

**94<sup>th</sup> Epsilon Province Convention  
October 21-23, 2022  
Fairview Heights, IL**

The 94<sup>th</sup> Epsilon Province Convention of Delta Theta Tau Sorority Inc. convened at 9:00 AM October 22, 2022, at the Four Point Sheraton, Fairview Heights, IL.

**WELCOME**

The Province Chairwoman, Julia Hayes called the meeting to order and introduced the Convention Coordinator, Evonne Albert, Xi Phi, Marissa, IL who thanked Crystal Wilson; current Sales Director for helping with the planning of the Epsilon Province to make it a memorable event. The Province Chair Julia Hayes, opened the business meeting with the Delta Opening Ceremony and Delta Prayer.

**INITIATION CEREMONY**

A model initiation ceremony was performed by DEG, Kendra Olson's team. Her team consisted of:

- \*Pontifex Prima: Kelly Marrs, Xi Phi, Marissa, IL
- \*Chaplain: Donna Cathcart, Xi Phi, Marissa, IL
- \*Sergeant-at-Arms: Marilyn Calvert, Xi Phi, Marissa, IL
- \*Pledge Supervisor: Trish Rushing, Xi Phi, Marissa, IL
- \*Initiates: Gloria Harms, Xi Phi, Marissa, IL  
Jan Lee, Omicron Psi, Red Bud, IL
- \*Sister Delta: Martha Wagner, Xi Phi, Marissa, IL

**MEMORIAL SERVICE**

Jenny Wade, National Vice President, conducted the Memorial Service for the following Delta Sisters who passed during the past year:

1. Jo Denison	MAL Beta Xi	Lawrenceville, IL	8/30/2021
2. Nancy Trickett	MAL Beta Xi	Lawrenceville, IL	9/7/2021
3. Dorothy Westray	Active Gamma Upsilon	West Frankfort, IL	1/4/2022
4. Betty Harris	MAL Gamma Upsilon	West Frankfort, IL	9/4/2022
5. Eleanor Beyers	Active Zeta Theta	Pana, IL	5/11/2022
6. Roberta Sealley	MAL Zeta Upsilon	Seneca, IL	8/10/2021
7. June Elwyn	MAL Theta Delta-Alpha	Sparta, IL	5/25/2021
8. Linda Coe	Active Omicron Pi	Bethel, MO	7/15/2021
9. Dorma Beck	MAL Delta Rho	Mt. Vernon, IL	2/15/2022

**OBJECT OF PROVINCE**

Province Secretary, Jeanne Stamm read the object of the Province.

**INTRODUCTIONS**

The Chair introduced the following National Officers in attendance:

- President, Julie Callis
- Vice-President, Jenny Wade
- Secretary, Kathy Haralson

Treasurer, Evonne Albert  
Secretary of Philanthropy, Mandy Allen  
Secretary Board of Trustees, Patty Jo Nierste  
Executive Secretary, Beth Wallis  
Director of Expansion and Growth, Kendra Olson  
Editor of Grit, Doris Sanders

The Chair introduced the following Past National Presidents, Past Province Chairmen, and National Committee Members in attendance:

Evonne Albert, Xi Phi, Marissa, IL. Past Province Chairman  
Debbie Barrick, Omicron Pi, Bethel, MO. Past Province Chairman  
Mekalia Cooper, Theta Delta, Sparta, IL. Nominating Committee  
Linda Dressen, Zeta Theta, Pana, IL. Past National President, Past Province Chairman  
and National Philanthropy Committee  
Cheryl Foley, Delta Rho Gamma, Mt. Vernon, IL. Past Province Chairman  
Kathy Hayes, Delta Rho Gamma, Mt. Vernon, IL. Past Province Chairman  
Kelly Marrs, Xi Phi, Marissa, IL. Publicity Committee  
Christine Miller, Past National President, Past Province Chairman  
Kay Neal, Xi Phi, Marissa, IL. Past Province Chairman  
Patty Jo Nierste, Eta Kappa, Brookville, IN. Past National Secretary  
Melanie Spangler, Omicron Alpha, Woodlawn, IL. Past Province Chairman  
Cathy Stanford, Omicron Alpha, Woodlawn, IL. Past National President,  
Past Province Chairman, 2023 National Convention Coordinator  
Jeanne Stomberski, Omicron Alpha, Woodlawn, IL. National Home Directorate  
Secretary  
Katie Wiley, Omicron Pi, Bethel, IL Nominating Committee  
Eileen Williams, Omicron Alpha, Woodlawn, IL. Past Webmaster  
Members of Delta Rho Gamma, Alumnae Chapter

The Chair introduced the following Delts serving at this convention:

Assigned Officer and Secretary of Philanthropy, Mandy Allen, Alpha Omicron, Terre  
Haute, IN  
Epsilon Province Secretary, Jeanne Stamm, Omicron Psi, Red Bud, IL  
Sergeant-at-Arm, Deb Graves, Xi Phi, Marissa, IL  
Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms, Martha Wagner, Xi Phi, Marissa, IL  
Teller; Johnna Huggins, Omicron Psi, Red Bud, IL  
Page; Jan Lee, Omicron Psi, Red Bud, IL  
Standing Rules Committee:  
Johnna Huggins, Omicron Psi, Red Bud, IL  
Kay Neal, Xi Phi, Marissa, IL  
Becky Lyles, Beta Xi, Lawrenceville, IL  
Philanthropy Committee:  
Amy Lohman, Xi Phi, Marissa, IL  
Mekalia Cooper, Theta Delta, Sparta, IL  
Katie Wiley, Omicron Pi, Bethel, IL

The Chair welcomed two new Chapters to Epsilon Province:

Pi Alpha, New Athens, IL

Pi Beta, Mascoutah, IL

### ROLL CALL

Secretary, Jeanne Stamm, called the roll with 13 chapters and 11 voting members present. The chair declared a quorum. Two chapters were absent; Gamma Lambda, Marion, IL and Delta Kappa, Anna, IL. There were 5 first time delegates and 6 first time non-delegates in attendance.

### MINUTES

The Chair announced that the minutes of the 2021 Province Convention have been approved by the Assigned Officer and there was no request to read the minutes.

The secretary read communication from two chapters not in attendance due to illness. The Chair asked the assembly what their wish was concerning the chapters being excused. If a motion is made to excuse either chapter, it requires a 2/3 vote to carry which requires a standing vote. Becky Lyles, Beta Xi, Lawrenceville, IL made a motion to excuse both chapters. The standing vote was unanimous for Gamma Lambda and Delta Kappa to be excused.

### REPORT OF COMMITTEES

#### Convention Rules

Standing Rules Committee Chair, Kay Neal, Xi Phi, Marissa, IL read the Convention Rules.

The convention rules were adopted as read.

#### Financial Report

The *Financial Report* of Province was present by Province Chairman, Julia Hayes.

#### EPSILON PROVINCE 2022 FINANCIAL REPORT

	<u>PHILANTHROPY</u>	<u>GENERAL</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Balance received from previous Chairman	\$ 0.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00
<b><u>RECEIPTS:</u></b>			
2022 Province Dues 225 X \$5.00	\$ 900.00	225.00	\$ 1125.00
PNP Province Dues Pd	4.00	1.00	5.00
Interest		0.01	0.01
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<b>RECEIPTS &amp; CARRY FORWARD</b>	<b>\$ 904.00</b>	<b>\$ 376.01</b>	<b>\$1,280.01</b>
<b><u>DISBURSEMENTS:</u></b>			
Award & Memoriam Certificates	\$	\$ ( .00)	\$ ( .00)
Postage		( .00)	( .00)
Supplies		( .00)	( .00)
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<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<b>\$ -0-</b>	<b>\$ ( .00)</b>	<b>\$ ( .00)</b>
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<b>Balance as of September 30, 2022</b>	<b>\$ 904.00</b>	<b>\$ 376.01</b>	<b>\$ 1280.01</b>

## **Standing Rules Committee**

The Standing Rules Chair, Kay Neal, Xi Phi, Marissa, IL stated that there were no proposed amendments. The Chair asked if there were any proposals for legislation from the floor.

- Evonne Albert, National Treasurer, Xi Phi, Marissa, IL submitted an amendment to Article IV Duties of the Province Chairman the current article and proposed article were read by Kay Neal. Linda Dressen, Delegate Zeta Theta, Pana, IL made a motion to accept the amendment. The motion was seconded by Becky Lyles, Beta Xi, Lawrenceville, IL the standing vote of 24 was unanimous.

### **Proposed wording:**

#### **ARTICLE IV - DUTIES OF THE PROVINCE CHAIRMAN**

The Province Chairman shall:

1. Deposit all funds received in a checking account in the name of Epsilon Province - Delta Theta Tau Sorority, Inc. held by Morgan Stanley. This account will include the General Fund and Province Philanthropic Project Fund.
    - A. Withdrawal from this account requires the signature of the Province Chairman or a Past National Officer of the Province.
    - B. Keep a record of monies disbursed and expended from each account (General Fund and Province Philanthropic Project Fund).
- Evonne also requested that Article XVII be reviewed and corrections be allowed for "spacing and typo's". Linda Dressen, Delegate Zeta Theta, Pana, IL made a motion to allow such corrections be made and a second came from Becky Lyles, Beta Xi. A standing vote of 24 was unanimous.

