

Annual Scholarships

- *Three National Scholarship Awards are given annually by the national membership to college students showing high academic achievement and financial need.*
- *Additional scholarships are awarded at the province and chapter levels as well.*

Province Convention

- *Each province holds an annual convention—or conclave. Chapters within a province take turns hosting each convention.*
- *A convention weekend may include...*
 - Achievement Contests, including skit competition*
 - Yearbook and History Book competition*
 - Luncheon and dinner banquets*
 - Educational Programs*
 - ...and the Ritual of Initiation*

National Convention

- *A 3-day biennial event, National Convention is hosted by each Province in turn. Chapters within the host province assume responsibilities to insure that a well-planned event will be enjoyed by all members in attendance.*
- *Convention activities, which include...*
 - A tour of the city and points of interest*
 - Business meetings*
 - An Educational Program*
 - Recognition for outstanding achievement*
 - Banquets, social activities & time to renew friendships and to meet new sisters...**add up to a rewarding weekend of sisterhood!*

Membership

Membership in Delta Theta Chi Sorority is by invitation from an active member. Prospective members must be 18 years of age or older, interested in the promotion of cultural education, the fostering of personal development, good citizenship, and the enjoyment of social contact with those of similar purposes and ideals.

Initial Fee & Dues

- *The initial (one-time) contract fee is \$25.*
- *Annual dues are paid to National, Province, & Chapter*

Pledging

- *Delta Theta Chi follows the sorority custom of pledging a candidate to whom an invitation of membership is extended.*
- *Before receiving an invitation, a prospective candidate must attend at least one business meeting and one social meeting.*

The Pledge Ceremony

- *During the Pledge Ceremony, the candidate is presented with a pledge pin identifying her as a pledge in our sisterhood.*
- *The embossed gold pledge pin is composed of the three Greek letters of our sorority . . .*

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Pledge Training

- *During the pledge period, the pledge is under the guidance of her Big Sister, who assumes responsibility for providing information and guidance in the familiarization of sorority rituals and customs.*

Initiation

- *Upon passing a pledge test and fulfilling all financial obligations, a candidate is accepted into full membership during the ritual of initiation with the presentation of a regulation badge.*

- *We extend to you the hand of sisterhood—to follow a learning experience path to greater joy and personal enrichment.*
- *That path is called . . .*

Delta Theta Chi

The Story of Delta Theta Chi Sorority

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This is the story of an idea...

- *An idea conceived by seven young women from far-distant universities, who met in Chicago in 1920 while engaged in post-graduate academic pursuits. . .*

- *the idea for an adult organization based on principles broader than those of the undergraduate sorority. . .*
- *one which would bring about the union of women of widely diversified interests for the purpose of furthering mutual development in friendship and culture.*
- *They unified to form such an organization and named it*

Delta Theta Chi.

- *The organization was incorporated in 1930 and declared its purposes to be...*

*the promotion of cultural education
the fostering of personal development
and good citizenship, and
the enjoyment of contact with those of
similar purpose and ideals . . .*

*through the establishment
of a nationwide fellowship.*

- *Throughout its evolution to the present organizational structure, Delta Theta Chi Sorority has never deviated from its original formula for enriching life:*

“Every day, one should at least hear a little song, read a good poem, and gaze upon a fine picture, and, if possible, speak a few sensible words.”

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The idea is to. . .

- *train the mind*
- *develop and refine judgment*
- *enrich life through the examination of the wealth of materials from the fields of art, music and literature*
- *provide continued growth. . .*

through an informal organization in the years following formal education.

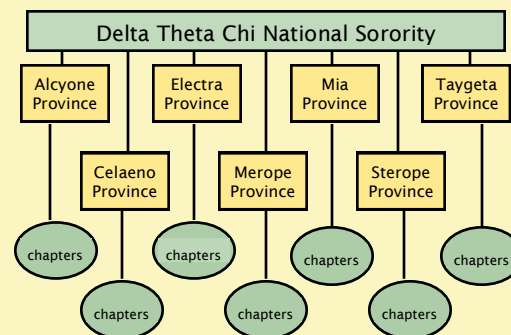
The ultimate goals of the idea are

- *The attainment of knowledge*
- *Building of character*
- *Continued intellectual growth*
- *The development of practical abilities for daily living*

Organizational Structure

- *The CHAPTER represents the basic unit of Delta Theta Chi Sorority.*
- *Each chapter unit is a part of one of seven regions, called PROVINCES.*
- *Together, the seven Provinces make up the NATIONAL ORGANIZATION.*

National—Province—Chapter Structure



Chapter Meetings

Chapter meetings are held twice monthly and usually consist of. . .

- *a business meeting*
- *an educational program*
- *social activities*

It is here that cultural programs and social contact with those of similar purposes assist in growth and development of all the attributes of a true sister.

Educational & Social Activities

- *Each local chapter unit is autonomous in developing its educational programs and social activities.*
- *As part of the national organization, the chapter is provided guidelines and materials, in order that all members are working toward a common goal.*

Community Service

- *The national organization has adopted Literacy and Breast Cancer Awareness for philanthropic purposes and encourages each chapter to choose its own method of participation in these causes.*
- *Chapter skills are matched to the needs of the local community. Opportunities for involvement in community service are wide and varied.*

Fund Raising Activities

Chapters are involved in fund raising activities, the proceeds of which assist in covering the chapter's administrative expenses. Funds raised also make possible the granting of educational scholarships and charitable donations of the chapter's choice.