fundraiser

Remember to save these dates for this year's Scholarship Fundraiser at the Grand Finale:

Tuesday, August 4th 4:00-8:45 PM
Sunday, August 9th 4:30-8:30 PM

Mark your calendars so you won't miss good fellowship and delicious food benefiting our Scholarship Fund.

Diana Klenk



Foster Care Room Update

On March 7th, a few members from several local DKG chapters met at Hamilton County Jobs and Family Services to set up the new foster care room for Travina Adams. There were books, games, toys and beautiful pictures to decorate the room. Travina was thrilled!! I'm sure the kids will enjoy using it.

Mary Jo Berry

