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NATIONAL PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Gathering, Growing, and Giving with Grace and Gratitude



*Julie Callis
National President*

Hello Delta Sisters,

Spring is almost upon us, and the National Officers will be gathering for our Midyear meeting to make wonderful plans for the National Convention. I do want to let you all know that I will not be hosting a President's dinner prior to National Convention. After considerable thought, I feel it best not to contribute to additional cost for you to travel and arrange accommodations for an extra day on top of the expense endured to attend the National Convention. Please know that all of your thoughts, prayers and guidance in my year as President is so very much appreciated. ***Spend that extra day with your family and friends.***

Now I ask that all my dear Delta Sisters look among your Chapter, MALs, and Alumnae members to see if any are in need of assistance from Delta Home. Whether it be help with rent, groceries, or just a card from someone who cares. ***Delta Home is a gift to our Delta Sisters, so we can help make a Sister's day a little better.***

I have 47 t-shirts left to sell in a variety of sizes, so if you would like one please send me the order form from GRIT. The money made from the sales will be donated to the Founders Memorial Expansion and Growth Fund to help sponsor new chapters in the future. I hope to continue the tradition of everyone wearing a Delta Theta Tau t-shirt on Friday (it does not have to be one of mine). It is so nice to look out and see all of the Delts' t-shirts being worn with pride.

The PNPs told me that this year will go by fast, and as always, they are correct. I have learned so much since becoming a National Officer. I have made close friends for life. I have learned the importance of each duty and bylaw. In addition, I have seen what love can do when a sisterhood works and contributes together toward a common goal to provide for our communities with financial support, with hours of service, and with a determination to make someone's life better.

I am thankful for each and every one of you as you continue to live the theme of ***Gathering, Growing, and Giving with Grace and Gratitude!!***

*Delta Love,
Julie Callis
National President*



National Vice President



Jenny Wade
National Vice President

It's the season! The season when various **forms and reports** are due so that all of the National Officers can use those reports to complete all of the tasks that are necessary as a corporation.

We are known as Delta Theta Tau Sorority, Incorporated. Each chapter is a subsidiary of the national organization.

There has been an attempt over the past several years to make the forms easier to complete and submit to the proper officer. **Anything that requires a payment must be mailed to our Executive Secretary Beth Wallis.** This includes registration forms, (1 & 2) with dues payments as well as the payment for insurance. The liability insurance form itself

needs to be sent to the Chairman, Board of Trustees. All monies submitted also require a Form 7, which denotes exactly what you are paying.

Your chapter's end of year (May) **Form 6** which is the Treasurer's report, should be sent to the Chairman, Board of Trustees. The May report contains all financial information for your entire sorority year. This form is used to complete the federal tax form for all chapters that earn less than \$50,000 during the year in our sorority. The new Chairman, BOT completes these reports before October 15 each year.

Legibility is critical and it is helpful when forms are completed with **dark ink or typed** and **easy to read (fillable forms are on the website).** **Numbers should be clear.** Take your time to fill out the forms and check the due dates so that you do not feel rushed. Every form is used by someone to complete a task. If you are **taking a picture or scanning a document, please be sure the form is in the light and flat as possible** so that the scan is easy to read.

Form 1 is the registration form for all active chapters and **Form 2** is the form for all alumnae chapters. If someone has changed membership or has a name or address change, please submit a Form 8 along with your registration forms. **Form 8** is a heads up to our Executive Secretary that there has been a change for your chapter. It also assures that GRIT will be sent to the proper address. Form 8 can be sent any time throughout the year.

There is one final request for each chapter. Many chapters rely upon a single person to submit all of these forms. **The National Officers would like this very successful and responsible person to teach another member or two how to do these forms. This will ensure that your chapter does not overwork one member and more members share the responsibilities.**

At your next meeting take some time to discuss all of these forms and who will be responsible for submitting them on time. Happy Spring!

Jenny Wade
National Vice-President

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Secretary - Board of Trustees

I've been reflecting on all your wonderful results of the Province Conventions in 2022. All your hard work and skilled preparations paid off with great success. **Congratulations!**

I also want to send my congrats to your chapters for all the positive and rewarding philanthropic projects you work on throughout the year. You do an outstanding volunteer service by serving your communities, raising money, and giving to others. The articles and pictures you send to our GRIT publication touches my heart when I read each issue. Your unconditional love and service to Delta Theta Tau Sorority, Inc. is absolutely amazing!

January has ended and it seems 2023 is already going by so quickly. National Officers met in February for their Midyear three-day planning period to prepare for National Convention in July. This is a very exciting time to not only take care of DTT business but also work on skits for convention, etc. **Optimistic Olive, Grouchy Gertrude, Debbie Downer and Peppy Penelope send a "shout out" to all of you and looking forward to seeing you in Ft. Worth, TX.**

Lastly, I have met many of you in person, have seen growth in your chapters, read about your philanthropic projects and am convinced more than ever that many of you are **natural leaders.** I am asking you to please consider taking **your gifted leadership further by becoming officers in your chapters, Province Convention Chairman, National Committee members and strive to become a National Officer. You will love it!**

I am truly grateful to be able to serve as one of your National Officers!

Patty Jo Nierste
Secretary, Board of Trustees

Chairman, Board of Trustees



Karen Mace
Chairman, Board of Trustees

Good day my Delta Sisters. People who know me are aware that one of my passions is Delta Theta Tau and what it stands for, **Sisterhood and Philanthropy**. Another passion is **travel** and again Delta Theta Tau has awarded me this opportunity. Many of you are aware that in early January my husband and I pack up the car with the comforts of home and my office and head south seeking refuge in the sun. We travel back to Ohio in mid-April. This year when I unpacked our car into the condo in Corpus Christi, TX, I noticed that I brought 3 Delta Theta Tau T-shirts and 2 hoodies. Since it is still a little cool in Corpus Christi in January, I'm wearing those hoodies daily. To my surprise, complete strangers have stopped me and asked, "**What is Delta Theta Tau**"? I've even handed out a few brochures. **So, ladies, wear those t-shirts when you are out and about in your daily lives. It may spark up a conversation.**

As you have heard over and over again, we gained 3 chapters last year but we also lost chapters last year. Today I want to be Optimistic Olive not a Debbie Downer. I believe we can **make our chapters grow and increase our number of chapters**. We all have friends, relatives and acquaintances across this great country. Some of our Province's need our help!!! Zeta Province is down to 1 chapter and Eta Province is down to 2 chapters. Knowledge is power. Do you know anyone in these areas?

Eta - Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana.

Zeta - Texas, Louisiana, Kansas, Oklahoma, North and South Dakota, Colorado, and Wyoming.

Beta - All of Michigan, the area North of Indiana State Road 26 which runs East and West (This includes Redkey, which is 7 miles South of State Road 26 and Albany, IN on State Road 28).

Alpha - Area South of State Road 26 to North of Interstate 70 and U.S. 40 (includes Mooresville, IN).

Theta - Area South of Interstate 70 (Indiana to state line. Also, to include area West of I-65 in Kentucky, Tennessee (except Memphis area), Alabama, Georgia, and Florida.

Gamma - Ohio and all states east including area of Lexington, Kentucky, Virginia, West Virginia, North and South Carolina and all states in the East. (In certain areas between I-65 and I-75 the need for National President to decide as to what province the chapter will be placed)

Epsilon - Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, Arkansas, Missouri and Memphis, Tennessee area.

Delta - Arizona, New Mexico, California, Nevada and Utah.

So, wear your T-shirts, hoodies and DTT bling and spark those conversations, and let's see what happens. Word of mouth is our best advertisement. Your excitement about Delta Theta Tau may spark excitement in someone else.

Hope to see everyone in Fort Worth, TX July 12th thru 16th.

Karen Mace

Chairman, Board of Trustees "Gathering, Growing, and Giving with Grace and Gratitude"

*******IMPORTANT*******

FORM 6 – Chapter Treasurer's Financial Report

Each Chapter and Alumnae Association **Must** send a copy of their
May 31, 2023 Year End Treasurer's Report, **Form 6**
To the Chairman, Board of Trustees as soon as possible,
After **5/31/2023** and **no later than 6/30/2023**. This document is important
For our tax filing. Copies can be mailed or emailed:

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REMINDER: Any chapter having a gross income over \$50,000 must file their own Form 990. Those chapters will not fall under the Form 990 filed for DTT by the Auditor.

Used Jewelry Form

DELTA THETA TAU USED JEWELRY

Limited Quantities Available

CONVENTION CHARMS

QTY AVAIL.	QTY	ITEM	PRICE EA	PRICE
24	_____	2022 Lemon & spoon, Pres Theme, City and date Oakbrook, IL (metal gold)	\$15.00	_____
4	_____	2022 Lemon & spoon, Pres Theme, City and date Oakbrook, IL (metal silver)	\$15.00	_____
15	_____	2021 Antique Sewing Machin, Pres Theme, City & date, Columbus, OH (metal gold)	\$5.00	_____
21	_____	2020 Marquee, DTT, Pres Theme, City and date Cancelled (metal gold)	\$5.00	_____
5	_____	2020 Marquee, DTT, Pres Theme, City and date Cancelled (metal silver)	\$5.00	_____
11	_____	2019 Rose, Pres Theme, City and date Phoenix, AZ (metal gold)	\$5.00	_____
15	_____	2019 Rose, Pres Theme, City and date Phoenix, AZ (metal silver)	\$5.00	_____
2	_____	2017 Cupcake, GK DTT, Pres Theme, Albuquerque, NM and date (metal gold)	\$5.00	_____
10	_____	2017 Cupcake, GK DTT, Pres Theme, Albuquerque, NM and date (metal silver)	\$5.00	_____
2	_____	2016 Cow, year GK DTT, (metal silver) South Bend, IN	\$5.00	_____
1	_____	2015 Iowa/jeans, GK DTT, year, blank back W. Des Moines, IA (metal gold)	\$5.00	_____
1	_____	2015 Iowa/jeans, GK DTT, year, blank back W. Des Moines, IA (metal silver)	\$5.00	_____
3	_____	2014 Moose, GK DTT, State and year Vancouver, WA (metal gold)	\$5.00	_____
9	_____	2014 Moose, GK DTT, State and year Vancouver, WA (metal silver)	\$5.00	_____

USED JEWELRY

1	___	President's Dangle	\$ 5.00	___
1	___	Pledge Pin (old style)	\$ 8.25	___
2	___	Gavel Dangle (10k)	\$16.00	___
3	___	President Guard (10k)	\$19.00	___
1	___	Pearl Gavel Guard (Gold Plated)	\$24.00	___
1	___	Pearl Gavel Dangle (Gold Plated)	\$24.00	___
4	___	20-year anniversary pin (10k Dyer)	\$30.00	___
9	___	Gavel Pearl Dangle (10k)	\$30.00	___
4	___	Pearl Gavel Guard (10k)	\$45.00	___
2	___	Pearl Gavel Pin (10k)	\$45.00	___
12	___	Plain Badge Pin (10k Dyer)	\$96.00	___
1	___	Plain Badge Pin (14k Dyer)	\$134.00	___
1	___	Crown Pearl Badge with Emerald Points (10k)	\$128.00	___

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address/City/State/Zip _____

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Kris Trapp, 3rd Member BOT
1756 Potato Creek Ct Valparaiso, IN 46385

Cost: _____ Shipping Add: **\$5.00** Total Paid: _____

Orders will be handled on a first come first serve basis. If orders cannot be filled, you will receive a phone call and/or text message. Your check will be returned.



Delta Home Program Directorate



It's spring! Spring is an excellent time to get out there and enjoy the warmer weather, watch the flowers emerge from the ground, and marvel at their glorious display. While you are out and about, it is a great time to donate your time and money to worthy causes.

One cause worthy of your time and talents is our sorority. As you are out and about, take a look at your neighbors. Do you see any who might like to join our sorority? It's okay if they say no, but don't take that option away from them. Ask—one of them might say yes! Let them know about our sorority's mission, and then tell them about the Delta Home Program—how it

could help them pay their bills. What other organization does that?

So, give the gift of our sorority to your friends and neighbors. Tell the checkout person at the garden shop about us. Or maybe the kind lady at the post office. Talk to your neighbors when you are out walking the dog. Spring is a great time for new friendships. Talk to new friends about our sorority and tell them about our amazing Delta Home benefits.

The help Delta Home provides varies based on the sister's finances. Some of the bills we currently pay include mortgages, electric bills, health insurance premiums, help with retirement home rent, etc. With everything costing more, do you need help? Are you struggling to pay any of your bills?

So, who qualifies for Delta Home? She'll need to:

Be 60 or older (Except under exigent circumstances)

Be a DTT member for at least seven years

Have financial need greater than income

Have paid her Delta Home dues of \$2 per year (Or paid \$100 instead of annual payments)

If you or someone you know might qualify, please get in touch with Laura Gullett, Delta Home Directorate President, for an application or to ask questions. Give her a call at 260-251-1327 or email her at lagdtt@gmail.com. We take great care to make sure everyone's information remains confidential.

After receiving your application, we'll let you know if you are approved within a few weeks. If approved, assistance can start the following month. The amount of assistance is based on your financial need and Delta Home Standing Rules.

Keep in mind that the most common reason we deny a sister help is when she is receiving Medicaid assistance. Once a sister goes on Medicaid, Delta Home assistance may negatively impact Medicaid assistance.

I hope all of you have a wonderful spring!

Brenda Watkins

Promotional Committee Chairman

Delta Home Directorate

Laura Gullett, President; Terri Shannon, Treasurer; Jean Stomberski, Secretary; Brenda Watkins, Vice-President; Bev Edwards, Directorate Member



Delta Theta Tau International



On May 5, 1963, Eta Kappa, Brookville, Indiana, sponsored and initiated thirteen Canadian ladies into the Lambda Upsilon chapter in St. Catharine's, Ontario, Canada making Delta Theta Tau an international sorority. The fourteenth member of this chapter was Dorothy Korchok, a transplanted member from Brookville who used her enthusiasm for the advancement of philanthropy to find these ladies and form this chapter. Edna Fournier, National President, served as the Installing Officer and was assisted by Norma Money, Past National President, as Installing Sergeant-At-Arms. The Eta Kappa Chapter brought the initiation team and arranged for the entire affair, which took place at the Esquire Hotel. A social hour and dinner was enjoyed by everyone but not before the Deltas got permission from the Canadian government to have the hotel serve them on this special occasion. Due to Canada's "Blue Law" all businesses, including public dining rooms are closed on Sundays! After dinner the new "Delta Dads" chauffeured the group around the city and of course ending with a view of the Falls at Niagara illuminated with colored lights. The happy but tired Eta Kappa Delts then traveled the 600 miles back to Indiana arriving early Tuesday morning.

