



# The Voice

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## News From Ohio State Organization

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### Passion For Our Purposes

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

*- Anonymous*



#### DKG Membership Spotlight



#### **Jan Busse, Beta Kappa**

Congratulations to Jan Busse, a member of Beta Kappa Chapter and her husband Tom who are both charter members of the Ft. Loramie Wilderness Trail Museum, accepting from State Representative Susan Manchester, a 50th Anniversary Commendation on behalf of the Wilderness Trail Museum.

#### **Patricia Cermak, Gamma Rho**

Congratulations to Patricia Cermak, Gamma Rho Chapter, who received a 1<sup>st</sup> place award ribbon, called the Peoples' Choice Award, for her 'Jolly Robin', a counted cross stitch needlework piece at the Stan Hywet Needlework Show. She also received a 2<sup>nd</sup> place award ribbon on a needlepoint piece.



#### **Lisa Perkins Werbrich, Delta Kappa**

Lisa Perkins Werbrich, Delta Kappa Chapter, recently was inducted in the 2021 Miami Valley Career Technology Center Hall of Fame. Lisa is the fourth person from the left in the front row.

**Congratulations to all of our OSO Delta Kappa Gamma Sisters  
for their honors and recognitions.**

**We are so proud of your accomplishments!**

## ***A Message from OSO President, Debby Canter***



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 share my "passion for our purposes" with members. It was a quick meeting due to my work schedule, but chapter president, Terri 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 isn'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,

Debby



Alpha Omega recently recognized chapter members with twenty-five to fifty-two years membership. They were honored with certificates and red roses.

Delta Theta celebrating 50 years with one of their charter members, Carolyn Forrest.



Phyllis Hammond and Maranel Tallman of Alpha Omega each received a red rose globe for 50 plus years as DKG members.

Carolyn Foster, charter member of Delta Theta celebrating 50 years!

## ***A Perspective on DKG International Conference-San Antonio***

As OSO Recording Secretary, I attended the DKG International Conference in San Antonio, Texas, this past July. The focus of the sessions I attended had to do with membership.

One session had to do with small modules created by members of a Tennessee chapter targeting information members "need to know" to stay in DKG. I am hopeful to be able to incorporate these ideas while working on the Communications/Marketing Committee this biennium.

The keynote speakers were awesome! The focus was about self-worth and embracing opportunities. Below are a few key points:

- It's not what you achieve, but the experience you have to get there.
- When did you last give a sincere compliment?
- Who has helped you to reach your dreams? Who are you helping to reach theirs?
- If an opportunity doesn't knock on your door, go knock on its door!
- Many lives are wasted "waiting" for something.
- Take risks that help you grow; silence your inner critics.
- Don't let devices tell you how to think.

This year's conference used a hybrid approach which allowed members to participate in some workshops and general sessions from home. One of the keynote speakers from Quebec presented virtually.

I had the opportunity to reconnect with my 2012 Leadership Management Seminar sisters. I was also able to meet with the President and Immediate Past President of Michigan. OSO President, Debby Canter, and I along with the two of them, called ourselves the Buckeye-Cherry Coalition stemming from last year's membership challenge.

Ann Todd, Zeta

## **Remembering Our Lost Sisters**



Helen Doyle  
Beta  
Janet L Fencil  
Gamma Upsilon  
Carolyn M McIntosh  
Delta Chi  
Genny Sivula Phillips  
Gamma Theta  
Greta Jane Price  
Omega



## ***More Chapter News***



Harolyn Legg was invited to join Alpha Sigma Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma and was inducted at the September meeting. Harolyn was nominated for membership by Paula Rosencrans. Paula, Pam Van Mooy, President Deb Mihalik, and Induction committee member Sally Green performed the ceremony.

Beta Alpha Chapter with guest speaker Jerry Lucas and OSO President Debby Canter.



Beta Chi Chapter members Marilyn Johnson and Joyce Faiver were honored with 50 year membership pins. Linda Falatic presented the pins and Co-President Mary Bumstead presented roses.

## **OSO BYLAWS AND STANDING RULES COMMITTEE**

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU! The OSO Bylaws Committee would like to thank **ALL** of our chapters for reviewing, editing, and revising their Chapter Rules to align with the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International's Constitution and Standing Rules as well as Ohio State Organization's Bylaws and Standing Rules. We realize that this is tedious work takes time, and appreciate your diligence looking for name changes, word changes, conflicting statements, and additions in the proper places.