### **Proposed wording:**

#### **ARTICLE IV - DUTIES OF THE PROVINCE CHAIRMAN**

All chapters in the province shall be required to have a copy of these Standing Rules and Amendments on file with their Chapter President and Chapter Secretary. Copies to be obtained from the Province Chairman at the cost of seventy-five cents (\$.75) each to help defray the cost of preparation and postage, and receipts to be deposited to Epsilon Province Account and to be allotted to the General Fund. The current Province Chairman has the authority to make editorial corrections to these standing rules.

## **PHILANTHROPY REPORT**

Philanthropy Committee member, Katie Wiley, Omicron Pi, Bethel, MO reported that no projects were submitted. The Chair said that the funds will be held over for 2023 philanthropy projects.

## **DEG REPORT**

Kendra Olson mentioned that we must work on keeping and appreciating the members we do have while still looking for new ones! Kendra also reminded us about “gratitude” and to be thankful for the members we have and continue to show it by passing it on to others. She also mentioned that the Epsilon PEG, Alison Flamm, Delta Kappa, Anna, IL. was unable to attend because she was in a wedding. Her email is [alisonflamm1a@gmail.com](mailto:alisonflamm1a@gmail.com) and her cell number is 662-292-5756.

## **DELTA HOME REPORT**

Jeanne Stomerski, Secretary gave the report stating that there are nine present recipients and sadly three have passed since last year. The full report (fact sheet) as of August 2022 is attached.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

The secretary read well wish for a great province from Karen Mace, Chairman of Board of Trustee who was unable to attend because she was at the Zeta Province. The second correspondence came from Kris Trapp, 3<sup>rd</sup> Member, Board of Trustee sending her best wish and sorry she would not be able to attend but sent love and hugs until she sees us in Texas.

The meeting was recessed at 11:15 and reconvened at 1:30 pm.

## **AFTERNOON SESSION**

### **Philanthropy Committee**

The order of business was changed to again discuss the philanthropy funds. Natalie Hand, delegate from Xi Phi, Marissa made a motion to entertain that this year’s philanthropy funds (\$1130.01) be given to NFED because there were no other projects offered for consideration. A motion by Kay Neal, PPC from Xi Phi, Marissa made a motion to give NFED the 2022 allotted funds of \$1130.01, it was seconded by Mary Harvel, delegate from Omicron Psi, Red Bud and a standing vote was unanimous.

### **NFED**

The Chair recognized DTT Honorary Member, Jodi Reinhardt representing NFED to the podium. Jodi thanked her fellow sisters for helping to pass ELSA in the House, but encourage everyone to continue their diligence as the bill moves to the Senate with hopes of passing and becoming a law in 2023. She shared that they were are so grateful to DTT for our continued love and support. There are over 100 types NFED and not every child has all five issues – some only two, but they all need our help. Jodi introduced Kimberly Wallis (35) from St. Louis who told the group her story. She has IP (Incontinentia Pigmenti) since birth, but thanks to the wonderfully supportive families at NFED, she is living a productive and happy life. Before leaving the podium Chair, Julia Hayes called Evonne Albert, National Treasurer and-PPC to the podium also. Evonne explained how she challenged each and every chapter to fill their “peanut butter” jars with change at their meetings and then asked each chapter to present them to Jodi and Kimberly. A total of \$1329.61 was given to NFED, just from the jars!

Additional funds were collected for the Philanthropy project and also donated to NFED for a grand total of \$ \$3916.77 during the 2022 Province.

### **Workshops**

1<sup>st</sup> Workshop: Assigned Officer, Mandy Allen presented “5 G’s at the Flower Shop” and invited all delegates to help make beautiful bouquet showing us the meaning of the 5G’s Gathering, Growing, Giving, Grace and Gratitude.

2<sup>nd</sup> Workshop: National Officers, Evonne Albert, Jenny Wade, Kendra Olson and Patty Jo Nierste gave us a lesson on *Gathering* together.

3<sup>rd</sup> Workshop: Julie Callis, National President conducted the “Grace & Gratitude” workshop where she reminded all her sisters to think of the name of someone who was special to you; now send them a note of thanks (Gratitude) and remember that “*if you are in a good place-you did not get there along*”, so show some Grace each and every day. Just remember the 5 G’s – Gathering, Growing, Giving, Grace and Gratitude!

### **PHILANTHROPY AWARDS**

Chair, Julia Hayes read the awards and thanked each chapter for all they did in the name of Delta Theta Tau during the past year. Julie Callis, National President presented the certificates to the chapters. A copy of the Philanthropy Report Summary 2021-2022 is attached to these minutes.

### **THETA DELTA PLAQUE**

The Theta Delta (Sparta) Plaque was given to Xi Phi, Marissa, IL for having the highest Philanthropy Fund Contributions.