The first year this chapter made the "Association for Retarded Children" their philanthropic project and helped to set up a nursery school. They did this by selling Christmas cards. They also had several social events which included bar-b-ques, potluck suppers and card parties.

The news of the international status was announced at the 1963 National Convention in Dayton, Ohio. The proper amendment was filed to the Articles of Incorporation in Indiana and legislation was presented to amend the Bylaws of the sorority to make the designation of "International" sorority official.

Lambda Upsilon was an active chapter from May 3, 1963 to September 11, 1968. Delta Theta Tau Sorority continued as an international sorority until Midyear meeting, February of 1977, at which time there was a motion to strike "international" from future convention programs and from the cover of the Grit.

Debbie Funk, PNP
Historian

National Philanthropy Committee

GREETINGS!!

Your National Philanthropy Committee had a *gathering* the first weekend in February at the Grand Traverse Pie Company located in Terre Haute, Indiana. If you've never eaten a pie or a pot pie from here, you should! Chairman, Linda Dressen and Lindsey Cuneo, 3rd Member had the pleasure of National President, Julie Callis and Secretary of Philanthropy, Mandy Allen joining us in person. *Thankfully*, Shannon Loughmiller, was still able to join us and take minutes via zoom even though she had Covid.

We had two excellent candidates whom had met all of the requirements for the scholarship we offer. We are excited to be able to share this with you all. Speaking of sharing, chapters! Don't forget to share with us what you are doing, how you are raising funds, and how you are making an impact in your community. Please share photos on the Members Only Facebook Group.

We all really want our philanthropy fund to keep on *growing* so we can continue to make *giving* a priority in our sorority. In fact, we would love to be able to increase the amount we give for years to come.

We hope everyone is making plans to *grace* us with their presence at National Convention in just a few short months. It will be here before we know it!

National Philanthropy Committee
Linda Dressen, Chairman
Shannon Loughmiller, Secretary
Lindsey Cuneo, Third Member



Midyear Conference



Midyear Conference was held at Brickhouse Loft, Martinsville, IN on February 17th, 18th and 19th. Terry Riester, PNP, and Mary Beth Godsey, PNO, were there to greet the National Officers as they arrived and before the meetings began. Terry brought us a delicious cheesecake.

Cathy Sanford, PNP, and Karen Allen, PNP, arrived on Saturday to attend their portion of the meeting and join the National Officers for lunch.

The Brickhouse Loft was a beautiful venue for our conference and we had the place to ourselves, so we were able to be more casual. Everyone brought snacks, so there was no shortage of sugar to get us through the weekend. The weekend was very intense, but very progressive. And we all left for home, totally exhausted LOL and "LOL".....



Shake It Off SHINDIG

Hi Delta Sisters. I just want to say thank you to everyone who attended the **Shake It Off Shindig** in January. I heard everyone say they had a great time. **We had 31 attendees, with 9 chapters represented.** It was awesome! We even had **3 prospective members** attend and from what I hear, 2 plan to join! We also **collected about \$85 for the Founder's Memorial Fund** with a little 50/50. Good food, fun games, and even better company. I think I see another event in the future.

□ BTW – Kaylee and I took the leftover pulled pork, buns, salad fixins, lemonade, tea, and a cheesecake to our local fire department. They were ecstatic to have the treat. Win! Win! Delta Love, **Terry**



2023 National Convention
“DELTS’ WILD WILD WEST”

July 12-16, 2023

Sheraton Downtown, Fort Worth, TX

Howdy, Delta Sisters! After 5 years of planning, it’s time to saddle up and mosey on down to Ft. Worth, TX for the 115th National Convention.

“The Delta Stampede” – Omicron Alpha, Woodlawn, IL will lasso you in the foyer of the second floor and have you “Make your mark” for registration.

“The Delta Rose Saloon” – Eta Province will welcome you to the Wild Wild West with a Texas-style buffet with a mess of viddles for travelers straight off of the stagecoach.

“Cowgirl Roundup” Informal – Xi Omega, Hurst, TX, reminds you to pack your dancing boots, practice your “YEE HAW!,” and be ready to get on your feet to line dance the night away.

“The Great Train Robbery” Banquet – Xi Phi, Marissa, IL, will host the evening events. Round up your posse in your fanciest western duds and keep a close eye on your jewels and purses. The evening’s events promise to steal your attention and be a blast!

“Delta Roundup” Raffle – Lambda Eta, Franklin, IN have rustled up some amazing loot for the raffles. The raffle room will be open all week with winners drawn at the Banquet. 50/50 tickets will also be sold and drawn on Thursday and Saturday afternoons.

Registration – Registration forms for convention are included in this issue of GRIT, and also on the Delta Theta Tau website. Please note the **deadline of June 12th for Delegates’** registration to be mailed to: Beth Wallis, 500 Colfax ST, Martinsville, IN 46151. **June 27st deadline for Non-Delegates and non-members’** registration forms are to be mailed to: Cathy Stanford, 5449 E IL Hwy 15, Woodlawn, IL 62898.

Hotel – The Sheraton Fort Worth Downtown is newly renovated and offers everything you need for a great experience. The hotel is across the street from the Fort Worth Convention Center and the popular Water Gardens and a short drive to The Stockyards, Texas Christian University, the Fort Worth Zoo, & the Colonial Country Club – home to one of the oldest golf tournaments on the PGA TOUR. Room rates are \$129 per night plus 17.3% tax good for 3 days before & after convention. Parking fees are \$15/day.

Make reservations by calling: 817-335-7000 (mention Delta Theta Tau). **Reservations must be made by June 16th**, anything after that is on a space available basis and subject to house rates.

Transportation – The hotel is 25 miles from Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport. TexRail (\$2.50) or Uber/Lyft (~\$50) from DFW are the best options from. Uber/Lyft (~\$60+) or rental car are the best options from Dallas Love Field Airport.

Attire – Business wear only in the convention meeting room. This is defined as business dress, skirt, slacks, and capris. No jeans, shorts, or t-shirts are allowed. Exception: DTT shirts will be allowed at the Friday morning business meeting and Sunday Installation.



DATES TO REMEMBER

July 12-16, 2023 National Convention

Delegate Registrations: June 12th

Non-Delegate and Non-Member

Registrations: June 27st

Hotel Reservations: June 16th



Cathy & “Big Jake” are saddled up and ready to
“steer” you to the Delt’s Wild Wild West!

Giddy Up!!! Omicron Alpha, Xi Omega, Xi Phi, Lambda Eta chapters and Eta Province
can’t wait to lasso you into the ***Wild Wild West at the 2023 National Convention!!!***

Cathy Stanford
2023 National Convention Coordinator

6449 E IL Hwy 15
Woodlawn, IL 62898
618-237-1338 (cell)
cathy.stanford3@gmail.com



TOUR OPTION #1

Magnolia Market at the Silos Outing

1:00 PM – 8:30 PM



Magnolia Market and its famous landmark silos occupy two city blocks in downtown Waco. Owned by HGTV “Fixer Upper” stars Chip and Joanna Gaines, the store offers items in Joanna’s unique style. Admission to the complex is free. Visitors can play free games on the lawn or picnic in the shade. The shops and grounds are updated frequently and currently host Silos Baking Co., Magnolia Seed & Supply, Magnolia Press, Magnolia Home, Katy Ballpark, The Old Church, and The Shops at the Silos: Chapter One, No. 16, Tried & True, Reverie, Vie Bien Aimee, and Juniper & Crew.

The outing will allow approximately 4 hours for sightseeing, shopping, and eating at the Magnolia Market complex.

Price: \$60.00 (includes bus transportation and driver gratuity)

TOUR OPTION #2

Fort Worth Stockyards & Cattle Drive

3:00 PM – 7:00 PM



Between 1866 and 1890, drovers trailed more than four million head of cattle through Fort Worth. The city soon became known as “Cowtown.” The Livestock Exchange Building housed the many livestock commission companies, telegraph offices, railroad offices and other support businesses. It became known as “The Wall Street of the West.”

In 1989, the North Fort Worth Historical Society opened the Stockyards Museum in the historic Exchange Building. Today, the museum hosts thousands of visitors from all over the world each year, and is constantly growing its facilities and its collection. True to its history, the Stockyards still hosts the world’s only twice-daily cattle drive. All this – plus more than a hundred new shopping, dining, and entertainment venues – makes the Fort Worth Stockyards National Historical District one of Texas’ most popular tourist destinations.

The outing will arrive in time for the afternoon cattle drive and allow approximately 3.5 hours for sightseeing, shopping, and eating.

Price: \$35.00 (includes bus transportation and driver gratuity)

THINGS NEARBY TO DO ON YOUR OWN:

(approximate time and distance from hotel)

Downtown Fort Worth – shopping, dining (immediate vicinity)

Sundance Square (5 minute drive / 0.8 miles)

Fort Worth Zoo (10 minute drive / 3.3 miles)

Texas Motor Speedway (25 minute drive / 22 miles)

Cultural District (5 museums, Will Rogers Memorial Center) (7 minute drive / 2.5 miles)

Trinity Park (Riverwalk) (8 minute drive / 2.5 miles)

Fort Worth Botanic Gardens (6 minute drive / 3.2 miles)



DELTA STAMPEDE REGISTRATION

Time is passing quickly, and it will soon be time to saddle up and head to Fort Worth, TX for the DELTA’S WILD, WILD WEST National Convention. Grab your cowgirl hats, boots, and your best western attire and join the fun at the convention.

The cowgirls of Omicron Alpha, Woodlawn, IL, have been hard at work on the DELTA STAMPEDE registration table and look forward to your arrival at the Fort Worth Sheraton. You can even lasso yourself an awesome goodie bag when you come see us.

Get your registration forms in early and join the **DELTA STAMPEDE** for a **yee haw** good time in Fort Worth!

Jean Stomberski
Omicron Alpha
Woodlawn, IL



TOUR RESERVATION FORM

Indicate below which tour you will be taking:

	<u># Attending</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Option 1: Magnolia Market @ The Silos	_____ x \$60.00	_____
Option 2: Fort Worth Stockyards	_____ x \$35.00	_____
Total Amount Enclosed \$		_____

Name of Person(s) Attending _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____ E-Mail _____

Please use this form when making your reservations. Send completed form with check payable to
“Delta Theta Tau Sorority” to:

Cathy Stanford
6449 E IL Hwy 15
Woodlawn, IL 62898

***Please make separate checks for convention registrations and tours
if mailing together***

Reservations and payment for tours must be received by **June 12, 2023**. If the minimum number of guests is not met for any tour by that date, that tour will be cancelled. You will be notified by phone or e-mail of any cancellation and given an opportunity to change tours or receive a refund. Fillable forms can be found on the website.



DELEGATE REGISTRATION FORM

DELTA THETA TAU SORORITY, INC.

115th ANNUAL CONVENTION

“DELTS’ WILD WILD WEST”

JULY 12-16, 2023

SHERATON DOWNTOWN

FORT WORTH, TEXAS

THIS REGISTRATION FOR **DELEGATES ONLY** – Please read carefully

NAME OF DELEGATE _____

Last Name First Name E-Mail Address

ADDRESS _____

Street City State Zip

CHAPTER _____

Chapter Name Chapter City Home Phone #

PAST NATIONAL OFFICER – Office _____ Honorary Member _____

PRESENT PROVINCE CHAIRMAN – Province _____

PRESENT NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEMBER-Committee Name _____

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Registration Fee.....\$ 5.00 _____

Total Amount Enclosed.....\$ 163.00 _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS REGISTRATION FORM BY JUNE 12, 2023, with check for \$163.00 (Fees of \$158.00 and Registration Fee of \$5.00) and REMITTANCE ADVICE FORM #7 to the Executive Secretary: Beth Wallis, 500 S. Colfax, Martinsville, IN 46151-2309.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: DELTA THETA TAU SORORITY, INC.

In accordance with the Bylaws, for failure to comply a fine of \$15.00 will be imposed. All delegates must show a paid-up dues book for identification to register.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS SHOULD BE MADE DIRECTLY TO: Sheraton Downtown Fort Worth, 1701 Commerce ST, Fort Worth, TX 76102. Phone: 817-335-7000 (mention Delta Theta Tau).

Convention rate is \$129.00 plus 17.3% tax (good 3 days before and after convention). **Reservations must be made by June 16, 2023.** Reservations after that date will be accepted on a space available basis and subject to house rates.

PLEASE NOTE: Registrations for social functions for husbands, guests, or children must be made on the **NON- MEMBER** reservation form and sent to: **Cathy Stanford, Convention Coordinator, 6449 E IL Hwy 15, Woodlawn, IL 62898**

ONLY DELEGATE REGISTRATION FORM, NATIONAL CONVENTION FEES AND REGISTRATION FEE OF \$5.00, and REMITTANCE ADVICE FORM #7 ARE SENT TO THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY.

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Last Name

First Name

E-Mail Address

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Street

City

State

Zip

CHAPTER _____

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NAME OF NON-MEMBER _____

Last Name

First Name

ADDRESS _____

Street

City

State

Zip

PHONE NUMBER _____ E-MAIL _____

NAME OF MEMBER WITH WHOM YOU ARE A GUEST _____

CHAPTER NAME _____ CHAPTER CITY _____

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VENDOR SPACE NATIONAL CONVENTION 2023

Is your chapter interested in selling your moneymaker at National Convention in Fort Worth, Texas this summer?

DELTS' WILD WILD WEST

Reserve your spot early. Space is limited and the room will fill fast.

