



Delta Theta Chi Sorority

A NATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR WOMEN

**Taygeta
Province**

**Summer
Newsletter**

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DTC National President

Dear Taygeta Sisters,

I have missed seeing you! I will certainly be glad when we can get back to normal and have our meetings!

I just finished with the NEC Mid-Year meeting here in Lubbock at my house. We had some long days of meetings but managed to have a little rest and relaxation too. You will receive the minutes from our meeting later in the summer.

I am still planning on having the chartering ceremony for TX Gamma later this summer when everything in Cypress is clear. I know those ladies are anxious to get their chapter started. Be watching for dates for the chartering.

I hope you are saving your nickels, dimes, and quarters to attend our National Convention in South Bend, IN next June 25-27, 2021. It's just a little over a year away. It could be the next time we see each other! Some info is on the website as well as fundraisers to help with the cost of convention. Please support Celaeno Province. Keep looking this fall at the DTC website for registration information. Let's let Taygeta Province be well represented!

Have a great summer, Sisters. Stay well and be safe.

My love to you all,
Jane Harrell
National President

Taygeta Province Trustee

Hello Sisters,

I hope that you are all staying cool and well. 2020 certainly started off with a bang!! Who would have ever thought that we would witness a worldwide pandemic? It is truly amazing to me how everyone listened to and followed the guidelines of the CDC so closely, even though it was not easy on any of us.

This year DTC is celebrating 100 years of sisterhood which seems so amazing to me. Keeping any organization going for 100 years just blows my mind. Do you realize how fortunate we are to live to celebrate this milestone? I have no way of knowing if anyone will see DTC make it to 200 years but wouldn't that be amazing. I wonder if the 7 young ladies who founded DTC had any idea that their legacy would live on for so long.

We need to promote DTC every chance we get and try to increase this amazing sisterhood beyond 2020 and possibly even longer. We have a bond that goes beyond meetings and ceremonies, we have a real love for each other and women in general. I really do believe the more that you put into something (DTC), the more you get out of it.

So, sisters, Hold High the Torch of Delta Theta Chi and see the blessings that come back to you.

In Sisterly Love,
Fran Tebow
Taygeta Trustee

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Taygeta Province President

Greetings Dear Sisters,

I am so happy to see that most chapters are finding ways to get together, with patio and zoom meetings leading the way. Although it will be awhile before we can all be together, I think of you often and pray that you are healthy and happy.

As the summer progresses hopefully the fear of the pandemic will be eased, and our lives will get back to somewhat normal. I look forward to hugging my sisters again, enjoying the pleasure of laughing with you and making more wonderful memories with you.

In sisterly love,
Jeanne Reid, Taygeta Province President

OK Alpha

What a crazy year 2020 has turned out to be: sequestered, locked in, masked, gloved, distanced. Meetings curtailed, no Spring Board, no OK Alpha 100th Birthday celebration, no Founders Day, no Fall convention, no sister hugs, no fun!!

However..... from July to March, OK Alpha was still able to:

- meet our goal of \$1,000 to support Clarehouse (an end of life facility) which is our civic project.
- present financial aid (\$1000) to Tess Bachelor, our scholarship winner, in the pursuit of her education at OBU. We also got to help her decorate her dorm room.
- sell poinsettias at Christmas.
- make over 1,000 blankets (loveys) for Kids in Crisis.
- pledge and initiate two new members, Teresa Morgan and Marlene Penn.
- have awesome social events, including a hobo party, an Amish Thanksgiving, a Grinch Christmas, Initiation Brunch, and an Escape Room debacle. We did get out.
- make needed updates to our chapter Constitution, By-Laws and Standing Motions.
- and, we had an incredible 90th birthday party for our beloved Lynn Johnson.

I think that is a very productive year in eight months' time, don't you?



New Sisters
Teresa Morgan & Marlene Penn



OK Alpha Social
Marlene, Fran, Betty, Tiffany, Susan,
Nancy, Judy, and Becky

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Susan Stewart, OK Alpha President

OK Beta

Who would have believed in February of the year 2020, that **ALL** things we consider normal today would disappear like a wisp of smoke in the month of March??? Due to the corona virus, things went from normal to “Shelter at Home” and “keep social distance” between you and others. Consequently, sorority meetings were not physically held in the latter part of March and our ST. Pat’s Spud Party was cancelled. However, due to the quick thinking of our President, Lou Ella Berry, and our Recording Secretary, Carol Hanson, **ZOOM** meetings were set up for our April 14th and April 28th get-togethers which were on computers, laptops and phones, etc. Attendance was from 10 to 14 members “zooming” at one time or another, and we had openings, roll call acknowledgements, minutes read, Treasurer’s Report given and filed for audit, Standing Committee reports and any announcements that needed to be made.

