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2023-2025

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Signals of the ADSOEF Fall Season

Fall abounds in nature's signals for us to acknowledge and appreciate. Signals invite us to **look up, look out** and **tune in** to our surroundings. **Tuning in** gives us permission to pause for a moment (or two) and then decide what needs to come next.

Fall is a seasonal feast for all our senses: the crunch of leaves; the roar of a football Friday night crowd; the crisp tartness of a Granny Smith caramel apple; and the welcomed relief of a chilled wind. Trees also begin to make a true showing of **tuning in** to the natural shift of the season, shaking off what is worth shedding, yet undeterred by its stripped-down minimalist appearance. Nature is one of life's best teachers! She helps us to understand what we sometimes tend to forget...*improving or adapting what we know is what makes us grow!* Let's follow nature's lead. Let's look to the trees and their changing leaves to **tune in** to what is worth shedding and what is worth keeping!

For ADSOEF, *fall* is our favorite season! We are **tuning in**, adapting/improving as we go in order to grow as a Foundation! Take a look at what we are **looking up, looking out** and **tuning in** to these past few weeks of September.

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- We announced and launched our *Annual Donor Theme Campaign*. On September 14, 2024, at the OSO Executive Board Meeting, the 2024-2025 Fundraising Campaign took flight when Fundraising Chair, Linda Diltz, announced and encouraged OSO/ADSOEF members across Ohio to **Bee the Future of Education!** (*Be sure to read the Fundraising article in this edition of **Foundation Matters**.*)
- The ADSOEF 2024-2025 Contribution Goal is set at **\$10,000.87**.
- The **Governance Committee**, in collaboration with all directors, liaisons, committee chairs and committee members, has begun its annual review of all ADSOEF policies and procedures.
- The **2025 ADSOEF Annual Meeting** will be a virtual evening event next April...on either **Tuesday, April 8, 2025**, or **Thursday, April 10, 2025**. Expect more information to be forth coming in next month's *Foundation Matters*.
- The **Nominating Committee** is gearing up and preparing for the 2025 election of five new board directors. (*Read their article in this newsletter!*)
- The **2025 Biennial Seminar** is scheduled for June 11-13, 2025, in Amish country, Berlin, Ohio. Scheduled events include Amish Country Theater Show; Amish Heartland Tour; Amish speaker, Marcus Yoder; and of course, Amish food...just to name a few! DKG/Ohio members will learn the background and history of the Amish community with a great emphasize on their education, family values, and lifestyle. Further information to be shared by the Biennial Seminar Coordinator Cindy Lawyer in future editions of *Foundation Matters*.
- **FYI...interesting ADSOEF data**. The Board of Directors volunteered **145 hours**, and its committee members volunteered **62 hours** for the month of August. **A grand total of 207 volunteered hours were registered for August!** As you can see **ADSOEF is hard at work for all of you!**
- We welcome, invite, and encourage all to add your voice, your energy, your enthusiasm, your passion, your commitment to ADSOEF. We encourage your continued participation, appreciate your input, and truly value your ongoing and growing support of ADSOEF. To contact us go to adsoef.org.
- Happy *fall* everyone...enjoy the beauty of this season! Be sure to *look up, look out* and *tune in* to natures grandeur!

Warmest regards,
The ADSOEF Board of Directors

Bee the Future of Education!



The 2024-2025 Fundraising Campaign is now in full swing! Chapter presidents and ADSOEF liaisons are busily sharing the theme of ***Bee the Future of Education*** with their members and encouraging them to donate to the ADSOEF fund of their choice. The Fundraising Committee is excitedly preparing for the fall fundraising appeal that runs from National Philanthropy Day on November 15th through Giving Tuesday on December 3rd. With the help of two anonymous donors, last year's campaign raised almost \$6,000 during this time frame to help fund grants, fellowships, classroom/community projects, and scholarships. With Giving Tuesday being later this year, the campaign has been extended a week. Let's make good use of the additional time for the future of education by contributing to one of the many ADSOEF funds!

The bar has been raised! The goal for this year is **\$10,000.87**. It's also important to remember this is the 87th birthday of OSO. So, when donating, just add an additional \$0.87 to reflect the many years that our State Organization has been serving education in Ohio and throughout the world. As you contribute, you may wish to honor or remember a special person in your life. So far, the amount donated from July 1, 2024, through September 30, 2024, stands at \$1,009.87. This is a good **BEE**gining, but much work is still ahead of us! Let's join to ***Bee the Future of Education!*** 

The ADSOEF Fundraising Committee,
Joan Avery, Chi
Holly Buente, Gamma Pi
Nancy Russell, Beta Kappa
Linda Diltz, Beta Rho, Co-chairman
Barb Zirke, Alpha Psi, Co-chairman

*The ADSOEF mission is to promote excellence in education by awarding scholarships, grants, and fellowships for the professional and personal growth of members and nonmembers.

Three Educational Services Awards are Available... Apply today!

The Educational Services Committee currently oversees three awards:

- **The Individual/Classroom/Community Projects Fund** provides up to five hundred dollars (\$500.00) in financial support for educational projects that fund targeted learners in non-profit settings and community-based projects.
- **The Leadership Fund** provides support to members for expenses related to developing leadership knowledge, skills or experiences and provides support to members for expenses specifically related to non-profit leadership or board participation.
- **The Lifelong Learning Fund** provides support to members for expenses which encourage the ongoing, voluntary and self-motivated pursuit of knowledge for either personal or professional reasons.

CREATE CHANGE in your leadership skills, your pursuit of lifelong learning, and/or your individual/classroom and/or community projects! **Apply today** for a grant for a classroom project, a professional development workshop, or a graduate-level course! The applications can be found at www.adsoef.org under Applications and Forms. They are fillable forms, so you can type the information online, save it to your files, and then email it to the Educational Services chairman, Chris Snoddy (ckvs@sprynet.com).

