

# Foundation Matters

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 Delta Kappa Gamma Society

*Key women educators fueling the flames of knowledge for learners in our communities, our state, and our world. Providing funding for activities that support professional and personal growth of educators and promotes educational excellence.*

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## **ADSOEF FUNDING THE FUTURE OF EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION!**

### From Your Foundation Directors

Welcome to 2022-2023, a new year for your Educational Foundation. As we move into our sixth year, we celebrate successes and will continue the mission of ADSOEF. Dr. Norma Kirby, our Chairman of the Board the past year, expertly guided us in our work. We highly commend and applaud her extraordinary efforts!

In January, your Foundation published our own *ADSOEF Newsletter*. Today we unveil the newly named *Foundation Matters*! Continue reading to discover other highlights from the past year, plus a suggestion for sharing Chapter pictures.

DKG members volunteer to serve as Foundation Directors. The officers for this year include Sandy Royer, Chairman; Marilyn Slusser, Vice Chairman; Chris Snoddy, Secretary; and Dr. Lois Harkins, Treasurer.

When you have suggestions, feedback, comments, and questions, please go to [adsoef.org](http://adsoef.org) to contact us. We value communication and your input!

Enjoy your summer!

ADSOEF Directors



## FIFTH ANNUAL ADSOEF MEETING

Thanks to the more than 100 members and guests who attended the fifth ADSOEF Annual Meeting on Saturday, June 11, in conjunction with the OSO Leadership Conference. A special thank you to OSO President Debby Canter for scheduling the Annual Meeting during the Conference. Directors were introduced when they summarized their committee reports. The complete 2022 Annual Meeting Report, distributed at the Annual Meeting, is available on the Foundation website at [adsoef.org](http://adsoef.org) by clicking on Annual Meeting 2022.

One highlight of the meeting was the announcement of the total to date of the Spark campaign which was \$11,790.83 as of June 9. A heartfelt THANK YOU to all of our donors!

Another highlight of the meeting was hearing from the two A. Margaret Boyd Overseas Fellowship recipients, Gunel Alasgrova from Azerbaijan and Brenda Rojas from Paraguay. Gunel graduated in May 2022 from Kent State University with a master's degree in education, and Brenda received an extension of her fellowship for the 2022-2023 school year for her study at The Ohio State University. Thanks to chairman Marilyn Slusser who arranged for both young ladies to attend the Annual Meeting and luncheon.

Thanks to our members for your volunteer support, your generous contributions, and your attendance at the fifth Annual Meeting. You are the best!



Our two A. Margaret Boyd Overseas Fellowship recipients Brenda Rojas from Paraguay, Marilyn Slusser, and Gunel Alasgrova from Azerbaijan.



Marilyn Slusser with Melinda Smith from BGSU, an Esther H. Strickland student teaching grant recipient in attendance at the luncheon.

## FOUNDATION DIRECTORS AVAILABLE TO PRESENT AN OVERVIEW OF ADSOEF

If your chapter members would like to learn more about ADSOEF, directors are eager to visit your chapter to make a presentation describing the opportunities provided through the Foundation and a brief overview of the structure and mission of the Foundation. Contact ADSOEF Chairman Sandy Royer if your chapter is interested.

### Our Flame Shines Brightly!

You are the Spark!

You lit our Flame!

The yearly total for **"Be the Spark...Light our Flame"** is **\$16,131.18!** Your generosity speaks volumes about your passion for education and individuals becoming teachers. Member support is an indication that you believe in the mission, purposes, and work of the Foundation. DKG members are appreciated and thanked.



### Important ADSOEF Dates To Remember

**July 21, 2022** – Board of Directors' Meeting via Zoom

**August 15, 2022** – ADSOEF Newsletter

**September 15, 2022** – ADSOEF Newsletter

## ***FUNDRAISING THROUGH THE RAFFLE AND LUNCHEON***

ADSOEF created quite a buzz at OSO Leadership Conference. Excitement was evident as members spotted the eleven items displayed for the Raffle. There was something of interest for almost everyone, including Beth Archer's donation of a "mystery box." Ask an attendee to find out who took home a gift! Gratefully the fun provided **\$521.00** to add to Be the Spark...Light our Flame. Thanks to all who donated an item, participated in the raffle, and contributed by buying tickets. Directors and Fundraising Committee members enjoyed talking with many attendees.



At the luncheon, traditional contribution envelopes were available for giving a gift to any fund for ADSOEF. Your gifts generated total revenue of **\$2,871.00**. Thank you for willingly continuing to support the Foundation's mission. DKG members are so very generous!