_____ Half Table.....\$15.00

_____ Full Table.....\$30.00

Chapter Name _____

Chapter City, State _____

Chairperson Name _____

Address _____

City, State/Zip _____

Email _____ Phone _____

What do you plan to sell? _____

Will you take orders? _____

PLEASE NOTE: There will be **NO** selling of any items **EXCEPT** in the designated areas. The only raffle to be held at National Convention is the Official Raffle.

The VENDOR ROOM WILL BE OPEN on Wednesday, July 12, 2023, at 1:00 pm for set up; earlier if the room becomes available.

Please mail this Form along with a Remittance Form #7 and a check for balance due, payable to Delta Theta Tau Sorority, Inc., by June 1, 2023, to:

Kris Trapp, Third Member, Board of Trustees
1756 Potato Creek Ct
Valparaiso, IN 46385

Please do not hesitate to ask questions: dttkris@gmail.com (219) 405-3160

LIABILITY INSURANCE FORM

ALL CHAPTERS PARTICIPATE IN THE LIABILITY INSURANCE PROGRAM.
THE ANNUAL PREMIUM FOR EACH CHAPTER IS **\$55.00**.

Complete the following information and submit this form, along with payment and
Remittance **Form 7**, during National Convention or by mail, no later than
August 1, 2023, to the 2023-2024 Chairman, Board of Trustees.

Your chapter may pay for Liability Insurance along with your dues on Form 1.
Please email or mail this form to the Chairman, Board of Trustees and send the
check and Form 7 to the Executive Secretary.

Patty Jo Nierste
2023-2024 Chairman, Board of Trustees
P.O. Box 442
Brookville, IN 47012

NAME OF CHAPTER PRESIDENT: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

CHAPTER NAME: _____

CHAPTER CITY: _____

CHAPTER EMAIL: _____

PLEASE NOTE: THIS INSURANCE DOES NOT COVER SPORTING EVENTS.

LIST ALL MONEymAKERS AND DATES FOR 2023-2024 SORORITY YEAR.
A COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE WILL BE PROVIDED
AFTER PAYMENT IS RECEIVED. TO SAVE THE COST OF MAILING, THE
CERTIFICATE MAY BE GIVEN TO YOUR DELEGATE AT NATIONAL
CONVENTION OR EMAILED TO YOUR CHAPTER EMAIL ADDRESS.

**THIS COMPLETED FORM, PAYMENT AND REMITTANCE FORM 7 MUST BE RECEIVED
BY THE 2023-2024 CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF TRUSTESS BY **AUGUST 1, 2023**.**

**A TWENTY-FIVE DOLLAR (\$25.00) FINE WILL BE ASSESSED IF NOT PAID
BY THE DEADLINE PER NATIONAL BYLAWS ARTICLE X, SECTION 2.**

FROM THE BACK ROW

*Jean Brower, NP 2010-2011,
Gamma Pi, New Paris, OH.*



As I contemplate on what I should write about, there are so many memories of my stint on National Council and Board. First the Philanthropy Committee then jumping on to C/B as the 3rd Member of the Board of Trustees. I learned so much from all of those I served with, and I will treasure those friendships. I also had the pleasure of serving

as National Convention Coordinator twice with my conventions being held in West Des Moines, IA, and Columbus, OH.

For those sisters that are new to our sorority, if someone mentions to you that you would be perfect for national office, jump in! I was initiated in 1992 with Gamma Pi, New Paris, OH and was asked to join the Philanthropy Committee in 1999. I served as National President in Grand Rapids, MI in 2011. What a ride! In that span of time, my son and daughter were in high school and very busy with sports and school activities. My grandchildren were born, and my daughter was diagnosed with cancer. I held many offices at the chapter level and an officer in four different community organizations while working full time. With that being said, serving as a Committee Member or National Officer can certainly be done.

Had it not been for the support of my fellow officers and sisters from all over the United States, I would not have been able to have the experience of serving at the national level. It is a huge commitment from yourself, your family and possibly your employer as you may need extra time off from your job. Again, those friendships you make will last forever and the memories are unforgettable.

Looking forward to many more province and national conventions to create more of those memories.

***Delta Love,
Jean Brower, Past National President***

*Bev Edwards, NP 2014-2015,
Lambda Alpha, Tacoma, WA*



I joined Delta Theta Tau in June of 1986. My mom, Evelyn Cooper, invited me to join along with my aunt and sister-in-law. We had no idea what we were doing but quickly learned about Philanthropy, volunteering, work parties and helping in our communities. I attended my first National Convention in 1988 in Portland, OR. The next National was in Denver in 1991 as a delegate. My kids were older by then, so I haven't missed too many conventions since then. I

have made so many friends over the years as I attend conventions, women who became important parts of my life because of Delta Theta Tau. In 2006 I ran for a National Office, Western Counselor. We were in Richmond, Virginia that year, I was Nominated from the floor and was fortunate to be elected. I joined National that year along with Karen Allen and Beth Wallis, two ladies I have had in my life since that day and what a wonderful experience it has been.

Delta Theta Tau has held me up in my happiest days and you have held me up in my saddest days. Traveling to Province Conventions and meeting sorority sisters, learning about your communities and all your projects was such a rewarding time. There is so much good happening out there and you should be proud. My year as National President was 2014-2015. National Convention was in Des Moines, Iowa, every day during convention fire drills happened during the meetings. The hotel decided the week we were there was a good time to change all the mattresses in the hotel, that was quite a site. There is always something fun to remember about conventions.

I was invited to join Delta Home in 2017 and it has been another wonderful experience learning about Delta Theta Tau. We are able to help take care of our sisters and not many groups can do that today. Working with Laura Gullet, Terri Shannon, Jean Stomberski and Brenda Watkins has been a great experience.

Delta Theta Tau is a great organization and I am proud to be a member. From the back row I am able to hear about all the remarkable things you do in your communities. Keep up the good work ladies!!!

***Delta Love,
Bev Edwards, Past National President***

PAST NATIONAL PRESIDENTS

WHAT ARE THE PNP'S ALL ABOUT?

I wanted to tell you about this elite group of women in Delta Theta Tau. These women have achieved the highest pinnacle in our organization, National President. The Past National Presidents have an annual breakfast meeting at National Convention on Saturday morning.

The objective of the PNP group is to foster the spirit of friendship. During Covid it was so important to reach out to each other and make sure folks were doing OK. We tried to think of new ways to keep in touch and that is why the special section in GRIT "From the Back Row" was added. We try to keep each other posted on any information we would like to share with each other and try to be supportive of each other in any way we can.

At that morning breakfast meeting, the present National President is installed into the Past National Presidents "PNP" sisterhood and she will have her permanent seat on the "back row" at the next convention. Breakfast is enjoyed by all and time to catch up with everyone.

The group is led by a President and Secretary/Treasurer, elected by the group on an annual basis. There are dues for this group and every year the PNP's make a donation to one of our national projects or sorority funds, which is presented at National Convention. During the meeting we send cards to all our sisters that are not able to be at the breakfast. It's always fun to read all the notes we receive of those not able to attend convention.

We are excited to bring a new experience to our group. For the first time the PNP's bid for being a hostess at a function at the 2024 National Convention and received approval to do so. It will be exciting to see what we all will come up with.

FACTS ABOUT PNP'S

- ~ At Present **39 Past National Presidents**
- ~ **21 PNP** have served on **Delta Home Board**
- ~ **29 PNP** have served or are serving as **National Convention Coordinator**
- ~ **5 PNP** have served twice as **National Convention Coordinator**
- ~ **7 PNP** served as **Circulation Manager**
- ~ **1 PNP** served as **GRIT Editor**
- ~ 3 of the 5 Founders served as 1st, 2nd and 4th **Grand President**
- ~ 1921 National President resigned, **Hazel Mashmeyer, Mildred Landcaster** took over but Mildred had a baby so **Miriam Yergin** presided at Convention opening day.
- ~ 1924- 1926 **Olive Huston** was the first President to be re-elected
- ~ From 1906 to 1927 the Presidents were known as "**Grand President**" and changed to "**National President**"
- ~ 1928 **Vera Townsend** passed away during her Presidency, VP **Joe Clark** assumed President
- ~ 1942 No conventions due to war, elections by mail ballot
- ~ 2020 **Bonnie Wells**, National President, convention cancelled due to Covid

SOME FUN THEMES OF NATIONAL PRESIDENTS

"Be the Girl That Can't Say No"
"Little Tender Care"
"Sisterhood, A Part of Our Success"
"Delta Pride"
"Delta Smiles"
"Soar with the Eagles"
"A Heart of Delta Theta Tau"
"Plant the Seed of Delta Theta Tau"
"Delta's Make Music Together"
"Delta Love Lasts Forever"
"Teamwork – Together Everyone Achieves Magic"
"Reach for the Stars"
"Plant with Hope, Harvest with Joy"

“Reach Out and Touch”
“Be the Change you wish to see in the World”
“Friendships Last Forever when Sisters Come Together”
“The Greatest Gift You Can Give Someone Else is Your Time”
“Baking the World a Better Place”
“Paint a Brighter Tomorrow”
“She Believed She Could, So She Did”
“Perfect Vision Clear Mission”
“Sew Seeds of Friendship”
“Delt’s Rock, The Lemonade Tour”

PNP pins are all so special. Many of the pins the PNP’s wear are of other PNP’s. We track everyone’s pin and where/who it came from.

Here is some history on the National President’s pins:

- ~ **Naomi Johnson** (1986) has **Eve Fair** (1956) pin, Eve was a PNP from Zeta chapter!!
- ~ **Mary Jane Litz** (2008) has **Eve Fair** (1956) original pin turned it into a PNP pin.
- ~ **Mary Jane** was also in that Zeta chapter with **Eve** and **Naomi**
- ~ **Bev Austin** (1995) has **D’Maris Grant** (1954) and **Ruth Fernung** (1965) pin
- ~ **Jean Gross** (2000) has **Norma Money** (1962) pin
- ~ **Terri Shannon** (2009) has **Jean Luechauer** (1984) pin (Jean and Terri same chapter)
- ~ **Anita Waits** (2018) has **Betty Lemons** (1985) and **Mildred Stubbs** (1924) pin
- ~ **Bonnie DeMeyer** (2007) has **Imogene Jones** pin (1937) & wrote the “**Golden Years**”
- ~ **Bonnie Wells** (2020) has **Jeanne Lord** (1969) and **Opal Hambley** (1939) pin
- ~ **Terry Riester** (2021) has **Jean Gross** (2000) and **Norma Money** (1962) pin

I hope you have enjoyed knowing a little more “From the Back Row”. All the PNP’s are so proud to be a part of this wonderful organization and support Delta Theta Tau to the fullest!!

Mary Jane “MJ” Litz
PNP President

PICTURE OF PNP BREAKFAST AT CONVENTION LAST YEAR!!!!



PROVINCE EXPANSION & GROWTH CHAIRMEN

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2023 PROVINCE CHAIRMEN

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Debi Hamblet	Lynn Denlinger	Julia Hayes	Bev Edwards, PNP
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“Gathering, Growing, and Giving with Grace and Gratitude”

2023 PROVINCE CONVENTION INFORMATION

Alpha

October 27-29, 2023

Hostess Chapter: Alpha Omicron, Terre Haute, IN

Convention CH: Karen Allen, PNP

Location: Drury Plaza Hotel, 9625 N Meridian St, Indianapolis, IN

Alpha Prov Ch: Debi Hamblet

“Cheers to 100 years”

Beta

September 29 - October 1, 2023

Hostess Chapter: Alpha Rho, Chesterton, IN

Convention CH: Lauren Thorstad

Location: Blue Chip Casino & Hotel, 777 Blue Chip Dr, Michigan City, IN 46360

Alpha Prov Ch: Kelly Anthony

Delta

November 10-12, 2023

Hostess Chapter: Lambda Sigma, Phoenix, AZ

Convention CH: Bonnie Wells, PNP/Nicole Johnson

Location:

Delta Prov Ch: Brenda Moore

“The 5 C’s of Arizona”

Epsilon

October 20-22, 2023

Hostess Chapter: Omicron Pi, Bethel, MO

Convention CH: Tammy Greenwell

Location: Mid-West Premium Entertainment Venue, Burlington, IA

Epsilon Prov Ch: Julia Hayes

dtjuliahayes@gmail.com

Eta

October 6-8, 2023

Hostess Chapter: Lambda Alpha, Tacoma, WA

Convention CH: Linda Lamb

Location: LaQuinta Hotel, Tacoma, WA

Eta Prov Ch: Bev Edwards, PNP

“City of Destiny”

Gamma

October 13-15, 2023

Hostess Chapter: Kappa Xi, Brookville, OH

Convention CH: Junior Cruca

Location: Hilton Garden Inn, 3520 Pentagon Park Blvd., Beavercreek, OH 45431

Gamma Prov Ch: Lynn Denlinger

“2nd Hand Rose”

Theta

September 22-24, 2023

Hostess Chapter: Nu Tau, Greenwood, IN

Convention CH: Robin Randolph-DeClue

Location: Hilton Garden Inn Indianapolis South/Greenwood, 5255 Noggle Way, Indianapolis, IN 46237

Theta Prov Ch: Marylynne Winslow

“Happy 120th Edwardian Birthday, Delta Theta Tau”

Zeta

November 4, 2023

Hostess Chapter: Xi Omega, Hurst, TX

Convention CH:

Location:

Zeta Prov Ch: Denise Bedore Cutter

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ALPHA PROVINCE CHAIRMAN

Hello my Sisters! My name is Debi Hamblet and I am the 2023 Alpha Province Chairman. I have been a member of Delta Theta Tau for 8 years. My original chapter was Alpha Omicron from Terre Haute, IN, where I served as Vice President and Recording Secretary. Since I live on the eastside of Indianapolis, driving to Terre Haute seemed too far after a while, especially during the winter. Wanting to stay in Alpha province, I decided to transfer to Lambda Nu in Mooresville, IN, where I currently serve as Pledge Supervisor.

I have been married to my husband Craig for 6 years and have a stepdaughter, stepson, and two wonderful grandchildren. I have been formally retired for 3 years but currently work part time at my old position of Data Security Coordinator at Franciscan Alliance. Interests include traveling, card playing (especially euchre), reading and cruising. I have 3 cruises planned for this year, mostly in the Caribbean.

