GAMMA PHI GAZETTE



The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.

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Happy New Year - 2022!

Though our lives have changed during this pandemic, we must have hope and continue to strive for the best.

At the November state executive meeting, Gamma Phi received the Gold Key Award for 2020-2021. Sisters, congratulations on this award!



As members of

Gamma Phi, we must continue to support each other and keep our chapter strong. The next few months, the planning committee has some very interesting programs for our meetings-The Lost Tea Rooms of Cincinnati, Behind the Butterfly Show, and Kidney/Organ Transplants, which is one of the state president's initiatives. Please think about inviting a friend or maybe a member who has not been coming for a while. Let us show them what DKG is about as stated in our mission statement-Delta Kappa Gamma promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.

May you and your families have a healthy, safe, and great new year!

Take care, Helen

Upcoming Dates & Deadlines

January 8

Lost Tea Rooms of Cincinnati DeSha's Restaurant

February 12

Behind the Butterfly Show Springdale Recreation Center

March 12

Michael Stentz, Kidney Transplant the need & journey Dayspring Church of God

Happy Birthday Wishes To:

- Helen Romes January 15
- Nancy Arulf January 29



Programs Update

Our January chapter meeting will have our speaker, Cynthia Beischel, talking about the Lost Tea Rooms of Cincinnati. We will meet at DeSha's in Montgomery and order off a limited menu. This will be a great meeting to invite friends and potential members.

Our upcoming meetings in February and March are also good opportunities to invite friends.

In February, we will meet at the Springdale Recreation Center on February 13. Our speaker will be Ruth Ann Spears talking about Behind the Butterfly Show.

On March 13, we will hear from a former student of mine and Helen's, Michael Stentz, talking about his kidney transplant. We will meet at Dayspring Church of God.

Please join us for these interesting meetings!

Thanks, Cindy



Gamma Phi Scholarships Are For YOU!

Here we go again, the beginning of a new year! The Scholarship Committee wishes our sisters in Gamma Phi all the best in 2022!

We assume that our teaching sisters are looking at professional development opportunities in the coming months. We also assume that our retired sisters are contemplating some personal growth opportunities. Your scholarship committee is here to support you! Applications will be accepted through May 1, 2022.

Use this link to access the brief application: https://forms.gle/A8iAz38NuZ3xTWWw9

Gamma Phi Grants Are For Non-Members

Who should be encouraged to apply? Individuals who have been accepted at an accredited university or non-university training are invited to apply for a financial grant of up to \$600.00. Preferred consideration will be given to those Individuals who are declared education majors at the undergraduate or graduate level and/or individuals enrolled in a degree program resulting in employment in the field of education. Application must be submitted by February 1, 2022 for consideration for the fall semester.

Use this link to access the brief application: https://forms.gle/7wovhZcKgeNn9rs29

Questions? Please contact any member of the committee: Nancy Arulf, Diana Haskell, Jo-Anne Prendeville, Judy Rosene, Katrinka Stone and Susan Taylor

Diana Haskell, Scholarship Committee Chairman



Nominations Update

The time for our chapter to install a new executive board is fast approaching! In just a few months, at our May chapter meeting, our current officers will officially pass the baton to their successors.

As Gamma Phi's past president, it is my responsibility to develop a slate of nominees for the new executive board positions for the 2022-2024 biennium. The slate will be announced at our February chapter meeting.

Our current executive board consists of the following ladies:

- President, Helen Romes
- President-elect, Cindy Speakman
- Membership VP., Sherry Randall
- Professional Affairs VP, MaryJo Berry
- Recording Secretary, Carolyn Lamping
- · Corresponding Secretary, Linda Ausman
- Treasurer (appointed by president), Margaret Murph
- Parliamentarian (appointed by president), Karyn Kern Lazear
- Finance Chairman (appointed by president), Jane Houser

These chapter leaders have fulfilled their duties with poise and class as they dealt with unbelievable obstacles throughout the past 2 years due to COVID variants and their ripple effect. Many have even been in the same positions for 4 years... or more! It's time for others to step up to the plate.

I need your help! Please let me know if you or another chapter member would be a good fit for one or more of these positions. Serving on the board is both fun and rewarding without being a big time commitment.

Let's all work together to develop a strong, dedicated, chapter executive board for the next biennium!

Thanks!
Katie Gantz



Care, Concern and Congrats Corner



- Diana Haskell continues to recover from her hip replacement surgery. However, when she went in for a follow-up appointment with the surgeon it was discovered that she had fractured her femur. She will continue to use her walker until mid-January. Also, Diana's husband, Doug, recently fell off a front step and fractured his right wrist and has bruises on his shoulder area. His injury may require surgery.
- Nancy Arulf had a bad fall and skinned her right eye. Luckily, no bones were broken in her face, but she had a black eye and places that did require stitches. She stated that she had been in a hurry, did not use her cane and fell. Her cane will now be a constant companion!



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