



*Friendship - Love - Loyalty*



# Psi Iota Xi October 2023 Newsletter

Hello Terri,

## **A Message from National President Rhonda McNall-Crisenbery**

Most of us are mothers, sisters, daughters and/or caregivers at a point or two in our lives. Many times, we contrive to make life or a project easier. Marion Donovan did exactly that to help the lives of women everywhere; she invented a waterproof diaper cover, US Patent No. 2,556,800. She was an inventor who flourished outside of a traditional setting.

She was born in Fort Wayne, IN, (1917-1998) as Marion O'Brien, and grew up in an industrial family; whose father and uncle invented the "South Bend lathe" a tool used to grind automobile gears. After attending college, marrying (James Donovan) and after having children she found the job of motherhood lasting well beyond the average eight-to-five work. Donovan was frustrated by having to repeatedly change her child's soiled cloth diapers and leaving the crib soaked.



Marion felt there had to be a better way to prevent diaper leaks. In an excerpt from

invent.org, “she assembled material from a shower curtain, she cut and sewed pieces into a waterproof diaper cover. This led to a diaper cover made from breathable parachute cloth, which included an insert for an absorbent diaper panel and used snap fasteners instead of safety pins.” Donovan called this product the “Boater” because she believed it “looked like a boat.””



Marion’s “Boater” did not squeeze the skin or cause tenderness. With this invention she tried to sell her product to US manufacturers, though, she was met with disappointment. After receiving zero offers, she decided to go into manufacturing herself. In 1949, Saks Fifth Avenue agreed to sell her “Boaters” in their stores, with rousing success. In 1951, Marion received a patent for her invention. In the long run she succeeded in revolutionizing the infant care industry by inventing the disposable diaper; along with numerous other patents.

She was determined to move forward in the face of many NO’s. There may be times we encounter:

- You can’t do that.
- That is a silly idea.
- That is just not possible.

Here's how to put on the "BOATER" in 3 easy steps...

**1. FOLD DIAPER TO THE PROPER SIZE...**

*Size of the fold depends on the size of the Boater. (See detailed instructions on panel on right.)*

**3. LAY THE BABY UPON BOATER...**

*Keep one diaper and Boater together. Snuggles at the waistband keep the Boater snugly and comfortably closed. The wide margin above the snaps leaves room for placing Boater to baby's skin.*

**BABY IS DIAPERED AND WATERPROOFED IN ONE EASY OPERATION...**

**2. TUCK FOLDED DIAPER INTO BOATER...**

*Make sure diaper is laid in assembly under all four (4) side flaps of Boater and that the flaps are flat on top of diaper. Use one or two regular diapers depending upon amount of absorption your baby needs. When you use disposable diapers, fold two or three into Boater for best absorption.*

**SNAP or PIN... whichever you prefer**

*Note "action pleat" at back (left) that allows baby plenty of comfortable freedom.*

*BOATER should be washed with any mild soap in cold- or warm water. (Remember, Nylon and hot water are not friendly.) You don't have to turn Boater inside out to wash it; the open corners let the soapy water run through easily to thoroughly cleanse every bit.*

**Important:**

*To absolutely prevent leakage, your diaper should lay snugly to make sure the side flap of Boater is tucked over diaper around baby's legs.*

Marion’s determination and drive led to great things in her life. We as Psi Ote sisters should emulate Mrs. Donovan’s resolve. Be determined to succeed with a new fund raiser; be determined to support a chapter sister to serve on National Council; be determined to submit a new project to the Indiana Board and/or National Council; Be Determined!

Information Source:

## **Correction!**



The district officers email address are the following:

Northeast DO Lauren Huyvaert – [laurenhuyvaert@psiiotaxi.org](mailto:laurenhuyvaert@psiiotaxi.org)  
Northwest DO Pam Gunterman – [pamgunterman@psiiotaxi.org](mailto:pamgunterman@psiiotaxi.org)  
West Central DO Missy Cooper – [melissacooper@psiiotaxi.org](mailto:melissacooper@psiiotaxi.org)  
East Central DO Beth Vipond – [bethvipond@psiiotaxi.org](mailto:bethvipond@psiiotaxi.org)  
Southeast DO Carol Good – [carolgood@psiiotaxi.org](mailto:carolgood@psiiotaxi.org)  
Southwest DO Jane Patton – [janepatton@psiiotaxi.org](mailto:janepatton@psiiotaxi.org)

They were wrong in the September newsletter! Apologies!