I look forward to serving as your province chairman this year in any way. I want to invite you all to the **Alpha Province Convention the weekend of October 27th**. We will be **celebrating the 100th anniversary of Alpha Omicron chapter**. What could possibly be better than a birthday party?!! **Debi Hamblet**



Beta Province Chairman

Hello Delta Sisters! I am honored to introduce myself as the 2023 Beta Province Chairman. I have been a member of Tau Chapter, Valparaiso, Indiana for almost 13 years and have held various offices, including Publicity Chair, Pledge Supervisor, co-chair of our Fairy Tale Ball fundraiser, and currently as Vice President. Serving my community as a member of Delta Theta Tau sorority and also at Valparaiso University as the Director of Government and Community Relations enhances my personal and professional development, but even more importantly brings together an inspiring group of ladies that I'm proud to call sisters.

The sisters of Beta Province have been hard at work planning the 2023 convention hosted by Alpha Rho Chapter at the **Blue-Chip Casino in Michigan City, Indiana on September 29 - October 1, 2023**. Thank you to Lauren Thornstad and her fellow Chesterton, IN sisters -- we're excited to join you in the fall! Delta love, **Kelly Anthony**

Eta Province Chairman

Eta Province and Lambda Alpha Chapter wanted to give updated information on Eta Province Convention. Lambda Alpha Chapter, Tacoma, WA. is looking forward to hosting the **City of Destiny Province Convention**. We will be at the LaQuinta, 1425 E 27th, Tacoma, WA.; come join us to explore Tacoma **October 6, 7, & 8th 2023**. There are many treasures to be found around the city. The Glass Museum, the Car Museum, Point Defiance Park and the waterfront have many restaurants and areas to explore.

I am so honored to have been elected Eta Province Chairman for 2023. I have been a member of sorority for 35 years and held many offices including Province Chair in the past but being able to do it again and meet new sisters and friends is such a joy. Thanks for letting me stay involved and active in this wonderful sorority.

Bev Edwards, PNP
Eta Province Chairman

Linda Lamb
Lambda Alpha, Convention Chairman



Gamma Province Chairman



Hello Delta Sisters,

My name is Lynn Denlinger. I have been a proud member of Delta Theta Tau for 44 years. I was a charter member of Xi Theta Chapter, New Lebanon, Ohio. When that chapter recently disbanded I was graciously accepted by my wonderful sisters of Kappa Xi Chapter, Brookville, Ohio. Being able to join these fantastic ladies and making true friendships of what had been acquaintances has been a blessing in my life. I have held every chapter office numerous times and served as the Gamma PEG for nine years. My sisters of Kappa Xi have trusted me to serve as Gamma Province Chairperson for 2023. I will do my best not to let them down!

In my personal life I have been widowed for ten years. I have three surviving adult children, seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. They are scattered across this great nation of ours from north to south and east to west. I am the family genealogist and enjoy almost every type of craft.

My sisters of Kappa Xi are planning a special fun filled **"Second Hand Rose" Gamma Province Convention, October 13, 14, 15 2023 at the Hilton Garden Inn, Beavercreek, Ohio**. Consider this your first official invitation and please join us! With Delta Love, **Lynn Denlinger**



Theta Province Chairman

In this whole wide world of people there are those who can write, those who are athletic, those who are creative and then there are those who "DO." I am a DOer and I try to motivate and inspire others to DO the work with me.

For 25 years I worked at the University of Indianapolis in the Office of Admissions retiring as Associate Director of Admissions. At retirement I looked for a way to meet new people and do what I feel called to do as a Christian and that, for me, is to serve others. I was already familiar with Delta Theta Tau sorority because Shirley Green, a dear friend and one of the longest standing members of Nu Tau chapter, would ask me year after year if I would help with their Annual Artisan Craft Fair, so I joined DTT. That was 9 years ago. Since then I have been a delegate to National and Province Conventions, Chapter Publicity Chairman, Secretary, Vice President and Initiation Chaplain.

My husband, Ken, and I will soon celebrate 50 years of marriage. We were blessed with two lovely daughters who have given us five wonderful grandchildren and two sons-in-law, all of whom live out of state. I do quite a bit of traveling to keep those family connections alive and growing.

Plan, prepare and ask questions is my mantra as I assume my duties as Theta Province Chairman. My good friend and Delta Sister, Robin Randolph-DeClue, and I hope to see many of you at the **Hilton Garden Inn and Suites in Greenwood, IN, September 22-24, 2023**. The Summer Issue of GRIT will have details about the weekend as we celebrate the birthday of Delta Theta Tau with a **120th Edwardian Anniversary Party**. Much appreciation to Delta Sister, Susan Barhan, for inspiring this writing.

Delta Love,

Marylynne Winslow

Theta Province Chairman 2023

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Theta Province Convention Chairman

My name is Robin Randolph DeClue, the Province Convention Chairman for Theta province. I have only been a member of Delta Theta Tau - Nu Tau Chapter for a little over a year but have known many of the sisters for much longer and was a guest at an earlier province. I love to organize events and am looking forward to helping to plan the 2023 province convention.

My husband, Duane, and I enjoy traveling to visit members of our blended family of 6 adult children and 18 grandchildren.

I am employed at the Adult and Child Center, as a specialist in domestic violence and mental health. I have always been active in my community, volunteering with various church organizations and working with the elderly. Special acknowledgement to my Delta sister, Amie Walls for her glowing bio. Looking forward to **celebrating Delta Theta Tau, 120th Edwardian Anniversary, Province September 22-24 2023 at The Hilton Garden inn and Suites in Greenwood, IN**.

Delta Love,

Robin Randolph-DeClue

2023 Province Convention Chairman

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Zeta Province Chairman

Howdy, I would like to introduce myself. My name is Denise Custer. I was born and raised in Fort Worth, TX. I have been a teacher for more than 20 years and that's how I met my Delta sisters. Melodie B. was a co-teacher with me at a Montessori school here in Fort Worth. We became trusted friends. She told me about Delta Theta Tau and I loved everything about it. I was quickly inducted into the Sorority, and we did many philanthropy projects together for our school. One of my most memorable fundraisers was a Bag 31 Party, where more than 1/2 of the money raised went to our chapter. We also have had many pampered chef parties which are so much fun and help us raise money for our chapter as well.

I have been Province Chairman for Zeta Province in 2022 and 2023. We are **looking forward to seeing everyone in Fort Worth as we are hosting National Province here this summer!**

A little about me, I recently got married on June 17 of 2022, where my Delta sisters were there and helped me decorate. I love to travel and spent most of my summer traveling all over the United States with my husband. One of my biggest goals is to visit all of the 50 states. I'm getting very close.

I have one daughter. She is planning her wedding for February 14 of 2023. I now have 2 stepsons and I am an instant grandma. Life is good and I can't wait to see what is in plan for our Delta Chapter next.

Delta Love, **Denise Custer**

A Bit of History about GRIT

GRIT IS BORN- On June 12, 1912, at the convention in Logansport, Indiana, eleven chapters were interested in a publication for DTT. A Round Robin letter was suggested and devised. It was to go from one chapter to another, adding the latest news as it made the rounds. Any chapter delaying the letter had a fine of a \$1.00 for each week it was late.

In 1915, Bloomington, Indiana, suggested a sorority paper be edited by a Delta to be published every three months. Each chapter was to send in its news within a month and in that time Bloomington could investigate the matter and send a trial copy. The chain letter was discontinued at this time. Due to a fire, it is not known if Bloomington's idea was carried out.

At the 1916 convention, Muncie was given the assignment to publish a magazine. Cora Voisinet (Dwyer) was to edit the first issue, and it appeared in the Spring of 1917. The first issue was 20 pages. One hundred copies were printed for \$40.00. Deltas purchased a copy for 50 cents. Today there is only one copy in existence of that very first issue of GRIT.

The title GRIT stands for "Grit Wins," because it took a lot of grit to get the first issue together.

"It is very pleasing to know that our GRIT has been 'one of the ties that binds.' With little opportunity to meet in person, to know that our great work is being carried on, to get new ideas of ways to earn money, and to learn something of the personalities of those in our wide-spread chapters, all issues of GRIT have meant a great deal to all of us."..... Charline Prutzman Rector (founder)

"The word GRIT means much to you young members, but it has much deeper meaning to us older ones. We overcame obstacles that you do not dream of, and I am pleased it was selected to name our paper."..... Betsy Gordon Gibert (founder)

The office of Grand Editor was established in 1917-1918. Since the beginning, there have been many dedicated and talented editors of the official publication of GRIT. From Cora Voisinet Dwyer, Florence Ball Berry, Luenette McNaughton Rosenbush, to Georgeann Henderson, Wendy Marciniak, and Teresa McAllister. Teresa was appointed editor in 1964 and served until 1996.

NOTE: This article appeared in the Spring 2014 GRIT by Paula Neidlinger, who was Editor of GRIT at that time. Karen Allen, PNP, served as Editor of GRIT from 2014 to 2019 when she passed the torch to Doris Sanders who is currently serving as Editor of GRIT.

CHAPTER NEWS

Bakersfield, CA—Gamma Xi

In November Gamma Xi hosted our Chinese Auction, which is a fund raiser for St. Vincent de Paul. All proceeds went to the annual Thanksgiving Dinner for the homeless. Seventy-five guests attended the dinner and live auction. Thanks to the generosity of our guests we were able to donate \$2600 to help with Thanksgiving dinner.

Our sorority sisters are now sending invitations for our 44th annual Fashion Show Luncheon, which is held at a local country club. This event also benefits St. Vincent de Paul programs for the homeless. The luncheon includes a boutique, 50/50 drawing, and drawings for numerous gift baskets. We hope to raise an amount equal to our Chinese Auction proceeds.

Gamma Xi members have several different activities that involve volunteer hours. One member knits and crochets scarves and slippers for shelters. All of us use hours to gather donations to different community projects. Two members have donated many hours to hospitals and convalescent facilities. One member donates hours at a Lions Club fair booth to raise funds for eye care and glasses those in need. Our chapter President is a member of the Bakersfield Art Association. She helps the association with events and also teaches art classes. All members try to help local non-profits across the city and county.

Pamela Moore

Bethel, MO - Omicron Pi

On November 8th several of our Delta sisters were busy making homemade noodles for our annual fundraiser Oodles of Noodles. 110 trays of noodles were made and then later delivered to those who had ordered them! A huge shoutout to these ladies for their labors of love that blessed many tables during holiday celebrations!



Oodles of Noodles—Sister Amanda Cook showing off the noodles. December brought a few fun events that we were able to participate in. On December 3rd our chapter entered a float into the 2nd Annual Shelbyville Christmas parade. We decorated a golf cart with Christmas splendor and joined other floats in passing out candy and greeting those that came to watch. December 8th we sponsored a Blood Drive in conjunction with the Red Cross. And we had our annual Delta Christmas Party at the Bethel Fest Hall on December 11th. This party was a great time of fellowship!

Ashley Dunn

Brazil, IN - Alpha Omega

Is it Spring yet? By the time we go to print, we will have weathered the winter and managed to raise funds, given of our time and donated money. Neither Jack Frost nipping at our noses, ice, nor the threat of snow storms have stopped Alpha Omega Chapter!

Fall fundraisers, of Delt Dash 5k and Cheeseballs, brought in nearly \$9,000.00 to be used toward the philanthropic good of our community. This Spring, we are currently working on two of the following annual fundraisers:

Spring always has us selling geraniums, both potted and hanging baskets with trailing ivy. Each of our sisters has several repeat customers year after year who look forward to the thought of Spring and adding color to their landscapes. We take orders until mid-March with delivery at the end of April. Just in time for Mother's Day!



Y'all won't want to miss this! The Taste Treat Luncheon committee is working on a Kentucky Derby themed luncheon which will be held April 8th. Roses, fancy hats and fascinators will be a must with this fun theme! We're fixin' to make Mint Julep Lemonade, Kentucky Hot Brown Dip, Bourbon Meatballs, Pulled Pork with Peach & Vidalia Onion Chutney, Southern Pimento Mac & Cheese and Kentucky Butter Cake. There will be at least 30 different recipes this year. Y'all will be full as a tick with this fancy feast!

Applications were dropped off at our two county schools for the Math Scholarship that is awarded by Alpha Omega each year. The scholarship is available to two students annually and is given in memory of Lucia Pierce. Lucia was a member of Deltas and a math teacher in our local high school for many years.

This month's picture, included with our news, is a collage of Sisters enjoying the holidays. As we continue through 2023, let's remember the personal commitments we made with a new year and put to good use the gifts that God has given us.

Delta Love,
Cindy McKinney

Brookville, IN - Eta Kappa

Eta Kappa Chapter in Brookville, IN began tying these cozy lap blankets in September. We are nearing our goal to present each resident at the Brookville Health Care Facility with a personal birthday gift throughout 2023. Making handmade items by members is just one



Front L-R: Beth Kaiser, Joy Bishop, Patty Jo Nierste, Margo Feebeck, Katie Almon, Joyce Lovins, Jan Bauman, Brittney Doth

Back L-R: Taylor Erfman, Becky Lanning, Cheryl Hall, Becky Meyer, Judy White, Linda Holman, Wilma Ogle

example of philanthropy. Joyce Lovins has hundreds of hours knitting blankets just to give away to others. The Bears for Cops project provided handmade teddy bears to police, fire, and EMT first responders. A Deputy relayed an experience with a lost child at an event. The frightened child hugged the little bear and calmed as the situation was resolved. College Scholarships allow deserving students to attend his/her college of choice. Our chapter provides Holiday Food & Gift Cards to families that can use a helping hand. We also support the 4-H Queen Contest and the future Exhibit Hall.

Members accumulate volunteer hours by helping out at the community food bank, assisting seniors, and going into schools to assist teachers.

Margo Feebeck

Brookville, OH - Kappa Xi

Blessings Delta sisters and like you I sure am hopeful for Spring that can't be far behind this up and down temperature weather! Ohio is known for its temperature differences and the week we have just experienced proves just that. How about 62 degrees! Then 38 degrees the next day. Yesterday was 72 and today they are predicting snow and 32! Oh well..... everything happens for a reason....not sure what, but we'll eventually learn!