We, as a committee, are reviewing each chapter's Chapter Rules, giving them the same diligence, you have given. Those chapters that have submitted their Chapter Rules will be hearing from us shortly by letter and/or email. Please contact Joan Bostelman, jbst08@woh.rr.com, (937-232-2617) or any of the committee members with questions.

OSO chapters may email your chapter rules (which is preferred) to Joan Bostelman, chairman at jbst08@woh.rr.com. If you wish to send a copy by mail, my address is 6739 Grovabelle Dr. Dayton, Ohio, 45424. We are looking forward to receiving **ALL** of the OSO chapters' Chapter Rules.

Joan Bostelman, Beta Psi, Chairman  
Linda Harrison, Pi  
Donna Myers, Kappa  
Jennifer Shields, Beta Delta  
Joyce Jones Weinkam, Gamma Xi

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### ***OSO Member "SHIP" Cruise Campaign Promotion Resources***

The Membership Committee presents some ways to increase our OSO Chapters' Membership for 2021-2022.

We know that one question your chapter probably has for the Membership Committee is....What are some ways to maintain and increase the members in my DKG Chapter in order that our portion of the DKG OSO "SHIP" will be able to continue to float, sail, and thrive?

Well, we are so glad that you asked that question. First, travel online over to OSO DKG and click on the website. Second, type the word Membership in the search bar. Third, click on the word **Membership** highlighted in red.

Now click on and visit some of these helpful resources:

**Prescription for Membership Recruitment: Why Belong to DKG?** ([YouTube Video](#))

Continue down the page under the section that says in blue **Your Membership Toolbox** and click on the following documents in the toolbox:

- Attracting New Members
- Looking for New Members
- Membership Classifications and Eligibility

We hope that your chapter will find some ideas and suggestions from these resources helpful, to inspire growth within the members of your Chapters' portion of the DKG OSO Member "SHIP". Happy Sailing to each of your Chapter Members!

Melodie A. McGee, Gamma Nu  
Membership Committee, Chair

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### ***World Fellowship Fund: Memories.... of the Way We Were***

The movie, *The Way We Were*, was released on October 16, 1973. The title song was sung by Barbra Streisand. If you saw the movie, the tune is probably already swimming around in your head. Sometimes, the best way to learn and remember, is through song.

Pop Quiz from last month: When did the World Fellowship Fund begin? From what country were the 4 women who received funds to study in Sweden?

More facts: from 2019 stats as reported in the WFF flyer: 986 women in 122 countries have received awards totaling \$3,699,600 since 1960. Contributions and bequests determine the number of awards given each year.

More fundraising ideas: a donation from the chapter treasury, a purse, scarf, or jewelry auction, a drawing for a quilt, a sock for each member to "sock away" a little money each week.

Do you have some great ideas? Send them to [jbennettzt@yahoo.com](mailto:jbennettzt@yahoo.com).

In the meantime, put these facts to a tune in your head, sing, and learn!

Answers: 1946 and Germany

Jeanne Bennett, Alpha Gamma  
World Fellowship Committee Chair

## ***Student Teaching Grant Recipient Expresses Gratitude***



Members of the Alpha Delta State Ohio Educational Foundation,

I am writing to express my gratefulness for receiving this grant. Because of this gracious award, I was able to take time away from my weekend job throughout the last school year so I could ensure I was giving my all to my student teaching experience. Instead of needing to worry about how I was going to work to afford to pay bills or buy lunch each week, I was able to use the funds awarded to me via your gracious grant opportunity to pay for my necessities. This allowed me to treat my student teaching experience like a full-time job the correct way...without further distractions. For that, I would like to extend a very gracious thank you.

This was a heck of a year to complete student teaching, that's for sure. Regardless of complications created by COVID-19, I am eternally appreciative for the time I had to grow as an educator through my student teaching experience. I actually had the opportunity to complete mine at my high school alma mater, Jackson Center Local Schools. Truth be told, it was a little weird at first, as my brain had a difficult time switching from the perspective of the student at the school to a professional. Once I became accustomed to my new role in the school, business truly picked up. It was an amazing experience being able to work with some of my own former teachers in this capacity and to learn and grow by picking their educational brains of expertise.

Fortunately, in my case, my school district was incredibly fortunate when it came to being affected by COVID-19. Because of its small, rural status, positive coronavirus cases were not as frequent or common as some of the larger districts near us. Of course, there was the occasional positive test result, so every now and then, we would have a few students quarantined at home and joining us via Google Meets. I truly feel like this school year has helped me become better prepared for the flexibility that is always required in the classroom. In addition, I feel more prepared to integrate technology into the classroom because of the sheer precedence it has played in both my student teaching and college experience because of the pandemic.

