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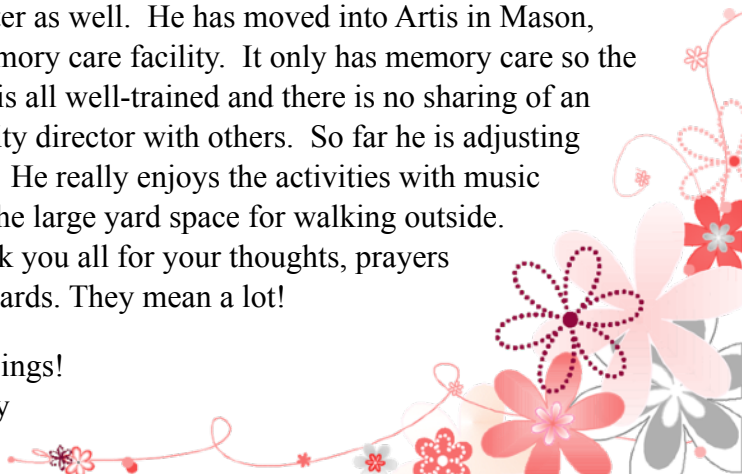
Back to School

Back to school! Back to routines and schedules. But also back to seeing the light in a student's eye when they learn and understand new information whether it is the sounds of letters or calculus. Back to sharing and camaraderie among staff members and friends.

Even though I have been retired for several years, I still think of my calendar in "school years". New starts. New goals. New experiences. I hope you all have had a strong "back to school" time and are ready for a new year of DKG adventures.

On a personal note, my husband and I are starting a new chapter as well. He has moved into Artis in Mason, a memory care facility. It only has memory care so the staff is all well-trained and there is no sharing of an activity director with others. So far he is adjusting well. He really enjoys the activities with music and the large yard space for walking outside. Thank you all for your thoughts, prayers and cards. They mean a lot!

Blessings!
Cindy



Upcoming Dates & Deadlines

September 9

Gamma Phi Chapter meeting & program:
*Lost in Nebraska & Other
Cycling Adventures*

October

Domestic Violence Awareness Month
Wear a purple ribbon during the month to show support

October 24

Public Candlelight vigil at 6:15 pm at
Hamilton County Courthouse in support of
domestic violence victims who were murdered:
She Screams Without a Sound

October 28

Joint Chapter meeting & program:
Muses: Women of Music Hall
11:30 at Cincinnati Woman's Club

November 11

Social Event:
Fashion Show and Vintage Tea Party
10:00 am at Bette Sherman's home

December 9

Gamma Phi Chapter meeting & program:
Holiday Cheer

Happy Birthday Wishes To:

- Julie Schmidt September 15
- Jane Houser September 23

Lost In Nebraska & Other Cycling Adventures

SEPTEMBER 9, 2023 GAMMA PHI CHAPTER MEETING CINCINNATI WOMAN'S CLUB

Mary Jo Peairs, Carol Olausen and Becky Johnson will take us on a vicarious cycling adventure on September 9 following the chapter business meeting.

Take this cross-country journey without wearing a bike helmet. Don't miss their adventure – Don't miss the first meeting of the year.

What a great way to end the summer!



10:00 am Social with Music & A Look Back
10:30 am Business Meeting
11:30 am Program
12:15 am Lunch

During the September 9 meeting, please consider making a motion to invite an educator to become a member of our chapter.

We look forward to seeing you on Saturday!

Don't Forget!!!

- Bring \$20.00 cash or check for your September 9th lunch reservation.
- Bring \$30.00 cash or check if you will be attending the Joint Chapter meeting.
- Pick up a lottery ticket and bring it to the September meeting. Your donated lottery ticket will be added to the Gamma Phi lottery tree that will be one of several items that will be won by a lucky area member on October 28th at the Joint Chapter meeting.

Joint Chapter Meeting

Join Cincinnati area DKG chapter members in an annual gathering, a lovely lunch, an interesting program and raffle in support of Imagination Library and Project Connect.

Hosted by Delta Psi Chapter.
Plan to attend!

**Muses: Women of Music Hall
October 28th at 11:30 am
Cincinnati Woman's Club**

Throughout the 140-year+ history of our "Grand Lady," Cincinnati Music Hall, the contributions and legacy of incredible women: philanthropists, suffragettes, artists, divas, prima ballerinas, and musicians, have stirred the souls of all within her walls, but have largely been uncelebrated.

From Susan B. Anthony to Helen "Nellie" Taft; Isadora Duncan to Janis Joplin; Maria Callas to Mamie Smith, learn how trailblazing women placed the crown upon the Queen City with fortitude and brilliance. The program will be presented by preservationist, historian and archivist Thea Tjepkema, spouse of John Morris Russell.

(Delta Psi's flier is included on page 4.)

IMPORTANT! Every Gamma Phi Member is asked to click the link below by October 1st.

By completing the short Google Form you inform the committee regarding your intentions.

Link:

<https://forms.gle/q9dc93AkuGisHmMB7>

Proposed Budget for 2023-2024

Dear Sisters,

This is the proposed budget for the 2023-2024 year. Please take a moment to review the information. We will be presenting the budget at the September 9th meeting. Looking forward to seeing you there.

