



2026-28 President's Address

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Two years ago, on the Saturday of Convention in Palm Desert, I was the most lonely I've ever been in my Delta Gamma experience. I can't explain to you exactly why I felt the way I did, but I vowed to myself as I packed up to go home, that I would do everything I could to make sure another Delta Gamma never felt that way. So I want you to have my cell phone number. Please reach out to me if you are feeling lonely, have questions, comments. [Provided cell phone number to in-person attendees. It has been redacted from this copy due to public access.] If you reach out and tell me who you are, I vow I will connect back with you or find someone who will, within 24 hours.

The second number will be one of your choice: please think of a number between 1 and 30. And at some point, in your calendar, on that date every month, make a reminder to reach out to someone. It could be a family member, someone in your support system, someone you think might need some help or a pat on the back, someone you know is struggling, or just someone who crosses your mind. If it's February and your number is 29 or 30, reach out on the 28th. You never know when a word from you will make a difference to someone who needs it that day.

And with that, just a few thoughts. Beyond my four siblings and my mother, who is 91, Delta Gamma has been the longest relationship of my life. And like any relationship that lasts, there have been seasons of joy and seasons of challenge. Times when this Fraternity carried me, and times when I hope I helped carry it forward.

Today, I want this term, this role of service, to be a love letter to Delta Gamma. To every woman who has ever worn the golden anchor. To every woman who walked into a chapter room and, perhaps without even realizing it, found people who would help shape the rest of her life.

Because that's what this Fraternity does.

If you let it, Delta Gamma will become one of the great relationships of your life. Years from now, long after this Convention, you'll look around a room like this and realize the women beside you have been there through first jobs and career changes, weddings and divorces, births and deaths, triumphs and heartbreaks. You'll walk, drive and fly hundreds of miles to celebrate a sister, to help a sister, or simply to sit beside her when words aren't enough. And one day, when you need it most, you'll look up and discover that same love waiting for you.

You'll answer the call to serve. You'll give your time, your energy and your talents—not because you have to, but because you want the women who come after you to experience what you experienced.

Whether we cheer for the Mustangs or the Sooners, the Bulldogs or the Blue Devils, we all love the anchor. Whether our game day colors are blue and white or crimson and cream, deep down we know we look best in bronze, pink and blue. We may forget our university fight songs, but somehow the words to our favorite Delta Gamma songs always come back.

Those ties, much like the rope woven through our crest, continue to bind us together across decades and across distance.

That is Delta Gamma at its best. That's what All of us are here to protect, strengthen and grow.

My hope is that every Delta Gamma—every woman in this room and every woman who joins us in the years ahead—can say with complete certainty: "This is one of the best decisions I ever made. I'm so glad a Delta Gamma believed in me."

Not just once, but throughout her life. At 22 and at 52 and at 82. When she's celebrating and when she's struggling. When she's leading and when she needs someone else to lead her.

Because that's the promise of this Fraternity: that no matter the season, you will never walk through it alone.

I am deeply honored to begin this work with you.

Delta Gamma has been the longest relationship of my life, and today it becomes my greatest responsibility.

I believe in our people. I believe in our Hope. And I believe that when women find one another, believe in one another and lift one another up, extraordinary things happen.

That's the Delta Gamma I want every member to experience.

And that's the Delta Gamma I can't wait to build with you.