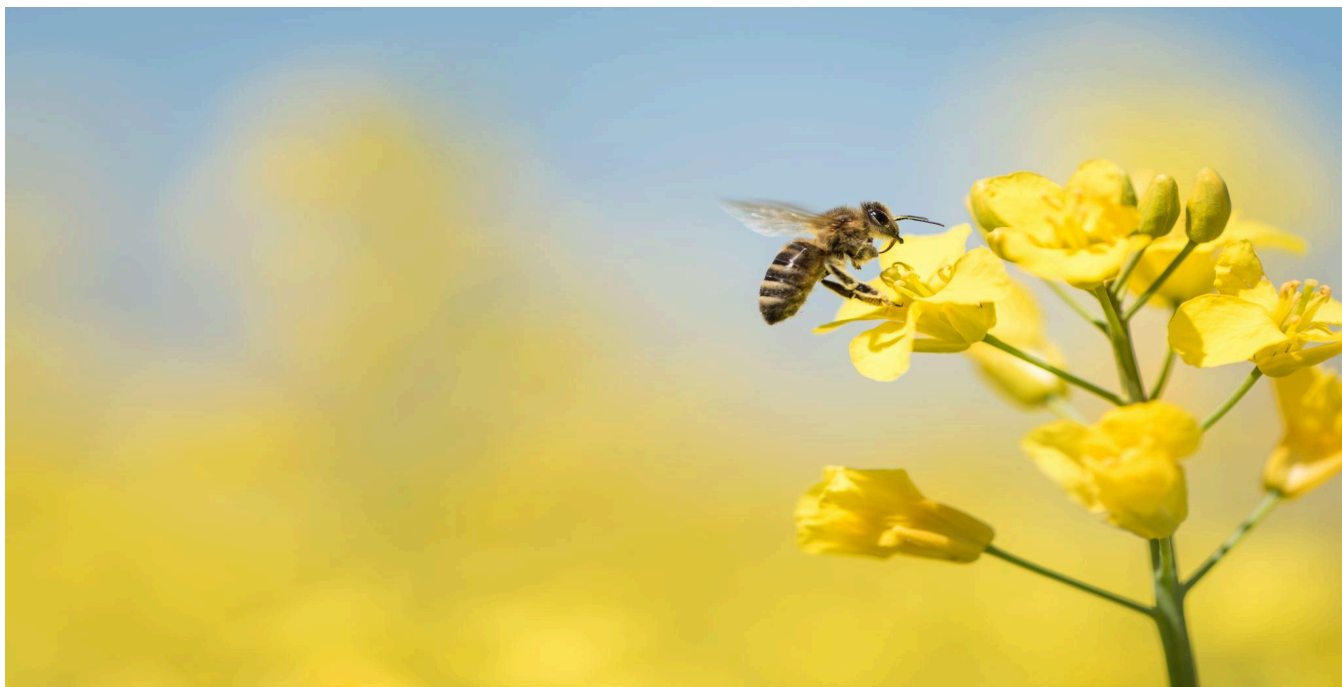




Delta Theta Chi Sorority

A NATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR WOMEN



Celeano's Spring Pleiad



"We Are Stronger Together"





Sandy Pixey, Celaeno Province President, IN Eta 2025-2026

This year's theme "We are Stronger Together" carries many meanings for me. My mom and sorority big sister Betty Vaughn, IN Eta passed away May 24, 2025, at the age of 101. She truly loved this sisterhood and was an 80-year member. She paid dues all that time. All the dues and donations from sorority sisters have enabled the sorority to be stronger together to accomplish so much including scholarships, helping the community and countless acts of kindness.

Among her sorority files - carefully saved over the decades - I found a Delta Theta Chi National Pleiad (Winter, 1969, Volume 6, Number 2). Seeing those old pages with Marie Graham as the editor felt like stepping back through the history my mom lived through. The President's Message from National President Dorothy K. White reminded sisters then and still reminds us now about how we are stronger together. She wrote, " " ...United we stand..." the quote "In unity there is strength:" these are so much a part of our knowledge, we seldom realize what we're saying as we utter these words. These are not cliches; they are the truisms of our future." " She further writes "...with your unity..., we do indeed become bound together as one close organization unified in spreading nationwide the philosophy of Delta Theta Chi." Even after all these years, her words ring true. Unity and being stronger together is still the heart of who we are.

When I think of our sorority, I think of the women we lean on in times of joy and times of sorrow. I think of the comfort of knowing that no matter what, Delta Theta Chi sisters surround us with love. We are stronger together because we lift one another up.

We learn together as an educational sorority – "Non Progredi Est Regredi" – "to not go forward is to go backward." We are stronger together in our learning, serving, planning, working, and making special memories that will last a lifetime.