## **IMPORTANT DATES**

### **November 1<sup>ST</sup>**

- National Fees due to National Treasurer, Taffy Day
- Literature/Literacy Proposals due  
Project Proposals due to Project Chair, Mona Knight
- National Bylaw changes due to VP, Mickie Hansen
- Deadline for DO applications due to VP, Mickie Hansen
- Deadline for Nominations for National Office from Chapters due to VP, Mickie Hansen
- Indiana State Association Fees due to State Treasurer, Donna Persing



# Hotel Reservation Link 2024 National Convention

Beginning October 1, the link to the Hilton Fort Wayne at the Grand Wayne Convention Center, 1020 South Calhoun Street, Fort Wayne, IN, will be open for all to make reservations for the 2024 National Convention, hosted by the Theta Theta chapter.



Hilton Fort Wayne  
1020 South Calhoun Street  
Fort Wayne, IN 46802  
260-420-1100

If telephoning, please request the Psi Iota Xi block.

(click the link)

**Hilton Grand Wayne Hotel**

## 2023 Helicons

Your 2022-2023 Helicon is in the process of being published.

Because of rising cost, it was voted by National Council to send one copy of the Helicon to each chapter for your record. If you want additional copies, you can request them on your National fee statement at a cost of \$5 each.

If you have already sent in your National fee payment, contact the National Editor to get your additional copies on order.

## Symphony Tickets

Through the generous contributions of the Endowment Fund of Miss Elsie I. Sweeney of the Epsilon Chapter, Columbus, Indiana, Psi Iota Xi Sorority,

can provide students with the opportunity to hear live orchestra performances at no cost. We are happy to offer tickets from the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra, Orchestra Indiana (Muncie Symphony), South Bend Symphony Orchestra, and the Evansville Philharmonic this year.

Information was sent to each Chapter President in September. Please return the student pool request form to Mona Knight, National Project Chair, by **October 5, 2023**. Requests will be filled as they are received on a first come, first served basis. Any requests made after the due date will be filled if tickets remain for an event.



Communication between your chapter and the schools is essential. Without the link between you and the schools these tickets will not be used. We will work with the Symphonies and the schools to arrange the handling of the tickets. I would love to see all the tickets that we have available get used. Please submit your requests!

Loyally,

Mona Knight  
National Project Chair  
Iota Theta, Iota Armstrong, IL



## Afternoon Tea at the Governor's Residence

One of our National Projects is the Hoosier Art Salon. We featured in the September Newsletter our attendance at the 2023 Hoosier Art

Salon Gala. On September 21<sup>st</sup>, several Psi Iota Xi sisters attended the "Afternoon Tea at the Governor's Residence." This event was to show the Hoosier Art Salon's appreciation of our continued support for Indiana artists and the Hoosier Art Salon.



The weather could not have been better for an afternoon of strolling through the gardens at the Indiana Governor's mansion. As we wandered through the gardens we met and watched several plein-air artists working on pieces that reflected the beauty of the gardens. The artists used oil, watercolors, and mixed media to create beautiful pieces during the two hours we were there.

Refreshments were served and the First Lady of Indiana, Janet Holcomb, spoke and thanked all for our continued support of the artists of Indiana and the Hoosier Art Salon.

If you aren't familiar with our connection with the Salon, more information can be found on our website at: <https://psiitaxi.org/history/> I want to thank all of our Psi Ote sisters who were in attendance. It was so nice to see everyone!



Pictured above are your Psi Ote Sisters that attend the afternoon tea at the governors residence in Indianapolis.