Thank you, The Finance Committee

- Gamma Phi Treasurer's Report -							
Fiscal Year:	July 2023-June 2024						Balance To Date: \$6,618.20
Report Date:	8-25-2023						
		Proposed Budget					
REVENUES							
Dues	\$2,700.00						
Initiation Fees							
Pin Fines							
Miscellaneous							
Non-Budget Items:							
lunches							
Joint Chapter Meeting							
Gamma Phi Sholarship							
Total To Date	\$2,700.00						
EXPENSES							
Dues/Fees State	\$466.00						
International	\$1,400.00						
Scholarship Fee to Saving	\$26.40						
Sub-Total	\$1,892.40						
Administrative							
President	\$25.00						
President/Conventions, Mtgs.	\$200.00						
President Elect	\$25.00						
President Elect/Conventions	\$100.00						
Vice President Membership	\$150.00						
Vice President Prof Affairs	\$150.00						
Committees/Coordinators							
Chapter Programs	\$800.00						
New Membership Orientation	\$100						
New Member Lunches	\$100.00						
Name Tags	\$100.00						
Initiation Coordinator	\$25.00						
Historian	\$0.00						
Scholarship Cooridinator	\$20.00						
Charity Donation	\$200.00						
Speaker/Guest Lunches	\$200.00						
Directory	\$0.00						
Mailings	\$10.00						
Finance Committee	\$20.00						
Treasurer	\$20.00						
Nominations	\$10.00						
Installation of Officers	\$100.00						
President's Pin/Gift	\$75.00						
Joint Chpt. Meeting	\$0.00						
Miscellaneous							
New Officer Training	\$100.00						
Non-Budgeted Items							
Sub-Total	\$2,530.00						
Total Expenditures	\$4,422.40						
Gamma Phi Scholarship/Grant Savings	\$5,521.66						
						Balance	\$6,618.20



DELTA KAPPA GAMMA INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY

Joint Chapter Luncheon and Meeting

Saturday, October 28, 2023 at 11:30 a.m.

Cincinnati Woman's Club

330 Lafayette Avenue Cincinnati, Ohio 45220

Delta Psi Chapter proudly presents:

"Muses: Women of Music Hall"

Speaker: Thea Tjepkema, is a devoted preservationist, historian, and archivist and serves as a board member for both the *Friends of Music Hall* as well as the *Cincinnati Preservation Association*.

Menu: 2 Choices:

1) Chicken Piccata with angel hair pasta and dilled green beans or 2) Vegan vegetarian option – Fall Harvest Salad with dried cherries, feta, red onions, sunflower seeds, butternut squash and balsamic vinaigrette. **(Please indicate your choice on your check/reservation.)**

Dessert: Dark chocolate raspberry brownie with chocolate mousse

Beverages: Ice Tea, Coffee, and Lemonade

After lunch enjoy the presentation by Thea Tjepkema on "Muses: The Women of Music Hall."

Hear about the many women who have made an enormous impact on Music Hall, either as performers or in other significant roles.

Cost: \$ 30: Please send your check to your Chapter's treasurer by Monday, October 2nd. Indicate on the check your food preference.

Baskets: We ask that each chapter prepare a basket to raffle off at the luncheon. Choose any theme for your chapter basket. Please call or text our chapter co-president, Carol Moore (513-545-6377) with your chapter's theme. All proceeds will go toward **Imagination Library** and **Project Connect**. Baskets can be dropped off at the check-in table on the morning of the Joint Chapter Luncheon between 11:00 and 11:15 am.

Directions: Take the West Mitchell exit from I-75 S. Bare to the right off the exit ramp onto Mitchell Avenue. Turn left onto Kenard Ave (at the 1st traffic light). Take Kenard Ave all the way to the end (you'll pass Kroger on your right.) At the stop light make a left on to Clifton Ave. Clifton Avenue goes up a hill and winds around to the left. At the top of the hill, turn right on to Lafayette Ave. The entrance to the parking lot for the Cincinnati Woman's Club will be about 1 block down Lafayette Avenue on your right. There will be plenty of parking available. *Enter the front of the building, check-in, and you will be directed to the room where the luncheon is located.*

*Image provided by *Friends of Music Hall*

November 11th Social Event Preview

This Social Event will sell out!
There are only 20 tickets available for
members, family and friends.

Plan to enjoy a unique experience! Just 20 people will go to a private home in Wyoming for a fashion show and tea from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm.

Bette Sherman is a well-known Wyoming resident. She is also known as the “Queen of Stuff” because she owns an extensive collection that provides a peak into a century of fashion industry history. Bette is a passionate collector of antiques, vintage fashion and women’s products.

Bette will welcome 20 to her home at 30 Mount Pleasant Avenue, 45215, and provide the fashion show and a vintage Tea Party for just \$20.00 per person. An optional lunch following the social event is planned.

Look for a link to register for his event in the October Gazette. This event is open to members and guests. Reserve early, this will sell out!



Helping Hands

It’s official!