Another piece from that same 1969 Pleiad, Florence Sedletzek, Celaeno Province Trustee wrote, "...Our Green and Gold can be the most symbolic colors of our lives – make the

Green stand for Go - go to meetings, parties, conventions, express your views, and take an active part in all affairs. By doing this, we will all be weaving Golden threads into our future. One of the genuine pleasures of Delta Theta Chi is the friendships that develop through contact and participation."

We are indeed stronger together.

Sandy Pixey, Celaeno Province President, IN Eta



**Mary Fisher, Celaeno Province, Vice President, IN Gamma
2025-2026**

As my first year holding this office, I did not really know what to expect. I am still in that learning curve!

Unfortunately, we lost one chapter this year and now we are dealing with that loss and missing our sisters.

I sit and reflect on our Sorority and what makes us *Stronger Together*.

As Vice President I am here to assist our Province where and when needed. If it helps with bringing in a new member to any chapter in our Province, I am here. If help is needed from our presiding President, I am here. If help is needed from any other board member, I am here. Making yourself available is what a sister does to make us Stronger Together.

Spring Conventions and Open Fall Board meetings are wonderful times to get to know sisters from other chapters on a more personal level. We usually enjoy a Friday evening meal together and visit which creates a closeness of Sisterhood.

We all have things we go through whether it is health problems, family problems, financial problems, or plain problems. We as sisters need to help lighten those problems by making a phone call, asking if I can give you ride. Can I make dinner for you one evening? Can I take you to a movie or shopping? Can I come by and just sit or visit with you, even play a card game? Show your support to someone in any kind of need. That is what makes us Stronger Together.

We need to grow our chapters and provinces. Showing that you can be the kind of person that is willing to be there when needed. It makes us stronger together and will make others want to join in your circle and be stronger along with you.

"Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much." ***Helen Keller***

"Together we can do great things." ***Mother Teresa***

In Sisterhood, Mary Fisher, Celaeno Vice President



**Sue Allbaugh, Celaeno Province, Educational Director, IN Gamma
2025-2026**

Dear Sisters, as I contemplate our Pleiad theme "We Are Stronger Together" I think of family & how in times of crisis whether it be illness, divorce or any other troubling time, family pulls together. As a larger unit we become stronger to face the situation, dividing up tasks & just creating a bond of strength & endurance.

Growing up on the farm & helping bale straw & hay a thin twine was worthless, the bale could not hold together & when it came to pitch it up in the hay mow it broke & then we had a mess, not enough substance to do the job. Just like our Sisterhood, the smaller the group we lack the substance to complete a task.

We cannot build a building with only 1 block; we need many to pull together to make a strong & sturdy Sisterhood structure.

In Sisterhood, Sue Allbaugh, Celaeno Educational Director



Susan Yoder, Celaeno Province, Recording Secretary, IN Eta 2025-2026

As your Celaeno Province recording secretary I am feeling overwhelmed with all the sorority responsibilities I have both in my own chapter and in the Province. I am on several committees plus the responsibilities I have as your recording secretary. Our membership in both my chapter and the Province has dwindled so low that many of us are having to do more and more to keep our heads above water. Is it making the few of us that are left stronger? Yes and no. Because I'm on so many committees I have contact with members more often. I have made friendships all over the country

and I cherish them. Would I ever regret becoming a member of Delta Theta Chi? Absolutely not! I don't have the answer as to why we can't get women to join us, I only know that we must in order to stay strong.

Susan Yoder, Celeano Province Recording Secretary



Carol Larson, Celaeno Province, Corresponding Secretary, IN Eta 25-26

"We are stronger together"

We are down to 7 members in ETA Chapter. Having lost 4 long time members has made us work harder and stronger together. Barb Parker, Betty Nelson, Betty Vaughn, and Pat Tubbs were the glue that made us stronger. Nancy Whipple has left also. These were all very strong leaders. We try to "stay strong together " so Delta Theta Chi can hold the torches high.

In Sisterly Love

Carol Larson, Province, Corresponding Secretary



Ricki Weaver, Celaeno Province, Treasurer, IN Eta 2025-2026

Stronger together is Better together. There are so many things in life that are simply better when they are paired — peanut butter & jelly, macaroni & cheese, root beer & pizza. You get the idea. Some things just make more sense when they're side by side.

But what does that look like in sisterhood? To me, "stronger and better together" shows up in the small things just as much as the big ones. It's helping a sister when you know she's having a hard time. It might look like sending a few emails for someone who's overwhelmed, picking a sister up for a physical therapy appointment, or dropping off a meal after surgery. Sometimes it's as simple as sending a card so she knows she isn't walking through her situation alone. When we show up for each other, the load gets lighter — many hands make light work, right? The hard things become a little more bearable, because together we're better equipped to handle whatever life hands us. Whether that's surgery, an illness, a convention, or a board meeting, it's all better when we have each other.