This event kicked off the Hoosier Salon's celebration of their 100th anniversary.

Picture below are the artisans that were set up at the tea and show us their talents as we mingled around the governor's residence. Pictured on the left of the second row was Indiana's First Lady, Janet Holcomb.



## ***East Central District***

It is such a treat to live in Indiana this time of the year. Spring is nice when everything starts to green up. Winter is beautiful when a new snow falls. Summer is easy to say goodbye to when we hit October; at least for me. Fall, in our state, is beautiful to behold when the fields start to turn yellow and then gold with the backdrop of the trees just starting to change color.

One of the things I look forward to in addition to the season change is the beginning of a new sorority year. New sisters, new projects, rejuvenation after the summer break, discussion about the past convention and greeting those we might not have seen for a couple months. This year I have stepped back onto National Council as East Central District Officer after a little hiatus.



I have to say my hands down favorite thing to do as a district officer is chapter visits. Each year, your district officer's visits four chapters each and after a four-year term, each chapter in our organization has had a visit. I learned so much during these visits and it is always fun to see familiar faces and see what other chapters do, how they make money for the communities and how they run their meetings.

This past month I had the pleasure of visiting the Theta Zeta chapter in Fort Recovery, Ohio. The chapter has 17 active members and will hold eight fundraiser projects throughout the coming year. Each fundraiser has its own

committee which determines how they will go about executing that project and then they get it done. Just one of the highlights – they sell Krispy Kreme Donuts at high school games. One lucky person drives to pick up 200 boxes of donuts (just imagine that smell?) and they sell them by the box as people are leave the game. I am pretty sure not many boxes are intact with a dozen donuts by the breakfast the following morning.

They have their “One of a Kind” Auction, sell cake rolls, put together a community calendar, help sponsor the local Brick Street Market Fair and also host a yearly Mother/Son event. WOW (Win on the Wabash), is a huge draw for locals and those not so local that the chapter is involved in. You have to ask a member of Theta Zeta about this one – is quite amazing. One of their former members is a published author of a book about Down’s syndrome and they will be supporting an event for her in the future.

I am not sure who is luckier – this city of 1,100 people or the ladies who support it through raising money and giving back to their community either way, they both win in the tight-knit, family centered city.

Beth Vipond  
East Central Distric jOfficer  
Gamma Tau, Marion IN

## *Random Thoughts*

### *Increasing & Retaining Members*

Your chapter has probably tried most, if not all, these methods for inviting guests to your chapter socials and meetings. At the risk of repeating something your chapter has already tried, the following options come to mind.



Start with our areas of interest: Art, Literature, Music, Speech & Hearing. Who do you know?

- Art - art teachers at the local schools, a docent in a local art gallery, someone you know who creates art for their own enjoyment.
- Literature - school librarian, public librarian, other library employees or members of a local book club.
- Music - music teachers at school, musicians at church, private lesson music teachers.
- Speech & Hearing - school speech therapist, local audiologist, the mothers of children Psi Otes has helped with camp, hearing aids etc.

Another pool for possible members is those who have become new members



at your church or moved into your neighborhood in the last year. Reach out to the girls of the senior class at your local high school(s). Invite them to an informational social.

Periodically review the list of lapsed or inactive members of your chapter. Many took on these statuses because of family or work demands - it's possible that their obligations have changed which would allow them to rejoin you.

Last but not least in this very mobile time in which we live, we at times lose members who move due to relocation. In the event of a member's relocation, if it is to a state with a Psi Ote Chapter, supply your member with the contact information for the chapter nearest to their new location. Contact the president of that chapter to share information about your member moving to that area.

Again, these all may be things you regularly do in your search to gain or efforts to retain members, but if just one is new or something you have not tried in a while it may be the key to gaining new members

Pam Gunterman  
Northwest District Officer  
Theta Delta, Bremen, IN

## ***National Insurance Made Easy***

### ***Step-By-Step***

Insurance is frustrating, I will be the first person to tell you insurance policies, and deductibles, etc. baffle me. I hope the information below will be helpful! Unfortunately, with the threat of lawsuits becoming ever more enticing, we as Psi Otes need to be diligent in protecting our chapters and as an organization as a whole.