The sisters of Kappa Xi Chapter are happy to have all made it through celebrating the holidays and now getting ready for our great Spring Fling Bingo on March 21, 2023. As in the past all prizes will be beautiful purse/handbags! Our Bingo participants love this and we even have several guys that come to play....some with spouses and some Single! Oh my! I am sure you have found in your Chapter with the rise in cost of everything that we are having to have deep discussions on pricing things...like in our Delta Diner! We are trying hard to keep everything the same, but it's a challenge when you don't find items at special sale prices anymore. We keep trying!

Our Showboat Committee has been meeting and doing the planning for our production April 28th and 29th! The title this year is 'Delta Showboat 2023 Country Gospel Jubilee'! It will be a mix of gospel/religious songs, country music and of course military. Lots of special acts and of course the usual added

joking around to make it fun! The chorus will soon be meeting for practices every week and the Showboat Band too! We are so blessed to have the talent from all the folks from the community that come out and join us to perform for this annual money-making philanthropy project. This makes us able to present that scholarship to a graduating Brookville Senior every year that going into a health related field,

Many other projects are going on for our group also such as always helping the school, our City and parks, the food banks and Blessing Boxes plus many more! That's about it for now Delta Sisters! We hopefully will get to see some of you at our Spring Fling Bingo in March or Delta Showboat in April! Enjoy the beauty of Spring and be thankful for Life!

Delta Love,
Vicki Mills

Chesterton, IN - Alpha Rho

As we are looking forward to spring and the warmer weather it brings, we are also looking forward to initiating more members into our chapter. Our newest pledge is named Laura Finke as we are planning initiation in May along with our other pledge Dee Dee Emery. Our chapter is growing.

We have begun workshops at our monthly meetings making all kinds of fun and wonderful ideas as we are co-hosting Beta Province Convention with Kappa Rho-New Carlisle on September 29-October 1, 2023, at the Blue-Chip Casino and Hotel in Michigan City, Indiana. "DIAMONDS ARE A GIRL'S BEST FRIEND". We are planning a great weekend with a lot of fun, prizes and of course bling! We will be celebrating with all Delta sister's attending as it's our 100th year anniversary.

Our Spring fundraising will already be kicked off as this issue of GRIT will be coming to our mailboxes.

Our May flower sales of geraniums and mixed flowering baskets will be delivered. We will be awarding scholarships to our Chesterton High School scholars and one very special person will be awarded the Nursing Scholarship named for our sister JoAnn Goldman who passed several years ago in her honor. Our Bunco game fundraising night to support our Relay for Life Cancer for Porter County will be held June 9th. Last year's was such a success and we are hoping to build on it again. Our chapter already has our Delta team active and volunteering. Our team's name is "Friends". We have held a Super Bowl Fundraiser for the football game day. Our newest fundraising project is selling Raise Right scrip/gift cards.

Alpha Rho is building on our volunteer hours again this year, donating our time and monies to our Duneland community.

We support and give desserts to Westchester Meals delivered to those who need meals and other food bank giveaways. Deliver fruit and craft items to a local senior living center. Volunteer our time at the Chesterton Art Fair, have a Pampered Chef fundraiser

before Thanksgiving in November. Sell greeting cards "Cards for A Cause". Host a Bunco game night for Relay for Life. Sell small individual pizzas from a local pizza place. Support and give to MAKES (Make A Kid Smile) makskids.org a program assisting foster families help children in the Child Services transition to home. We sell our flowering plants and deliver them the week before Mother's Day. We are always kicking around the idea to have a trivia night...it will get set and organized and I will share about it one day.

Karen Wixted

Cuyahoga Falls, OH - Xi Gamma

The Cuyahoga Falls Xi Gamma chapter went to a nice restaurant



for our Christmas Party. We had a gift exchange and nice meal that was enjoyed by all that attended.

We supported and worked with Christmas for Kids in Lodi, Ohio, sponsoring a family for Christmas. This spring we will be doing a gift card raffle, so watch for the notice on the website. There will be a lot of nice gift cards! This will be one of our fundraisers. We look forward to sharing this with other chapters. Thanks for the purchase in advance.

Diana Siman

Dunkirk, IN - Zeta Chi

The weather is crazy here in Indiana. We are so ready for spring!

After a slow winter, we're ready to get down to business. We start out the year selling Terri Lynn Nuts and Wicks Pies. In February, we send Valentine's Day cards to our alumni, and we give treats to the residents of our local nursing home. We play Bingo with the residents of the Jay County Retirement Center in March. We take snacks and white elephant gifts for prizes. This is one of our favorite activities, so we all look forward to going there. The Sisters usually go out to eat after that, which is always a good time with a lot of laughs. We help with the Easter Egg Hunt at the park on April 1. We're planning to try a new fundraiser that day as well. We will be selling Swayzee Tenderloins. It's a bag of 10 frozen (8 oz) breaded tenderloins for \$27.00 to prepare at home. They can be baked, fried, deep fried, or air fried. Our Anniversary Party is also in April. We invite our alumni to join us for food and fellowship. In May, we will award our scholarships to some Jay County High School Seniors. This is our main philanthropy project, and we strive to give as many scholarships as we can. That pretty well wraps up our busy spring. Hope your spring is busy and enjoyable as well.

Marla Grady

Elwood, IN - Beta

Members of Beta worked hard and sold over 600 cheeseballs again this Holiday Season. Now with these monies we prepare to serve organizations in our community. We continue to serve meals at Harmony House, a homeless shelter, donate to community needs and are looking forward to helping a new center to serve school children with afterschool activities and homework help.

Beverly Austin, PNP

Franklin, IN - Lambda Eta

Kelley Hartman is leading our spring Scrapbooking fundraiser. The event has been very successful and gotten bigger over the years. We are moving to a larger facility to better accommodate everyone. This spring we are asking croppers to wear their comfy pajamas and bring a pillow to donate to Sleep in Heavenly Peace. We are also designating profits from this event to Sleep in Heavenly Peace. We hope that by identifying a specific organization that we can bring more attention to the organizations that we support.

The chapter will be celebrating our 64th birthday. We are planning on making and donating birthday cake gift bags to the local food pantry. Each gift bag will include a cake mix, can of soda and icing for the family celebrating a birthday. We will add instructions and thank them for helping us celebrate our 64 years of service to the community.



Plans are in the works to travel down yonder to Fort Worth, Texas for the 2023 National Convention. Lambda Eta will be sponsoring the Raffle Room so get those dollars ready. There is sure to be a room full of highfalutin items to pique your interest.

Several sisters were able to attend the Shake It Off Shindig. They really enjoyed the casual atmosphere, had a lot of fun and enjoyed meeting sisters from several chapters.

Special thoughts, hugs and prayers to our sisters who are having difficult times.

Dakota Rose

Greenwood, IN - Nu Tau

"It is terribly amusing how many different climates of feeling one can go through in a day." Anne Morrow Lindbergh

It is early morning and my conscience has awakened me earlier than I usually rise because it reminded me that I NEED to write an article for the GRIT to share with all of you. The first climate of my day today is the feeling of panic that I must get busy and get this job done!

This is the issue when I am to tell you all about how the members of the Nu Tau Chapter in Greenwood, Indiana

spends our Volunteer Hours. It is a long list of things, because we are Blessed with so many talents among us. We are small but very busy.

We had our monthly meeting just last night (2.7.23.) We are currently busy planning to host this years Province Convention on September 22 -24 at the Hilton Garden Inn right here in Greenwood. It will be our 120th year and we will be celebrating our Anniversary with an Edwardian Theme because that was the time we all began in, so come prepared for a look back at our roots. We do hope you will all come (and bring something to dress in appropriately.)

We also discussed adding a new connection with a Senior Citizen's Group to our list of organizations we support in our local community. There are several outreach missions that we devote volunteer hours to. Mostly we apply our efforts to services that touch upon what each of us is passionate about.

Better Indy Babies (B.I.B.S) a food and baby supply pantry for young mothers, is focused on providing necessary food and baby items for under-privileged young mothers in order to improve the high infant mortality rate in Marion County. We work in coordination with the Healthy Families a Division of Health Net, who screens and refers these young mothers for those services.

Some of us volunteer to assist with tutoring at one of the public schools in our area. We tutor after school several days a week. Some of us assist in the classroom during the day.

There is a Monthly Community Lunch in our area that serves those less fortunate among us. Several of our Sisters provide food and food services for these under-privileged in our community. The University of Indianapolis (UINDY) provides a Food Pantry for the UINDY students in need so some of us volunteer to staff that service.

There are several Food Pantries, The Wheeler Mission in downtown Indianapolis that serves the homeless, as well as Fletcher Place Community Center that serves the needs of an underprivileged community near us. They require volunteers to maintain their services. These pantries need shoppers to keep their shelves full and some of us are really good at finding those bargains!

Several of us are quite handy with sewing, knitting, crocheting, etc. and they make items that meet many needs such as baby quilts for B.I.B.S, caps and clothing for premature babies among other things. We do this through an organization called Circles of Love and Riley Children's Hospital as well as the B.I.B.S Program previously mentioned. Along with that we include Police, Fire Departments and First Responder support work.

I have spoken before about how during the Pandemic we made money to support our philanthropic contributions by making and selling dog biscuits at local Farmers Markets. We continue to do this occasionally. Some of us are bakers and some of us are sellers. Our services also require assisting with some animal shelters and their services. One of our members works closely with two of these organizations, Far Fetched Dog Rescue and Chihuahua Rescue and something called S.O.A.R. (Street Outreach Animal Rescue.)

We have a retired Children's Librarian who assists at one of our Branch Libraries. She helps with maintaining the children's collection, keeping it in working order and with Children's Storytime Programs as well as other odd tasks when needed.

We have established an annual commitment to a Foster Children's Camp that happens one week out of the year. We do enjoy giving back to children for all the joy they bring to us. This camp serves as an opportunity for siblings who are in the Foster Care System to spend a week together. We put

on a Birthday Party Day for them when they can pick a gift for their sibling, make a card and a cake for them to give each other and have a party to celebrate their birthdays. We do all the shopping for the gifts, the cards and the cakes to decorate. It is a rollicking, frolicking good time for all!

Well, those are the highlights of our Volunteering. I am sure that I have forgotten something but these are the ways we follow our passions and spend our volunteering hours at Delta Theta Tau in the Nu Tau Chapter.

By the time you read this article we will have celebrated the 50th Anniversary of our Chapter AND the 50th quilt made by one of our Founding Members, and current President, Karen Lackey! She has been and continues to BE an inspiration to all of us. She has made many more quilts (600+!) over the years but this 50 is her count for the past 6 months. She likes to do this to keep her busy during the Fall and Winter months when she is not gardening. Keep following your passions, whatever they are.

Susan G. Barhan

Huntington, IN—Alpha Delta

We used our February 2023 meeting to celebrate our own Alice Wiley and her upcoming 80th Birthday. Spearheaded by her daughter, MAL, Laura Olivero, Alice was surprised with cards, gifts, decorations, and a birthday "cheesecake cake". Alice holds the honor of being our longest current active member and until just a couple of years ago, easily surpassed us all in volunteer hours, giving of her heart and her time at the local Dream Center in Huntington. Alice was initiated as a Delt on July 10, 1961, and will celebrate her 62nd Sorority Anniversary this year. She is truly an inspiration to us all. Alice sure makes 80 look like a piece of cake!

Cindy Kelley

Lawrenceville, IL—Beta Xi

Winter is really here! We have had some really cold days lately. Our group has been busy with purchasing glasses for elementary students who are in need. This is a full-time project for our chapter. Also, Scholarship applications are out now at our 2 county high schools. We give 4 \$500 scholarships each year. For Thanksgiving we gave 3 families a wonderful dinner. It was a Wal-Mart pick up for them. We order the food and all they have to do is pick it up and do the cooking! These families are always so thankful for this help. Our "Christmas for a Child" project was a fun trip for all of us. We shopped for 35 students and their siblings. We shop and line our carts up to be checked



out. The store loves to see us coming. We buy each child a toy or two, some clothes, books and some games. We have found they like the art and craft items. We wrap all the gifts, and the parents pick them up at our elementary school. This is a very fulfilling project for us. Some of us have been on this committee for 10 years! We held our annual Christmas dinner and auction Dec. 13. All of our members were present. We had a catered meal and no one had to cook. Our auction made about \$500, we had some really great items to bid on. This money goes into our Scholarship fund. It was a great evening of food and sisterhood. We will have our Spring Tea soon. We will welcome some new prospective members who are interested in joining our chapter. Of course, we are looking forward to Spring and better weather. Spring projects are starting to come together.

Denise Dickerson

Lewisburg, OH - Phi

Our chapter just had a sub fundraiser and did very well. We use a local pizza shop. They do all the work we just take orders and then deliver them. So easy and very good profit.

Please keep one of our members in your prayers as she has been in ICU. Margie Koenig

Hope to see y'all in Texas. I have been searching the flight status since December.



Kathy Leyes

Lynn, IN - Iota Mu

I am so ready for Spring!

Spring is a time of rebirth. Everything is growing up through the ground, green and the colors are beautiful. Iota Mu is also working this Spring on growing our membership. We are gathering prospective members by inviting them to our socials and any moneymaking projects.

Spring also means nominations and election of chapter officers. We appreciate our officers and all that they do.

We are having our second Chicken Dinner of the year. The money earned will help us provide items to the veteran's home, provide wood, mattress', sheets and blankets to an organization that makes beds for children who do not have a bed to sleep in and our Annual Nurse's Scholarship.

Delta Love,

Laura Gullett, PNP

Marion, IN - Sigma

Hello Sisters! In November our chapter celebrated Thanksgiving with a mini fundraiser "dine and donate". Members and friends got together for a home cooked meal, and everyone chipped in \$10 to our treasury! It

was an extra bonus for our Christmas angel gifting in December. Sisters met for an evening of shopping for clothes and toys for 3 children from Marion elementary school, and a little girl of a Veteran single dad. After our shopping spree we enjoyed fellowship at a favorite Mexican restaurant.

Up next are preparations for our annual fundraising motorcycle ride. So glad the days are getting longer...spring cannot be far away!

Debra Certain

Monticello, IN - Delta Chi

Hello Ladies!

Delta Chi in Monticello has been very busy this Year. Dog Treats were made and sold in Nov.

