# GAMMA PHI GAZETTE



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## January Meeting Photos from Springdale Community Center



Our January guest speaker, Judy Bohn, presented great information about the Hamilton County SPCA.







As always, Diane Heilmann shared a very interesting & entertaining reflection during our business meeting.



## Upcoming Dates & Deadlines

February 8 LaRosa's Stone Creek Daunielle Rasmussen Playhouse in the Park in the Schools

March 20-22 Annual DKG/Ohio State Organization Convention Embassy Suites Dublin Columbus

#### April 4 Sharonville Public Library Doug Stevenson, Manager of Highfield Discovery Garden Great Parks of Hamilton County

## Happy Birthday Wishes To:

• Cindy Speakman February 27

## **Attention Flying Pig Volunteers**

It is hard to believe that this will be our 11th year that we have participated in the Flying Pig Volunteer program. We have added thousands of dollars to our scholarship fund over those years. It is once again time to recruit volunteers who are willing and able to devote three hours to volunteer service.

There are two options:

#### Brand Evolutions:

For those of you who are new, Brand is a warehouse setting. This is where all of the merchandise is held. We could be folding shirts , putting things on hangers, labeling etc. We don't know what we will be doing until we get there. It is not difficult work.

Dates are not available at this time. However, it is usually 2-3 weeks out from the event which could be the week of April 6 or April 13. A firmed up date will be forthcoming.

#### Convention Center:

The date is Thursday, April 30, from approximately 10:30 am to 4:30 pm. We usually work in the Market Place. In this area we arrange merchandise in an organized and attractive display. If you need to sit you can roll posters. There is something for everyone.

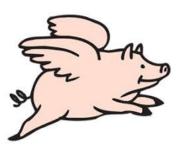
### VERY IMPORTANT!

We need 40 people to each work a 3 hour shift in order to earn \$700.00 for our scholarship fund.

There is a new volunteer coordinator this year so we have to navigate our way through any changes that may occur.

Please seriously consider this opportunity not only as a way of contributing to our scholarship fund , but also as a way of giving back to our community.

Thank you in advance for your participation. Sue



## Welcome to our newest chapter member Sherry Randall!



I'm originally from Springfield Missouri where I still have family. I first attended Missouri State University where I met my husband Geary. I graduated from Edgecliff College in Cincinnati where I received my BA in Music Education majoring in violin & voice & then received a Master of Music degree in Conducting from the College Conservatory of Music at the University of Cincinnati, where I have also done some doctoral music studies.

I taught Choral & instrumental music in the Indian Hill, Princeton, Mariemont & Fairfield City Schools for 35 years and retired in May of 2018. I now co-direct & teach strings & voice lessons to students of all ages at the Glendale School Of Musical Arts with my husband & daughter Kelsey.

In my "spare time", I practice violin, harp, piano & voice, study art & drawing, go horseback riding, and like going for long walks with my collie, Ruby.

## February 2020 Feature Member

## **Cindy Speakman**

I grew up outside of Buffalo, New York, the oldest of three girls and a boy. During high school, I was a majorette and belonged to Future Teachers of America. I knew I wanted to be a teacher since kindergarten. It was just a matter of what kind. Since my aunt was deaf, I decided to become a teacher of the hearing impaired.

I studied Hearing and Speech Sciences at State University of New York at Fredonia. I was privileged to study in London, England for my junior year. My original plan was to study speech pathology and then get a master's in deaf education, but I developed a love for speech/language pathology.

I met my husband, Thom, while working at a summer camp run by the Salvation Army. We got married at the camp. Then I attended Ohio University to get my master's in speech/language pathology.



Thom and I became Salvation Army officers (clergy) for about five years which is how we ended up in Cincinnati. After we resigned

from the Salvation Army, I was hired as a speech/language pathologist at Hamilton County Office of Education, later called the Education Service Center. For my first assignment, I worked in the same building as Karyn Lazear. We discovered that our sons were in the same first grade class.

I worked at Hamilton County for 32 years mostly in parochial schools. I retired in 2018 which allows me time to visit my son, Josh, and daughter-in-law, Lynn, in Pittsburgh, and my son, Ben, daughter-in-law, Kristie, grandson, Hendrix, and granddaughter, Sunny, in Columbus. I like to read and do word puzzles. I also enjoy walking our two beagles, George and Sally. I go to two walking classes and two aquatic arthritis classes each week. I am also active in women's ministry at Dayspring Church of God, recently becoming the director of women's ministry.

Karyn invited me to join DKG in 2002. I have served as Recording Secretary, Initiation, and currently as Corresponding Secretary. I enjoy the programs and the friendships I have made.