Our Educational Director, Amy Seerey emailed all members videos of a delightful female comedienne, Jeanne Robertson, who entertained us with several comedy routines showing on our computers, laptops, phones, etc. My what one can do with a little deviation from the norm.



Our main Ways and Means Project, the Annual Flower Sale, was postponed for two weeks in April, due to the virus scare, but **WE HAD IT!!** We had an outdoor delivery of flowers on Tuesday before the sale, and the big delivery at the St. Stephen’s Church gymnasium on Thursday before the sale. Masked and gloved Oklahoma Betas took the delivery at the church, pulled and tagged orders. On Friday, May 1, flower-order clients were met at their vehicles by masked and gloved Betas who took their name and salesperson, went into the gym, pulled their order then personally delivered and loaded it into their vehicles. Talk about **HIGH EFFICIENCY**. We had many compliments on our helpers – Conner Berry, Lou’s grandson, and Brady and Tyler Jones, Amy’s nephews. Debbie Roberts lent us a much-appreciated hand as well. We even had time on Thursday to have a “Flower Picnic” hosted by the Social Committee, who provided drinks, chips, and desserts. We all worked hard to ensure the success of this masked and gloved adventure.

Betty Schmidt, Janie VanDeGrift,
Amy Seerey and Lou Ella Berry

A true example of “when the going gets tough . . . the tough get going!!!

LET’S GET TOUGH DELTA THETA CHI !!!

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Phyllis Henderson, OK Beta Pleiad Reporter

OK Delta

Our Celebration of Sisterhood at the 2019 National Convention was great as we had six members of our chapter attending (the most ever). The food was great, and we all had a good time together. We did 100 dimes each for Scholarships and Billie paid another member's annual dues to complete two of the required programs for our sorority year.

We had a marvelous Valentine Dinner and party hosted by Billie Shields before the shutdown and we are glad to report that Beth Smith is doing well again.

Shirley West
OK Delta Pleiad Reporter

OK Epsilon

Happy Summer Anyway!!!

These last few weeks has been a struggle for all of us, but we are strong. As I look at the list of "100 ways to celebrate" through sisterhood, friendships, personal growth or social cultural events as an individual, a Province and/or Chapter, Oklahoma Epsilon has continued to stay in touch by telephone, e-mail and FINALLY a recent meeting wearing our masks.

It was such a great feeling to see each other and celebrate that none of us had been ill however, some sisters did not attend the meeting and we missed them.

Our greatest disappointment was we felt it necessary to cancel our Province Convention as there were obvious obstacles in our way during this tragic time of the virus. We thankfully appreciate the Province Board's understanding of the cancellation.

We are happily looking forward to hosting Province Convention in October 2021, which seems a long way off, but we can look forward to National Convention in June 2021.

Blessings to all of you.

Effie Ray
OK Epsilon Pleiad Reporter

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OK Zeta

The year 2020 will be remembered for some very bad things. Fortunately, Oklahoma Zetas have stayed well to date. We hope that we can make some really good things happen when we gain a sense of normalcy. We did not have any meetings in the month of April, but we did meet in Jeannie Reid's backyard on May 5th and then again May 19th in Becky Kueffer's backyard. Both meetings were at 3:00 pm instead of our normal 6:30 pm. I trust my sisters like family, and this makes meeting face to face easier.

I hope we can focus on civic projects that will help those affected by the pandemic circumstances.

Recruiting new members may be harder than ever to instill trust for some individuals, but we will continue to try.



Jeanne Reid, Laura Kitchen, Linda Elkins, Becky Kueffer, Vicki Cramer, Bobbie Jones

We want to send blessing to all our sisters to stay safe and healthy.

