

# GAMMA PHI GAZETTE



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State Organization

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## Upcoming Dates & Deadlines

### December 10

Classical Music and  
Holiday Musical Selections



Come to enjoy the  
musical talents and skills of  
**Joshua Chertock**  
at Cincinnati Woman's Club

## Happy Birthday Wishes To:

Sue Eades November 18  
Diana Klenk November 21  
Janet Todd November 22

## President's Message

Here it is, November.

The leaves have colored and many have fallen. We have Election Day for our privilege of voting, Veterans' Day to honor those who have served, and Thanksgiving to be grateful for all our blessings.

Thanksgiving has become one of my favorite holidays – good food, families and friends, no gifts to buy, no extensive decorating – just gratefulness.

I am grateful for all of you and how dedicated you are to teaching and DKG. I appreciate how we all step up and help each other.

We will have an orientation for prospective members at my house, 11475 Lyncross Dr., on Sunday, November 20 at 3:00 in the afternoon for only 1 – 2 hours. If you are able to come, please do so. We had several nominations for new members, now is the time to finalize it.

Happy Thanksgiving!  
Cindy



## Gold Key

Diana Haskell, Cindy Speakman and Katie Gantz attended the Ohio State Organization Executive Meeting in Grove City on October 22nd. and are proud to report that Gamma Phi chapter has, once again, received the Gold Key Award!



### What is the Gold Key?

Louisa Strock, Beta Zeta started the Gold Key, in 1982 with the first awards given out in 1983. She designed the Gold Key as an incentive program intended to make chapters aware of the activities required by the Society and at the same time to recognize outstanding chapters and their leaders. The program helps each chapter realize higher achievements as its members cooperate to achieve the expected goals. Timely response from chapters helps State officers and committee chairman meet their reporting deadlines and recognize chapter success.

The current checklist has evolved over time as things have changed at both State and International. It takes a little more effort and determination to receive the Gold Key or Honor or Honorable Mention awards but with the recognition comes a sense of teamwork, pride and accomplishment. The goal of the Gold Key is to recognize as many Ohio State Organization chapters as possible. Fulfilling the Gold Key requirements will assist every chapter in attaining the purposes of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International.

Judith McClanahan, Gamma Nu chapter member and former Gold Key Coordinator

## Welcome!

We have added several new members to our chapter directory in recent weeks and are eager to get to know these wonderful ladies.



Please welcome:



**Nancy Cavanaugh**

Nancy is a recent transfer from Gamma Eta Chapter here in Cincinnati. Nancy is also a member of Cincinnati Woman's Club.

Dauna is a past Gamma Phi member who has reinstated her membership in our chapter. Dauna was the speaker at our September chapter meeting and at the 2019 state convention.



**Dauna Easley**



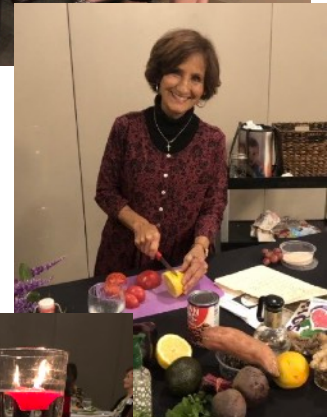
**Dr. Mary Greiner**

Mary is a state honorary member and was a speaker at the 2018 state convention. **She** is the medical director of the CHECK Foster Care Clinic and a child abuse pediatrician.



# October Joint Chapter Meeting

The October joint chapter meeting tradition has returned and our Gamma Phi chapter was well represented at last year's event! It was so nice to gather with friends from the other Cincinnati chapters again after such a long wait during the pandemic.



## Chapter Rules Revision

Significant changes in the wording of the international constitution and standing rules were approved at the DKG international convention this summer. All state and local chapters have been tasked with updating their respective governing documents to align them with these new standards.



At our September Gamma Phi Chapter meeting, Diana Haskell made a motion to review and update our chapter rules due to these directives regarding compliance with National and International requirements. Carolyn Lamping, Diana Haskell and I stepped forward to serve on a new Ad Hoc Chapter Rules Revision Committee.

We are currently reviewing all the pertinent documents and hope to have our chapter rules update completed by the end of the year. We will present the revised chapter rules to the membership at a future chapter meeting.

Katie Gantz  
Parliamentarian

## Professional Affairs Update

Each month this committee will provide information that relates to the “educators” aspect of the organization. Last month Mary Jo Berry supplied a list of recent bills being discussed and/or passed in Columbus & we will continue to keep all members aware this important information.

Applications for Grants-in-Aid are submitted from high school (typically) students to this committee when requesting stipends to support some of their college fees. This award has a long history in Gamma Phi of helping students and we want it to continue.

Scholarships are available to Gamma Phi members for professional development (college classes, workshops, and conventions), to support classroom projects that need financial help, as well as monies to attend Life Long Learning activities that have topics of interest to them. Funds for these expenditures are earned through different fund raising events.

Our primary source of revenue is the Flying Pig Marathon. Prior to race day many members have volunteered to roll posters, fold clothes, or count safety pins to name a few. The Flying Pig organization then rewards Gamma Phi, along with other organizations, with money to use in their group. Sue Eades has served as our Flying Pig coordinator since we began participating and she has agreed to do so again in 2023.

The Professional Affairs Committee hopes that Gamma Phi members and student family members will take advantage of these resources.

Karyn Kern-Lazear, Vice President







# Y♥ur Heart for the Future of Education

Our wonderful state organization will celebrate its 85<sup>th</sup> year this January! During those many years there have been changes. However, our practice of financially supporting college students and our DKG members with grants, fellowships, and scholarships has never changed!



We've all read the recent headlines about teacher shortages, military personnel stepping in to cover classrooms, and the lack of students in the college of education. How can we all help?

The Fundraising Committee of ADSOEF has selected the theme, **Open Your Heart for the Future of Education**. A goal of \$8,500 starting right now through May 2023 has been set.

Printable and electronic donation information is available at [adsoef.org](http://adsoef.org) or via the QR Code →



Let's continue this wonderful tradition of giving and  
**Open Your Heart for the Future of Education.**

## Care, Concern & Congrats Corner



- Artis Martin had hip surgery in late summer & is now doing great. She is already back at work & very pleased with her recovery.
- Katrinka Stone had surgery in early October.
- Both Carol Ladrigan and Diana Haskell have applied for & received money from the DKG Emergency Fund to help with hurricane damage to their Florida homes. Carol stated: "I am so very appreciative to DKG for offering this help. I am still working through my homeowner's claim, flood damage FEMA claim and 2 car insurance claims. I had minimal damage compared to so many in SW Florida. I am so thankful! FLORIDA STRONG!"



### 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](#)