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FROM YOUR FOUNDATION DIRECTORS



It's official...the 2022-23 school year has concluded; summer has arrived; and ADSOEF begins its seventh year...today, July 1! We celebrated many successes this past year and will continue to do so as we continue the mission of ADSOEF through 2023 and beyond.

We would like to take the opportunity to recognize the 2022-2023 Chairman of the ADSOEF Board, Sandy Royer, for her exceptional commitment and tireless devotion to our Foundation's purpose and mission. She is to be applauded and commended for skillfully leading, guiding and directing the work of the Foundation this past year. We are exceedingly grateful and appreciate, beyond measure, her seemingly limitless efforts. Thank you, Chairman Sandy, for a job *exceptionally* well done!

OSO members volunteer for and are elected each year to serve as ADSOEF Directors. The ADSOEF Board is comprised of ten elected directors. Brenda Armstrong, OSO State Member; Linda Diltz, Beta Rho, Diana L. Kirkpatrick, Alpha Delta, Sue Loader, Alpha Psi, Melodie McGee, Gamma Nu, 2023-2025, Ohio State Organization Liaison, Ex-officio member, and Tammy Schroeder, Beta Eta are the five newly elected directors who will be joining the 2022-2024 board members Holly Buente, Gamma Pi; Debra (Debbie) Frazier, Beta Rho; Dr. Lois Harkins, Alpha Lambda; Millie Holzer, Beta Zeta; and Christine (Chris) Snoddy, Alpha Lambda. The 2023-2024 officers include Diana Kirkpatrick, Chairman; Sue Loader, Vice Chairman; Chris Snoddy, Secretary; and Dr. Lois Harkins, Treasurer. We all look forward to serving our ADSOEF/OSO membership.

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We do value communication and “yes”, most definitely...your input! When you have suggestions, feedback, comments, and/or questions, feel free to contact us by going to the **adsoef.org** website. We are eager to hear from you!

Now, it is time for all of you to take a much-needed break...relax and have a fantastic summer...for fall is just around the corner!

The ADSOEF Board of Directors

2023 OSO/ADSOEF Biennial Seminar History in the Hills

Imagine and picture this...the beautiful rolling hills of Gallia and Jackson Counties as the scenic backdrop for a summer biennial seminar. Add near picture perfect weather and you achieve the ideal setting for the 2023 ADSOEF/OSO Biennial Seminar recently held June 8-10.

OSO members gathered in Gallipolis, at the Quality Inn, Thursday evening, June 8, to begin their historical journey of southern Ohio. Debby Canter, OSO President welcomed the attendees to the “History in the Hills.” After dinner, Jeanne Jindra, Director of the Welsh Studies Center at the University of Rio Grande, spoke about the intriguing history of the Welsh settlers in Gallia and Jackson Counties. Following her notable presentation, group fellowship, card and board games were enjoyed by all.

On day two, the attendees boarded the **Fun Bus** at 8:00 a.m. to take the “history seekers” to visit various area sites of significance and interest. Stops were made at the John Gee Black Historical Center, the French Art Colony, Our House Tavern, the Bob Evans Farm, Michael’s Ice Cream, and the Lillian Jones Museum. The Welsh American Heritage Museum was on the schedule, but unfortunately seminar participants were unable to visit as it was recently closed due to much needed roof repairs and HVAC renovations.

Lunch was enjoyed in downtown Gallipolis at the Courtside Restaurant. A late afternoon refreshment break and stop in Jackson at Michael’s Ice Cream, an old-fashioned ice cream parlor, was a “huge” hit and just what the attendees needed to complete their final leg of the bus tour of Jackson Lake and the Oak Hill areas. (I promised not to tell how many or who ordered the infamous gooey “bubble” sundae at Michael’s...and surprisingly it didn’t seem to spoil anyone’s dinner appetite!)

Dinner was served back at the Quality Inn, followed by disc jockey entertainment, for the remainder of the evening, by *Musical Memories*. Memories were made as members danced and sang to their favorite requests. Some were even brave enough to try the karaoke mic! (...and I shall not mention any names here either!)

After breakfast the third day, everyone packed up, loaded their cars, checked out, and proceeded to the Railroad Freight Station Museum for a fascinating trip down the railway’s memory lane. It was then on to our final destination the University of Rio Grande. Host Jake Bapst, a university archivist, and enthusiast, spoke passionately about the origins and past phases of the University, which included some interesting tales and fun facts about its famous students/attendees. Truly an inspiring presentation and a delightful final act to end our seminar’s journey!!

Included in this 2023 Biennial synopsis is a photo collage, organized and assembled by our multi-talented OSO editor, Cathy Tenney. I hope you enjoy it, for the seminar was indeed fun-filled and genuinely educational and like the collage...all rolled into one neat package. Our group may have been smaller than expected and/or anticipated, but we sure did have a really good time having fun while learning the many historical facts about what went on in the “hills of southern Ohio!”

Important Dates to Remember

July 25, 2023

ADSOEF Board of Directors Meeting
10:00 AM

A Note of Thanks

Thank you to ADSOEF Directors Sandy Royer, Dr. Lois Harkins, and Dr. Norma Kirby for their patience and due diligence. Also, thanks to Director Sue Loader for the suggestion of the bus company – our driver was great! Thank you to Beta Alpha members Donna DeWitt, Mary Deel, Helenlu Morgan, and Jane Ann Slagle for helping in setting up the stops in Gallia County. Plus, a shout out to Betsy Foreman for the encouragement and being my karaoke partner.

Debby Canter
2023 Biennial Seminar Coordinator
Immediate Past State President



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Update to A. Margaret Boyd Overseas International Fellowship



On June 19, 2023, the Board of Directors approved an extension of Della Kartika Sari's Fellowship for 2023-2024.

From Della: *"I am writing to share with you some good news. I have a 4.00 GPA for the Spring semester and my Preliminary Coursework Hearing went well. Referring to the discussions with the Advisory committee members, I should follow with several activities that require funding."*

Della has adjusted well to living in Cincinnati and the university environment. We are thankful Gamma Phi Chapter members invited her to become a collegiate member of Delta Kappa Gamma. Della regularly attends chapter meetings and acquires knowledge about the Society. She participates in activities and volunteers her help with events organized by Gamma Phi.

ADSOEF congratulates Della on her accomplishments and wishes her continued success in 2023-2024 at the University of Cincinnati!



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