GAMMA PHI GAZETTE



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Upcoming Dates & Deadlines

January 28 Optional Neusole Glass Event

February 11

Optional Georgia O'Keefe, Photographer Event

March 11

Induction ceremony of new members, voting on Chapter Rules, updates from committees and meet the Director of the Cincinnati & Hamilton County Public Library, Paula Brehm-Heeger

April 14 – 16

DKG Ohio State Convention Embassy Suites, Dublin Ohio Registration information is available in The Voice

Happy Birthday Wishes To:

- Helen Romes January 15
- Nancy Arulf January 29



President's Message

Happy New Year!

Welcome to 2023 - a time for new beginnings.

Many people set resolutions or goals for the year ahead. Although my teaching career involved goal setting for students, I'm not very good at setting goals for myself. We know that having written goals spurs us on better than wishful thinking.

So this year, we have some goals of increasing membership, including more social activities besides our business meetings, and keeping our current members involved. So, whatever your personal goals are, please help with our chapter goals as well.

> New Year's Blessings! Cindy

Two Fun Member Social Events!

Gamma Phi Optional Neusole Glass Event January 28

In case of fire ... Blow Glass

Gamma Phi sisters and guests are invited to participate in a glassworks demonstration, blowing an ornament or sculpting a paperweight at Neusole Glassworks, 11925 Kemper Springs Drive, Forest Park on Saturday, January 28th 1:00 pm. Plan to arrive at 12:45 pm.

Interested participants have 3 Glass Event options:

- 1. Glassworks demonstration only \$13.00 + tax
- 2. Glassworks demonstration and glass blowing an ornament \$45.00 + tax
- 3. Glassworks demonstration and glass sculpting a paperweight \$40.00 + tax



Last day to register or cancel is January 21. Reservations may be made by email or phone to Meier Bauer at <u>RMHBauer@gmail.com</u> or by phone 513-368-0256.

Registered members and guests will be sent via email a Release of Liability Form and Requirements for Glassmaking. Those registered please pay Neusole directly on January 28th.

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Gamma Phi Optional Georgia O'Keefe, Photographer Event February 11

Her name as a painter is recognizable; yet she had a long and complex association with the American photographic avant-garde. This is the first exhibit

exploring her work as a photographer.

Join Gamma Phi sisters and guests at the Cincinnati Art Museum for a docent-led tour of the exhibit Georgia O'Keefe, Photographer on Saturday, February 11 at 11:30 am. Plan to arrive at 11:15 am. Discover. for the first time, O'Keefe's eloquent and perceptive photographic vision.



Docent led tour and exhibit ticket prices:

- 1. Art Museum Members \$Free
- 2. Seniors, students and children \$8.00
- 3. Adults \$12.00

Optional lunch in the Art Museum Café following the tour for those interested. Please register for lunch when making exhibit reservation.

Last day to register or cancel is February 4. Reservations may be made by email or phone to Meier Bauer at <u>RMHBauer@gmail.com</u> or by phone 513-368-0256. Those registered please pay the Art Museum directly on February 11.

Gamma Phi Program Committee

Gamma Phi Chapter Meeting March 11

The chapter meeting is not to be missed! Induction ceremony of new members, voting on Chapter Rules, updates from committees and meet the Director of the Cincinnati and Hamilton County Public Library! Plan to arrive at the Cincinnati Woman's Club at 10:00 am. The meeting begins Saturday, March 11 at 10:30 am.

Director, Paula Brehm-Heeger is a strong and passionate advocate for public libraries and their role in helping communities thrive. Her remarks and the questions and answers that follow will be most informative as we meet Paula, a former student of member Diane Heilmann.

Lunch options:

- 1. Chicken Piccata over angel hair pasta w/ tossed salad and orange mandarin cake
- 2. Cheese and mushroom Souffle w/ tossed salad and orange mandarin cake
- 3. Vegan option and orange mandarin cake

Last day to reserve or cancel is March 4. Reservations may be made by email or phone to Meier Bauer at <u>RMHBauer@gmail.com</u> or by phone 513-368-0256. Those with lunch reservations please bring payment of \$18.00 to the meeting.

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Sad News

You may have heard about the devastating fire at Tikkun Farm over Christmas eve. If you recall, our chapter visited there in September, 2021 and learned of their mission which includes a food distribution site, providing cooking classes and crockpot meals, and training for post-high school teens for job opportunities.

The main farmhouse was destroyed. This housed the office and sleeping quarters of some of the staff. There is a fundraising effort to help them rebuild and continue with their mission. Links to their main website and their Go Fund Me site set up by Betty Bollas of Fibonacci Brewery are listed below for those who wish to contribute.

Website: Go Fund Me:

<u>https://www.tikkunfarm.com</u> <u>https://gofund.me/3a99cde4</u>

Even a small donation could help Tikkun Farm's owner, Mary Laymon, reach the fundraising goal. And if you can't make a donation, it would be great if you could

share the fundraiser to help spread the word.

Thanks for taking a look!



News from Della in Indonesia

Della Sari, PhD candidate at University of Cincinnati and new member sends greetings to each member of Gamma Phi Chapter! She flew 25 hours to Jakarta on December 5 and arrived on December 7 following layovers in Japan. She is reunited with her daughter, Yarra and her parents.



Della was informed that our chapter's generous members donated \$96.00 in cash for needed school supplies and a back pack to gift to Yarra. When Della learned of this, she was overwhelmed by the kindness and care of the Gamma Phi sisterhood.

"Wow... I am speechless, thank you very much for your kindness, God bless you all. My daughter's name is Felicity Yarra Aulia, but we call her Yarra. She said she wanted to meet you and the other sisters to thank you directly \P ."

Yarra will be in the sixth grade when they return to Cincinnati in early January.

Diana Haskell



A Few Wonderful Memories From Our December Chapter Meeting







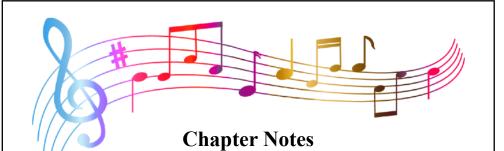




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With the beginning of the new year we are introducing an exciting new monthly column to replace Care, Concern and Congrats Corner. "Chapter Notes" will be a collection of member announcements.

Please send any newsworthy member updates to Katie Gantz each month. Pictures are welcome as well!

For January:

- Sherry Randall's daughter, Kelsey, is engaged to be married! Her fiancé popped the question the week before Christmas after asking her parents' permission a few days prior.
- Meier Bauer is finally driving again following her fall a few months ago.
- Christmas 2022 marked Dick and Judy Rosene's 60th year as husband and wife.



The Happy Couple on their wedding day 60 years ago

Chapter Rules Revision

We are happy to report that the Ad Hoc Chapter Rules Revision Committee has completed our extensive Gamma Phi chapter rules update.

Our revised governing document is now aligned with the new international standards that were officially adopted over the summer.



The committee plans to present the new chapter rules document to the membership at our March chapter meeting. The document will then be submitted to the Ohio State Organization Bylaws/ Standing Rules Committee for final approval.

Katie Gantz, Diana Haskell, and Carolyn Lamping



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

<u>Link to Gamma Phi Chapter's Website</u> <u>Link to Gamma Phi Chapter's Facebook Page</u> <u>Link to Gamma Phi Scholarship Forms</u>