And it's not just in times of need. In a committee or project, everyone brings their own ideas, energy, and expertise. When we combine our strengths, the outcome is richer, smoother, and more meaningful than anything we could create on our own.

That's the heart of sisterhood:

We don't just stand beside each other — we lift, support, encourage, and strengthen each other. We are, truly, stronger together.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ricki Weaver, Celaeno Province Treasurer



Becky Bowman, Celaeno Province, Senior Past President, IN Kappa

There were many factors culminating in my decision to move to Indianapolis 3 years ago. I served as Corresponding Secretary and Sgt-at-Arms for IN Kappa while also serving as Celaeno Province Trustee and continued with those Chapter offices after my term as Trustee was completed.

With IN Kappa's Charter moved to Indianapolis, I now have the honor and duty of taking on all offices in IN Kappa until we have recruited new members. I believe that it is possible for IN Kappa to grow again and I am doing whatever is possible to make that happen.

Please join our prayers for the successful growth of not only IN Kappa, but also Celaeno Province.

In Sisterly Love,
Becky Bowman, Sr. Past President



Deb Hood, Celaeno Province, Trustee, IN Gamma



WE ARE STRONGER TOGETHER

As Celaeno Province National Trustee, I am meeting monthly with the National Board. I have learned so much about the strength of our sisterhood and how we can assist our sisters. I would hope each chapter would reach out to me for anything that I could help address.

One of my duties as Trustee is being in charge of the National Scholarship and Marie Miller Graham/Sue Drelinger Scholarships. This is a wonderful way to show students a way to further their education and expose them to our sisterhood. After the scholarship time has passed, take time to reach out to the ladies who may or may not

get a scholarship to see if they might be interested in affiliation in our sisterhood. It never hurts to ask.

Yours in Sisterhood, Deb Hood Celaeno Province Trustee



IN Gamma

I am big on communication, and if we keep our lines open and keep each other informed, we can only become stronger together.

One of the things I have done to keep us strong is to inform members of information that may have been missed by not being at our business meeting.

We had one meeting this year that was cancelled because several were out of town and several were ill. Did I let them skip out on that meeting? That answer is NO. I scanned everything into my computer or downloaded it then compiled everything into an email. This included the minutes, treasurers report and the educational. Just waited for someone to approve what needed to be approved and the rest they could be read at their leisure. At our next meeting people seemed to enjoy not missing out on anything. This is what makes us stronger together.

I am working hard to not only make us grow but be much stronger together.

Mary Fisher, President IN Gamma



WE ARE STRONGER TOGETHER

Indiana Gamma chapter continues to grow stronger together by our outreach.

Our sisters help with:

- “Buddy Bags” at the schools which help children have food for the weekends who may not otherwise have food.
- “Meals on Wheels” to seniors who may not have meals that they are able to prepare themselves.

- Also, we have a sister who sews quilts for WIC (Women, Infants and Children), 2 nursing homes, the fire department, sheriff department, and police department in her town.
- Giving \$300.00 Scholarships to each of our local high schools by selling flowers twice a year.
- Free Library funded and stocked by our sisters.

Each of these outreach items help us focus on others while we work together.

Deb Hood, Indiana Gamma Chapter reporter



IN Eta

In Eta Chapter has grown stronger as our membership continues to dwindle. Because we now only have 6 active members and 2 life members, we find ourselves having to do multiple jobs, with smaller committees, which keeps our small chapter getting together on a more frequent basis. When our chapter was large, with numbers in the 1970's being 40 women it was hard to find a place large enough to have a meeting. Not so today! Even the smallest home can accommodate us. Those of us who are left are trying mightily to keep going.

Susan Yoder, reporting for IN Eta



IN Kappa

As you all know, in November of 2025, Indiana Kappa held a vote to disband the chapter. A vote was taken, there was a "no" vote, so the Charter was moved to Indianapolis and resignations were presented and accepted from members Laura Albright, Judy Guy, Connie Schwering and Mary Ellen Turner effective November 30, 2025.

The members present voted to accept these resignations.

After consulting with the remaining members, the consensus decided we wanted to keep the Charter and Chapter active. Properties and records have all moved to Indianapolis.

Delayed by the most wonderful weather we have had in January, we struck out in search of new members and growth with hopes of returning to the glory days for Indiana Kappa.

We ask for prayers and support for our efforts so we can be stronger together.

In loving Sisterhood,
Becky Bowman
Indiana Kappa President.



IN Sigma

We're a small chapter still, but we are stronger together. We've been giving books the past few years to families in need. Our church has one Saturday a month that they feed families in need around Elkhart. This is where we've handed biblical books for children to preteens. With just the four members we have reached several children in the community. This next August, we're hoping to do backpacks and have school supplies in them for those children at the monthly breakfast. We're definitely small but a mighty force in the community.

In Sisterly Love,
Anna Gillam, IN Sigma

Editor:

Mary Fisher, Indiana Gamma Chapter

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