Educational Services Committee
Chris Snoddy, Alpha Lambda, Chairman
Lona Bowman, Delta Kappa
Karen Dunn, Alpha Psi
JoAnn Krock, Zeta
M. Kathryn McClendon, Zeta
Candace Haudenschild, Alpha Psi
*Dr. Molly Helmlinger, Beta Kappa
* Serves as liaison for both OSO and ADSOEF

ADSOEF Needs You!!

Before we know it, the election of directors for ADSOEF will be upon us! Serving as a director for this wonderful organization is a privilege. Here are a few reasons you will want to consider applying for a director's position:

- Opportunities for promoting our mission and purposes.
- Active role in assuring that the Foundation's legal and ethical integrity is preserved.
- Serve as advocates for ADSOEF to Ohio chapters.
- Assist in fundraising and thus assuring ADSOEF and its mission will be able to continue far into the future.
- Witnessing the funds of ADSOEF being used to enrich educational excellence.

Our *Bylaws* governing the election of directors have changed. We will be electing three (3) directors for a two-year (2) term starting in July 2025 and ending July 2027 and two (2) directors for a three-year (3) term starting in July 2025 and ending July 2028. This rotation of length of terms will allow for a smoother transition of directors.

We need your help to insure continued excellence in ADSOEF. Please join us by applying for a director's position! You may apply for a two-year term or a three-year term. (Applications will be available on the ADSOEF website after October 30, 2024.)

Nominations Committee
Debby Canter, Delta Epsilon
Nancy Waters, Alpha Psi
Hannah Fairbanks, Gamma Theta
Tammy Schroeder, Beta Eta, Chairman

A Message from Della Kartika Sari

Dear DKG Ladies

I hope this message finds you all in good health. I want to take a moment to express my sincere gratitude for the support you have given me during my journey to earn my PhD. I am especially grateful for the generous assistance provided through the A. Margaret Boyd Fellowship in 2022-2023. Marilyn Slusser and committee members, thank you for selecting me as one of the Fellowship recipients. I also want to personally thank you, Marilyn, for your constant presence, kindness, love, and friendship. I will always remember the after-dinner calls and the laughter we shared. May you be blessed abundantly.

As I approach the final semester of my coursework this fall, I am enthusiastically preparing for my qualifying exam in spring 2025. It is remarkable how swiftly two years have passed. Your support has been instrumental in enabling me to participate in academic conferences, publish my research, and conduct a pilot project. I am pleased to report the successful completion of my pilot project, which involved collaborating with Indonesian educators in five schools to explore classroom assessment as a relational practice. This research aims to emphasize the emotional dimensions of students' experiences and highlights that assessment should be a tool for facilitating learning and fostering connections rather than merely measuring abilities. I am excited about the impact this will have on their classrooms.

I also want to extend my sincere gratitude to the Gamma Phi chapter in Cincinnati for your endless friendship, sisterhood, and support for both my daughter and me. I fondly remember when she first arrived in Cincinnati and how you welcomed her with love and provided support for her school uniform and supplies. Your kindness truly touched our hearts and reinforced the idea that sisterhood is everlasting. Even after my graduation and return to Indonesia, I am committed to remaining a member of the Gamma Phi chapter. The lessons I've learned from all of you—compassion, hard work, and the empowerment of women educators—will always guide my professional and pedagogical values. Diana Haskell, our current president, thank you for being my mentor. You are the role model of a woman with leadership and wisdom.

Finally, ladies, words fail to fully convey the depth of my gratitude. Thank you once again for your unwavering support and encouragement. I am incredibly honored to be part of the DKG family. God bless you.

With warmest regards
Della Kartika Sari



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In honor of Dr. Marian Kurner

Chapter

ADSOEF Fundraising Committee
In honor of Cathy Tenney

Dr. Norma Kirby

Into the Future...Important Dates to Remember!

October 21, 2024 – 7:00 p.m.
ADSOEF Board of Directors Meeting

October 28, 2024 – 6:30 p.m.
Governance Committee Meeting

November 6, 2024 – 6:30 p.m.
Fundraising Committee Meeting

November 15, 2024
Foundation Matter arrives in your email

November 15, 2024
National Philanthropy Day

November 18, 2024 – 7:00 p.m.
ADSOEF Board of Directors Meeting

November 28, 2024
Happy Thanksgiving

December 3, 2024
GIVING TUESDAY

December 9, 2024 – 6:30 p.m.
Fundraising Committee Meeting

December 15, 2024
Foundation Matter arrives in your email

December 25, 2024
Happy Holidays!!!



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Contribution Form

- Please use a separate contribution form if you are making more than one donation.
- A contribution acknowledgement will be sent in honor or in memory of the person designated below.
- Contributions or bequests are tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law.
- Checks should be made payable to Alpha Delta State Ohio Educational Foundation (ADSOEF) and should be mailed with this form to:

Dr. Lois Harkins
12 N. Shafer Street
Athens, OH 45701-2303

Date: _____ Amount: _____

Cash (In-person only)

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____ Educational Projects Fund (Classroom/School/Community)

____ Scholarship Fund (Annie Webb Blanton)

____ International Studies Fund (A. Margaret Boyd)

____ Leadership Fund

____ Student Teacher Grant Fund (Esther H. Strickland)

____ Lifelong Learning Fund

____ Jane Brundige Stein Scholarship Fund

____ Florence L. Woodward Scholarship Fund

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City, State, Zip _____

Donations can also be made by visiting adsoef.org and donating online using PayPal or a credit card.

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