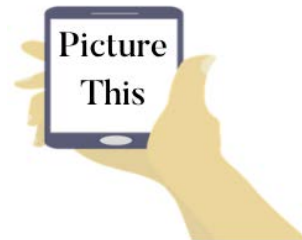
## ***PICTURE THIS***

This year when your chapter plans a fundraising project for ADSOEF (that's the Alpha Delta State Ohio Educational Foundation), remember to snap a picture so we can share your successful idea in our ADSOEF newsletter. Option 2 - If your chapter decides to donate, take a photo of members with the chapter check or donation basket.

Please label your email: **Picture This ADSOEF**

Identify members in the photo with a brief description and your chapter name.

Send the photo to: Editor Cathy Tenney  
[editor@dkgohio.org](mailto:editor@dkgohio.org)



**THE FOUNDATION NEWSLETTER HAS A NAME!  
CAROL DUNLAP, WINNER**



Congratulations to Carol Dunlap, Alpha Eta Chapter, who submitted **Foundation Matters**, the winning entry for the ADSOEF *Name the Newsletter* contest.

Carol was inducted into DKG in 2014 and has served as the Alpha Eta Corresponding Secretary (2016-2018), 2nd Vice-President (2018-2020), and two terms as Co-President (2020-2024).

Carol earned a B.S. in Elementary Education from The Ohio State University and a M. Ed. in Educational Leadership from the University of Dayton. During her 31-year career, she taught middle school math, served as a middle school math curriculum coach, student support facilitator (elementary school assistant principal), and high school principal. Carol retired in 2016 from the Springfield City School District as a principal at Springfield High School.

She is currently serving a second term as a member of the Springfield City School District Board of Education and works as a student teacher supervisor for Wittenberg University.

Thank you, Carol, for supporting ADSOEF!

**FAREWELL AND WELCOME!**

The Foundation Board of Directors is saying farewell to Director Jackie Thase-Burch, Alpha Upsilon Chapter, who decided to resign as she retired from teaching. In accordance with the Foundation Bylaws, Article V, Section B, 8, a vacancy occurring on the Board shall be filled by recommendation of the current Board of Directors for the unexpired term or until a successor elected. The Foundation Board of Directors is welcoming Sue Loader, Alpha Psi Chapter, who was appointed to fill the vacancy.

**Jackie** is a graduate of Celina High School. She came to Troy, Ohio, as the manager of Empire Restaurants where she met her late husband, Paul Thase. Paul encouraged her to follow her dream of being a teacher on a \$300.00 bet that she couldn't get As in her coursework. She left the restaurant world and earned a scholarship to the University of Dayton where she completed both an undergraduate degree and a master's degree in elementary and special education. Troy City Schools needed bus drivers, so she became licensed to drive a school bus. This paid for her education and came in handy even as a teacher when she filled in as needed and could always drive her class on field trips. Jackie taught students with multiple handicaps for three years, first grade for 17 years and third grade for seven years. Adding her time as a bus driver enabled her to retire with 31.4 years of service.

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As a bus driver, she was nominated for Driver of the Year, participated in bus rodeos, and earned first place team honors twice. As a teacher, she earned Teacher of the Year, and was on just about every committee possible over the course of her career.

Outside of school, Jackie has been president and vice president of Alpha Upsilon Chapter. She served as chair on her church's preschool board and higher education grant committee as well as serving on other committees. She enjoys attending sporting events, musicals, plays, traveling, and spending time with family and friends. She looks forward to actually having time to read a book!

Jackie currently lives in Casstown on four acres with two cats and her second husband whom she dated in high school. That in itself is another story....

**Sue** was inducted into Alpha Psi Chapter in September 1998. She served as chapter president during the 2004-06 biennium and is the current chapter treasurer, a position she has held since 2012.

Sue served as chairman of the OSO Nominations Committee during the 2005-2007 biennium. She has served on the OSO Scholarship Committee since 2019. In 2002 Sue received the Annie Webb Blanton scholarship. Sue also received the Aileen Pleasure scholarship given through the Muskingum County Community Foundation. The scholarship is awarded in memory of Aileen Leasure, former Alpha Psi president.

Sue taught science, health, physical education, and special education for 31 years. She also served as an assistant principal for seven years. Sue supervises the toddler room on Sundays at her church and is involved in other church organizations. She also volunteers at Christ's Table. She participates in a golf league and plays pickle ball. Sue tries to walk on a daily basis and likes to read. She enjoys travel and is looking forward to a trip to Jordan, Israel, and Egypt next summer with a group from her church.

Sue is the youngest of four children with twin brothers between her and her oldest sibling. She is a loving mother of two sons, two grandsons, and one granddaughter.



**“Be the Spark. . .Light Our Flame” Donor Recognition**

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