### **ATTENDANCE BANNER**

Secretary, Jeanne Stamm called roll of the delegates to determine the number of members in attendance. The Attendance Banner was awarded to Kappa Omicron, Wood River, IL with 57% of their sisters in attendance.

### **NATIONAL PHILANTHROPY COMMITTEE**

Linda Dressen, PNP and Secretary National Philanthropy Committee gave the report and encourage all chapters to submit a National Philanthropy Project for consideration next year.

### **NOMINATION FOR PROVINCE CHAIRMAN**

Mekalia Cooper, Delegate Theta Delta, Sparta nominated Julia Hayes, Theta Delta, Sparta as Province Chairman for the 2022-2023. There being no other nominations, Jeanne Stamm cast the elective ballot for Julia Hayes as Province Chairman for 2022-2023.

### **BIDS FOR PROVINCE 2024**

Eileen Williams, Delegate Omicron Alpha, Woodlawn made a bid to host the province for 2024. As there were no other bids, Secretary Jeanne Stamm cast the elective ballot for Omicron Alpha, Woodlawn, IL to host the 2024 Province.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The chair declared a 10-minute recess to prepare for the installation of the newly elected Province Chairman. Delegates were requested to remain in the room.

## INSTALLATION OF 2022-2023 PROVINCE CHAIRMAN

National President, Julie Callis installed Julia Hayes, Theta Delta, Sparta, IL as the 2022-2023 Epsilon Province Chairman. Julia thanked everyone for their vote of confidences and gave her contact information. Julia's current information is phone: 618-317-6261, address: 617 N St. Louis St, Sparta, IL 62286 and email: @ dtjuliahayes@gmail.com

## 95<sup>th</sup> EPSILON PROVINCE CONVENTION

Missy Killen and Katie Wiley, Omicron Pi, Bethel MO talked about the upcoming 2023 Province to be held October 20-22, 2023 at the Mid-West Premium Entertainment Venue in Burlington, IA.

## 2023 NATIONAL CONVENTION

Cathy Stanford, PNP, PPC and 2023 National Convention Chairman, Omicron Alpha, Woodlawn, IL along with National President Julie Callis preformed a "Delts Wild West" skit about the upcoming convention to be held July 12-16 in Fort Worth, TX.

The Chairman, Julia Hayes thanked everyone for attending and asked that the host chapter, Xi Phi stand and be recognized for making this convention a success with a round of applause.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mekalia Cooper, Delegate Theta Delta, Sparta IL was recognized from the floor and made a presentation on behalf of her fellow sisters to the Chairman, Julia Hayes-third generation Delt she was presented with a monogrammed DTT pillow with her mother's name.

There being no further business the 94<sup>th</sup> Province Convention was adjourned at 4:05.

  
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Jeanne Stamm, Convention Secretary

Approved:

  
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Julia Hayes, Province Chairman  
October 22, 2022

  
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Mandy Allen, Assigned Officer - Secretary of Philanthropy  
October 22, 2022

DELTA HOME PROGRAM DIRECTORATE  
FACT SHEET  
August 2022

Nine (9) individuals are presently receiving assistance. Sadly, we lost three recipients this past year.

6 live in their own home or apartment

3 live in assisted living or health care facilities or with family members

Membership Status:

3 Active members

2 Alumnae members

4 Members at Large

They reside in Arizona, California, Illinois, Indiana, Nevada, Oregon.

Total benefits of \$43,231.65 were paid in 2021-2022 from the Delta Home Fund. Since the start of the program in 1972, \$3,309,553.00 in benefits has been paid.

Gifts disbursed from the Special Gift Fund totaled \$1,090.00 in 2021-2022. This fund is used for birthday and Christmas presents, chapter and alumnae dues, GRIT subscriptions, National and Province Convention registrations along with unexpected expenses. Donations to the Special Gift Fund are needed so we can continue the level of giving to our recipients that we have done in the past.

The Directorate held its annual meeting just prior to National Convention and financial updates were reviewed and the business of the program was completed.

The investments for 2021-2022 were managed by NWQ Investment Management Co., Los Angeles, CA, Robert Bernstein Associates, New York, New York and Jackson Annuities and Insurance. Morgan Stanley Consulting Group, Indianapolis, IN holds the securities.

The Directors are as follows:

Laura Gullett, President

Brenda Watkins, Vice President

Jean Stomberski, Secretary

Terri Shannon, Treasurer

Bev Edwards

Iota Mu, Lynn, IN

Xi Omega, Hurst, TX

Omicron Alpha, Woodlawn, IL

Nu Alpha, Oxford, OH

Lambda Alpha, Tacoma, WA