Mums were sold in the Fall, Apple Dumplings were made and sold in the Fall ...Orders taken to the community and others sold at a Fall Festival.

Our annual Ham Loaf make was a success in November and we will be having another one in April. Again, orders taken, made on one particular day and picked up after nine that same day.

They are yum yum so delish.

Bunco has become an addition to our fund-raising projects.

And finally, we will have our annual Geranium sale in the Spring. I am sure we are all ready for Spring.

We were able to help 5 families at Christmas time with funds from our projects, among other things we were able to help with in the community.

Great Job Ladies..Proud of each and every one of you.

Delta Love,
Sara Clark

Mooreville, IN - Lambda Nu

It's warming up and we are so excited! Lambda Nu ended 2022 by volunteering at Mooreville's annual Victorian Christmas. Members put together and handed out 500 ornament kits for families to take home and make. We also gathered to celebrate Christmas and our sisterhood with a pitch-in and gift exchange.

In January, we



Photo L-R: Kay Webb, Tammy Thompson, Dacia Overbey



awarded our 2nd Teacher of the Semester Award to a Broadcast Media teacher at Monrovia High School. This teacher was



recognized for his leadership, inspiration, and ability to increase participation in the broadcast media program. Lambda Nu members, Terry Riester, PNP, also hosted the Shake It Off Shindig in January. This was such a fun social event for Delta Theta Tau sisters. We were very pleased to see so many people show up and enjoy a delicious homemade lunch (and Terry's famous homemade cheesecake) and play Bingo together. Members from Lambda Epsilon (Plainfield) joined Lambda Nu and enjoyed taking time in February to create just over 100 Valentine's Day cards that were distributed to senior living communities in Mooresville and Camby.

We are hosting our 39th annual Crafty Bear Fare in June and registrations have already started coming in. We are also getting things in order for our annual Flag Town 5K in August.

Happy Spring from Lambda Nu!
Kaylee Riester

Muncie, IN - Alpha

Although we are rushing it, I think it is safe to say Alpha Chapter members are ready for Spring! We had a fun-filled Christmas party at Carolyn Skillen's home where we revealed our secret pals and enjoyed great food! We never lack for conversation and lots of laughter. Our chapter had another successful year selling cheeseballs and Wick's pies. Once again we were able to fund all of our philanthropic projects! Our chapter is co-hosting the 2024 Alpha Province convention. We are in the beginning stages of the planning process. Stay tuned for more details.

Ruth Ann Tolle

Murfreesboro, TN - Omicron Omega

Omicron Omega chapter has had a busy winter. To close out 2022 we packaged and distributed Thanksgiving meals at Greenhouse Ministries, donated gift cards to



Picture L-R: Caroline Morris, Nichole Reel, Kaylee Laflamme, Suzi Palmer, Justine Laflamme, Sarah Goddard, Heather Laflamme, and Regina Hannigan.

Isaiah House for local foster kids, and shopped for gifts for an angel tree child, For January, we teamed up with others in the community to wrap 15,700 diapers for babies in Middle Tennessee. As we continue 2023, we look forward to cleaning up local greenways, packaging food, making donations, and partnering with new organizations in the area.

Delta Love,
Michelle Hoover

New Paris, OH - Gamma Pi

Delts never rest and Gamma Pi sure has been very busy since November. In November, we were able to assemble and deliver over 150 fruit and baked good baskets to people in our community on the Sunday before Thanksgiving. We also deliver poinsettias to those who cannot have the baskets. In early December, we gathered for our Christmas party at The New Hope Church. We enjoyed a great meal catered by a few of the church members, played Christmas Bingo, and had a Christmas ornament gift exchange. Several of our MAL members were able to join us for a fun evening of sisterhood.

Gamma Pi sisters stay busy during basketball season at National Trail High School. On home game nights you will see our sisters taking tickets. This is a great way to pick up volunteer hours during the winter. In February, we delivered over 1,500 Valentine cards to area nursing homes. Some of the Valentine's were handmade by our president, Patti Hathaway. Thank you Patti for all those hours making cards! We are starting to plan our Spring Bingo that will be held in April at National Trail High School. All proceeds go to scholarships for graduating seniors at National Trail. We are also hoping to grow our chapter this spring as we plan to take in some new members.

Delta Love,
Jodi Neanen

Noblesville, IN - Eta Lambda

Eta Lambda is back to meeting again after taking the month of January off. Our last meeting was the first part of December when we had our Christmas party. So far the weather hasn't been that bad, just cold. Most of our members have stayed healthy and it was nice to get together again and catch up on how everyone is doing. As a chapter we are in the midst of making a major decision as to whether we want to stay as an active chapter or not. It has been difficult financially to pay convention expenses and we don't have a lot coming in from what fund raisers we do have. So we have been considering some other options. Hopefully it all works out.

We have made a major donation to Good Samaritan which is the local food pantry. Also donations were made to Fueled For School, a backpack program that sends food home with deserving kids for the weekend. Also a donation to the local Humane Society and we will sponsor one of our members in the cancer

relay. A cat rescue program also received a donation. Now our goal is to find some fundraisers so we can continue to support local charities.

We will be getting together in February for our chapter's anniversary party celebrating 77 years as an active chapter.

Gail Rogers

Odon, IN - Eta Beta

On behalf of the sisters of the Eta Beta chapter, I hope all had a wonderful, safe, and happy holiday season!

Our chapter ended 2022 with our biggest fundraiser of the year, selling over 120 dozen assorted home-made cookies at our "Cookie Walk" booth at the North Daviess Christmas Craft Show. The cookie booth is always a hit, and we sell out around noon every year - this year was no different. We enjoyed a Christmas dinner and secret sister gift exchange in December. A few of our sisters had the opportunity in January to provide a meal in the park for prisoners taking down lights and decorations from the Odon Spirit of Christmas display. The winter months were quiet for us, but we are gearing up for a year full of philanthropy projects. Philanthropy projects we are planning for 2023 include our upcoming Cheer Basket delivery in February. Around Valentine's Day we assemble and pass out assorted fruit baskets and deliver to members of the community who are alone or have experienced loss or difficult times over the past year. We provide birthday presents of bath wash, and deliver a birthday cake each month for our local nursing home residents. In May we will award a \$500 scholarship to a North Daviess High School graduating senior. Around the holidays we sponsor and provide gifts for 2-3 children from the Salvation Army Angel Tree. Our president, Sue Dart, works with the local Spirit of Christmas Committee in the name of Delta Theta Tau. We keep an eye out throughout the year to find and meet other needs in the community. For example, this year we donated clothing items needed for boys at the elementary school.

To finance our donations and contributions to the community we have many fundraisers. Our Arts and Appetizers fundraising events have been a big hit, including a cookie decorating class, front porch sign creating class, and an upcoming cupcake decorating class. We have additional plans for a charcuterie board class for couples. Other fundraisers include geranium sales in the Spring and pecan sales in the Fall. Last year we organized our first annual Luminary Memorial Service. Community members were invited to purchase white luminary bags in honor of loved ones. At dusk on the evening before Easter, nearly 100 glowing luminaries were placed around the banks of Odon Lake. Our local nursing home purchased almost 30 luminaries and have pledged to donate in honor of their residents every



Photo L-R: Michelle Amos, Betty Poindexter (member at large), Connie Rathgeber, Sue Dart, Kathryn Callahan, Carla Smith, and Nina Laughlin

year. This is an event near and dear to all our hearts and we look

forward to putting it on again this year and for many years to come.

Best wishes to all of our Delta sisters as you plan and execute YOUR good works and contributions to your communities this year!

With Delta Love,
Kathryn Callahan

Oxford, OH - Nu Alpha

Greetings Sisters! The ladies of Nu Alpha chapter have had a busy winter and are looking forward to an exciting Spring!

In November, we had a great time with our annual Auction of Homemade goodies. This is a fundraiser where sisters bring in various homemade items, from cookies and soup to beautifully hand embroidered tablecloths among many other items. Then they are auctioned off among our members. This is always a great fundraiser and really showcases the creative side of our talented chapter!

In January, Nu Alpha celebrated our 55th birthday! We held a party at our meeting complete with cake!

We are looking forward to April, when we host our largest fundraiser of the year: purse bingo!

This allows us to support our community through philanthropy. In addition to

donations, our chapter is very active when it comes to volunteer hours. There are many different causes we champion with our time. These include volunteering at the local hospital, school philosophy, dressing and donating bears for the Salvation Army, volunteering at the Oxford Senior Center, and so much more!

We are a busy group for sure, but we always have a good time celebrating our sisterhood!

Wishing you all a very happy and generous Spring!

Sarah Dickerson



L-Deb Cole, R- Karen Martino posing with Nu Alpha birthday cake.

Phoenix, AZ - Lambda Sigma

The girls of Lambda Sigma are anxiously waiting a break in our weather. Yes, Phoenix has had an unusually cold and rainy winter. It is not what we are used to. Our Chapter will be making jewelry this month under the tutelage of our member Dee. We plan on using our treasures at our Province Convention in November. The Province Convention plans keep moving along. We have so many ideas to incorporate our theme, we will need to edit. Nicole Johnson and myself are sharing duties and are really excited to see Delta girls in Arizona this year. We had a guest at our last meeting who would be a great fit to our chapter. Fingers are crossed.

Our newest member, Kim, has been picked up by a publisher. Her childrens' book will be written and illustrated by her. We will let you know when it is printed. MJ and Kim are volunteering at a No-kill Shelter Thrift Shop. Bonnie is volunteering time setting up a Quickbooks database for an Art Club and building props and altering costumes for a community dance/theater group. We will see you all soon in Ft. Worth.

Bonnie B. Wells, PNP

Plymouth, IN - Zeta Zeta

Hopefully by the time everyone reads this I can truthfully say "Happy Spring!"



Zeta Zeta girls are gearing up for our annual Paddle Auction on April 1. This has become one of our favorite

projects during the last five years. We have been able to 'paddle off' over 100 items each year in addition to a raffle and a silent auction. We can't thank our community enough for all of their help in securing so many items.

We celebrated the holiday season at the home of Margaret R. with a carry-in dinner and 'dirty' gift exchange. It was a great opportunity to relax and share what we are all thankful for as sisters.

We are hopeful and looking forward to welcoming new pledges into our chapter this spring. We are looking forward to posting a picture of our new members in the next issue of GRIT.

Paula Neidlinger

Portland, IN - Xi

Fun was had by all at our Cookies and Canvas Christmas party. We are lucky to have a recently retired art teacher as a returning active member. Kathy Ayers instructed the group in creating our own snowman painting. It's always nice to have our MAL ladies join us

with lots of laughs and sisterhood. Our poinsettia sales went well again this year, which were distributed at our party.

It's a Mandy Thing benefit and our Spring Online Auction and Bake Sale are our next fundraisers. Some of the other volunteer opportunities are providing meals for the Drug Coalition meetings.

Janis Fritze

Redkey, IN - Zeta Alpha



L-R: Bobbi Louck, Shelbi Blankenbaker, Linda Lowe, Jackie McCollum, Denise Selvey, SueAnn McLaughlin, Christina Hathaway

Zeta Alpha Chapter, Redkey, enjoyed making sock Gnomes as our Valentine craft of the month.

Zeta Alpha is busy getting ready for our Spring Projects:

March-Selling Florida fresh Strawberry flats & our White Elephant/ or Bake Auction.

April - selling Geranium flowers in all colors, & celebrating our chapter Anniversary Party with members, MALs & Alumni.

May- delivering flowers, & planning to attend Delt National Convention in Ft. Worth, TX.

We wish everyone a safe, healthy & blessed Spring. Hope to see YOU in July in Texas!

Kathy Nelson

Roachdale, IN—Theta Lambda

Due to some computer glitches, we have not had a Chapter News article in the last two issues of Grit.

So, we will try to catch up! One of the things that we are excited about is the addition of two new members! Duston and Bronwyn Spencer, mother and daughter, were initiated into our chapter in June! We are thrilled to have both ladies! They have been a wonderful addition!



I know this is old news, but it hasn't been in Grit and I want to include it. President Annie Cloncs attended the National Convention this past summer as our delegate. She was joined by non-delegate Diana Williams, who is our Recording Secretary and chairperson of the Flower Sales. Annie gave a very detailed, typed report on all

of the happenings at the National Convention. This was Diana's first National Convention and she had the following comments about her convention experience. "The National Convention exceeded my expectations! Being together with Delts from across the country, gathering with a common philanthropic goal and experiencing organized and professionally run sessions was incredible! And, yet, we sisters also know how to have fun with themed dinners! Highly recommend every member attend at least once!" Great advice, Diana!

Annie also gave us the good news that our chapter received some awards at National Convention! We were presented with certificates for ranking 8th in Total Volunteer Hours and ranking 10th in Volunteer Hours Per Capita for 2020-2021! Annie also attended Province Convention and brought back two more awards. We earned 4th place in Volunteer Service Hours Per Capita and 5th place in Total Volunteer Service Hours! We are very proud of our chapter for working so hard and receiving these recognitions!

This fall and winter we participated in three food-related fundraisers. The first one was at the Roachdale Ribfest, which we have done for the past few years. The second one was selling food at the Roachdale Community Building on Halloween night, which coincided with the Halloween costume contest and Halloween parade. This was our first time for this event. In December, we sold food at the Community Building for the "Christmas in Roachdale" event. Santa and Mrs. Claus were special guests! Mrs. Claus was our own sister Cathy Mandleco and Santa was her husband, Jim! This was also our first time for this event.

The Theta Lambda ladies were busy with philanthropy this Christmas season! We normally purchase poinsettias to deliver to our shut-ins, but this year the quality was not good. So, Joanie Knapp, our Vice President, decided that we should put together Christmas goodie bags and deliver those instead. It is always a rewarding experience to deliver whatever Christmas gift we have and see the smiles! We also purchased Christmas presents for two families this year. Amy Cloncs, Joanie Knapp and Nancy Buser purchased gifts for the families. Annie Cloncs, who volunteers at her local Clothes Closet, was able to find some nice new items there for the families, also. Nathan Cloncs, the son of Amy Cloncs, again graciously offered to wrap the presents that we purchased for the families. Nathan has done this for several years and we are so appreciative of his generosity with his time and talents! He loves to wrap presents! Of course, Amy helps to coordinate the gifts and helps to wrap, also! Our sincere thanks to both of them!