In Sisterly Love,
Linda Elkins, OK Zeta President

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TX Beta

Texas Beta had an official Centennial Celebration in recognition of Delta Theta Chi's "100-year anniversary." Sandy Mayfield hosted a Roaring 20's gala in her home October 22, 2019. Those who wanted to, came in full costume. We had 6 ladies present for the fun event. Sandy displayed a "write-up" about Delta Theta Chi's beginning and presented each sister with a refrigerator magnet she had purchased online, signifying the 1920-2020 span of time that Delta Theta Chi has been in existence. We had a nice dinner and the table was decorated in silver and white--and lots of food. In keeping with 100 Ways to Celebrate Sisterhood/Friendships, Texas Beta has donated over 100 cans and non-perishable items to a senior food pantry and have completed 50 Random Acts of Kindness toward their goal of 100!

The pandemic slowed us down a bit but we are going to make sure we hit this goal. We honored a local high school student, Ebony Moss, with a \$500 scholarship to continue her education. In keeping with meeting traditions, we found a way to meet for our May and June business meeting – ZOOM. Great to see a few faces from out of town – Peggy Witcher and Carol George.



Robin Frank, Nancy Goss, Judy Bassler, Sandy Mayfield, and Jane Fitzgerald



June Butler



Robin Frank, Sandy Mayfield and June Butler



The story of Delta Theta Chi's beginning



Time to eat!



Miss Ebony Moss
TX Beta Scholarship Winner

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TX Zeta

I am looking forward to the summer months and hopefully they will be free somewhat free of COVID 19. I really hoping that we soon be able to spend time with one another and give sisterly hugs.

There is little news as TX Zeta has not been meeting, however we are attempting to schedule a June meeting/social. We will also do this in July. August should bring us back to a more normal time; however, I expect our normal will have changed and we will adjust, cope and grow.

I encourage all to continue to reach out in any way possible to your Sisters. I know I am grateful for any communication or time with my Sisters. I hope your summer is full of good health and safety.

Remember every woman needs a Sister, another woman to share her thoughts and goals, so jump at any chance to introduce Delta Theta Chi to your friends.

Sheron Braden, TX Zeta President

TX Nu

Texas Nu was well represented at the 2019 National Convention in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Lots of fun and the events well organized and informative. Lots of visiting and photos with sisters from other Provinces. Best of all our sister Jane Harrell installed as our National President.

After celebrating the National Convention in June, November 1st-3rd nine sisters attended the Cowgirls in Cowtown in Fort Worth, Texas. Some of the sisters attended the rodeo at the Cowtown Coliseum and had a great time. We had very good meals and the educational program on Saturday kept our interest in the speaker. That night we had a toe taping band with lots of dancing. Sunday morning meeting and installation of new officers and then heading home.

Some of the great programs of celebrating 100 year included:

- “Women’s Right to Vote 100 Years Ago”
- “Different Changes and Aspects 1920-2020” the program incorporated different homes, dress styles and foods. The meal had food dishes popular during this time-period.
- “100 Years of Women and Music” presented with videos and pictures of outstanding women in music during this time.
- We have celebrated in dress to signify the 100 years and bringing 100 items of zip ties, pipe cleaners, note pads, 100 piece puzzle , crackers, clothes pins, cake toppers, cotton balls and other things with the chapter president dressed in a red shiny flapper dress.
- One of the ways we celebrated through sisterhood was to donate 100 cans of pull top soups to Meals on Wheels for their weekend food pantry meals.

Veronyka Vance, Texas Nu Chapter Pleiad Reporter

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Province Pleiad Editor

Greetings to my dear sisters,

Oh, how disappointed I am to not be able to see you this fall at Province convention. But we shall all together again as soon as it is safe to do so. Looking forward to Spring Board and National Convention next year!

My hope and prayer are that all of you are doing well and staying safe during this pandemic. I know we have had a few scary moments, but God answered our prayers and gave us the outcome desired for which I am very grateful.

A few quick thoughts:

You can change the world – maybe not all at once, but one person, one animal, and on good deed at a time. Wake up every morning and pretend like what you do makes a difference. It does. (from 29 Gifts.)

We must not allow the clock, the calendar, and external pressures to rule our lives and blind us to the fact the each individual moment of our lives is a beautiful mystery and a miracle – especially those moments we spend in the presence of a loved one.

Thanks to all of the reporters for their timeliness in getting their articles in. It was greatly appreciated and helped me get our submission to National ready on time.

Let's always remember to love each other and to take care of those around us.

In sisterly love,
June Butler, Taygeta Province Pleiad Editor
TX Beta