I would like to thank you once again for your passion for education and contributing to this Foundation to ensure that education prospects like myself can have the best experience possible. I hope you will continue to donate to the Foundation so student teachers like myself can have the same types of experiences I thankfully received.

Respectfully,  
Dalton Faulder

Update: I was hired by Columbus City Schools, to teach eighth grade ELA at Arts Impact Middle School! I am super excited to begin this new chapter of life!



**BE THE SPARK...  
LIGHT OUR FLAME**

As of October 25, we have \$500 towards  
our goal of \$8,400.

Keep it going!



***You Support ADSOEF in a BIG Way!***

November is a time when our hearts and minds turn to giving thanks. Since the inception of ADSOEF in 2017, the generosity of the members of OSO has been gratifying. From student teacher grants to leadership grants to international study fellowships to individual classroom or community project funding, many deserving people have benefitted from the generosity of our OSO sisters.

The ADSOEF Board of Directors is grateful to each and every donor whether a chapter or an individual. We thank you and look forward to your continuing contribution as we strive to further the Foundation mission to ***fund the future of excellence in education!***

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***Philanthropy! Thankfulness!***



Giving Tuesday is almost upon us! ADSOEF is excited to kick off this year's holiday giving season with an \$840.00 matching gift! Won't you help us double or triple this generous gift with your contributions?

Socks should match! Won't you help us match this gift!

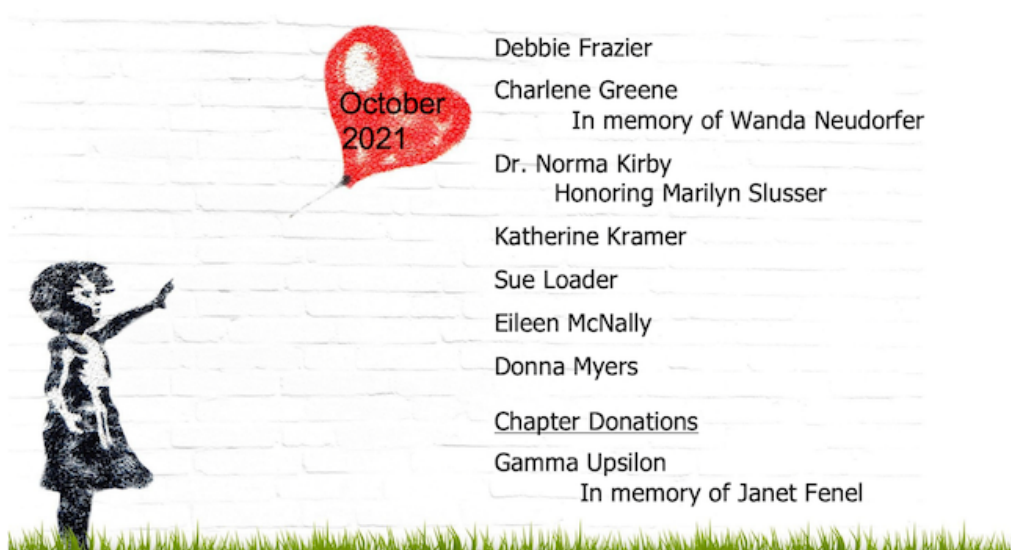
Go to <https://www.adsoef.org/donations.html>

## ***Introducing ADSOEF Donor Relations Committee***

The Donor Relations Committee has a very heartwarming job! The Committee is responsible to send acknowledgement letters to donors for tax purposes, send notes to recognize gifts made in honor or in memory of someone, and maintain a record of donors for publication in both *The Voice* and the Foundation Annual Meeting Report. Thanks to Mary Ellen Hall, Diana Kirkpatrick, Karen McFarland, Betty Monahan, and Debra Frazier, Chairman, for serving on the Donor Relations Committee.

If you are interested in serving on a Foundation committee, please contact Dr. Norma Kirby at [nkkirby@roadrunner.com](mailto:nkkirby@roadrunner.com).

### **ADSOEF DONOR RECOGNITION**



#### **November 1, 2021**

Chapter Yearbooks Due Today!

#### **November 13, 2021**

OSO Executive Board Meeting  
Dublin Embassy Suites

#### **November 15, 2021**

All Treasurers to file IRS 990-N

#### **June 9-10, 2022**

OSO Executive Board Meeting  
New Chapter Presidents' Training  
Dublin Embassy Suites