Other Christmas activities included our Christmas dinner and gift exchange in Greencastle at the Final Approach Restaurant at the airport. Annie Cloncs provided beautiful arrangements of flowers and evergreens for each person who attended! She also

brought her goodie bags that we look forward to each Christmas! Donna Tippin provided cute little cardboard boxes that looked like houses with candy in them. Our tables looked beautiful! Each sister also brought donations for the Roachdale Food Pantry, which now serves 32 families in the area! So, we enjoyed a wonderful evening of food, fun, fellowship and philanthropy!



Theta Lambda "Christmas in Roachdale" workers: Front L-R: Annie Cloncs, Jim Mandleco (Santa), and Jana Brothers; Back L-R: Joanie Knapp, Cathy Mandleco (Mrs. Claus), Sally Motsch, Donna Tippin and Amy Cloncs.

Our big spring project is our flower sale. Diana Williams is in charge and does an excellent job! We hope to have another successful sale! One other spring activity is our Birthday Dinner, to celebrate our chapter's beginning. This year we will be celebrating 74 years as a chapter of Delta Theta Tau! Quite an accomplishment, we think!

Happy Spring! Have fun hunting those mushrooms!

Cheryl Marshall

San Jose, CA - Epsilon Rho

In November, our chapter had a raffle for a wreath decorated with \$500.00 in gift cards that were donated by our members. It was a great success; our profit was \$4854.00. Our Winter Party in December was held at a restaurant; an enjoyable lunch was had by all who could attend. A little rain did not dampen our spirits!

However, rain did force us to have our January meeting via ZOOM. There was lots and lots of rain, for which we are very grateful. But it was a night that no one should have been on the road, so we stayed safe in our homes and met on the small screen. The long California drought has been broken! The sad part is, so much rain came in a short amount of time, that mudslides, flooding, road closures, trees crashing on homes and beach erosion wreaked havoc on the state.

Our chapter was formed in October of 1932 and a few months later, five members went to the sixth Delta Province convention. It was held January 28 -29 1933 at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California. This was a trip of about 375 miles and without the benefit of today's freeways. At that time, there were fifteen chapters in Delta Province. The following is the delegate report from that convention, and rain once again changed everyone's plans. I hope you find this as entertaining as we did.

Delegate Report - Jan 1933

Melva, Rena, Catherine, Norma, and Dorothy were excited but disappointed girls Friday A.M. when they awakened to find it raining "cats and dogs" for they had planned to leave at four that afternoon for the Province Convention to be held at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles. Because of the rain, the dismal and disagreeable day, we were enabled to leave at two, leaving rather anxious Mother's behind.

8:45 P.M. found us trying to locate a room for five. Finally, taking a room at the Santa Barbara Hotel with two double beds. A blood-curdling scream awakened the guests of the third floor. Rena was standing in the middle of the room holding Dorothy's foot, who, when unable to sleep three to a bed, had taken refuge on the floor. Imagine your surprise to have someone pick up your foot when you were sound asleep and dreaming of sweet nothings. Saturday morning was beautiful, the roads dry and 10 o'clock found us at the Ambassador all ready to register.

Convention was thrilling, our first you see. Meetings, Banquet, with Phil Harris and Leah Rea and the boys entertaining just us, the Coconut Grove, and our blind-dates. Dorothy took the prize for this score. He was about 4 inches too low down and simply refused to wear high heels. And, of course, there was Jimmy, but no time for him, he will remain the secret sorrow of Norma, who finally won his heart. The Marble Staircase became quite the attraction when Dorothy slipped and caught her knee between the iron bars, and it took two men to pry her loose. Imagine having a man pull your leg.

We left Sunday noon in a much worse storm than when we started. The beach road was closed, and we were forced to detour 13 miles thru the mountains. Here we found part of the road under construction with water running down the road like a river. You guessed where the roadbed was and drove blindly on in the rain. The valley was flooded and in places even the road was 8 inches under water.

Three miles south of Buelton we were the first to reach an accident, where we rendered aid. They used our lights in order to see to get the men out of the wreckage. We flagged down oncoming cars, swept the road and Melva quieted the patient. We were held up here over an hour then finally on our way arriving home and ready for bed by 2 A.M. Monday morning. It was a grand trip - just ask the girls.

These five ladies certainly embodied the spirit Delta Theta Tau.

Cindy Gimenez



Seneca, IL – Zeta Upsilon

We are so excited to have Spring in sight! The Sisters of Zeta Upsilon are again working with Seneca High School to interview and award outstanding Seniors with scholarships to further their education. We are honored to give one senior a scholarship in Louise Brucker's name. A retired nurse, Louise was a beloved sister in our chapter for many years. She housed many student teachers for the high school agriculture department and was loved by many.

A few other blooming ideas this Spring include the Hop into Spring Raffle. We will be selling tickets for a garden wagon full of outdoor goodies, like flower pots, garden gloves, yard games, sidewalk chalk, and Easter stuff. It's sure to be a hit! And we can't wait for our annual Flower Sale in May!

Finally, a warm welcome to our newest Sisters! **We are thrilled to welcome Joy Johnson, Ashley Hoover, Bonnie Olson, Whitney Olson, and Katie Corrigan. Our sisterhood is stronger because of you!**

With Delta Love,
Janice Johnson



Seymour, IN - Theta Zeta

Volunteer Hours:

The Sisters of Theta Zeta Chapter enjoy sharing time in the community. Some of our favorite volunteer projects include ringing the bell for the Salvation Army's Red Kettle Campaign every year. An organization in Seymour operates a Christmas miracle program. In addition to donating funds, Theta Zeta also chose to donate time by wrapping gifts one evening. It was a great way to help the organization as well as meet other groups of volunteers from our community. Another way we like to share our time is by spending one evening a month restocking shelves and bagging up food for a local food pantry. Since this is a small environment, four or five of our gals rotate on the schedule each month.

Kathy Brown, Brianne Miller ring the Salvation Army Bell. Lisa Zike, Bernie Bryant, Cindy Winslow, Vickie Burrell wrap gifts for Sertoma Christmas Miracle. Lisa Zike, Lori Bentley, Cindy Winslow stock shelves at Provisions Inc. Food Pantry.



Fundraisers:

The Theta Zeta Chapter has one fundraiser which we repeat two times a year. We have a Spring BLINGO and a Fall BLINGO. It is played like normal Bingo. However, the prizes are jewelry and handbags from a local fashion store. We have an elaborate raffle table of items donated from businesses in the community or from our very own sisters. We are fortunate to have one of our own trained on the Bingo machine. Our ladies work in the kitchen and provide food for our guests. Each member makes items for our snack/dessert table. We have raffle tickets for the gift table as well as a 50/50 raffle. This event brings in over \$5,000 each session that we can use to donate to various needs in our area.

If you are interested in attending one of our BLINGO nights, contact our chapter to be added to the email list. Our next BLINGO will be Tuesday, March 28, 2023.

Bernie Bryant

Shelbyville, IN – Zeta Lambda

The joy of togetherness with others who share love for the arts and crafting is so uplifting! Zeta Lambda sisters can attest to that following the chapter's successful Crop and Craft fundraising event held in March. Nearly 40 participants added to the blended sounds of laughter, visiting, music, and periodic singing while they worked on projects close to their hearts during the daylong event. This year's second Annual Crop & Craft Day will be September 16 in the St. Vincent De Paul Catholic Church Hall, 4218 E. Michigan Road, Shelbyville from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Be watching for more details and registration information late this summer on either Delta Theta Tau Sorority Zeta Lambda chapter's Facebook page or www.giftandhobbyshow.com We would love for you to join us for a day of relaxation, fun, and sharing, along with great food and vendors.

Profits help fund scholarships that are awarded in May to one graduating senior at each of Shelby County's five high schools. Stipends are also given to various non-profit organizations throughout the county.

LuAnn Mason

Spencer, IN - Iota, Chi

It is wonderful to see so many sisters at our meetings. So far everything is going great! We had a record sale on our famous Cheeseballs this year. Our Cookie walk was a success. We are looking into a couple fundraising projects for this year and next year. Currently we are selling tickets for our Ken Bucklew painting he donates to our sorority every year. Our next big event is selling fair ads for our fair book. Last year was the biggest fair book that has ever been printed. We are hoping to sell even more ads this year!

"If you can dream it, you can do it." - Walt Disney

Delta love,

Shelly Keasling

Tacoma, WA - Lambda Alpha

Well, we have passed the 2022 and are firmly in 2023; a year we all hope will be one of happiest, good health and growth for Delta Theta Tau.

We have a busy year ahead of us – We had a wonderful Holiday Party at the home of Susan Knobeloch, to celebrate the Christmas Season and welcome in 2023. We are already going all out for our Fund Raisers this year – We are helping the homeless through a Food Pantry at Linda Lamb's Church, gave contributions of socks, hats, scarves, etc. to an event being hosted by the Toy Rescue Mission for the homeless.

This week we had a wonderful time working with a Reb/nursing home, helping many wonderful residents make Valentine Cards, Birthday Cards (or whatever they wanted) for a few hours. We had a raffle, and everyone left very happy with their cards and small gifts. It was so successful we are planning a Mother's Day Tea for these ladies; and a separate Root Beer Float Party at the home where Glenna Miller's Mother resides, for Father's Day.

With all of this we are planning our very successful Butter Braids Sales for the Easter Holiday, and along with that we are doing a FundDrive Money maker and we will get back to you all on how that goes – our first venture.

Would you believe this is a VERY busy year for us....we are one of the hostess chapter for ETA Province to host the Mixer at National Convention in Ft. Worth, Texas. Working with Xi Epsilon Chapter in Yakima we promise a fun time for all.

Combine that with we are the Hostess Chapter for ETA Province Convention in Tacoma in October 6-8th at the LaQuinta Inn and Suites. Our Special sister Linda Lamb will serve as Convention Chairman. She and her committee are planning a wonderful Convention of Exploring the Many exciting destinations around the City....Which is why Tacoma is named "The City of Destiny". Come join us and see for yourself!!

Wishing everyone a safe end to Winter and to wonderful Flowers blooming in the Spring.

Delta Love to all,

Susan Knobeloch

Union City, IN - Lambda

Unfortunately, I am sharing sad news. Michelle Lee lost her father, Lloyd Ertle, in November. He was also the brother-in-law of Betty Oswald and Linda Wood. In December, Betty Oswald's husband, Bill, had an unscheduled open heart surgery. He is recovering nicely.

On January 30, Linda Wood lost her husband, Joe, after a brief illness. Joe was a pillar of our community. He was an electrician and owned his own business for over 40 years. He served his country as a United



States Marine in the Vietnam War. He was a true hero. Our hearts go out to all these special sisters and their families. Our sorority sisters provided funeral dinners for families and friends. It's just what we do.

On November 12, we had our annual brunch and craft auction. The theme was all about gingerbread. We served soups, salads, and desserts. Everyone loved the food and fellowship. It was very well attended.

We had a raffle for lottery tickets in the shape of a wreath and gingerbread house on Union City's shopping day. Both fundraisers profited over 2000 dollars which goes into our scholarship fund. We will be providing a gift basket to be raffled off at the Elks Cancer dance later this month.

As always, I wish good health and happiness for all of you. Spring is just around the corner.

Delta Love,
Vicki O'Connor

Valparaiso, IN - Tau

The ladies of Tau chapter celebrated the holiday season with our annual Christmas Carousel in early December. Our fellow sister, Andrea Colson, was gracious enough to host this event in her beautiful home. Once again, we were blessed to celebrate with past, present, and future Delta sisters. We spent the evening eating, drinking, chatting, laughing, and raising money for our social fund. Our 50/50 raffle and "Blind Auction" were both successful and entertaining. The Christmas cheer continued with a surprise visit from the big guy himself-Santa! His jingle bells got everyone's attention so he could share which sisters made the naughty or nice list...lots of laughs on Santa's lap were had. Needless to say, Tau chapter made the "nice list" for all the hard work and fundraising they accomplished throughout 2022.

A new year means its time to start planning for another successful year of fundraising for our community. Tau sisters are in the beginning stages of planning our 2nd annual Fairy Tale Ball. We are excited to provide this magical experience to princes and princesses of all ages



again this summer. We are currently deciding which organization we will be partnering with to make this day an unforgettable event. Stay tuned for more updates!

We hope 2023 is off to a healthy and happy start for all our fellow sisters. The warmer temps, greener grass, and bluer skies impact our moods in a positive way, just like our dedication and contributions positively impact our communities. According to Leo Tolstoy, "Spring is the time of plans and projects." Happy Spring!

Kelly Van Wagner

Warsaw, IN - Beta Zeta

Three of our members attended Province Convention in Muncie IN October 7-9. We were awarded a certificate for philanthropy hours – we placed 5th place for hours per capita. They also had a memorial service for Donita, our member who passed away May 5 of 2022.

We initiated and welcomed a new member November 2, 2022.

We sponsored 2 families with gifts for Christmas. We had a Christmas Party at the home of Jennifer Simpson and Dana Hatfield. Jennifer cooked a wonderful meal for all to enjoy. Her and Dana were excellent hostesses! We had a gift exchange and played games.

On January 18, we celebrated our Anniversary Dinner at the Boathouse Restaurant with 9 members present.

Hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and New Year! Everyone stay healthy and safe.

Maria McGrath

Celebrations / Milestones

Bethel, MO - Omicron Pi

A surprise birthday party was held for Joyce Halterman on November 26th to celebrate her 90th birthday! Happy Birthday Joyce!

Ashley Dunn



Greenwood, IN - Nu Tau

On March 22nd, 2023, the Nu Tau Chapter celebrated its 50th Anniversary. We have also duly celebrated and feted one of the founding members who started us back then, Karen Lackey! Thank you, Karen, for not only "founding us" but also for helping several of us "find ourselves" along the path of providing for the needs of our Community through the Volunteer Work

promoted by the Delta Theta Tau/Nu Tau Chapter. You have inspired us and provided a fine example for us and many others along the way. Above all, thanks for hanging in there with all of us over the years. My how time flies! Congratulations on receiving that 50 yr. pin Karen!