After:

- * organizing 24 book baskets,
- * stapling 24 welcome messages to popcorn packages
- * and affixing 24 mazes and pens with mazes to an inspirational message to fourth grade students,

Diana Haskell earned the Heritage Hill Elementary “proud volunteer” magnetic clip.

“It was a joy to work with Elizabeth Midkiff on Thursday, August 10, and offer her a helping hand so that she could begin the school year a bit more rested and ready!”



Elizabeth Midriff shared: “I just want to say that having another pair of hands (that understand what all it takes to set up a classroom) was amazing and very much appreciated. I was able to get a lot more accomplished that day; it was like having a huge weight lifted off of me.

Besides the extra help it was really enjoyable to get to know a DKG member on a more personal level outside of meetings.

I would love to have help again in the future.”

December 9th Chapter Meeting Preview

December is a month that may be cold, but will be full and bright!

Lift your spirits by attending the **December 9th Gamma Phi Meeting.**



Chapter business and *Holiday Cheer* will fill the early winter air as we welcome Tommy Wessendarp, performer, composer, arranger, and aspiring music therapist dedicated to healing the world through the power of song!

Wear your holiday bling to this meeting! Bring a guest.



Chapter Notes



- ♪ Carolyn Lamping and her husband, Don, celebrated their 64th Wedding Anniversary in August!
- ♪ Linda Ausman's son was promoted to Colonel in the United States Army on July 8, 2023. He received a second masters degree from the Army War College in Carlisle PA on July 28, 2023. Dave is now deployed from Fort Cavazos (formerly Ft. Hood) to Kuwait for nine months. His family has relocated from The Netherlands to Ft. Cavazos.
- ♪ Judy Rosene and her husband, Dick, celebrated their 61st Wedding Anniversary on August 18th! They are grateful for all of these years of marriage as well as having two daughters and two grandkids. She's also been a member of Gamma Phi since 1966 when it began.
- ♪ Elizabeth Midkiff's eldest son will be inducted into the Fairfield athletic Hall of Fame this month.
- ♪ Recently, when Carol Ladrigan was in Catawba on her niece's boat, she dropped her car keys in the water while disembarking. She normally never carried just her key . . . it's always in her purse, but this particular day they were heading to the pool and she needed to get sunglasses out of her car. At the last minute, she handed her phone and keys to her niece standing off the boat . . . so she wouldn't drop them. In the transition, the key fell in . . . but luckily not Carol's phone! Normally she **usually** brings her spare key when she travels but, of course, forgot it this time. The rest is a longer story, but she did get her keys from Cincinnati, borrowed her niece's car and made all her travel including her 55th class reunion!! Now the only thing is to get a spare key . . . for \$350 plus programming! Ouch!



Dick and Judy Rosene

We Have Lost a Dear Friend

In a tremendous spirit of love and support many Gamma Phi Members joined family and friends of Nancy Arulf on August 11 to celebrate her incredible life. Preceding the September meeting a visual remembrance will be displayed. A tribute to Nancy will occur during the meeting.

Nancy K. Arulf (nee Kirby), 90 of Mason, passed away on August 8, 2023. Born to Thomas Russell and Louise (nee Saxon) Kirby on January 29, 1933, in Florence, South Carolina. Growing up in a rural farming community, attending school in a one room schoolhouse and later moving on to the “city life” for additional schooling, Nancy went on to attend Winthrop College South Carolina’s College for Women, it was there she majored in mathematics. After graduating in 1954, Nancy went on to work for GE in Evendale, Ohio for the next six years.

Meeting the love of her life through her connections with GE, Nancy and Curt met in 1957 and were married in October of 1958. She would describe it as one of the most interesting and wonderful times of her life. She became a stay-at-home mom for her children and later went back to work in the teaching field for 12 years.

Life moving quickly again, Nancy and Curt moved their family to Sweden for work. Enjoying the opportunity to get to know her in-law’s entire family and transferring her Delta Kappa Gamma membership to the Tri-City Chapter allowed her to meet new friends that she would have for a lifetime.

Life brought Nancy and Curt back to the US and in 2000 back to Cincinnati. She returned to her Gamma Phi Chapter which began another phase of her life. She was the Treasurer for many years and joined the Assistance League of Greater Cincinnati. A devoted mother, wife, and friend, she will be missed by many. Preceded in death by her parents, Tom and Louise Kirby, husband, Curt L. Arulf, Sr., and siblings, Thomas L Kirby, and Katherine Kelly.

Nancy is survived by her children, Curt L. (Aly) Arulf, Jr. and Britt (Steve) Turner, grandchildren, Troy (Sarah) Turner, Corey Turner, Alexandra Arulf, Taylor (Michael) Avidano and Erik Arulf, and great granddaughter, Abigail Turner. Memorial donation may be made in her name to the Assistance League of Greater Cincinnati.

Afterglow



*I'd like the memory of me
to be a happy one,
I'd like to leave
an afterglow
of smiles when life is done.
I'd like to leave an echo
whispering softly
down the ways,
Of happy times,
and laughing times,
and bright and sunny days.
I'd like the tears of*

*those who grieve
to dry before the sun,
Of happy memories that I leave
when my life is done.
-Carol Mirkel*



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](#)