

**“When your passion and purpose are greater than your fears and excuses, you will find a way.” Anonymous**

The entire month of November, not just Thanksgiving Day, has become a time of year to give thanks for our blessings. I am indeed blessed to be serving as the OSO president. I have been able to travel to a few chapter meetings and had meaningful conversations with members.

I was able to attend a Zoom meeting with Gamma Upsilon and shared my “passion for our purposes” with members. It was a quick meeting due to my work schedule, but chapter president, Terri Duesing assured me that it was received well. Whether you meet via Zoom, Google Meet, or some other video conferencing, it’s better than not meeting at all, as the goal is to keep your chapter members connected.

I attended a joint meeting of seven chapters in Canfield with Mu, Alpha Iota, Alpha Omega, Beta Pi, Beta Chi, Gamma Pi, and Delta Delta. It was an evening of good food, good company, and great entertainment. And it only took me four hours to get there! A special thanks goes to the chair of the event, Nancy Countryman, for a wonderful evening.

Thank you to those chapters that have sent in chapter yearbooks. If you have sent yours and didn’t hear back from Editor Cathy Tenney, First Vice President Melodie McGee, or me, please let us know ASAP. Technology and the U.S. mail aren’t always 100%.

I’m looking forward to the Executive Board Meeting on November 13 for chapter presidents, committee chairs, officers, and past state presidents. Look for details from the meeting in the December issue of *The Voice*.

Lastly, Giving Tuesday is November 30 this year. It would be a nice time to donate to the Ohio Governor’s Imagination Library, the Alpha Delta State Ohio Educational Foundation, School’s for Africa, the Delta Kappa Gamma International Education Foundation, or a charity of your choice.

Blessings to all,

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