Susan G. Barhan



Shelbyville, IN - Zeta Lambda

Members had card showers for Delt sister Jenny Procell's 95th birthday, member Roxanne Schutt's birthday, and Sara Keesling's 79th birthday, and to bring encouragement to sisters Sara Keesling and Connie McGraw for their lengthy hospital stays and recent rehabilitations.

Zeta Lambda chapter celebrated its 85th birthday in March. Delt sister Veanna Kessler noted that throughout that period of time our chapter has made considerable contributions to the community, not only monetarily but also through volunteerism. She prepared and submitted Zeta Lambda as a nominee for one of numerous awards presented by the Shelbyville Chamber of Commerce during its Annual Gala Awards Night. Award recipients will be honored in early April.

LuAnn Mason

In Memoriam

Elwood, IN - Beta

Our sincere condolences go to Active members Marcy Fry and her daughter Kaylie Phillips on their recent losses. Marcy's father, James Cole (wife Beth, deceased was active member) and Marcy's husband Mel Fry. Marcy first lost a dear family friend, a few days later, Jim Cole passed, and just a few days later Mel Fry. Marcy, Kaylie and the rest of the family are continuing in our prayers.

Beverly Austin, PNP

Muncie, IN - Alpha

Alpha Chapter is saddened by the death of Barbara Jean Cox on February 23, 2023. She was 92 years old and a long standing member of Delta Theta Tau. Barb was born February 7, 1930. She was a spirited, fun-loving person! Our thoughts continue to be with her family.

Ruth Ann Tolle

Roachdale, IN - Theta Lambda

It is with great sadness that Theta Lambda announces the passing of James Richard "Dick" Crosby, husband of active member Liz Crosby. Dick passed to his Heavenly Home on July 18, 2022. Dick and Liz

enjoyed 62 years of married life together. He is also survived by daughter, Julie Heron, and two grandchildren, Reece Heron and Jenny Heron, along with 5 sisters-in-law and one brother-in-law.

Dick graduated from Roachdale High School. After he graduated, he started working in the telecommunications field. He worked first at Thomas Telephone in Roachdale, then General Telephone in Greencastle and, lastly, at Verizon until 1991, when he retired.

Dick enjoyed trapshooting and was a big fan of Purdue basketball and football. He loved spending time with his family. He was a member of the Roachdale Presbyterian Church for over 50 years and the Masonic Lodge for 60 years.

Dick was such a nice and fun person and will be missed. Our prayers and sincere sympathy go out to Liz and her family!

Cheryl Marshall

Shelbyville, IN - Zeta Lambda

Condolences were shared with Delt sisters Sara Keesling and Edie Keesling following the passing of Catherine Tribby Keesling, 95, a life-long resident of Knightstown, Ind. Catherine is Sara's mother-in-law and Edie's grandmother. May she rest in peace.

LuAnn Mason

Valparaiso, IN - Tau

Tau chapter is saddened to share that Jane Kubal passed away on December 10, 2022. She was 66 years old and a 1978 graduate from Ball State University. She was a Real Estate Broker Associate and had many other talents such as singing, dancing, drawing, writing poetry, and cooking. Jane was a longtime member and past President of Tau chapter. She will surely be missed by many. Our deepest condolences to Jane's family.

Kelly Van Wagner

Alumnae Association

Chapter News

Greensburg, IN - Delta Lambda - Gamma

The Chapter gathered in December at the Market Street Grille in Harrison Ohio for our Christmas party. It was a lovely evening, hosted by Pat Ewing and Kathy Nobbe. We enjoyed good food and fellowship.

We will start meeting monthly again in March for regular business meetings, but until then are enjoying time with our families, and trying to stay warm in the temperamental Indiana winter weather. Happy Spring to all of our Sisters.

Theresa Schwering

In Memoriam

Los Angeles, CA - Delta Tau - Beta

It is with a heavy heart that I write of the passing of a dear Delta sister, June Capp. June loved Delta Theta Tau and kept that love alive until her death on January 6, 2023, at the age of 108. I first met June when I visited her as the sole member of her alum association when I was Western Counselor (an office we no longer have). June was one of my first visitations as a National Officer. I was somewhat intimidated when I went to her house but was soon put at ease. We went to breakfast that morning and she was disappointed for me, because we didn't see any stars...we were at a coffee shop that many of the LA actors frequented, I was told. I visited her often throughout the years whenever I was in the Los Angeles area and always came away feeling loved, appreciated and so grateful that I had seen her. In fact, one of the times I visited, I stopped at a nearby market to pick up some pastry and was in line behind Candice Bergan. June loved hearing about that. The last time I visited June, we said the Delta Prayer together. This is a special memory of mine. She was so happy to be a part of our sorority. June was a true Delta, embodying all our sorority stands for. She was initiated into Delta Theta Tau Chapter, Los Angeles, CA on June 17, 1953. She had many stories of her time in the chapter and what fun she and her sorority sisters had. I loved hearing all the stories of so long ago and seeing her many pictures. June and her sister were members together and would attend all the conventions. They would exchange their dresses each year and the pictures showed this. June said her sister would come over before convention and say, "OK, what dress am I wearing this year?" She became an alumnae member of Delta Tau-Beta on March 19, 1965 and continued her membership as an active alum until her death. For many years she was the only member of Delta Tau-Beta, taking great pride in her membership, writing "June Capp is the only remaining member of this Alumnae" on the form she sent in each year. I will greatly miss her but feel so blessed that I had her friendship and care for so many years.

Dona Mostafa, PNP

Winchester, IN - Beta Nu - Gamma

Beta Nu-Gamma is sad to announce the passing of Janice Botkin on December 31, 2022. Janice was the last of her immediate family, and is survived by two step-children and their families. Jan was initiated into Beta Nu Chapter in May 1957 shortly after her high school graduation. During her 65 years as a Delt, she held most chapter offices many times and actively supported all our activities and events. We will miss her kind and loving spirit.

Betty Greenawalt

New Arrivals

Brookville, IN - Eta Kappa

Eta Kappa Chapter is pleased to announce the arrival of Bellamy Clare Bauman. Bellamy was born October 27, 2022. She began at 6 lb. 2 oz. Baby look at you now! Bellamy is Jan Bauman's first grandchild. She is being held by proud daddy, Heath Bauman.

Margo Feebeck



Mooreville, IN - Lambda Nu

Thomas Liam Riester made his debut on December 9, 2022. He weighed in at 7 lbs, 4 ozs and measured 20.5" long. Mommy, Daddy and baby are all doing well. Papaw and Gram, (Tom and Terry Riester) were overjoyed, but cousin Emilia just couldn't wait to hold the new baby. He was finally out of Aunt Stacey's tummy. She can't wait to teach him how to ride a scooter.

Terry Riester, PNP



(top) Thomas Liam Riester
 (left) Mommy, Daddy and baby
 (middle) Papaw and Gram,
 (Tom and Terry Riester)
 (bottom) Cousin Emilia just
 couldn't wait to hold him.

New Paris, OH - Gamma Pi

Gamma Pi active member Susan Zurwell and her husband, Joe, welcomed their first grandchild into the world in December. Jensen Dean Zurwell was born on December 7, 2022 to Joey and Jennifer Zurwell and big sister Kylee. He weighed 7 pounds 4 ounces and was 21 inches long. Jensen is also the great grandson of active Joyce Neanen and great aunts active Dana Anderson and Jodi Neanen. This great aunt may be partial but he is a cutie! Congratulations!



Jodi Neanen

San Jose, CA - Epsilon Rho

Kelton and Ashley Nevins welcome their first-born child, Marshall Scott Nevins. He was born November 12, 2022 (3 weeks early by emergency c-section). He weighed 6lbs 7oz and 18 3/4 inches long. Marshall is 3 months old now and a complete joy. They love watching him grow and seeing his personality starting to shine.

Cindy McKinney



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PUBLICITY CHAIRMAN SPECIAL NEWS SUBMISSIONS:

Autumn—August 10:

- A. Feature delegate and non-delegates' outstanding National Convention highlights and reflections (for Chapter News)
- B. Highlights and photographs from National Convention
- C. Province Convention information will be duplicated from summer issue (send changes if needed from summer issue)

Winter—November 10:

- A. Province Convention highlights and articles from delegates (for Chapter News)
- B. Outstanding memories of the year (for Chapter News)

Spring—February 10:

- A. Chapter's philanthropy projects and fundraisers. What Projects does your Chapter do and/or Volunteer Hours? (for Chapter News)

Summer—April 10:

- A. Specific accomplishments of the outgoing chapter officers and members (for Chapter News)
- B. Fall Province Convention information and dates (will be duplicated in Autumn Issue)

REGULAR SECTIONS FOR ALL FOUR ISSUES INCLUDE:

- A. Chapter News
- B. Celebrations / Milestones
- C. New Members
- D. New Arrivals
- E. In Memoriam
- F. A Delta Moves
- G. Delta Star

When submitting an article, please indicate the following information:

- A. Issue (example: Autumn, Winter, etc.)
- B. Section (example: Chapter News, etc.)
- C. Chapter Name, City, State
- D. Your name

Subject line of email: City, State, Chapter

Submissions by computer:

- A. Attach articles using MS Word or type your article in the body of the email - **NO PDF OR GOOGLE DOCUMENTS PLEASE**
- B. Preferred Format: 12 pt.; Arial Font, Single Spaced

Photographs:

- A. Identify the people in every photograph (example: Front row (left to right); Back row (left to right))
- B. Photographs requested as part of the issue are published at no cost
- C. **One photograph per section is published at no cost**
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 - 1. \$200.00 Full page
 - 2. \$100.00 Half page
 - 3. \$50.00 Quarter page
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GRIT SPECIAL FEATURES:

National President: The President's Message will be featured in each issue with a photo display of her many activities for inspiring and leading this organization.

Delta Home Directorate: The Directorate may submit articles and pictures in any and all issues.

Past National Presidents: "From The Back Row" for sharing where you are and what you are doing - managed by MJ Litz

Chairman of Nominating Committee: Summer Issue—An introductory article and a 1/4 page article for each candidate along with respective picture will appear in the Summer Issue.

Philanthropy Committee: Spring or Summer Issue—An article, with the committee's picture, providing a report of the Midyear Meeting.

PROVINCE HOSTESS CHAPTERS and PROVINCE CHAIRMAN FOR 2022-2023

2022 Province Chairmen: Each Chairman is to submit a half-page **review** of their Province Convention **with respective pictures** to appear in the **2022 Winter Issue**. **The submission should also include winners of awards and newly elected 2023 Province Chairman.**

2023 Province Chairmen: Each elected Province Chairman is to submit a quarter-page article about herself and send your personal picture to appear in the **2022 Winter or 2023 Spring Issue**.

For the **2023 Summer Issue** (may be repeated in the 2023 Autumn Issue), tell us the exciting plans for delegates and non-delegates to your conventions. Province Convention dates and specific information regarding site, theme, and any additional information pertinent to your convention should be included in the article. **Pictures are always welcomed!!**

2023 Province Convention Chairman: This is your time to shine! Each newly elected Province Convention Chairman is to submit a quarter-page article about herself and send your personal picture to appear in the **2022 Winter or 2023 Spring Issue**.

NATIONAL CONVENTION COORDINATORS:

2023 Convention Coordinator: One page with Coordinator's personal picture, including Convention and Hostess information will be submitted for the **2022 Autumn Issue**.

Coordinator will submit additional information for the **2022 Winter Issue**.

A one-page article and all reservation forms will be submitted for the **2023 Spring Issue**.

The **2023 Summer Issue** will provide a complete preview by the Coordinator—including one picture; a one-page article with photographs from each Hostess Chapter will be submitted; also the reservation forms will be duplicated from the 2023 Spring Issue.

A half-page article of appreciation and a financial statement with photograph will appear in the **2023 Autumn Issue**.

*Hostess Chapters may submit brief summary articles with one photograph each for their respective socials and events.

2024 Convention Coordinator: One page with Coordinator's personal picture, including Convention and Hostess information will be submitted for the **2023 Autumn Issue**.

Coordinator will submit additional information for the **2023 Winter Issue**

A one-page article and all reservation forms will be submitted for the **2024 Spring Issue**.

The **2024 Summer Issue** will provide a complete preview by the Coordinator—including one picture; a one-page article with photographs from each Hostess Chapter will be submitted; also the reservation forms will be duplicated from the 2024 Spring Issue.

A half-page article of appreciation and a financial statement with photograph will appear in the **2024 Autumn Issue**.

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2025 Convention Coordinator: Ads for the sites and hotels to be considered by the delegates to the 2024 Convention will be submitted for the **2024 Summer Issue**.

APPROVED SUPPLIERS 2022-2023

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Robes

\$70.00 includes postage and handling
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Checks should be made payable to **Delta Theta Tau Sorority, Inc.**, and they must accompany any and all orders.

No orders will be filled without Remittance Advice Form #7.

Bylaws, each	\$5.00
Replacement Charters	\$1.00
DTT Brochures	FREE
Dues Books	\$1.00
Form #4 Individual Membership Record/sheet	\$0.15
Form #5 Chapter Treasurer's Record/sheet	\$0.15
Form #6 Chapter Treasurer's Record/sheet	\$0.15
Form #7 Remittance Advice/sheet	\$0.15
Form #8 Change in Membership Status/sheet	\$0.15
Form #11 Chapter Roll Call Record/sheet	\$0.15
Form #41 Chapter Officers Instructions (1 set)	\$5.00
Form #46 DTT Membership Guide (replaces Ten Standard Questions)	\$0.30
Membership Application Forms (each)	\$0.15
Membership Cards—regular (each)	\$0.75
Membership Cards—25 and 50 year (each)	\$0.75
Pledge Cards—members (each)	\$0.05
Pledge Cards—patroness (each)	\$0.15
Delta Prayer (each)	\$0.25
Ritual (if copy lost, \$5.00 fine)	FREE
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Delta Loyalty Song (each)	\$0.15
Initiation Song (each)	\$0.15
Golden 50 Club Certificate	FREE
DTT Stationary (12 sheets)	\$1.00
DTT Envelopes (12)	\$2.00

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