GAMMA PHI GAZETTE



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President's Message

Are you a believer in karma? I certainly am! Recently, I was at home on a beautiful day lamenting how quickly the summer is passing by, thinking about the many years that I relished every relaxing day before heading back to school in the fall. The weather was perfect and I was inside. I packed up my clubs and went to the golf course.

Upon arriving at the first tee box, the couple I had been paired with introduced themselves. It was Pat Bruns and her husband. What a small world! Pat was our speaker at our September meeting last fall and she also presented at our state convention in April. She is now running for re-election to the State Board of Education. We thoroughly enjoyed catching up and sharing education experiences... and we played some great golf!

Sometimes the pieces just come together as if they were meant to be. Karma at its best. What a wonderful opportunity to reconnect! Pat and I are both reenergized about the future path of education in Ohio and she is eager to continue sharing important state wide updates with us in the upcoming months.

Take time to enjoy the rest of summer while you still can!

Katie

Upcoming Fall 2018 Dates And Deadlines

August 7th & August 12th Gamma Phi Scholarship Fund Benefit Nights at Grand Finale

September 8th September Membership Meeting

> September 30th Dues Renewal Deadline

October 13th
Joint Chapter Meeting at Clovernook
Country Club

Best wishes to all our members who are returning to their classrooms soon.



We hope you have a smooth start to the new school year!

It's Membership Renewal Time!

This year's renewal dues are \$75. Please make checks out to DKG and send them to Margaret Murph's home address: 1548 Hollywood Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45224. She will continue to process renewal payments as they arrive all summer.

Members are also welcome to send checks for the joint chapter meeting. (Invitation with details is on page 4 of this newsletter.)

The total for renewal dues and joint chapter meeting is \$103, for those who wish to pay for both on the same check.

Happy Birthday Wishes To:

- Katrinka Stone- August 15
- Andrea Davis- August 18
- Wanda McCollum- August 26
- Sara Lou Teets- August 28
- Sherrie Foster- August 31

Professional Affairs

A focus for this biennium will be supporting foster children. There is a "Back to School Bash," sponsored by the Youth Advisory Board of the Hamilton County Jobs and Family Services on August 19th from 4-6 PM. I am planning to attend and am still seeking additional help to man our booth that day. Please let me know if you are interested.

Mary Jo Berry

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August 2018 Feature Member

Katie Gantz

In 2002, Rebecca Stricklin invited me to join DKG. Rebecca was my high school Chemistry teacher and, later one of my colleagues when I returned to Oak Hills as an educator. It has been a honor to be part of such a wonderful organization for the past 16 years!

My professional life included 19 years as a math teacher at Bridgetown Junior High and as a guidance counselor at Oak Hills High School. Since joining DKG, I have served on our chapter's executive board in several positions: Membership VP, Recording Secretary, and President Elect, prior to my current role as President.

In my spare time, I enjoy doing volunteer work with Assistance League of Greater Cincinnati, designing jewelry, and spending time with my recently retired husband, Jim. We hope to travel more in the coming years now that he is no longer working!

Jim and I also share a love of sports and fitness. We are avid Reds and Ohio State fans and we take walks and play golf as often as possible.



Pat Bruns and Katie at Reeves Golf Course



Enjoy an evening of fine dining, fellowship, and fun with family, friends, & neighbors & aid our scholarship fund at the same time.



Once again, The Grand Finale has graciously agreed to donate 20% of the proceeds from our food purchases on two special dates:

Tuesday, August 7, 2018 & Sunday, August 12, 20118 from 4-8:30PM

Members are encouraged to participate on either one or both evenings.

Call the Grand Finale at 513-771-5925 to make reservations.

<u>PLEASE</u> remember to mention Gamma Phi-Delta Kappa Gamma when you call so that our chapter receives a portion of the proceeds from your food purchases.

Thank you for joining us for this special event!

Delta Kappa Gamma Gamma Phi Chapter



Foster Care and the Impact on Education

Our first meeting will be held on Saturday, September 8, at 10:30 A.M. at the Monfort Heights Library 3825 W. Fork Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45247.

Travina Adams & representatives from Hamilton County Job and Family Services will address the issues of foster care and its impact on education.

Diana Haskell will talk about ADSOEF.

Lunch will be catered by Skyline-Small 3-Way, Cheese Coney, and Salad with lemonade, ice tea, and brownies. \$10.00



When making your reservation, please specify if you want all three items, only 3-way, and/or cheese coneys (1-2).

To make your reservation, please contact Jane Houser at housia@gmail.com or (513) 519-6205 by August 31.

Also, at this meeting we will be collecting school supplies for the children in the foster care program. Here are some suggested items that they need:

Paper (college-ruled) Folders Binders

Highlighters (various colors) Index cards Back Packs

Binder Dividers No. 2 pencils 4 inch graph paper

Pens Rulers Mini Staplers

3 or 5 Subject Spiral Notebooks USB drives

To Dream-To Dare-To Do

Delta Kappa Gamma International Society Joint Chapter Meeting - Hosted by the Beta Nu chapter



Come join us to hear C.F. Payne, a nationally renowned illustrator and caricaturist, speak at our joint meeting this year. His topic will be:

Art You Won't Find in the Museums
His artwork has graced the covers of Time Magazine,
Reader's Digest, Mad Magazine, Sports Illustrated and
many more. He has illustrated many children's books
and has designed several murals in Cincinnati, including
one at Playhouse in the Park. He is a native Cincinnatian,
and we are excited to welcome him as our speaker.

Saturday, October 13, 2018 11:30 AM – Arrival/Social time Lunch served promptly at noon Program to follow

Clovernook Country Club 2035 W Galbraith Rd. Cincinnati, Ohio 45239

Menu:

Cranberry Feta Salad

Lemon Chicken (with lemon butter, capers, mushrooms & tomatoes)

Mashed Potatoes

Rolls, Coffee, Iced Tea

Pecan Ball Ice Cream Sundae

Vegetarian option available (request needed with reservation)

\$28

RSVP by Sept. 25th with payment to your chapter treasurer

Music Sings mural in the CET parking lot, designed by C.F. Payne



How many people can you identify?

Please note that Clovernook Country Club has a no denim dress code! Each chapter is responsible for bringing name tags.