Psi Iota Xi's national insurance **COVERS:**

- All attendees at National Convention & National Council
- All chapter Psi Otes making cheeseballs or other fundraising items (**Psi Otes only**).

With the above listed items, you may obtain a Certificate of Liability:

#### ***Telephone***

- West Bend Insurance Company at 866-926-4244
- Please inform the representative you need a Certificate of Liability for a Psi Ote only event.
- Provide Psi Iota Xi's National Policy Number **A804887**
- Provide all pertinent information to the rep, date, location, type of event, etc.

**Email**

- [customercare@wbmi.com](mailto:customercare@wbmi.com)
- Provide Psi Iota Xi's National Policy Number **A804887**
- Please be specific in the subject line and contact information... date, location, type of event, etc.

This will assist the rep and streamline the process.

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**Psi Iota Xi's national insurance DOES NOT COVER:**

- Individual events that chapters sponsor which involves the general public;

For example:

- art camps
- 5k runs
- speech and hearing clinics
- events involving liquor
- any volunteer, family member, friends, etc. assisting at a cheeseball making or other fund raising event

With the above listed items you may:

**Telephone or Email**

Nelson Insurance Agency – Joe McKune  
 2000 Envoy Circle  
 Louisville, KY 40299  
 502-736-7000  
[joem@nelsoninsurancegroup.com](mailto:joem@nelsoninsurancegroup.com)

- to obtain a General Liability policy for your chapter. This can be a one-day event policy or a policy written annually for chapters that hold recurring events.
- Extra Option: If your chapter wishes to obtain a Director's or Owner's policy Nelson Insurance Agency can help you with those policies also.

**Questions that have been asked:**

1. Are chapters required to use Nelson Insurance Agency?
  - No. If your community wishes to obtain a policy from a local insurance agent that is fine. Please confirm with the agent he/she is providing the best policy available for complete coverage.
2. The facility where my event is being held provides liability insurance, is that ok?
  - When signing a contract for use/rental of a facility, please thoroughly read the documentation that they in fact will be providing the liability insurance in case of accidents for all in attendance. It is best not to

assume!

If you have any questions, please send me an email at [rhondamcnallcrisenbery@psiiotaxi.org](mailto:rhondamcnallcrisenbery@psiiotaxi.org) and I will be more than glad to assist.

Loyally,  
Rhonda McNall-Crisenbery, National President

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## ***Chapter Happenings***

If you have a chapter fundraiser or something special to share about your chapter or a Psi Ote, please go to the Psi Iota Xi~Group Facebook page to post. Link below:

**[Psi Iota Xi~Group | Facebook](#)**

This is one of two Facebook pages, the other is more project and news related at the National level. We are working to get it revamped. More to come on it.

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## **Alpha Rho Cheeseballs**

It's that time of year!!!! The Alpha Rho chapter, Garrett, is taking orders for our amazing cheeseballs! Orders and money is due by October 28th!!  
Options are:

- Original Cheddar
- Beef (most popular!)
- Hawaiian (pineapple based!)

All cheeseballs are \$7 each and will be handmade and delivered the weekend before Thanksgiving!! Please contact Sue Simpson at [susanwsimpson@gmail.com](mailto:susanwsimpson@gmail.com) if you like to place an order.

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**The Rho Chapter of Psi Iota Xi Invites You to Attend**

**Our 3rd Annual**

## **DESIGNER PURSE BINGO**

on

**Sunday, October 8th**

**Doors open at 1pm &  
first game begins at 2pm**

at the

**Steuben County Event Center**

**100 Lane 101 Crooked Lake  
Angola, IN 46703**



For more information and ticket sales, message us on Facebook at **Psi Iota Xi Designer Purse BINGO, Angola, IN**

**\*\*Must be 18 years old and have a ticket to enter.\*\***

**\*\*Tickets are \$20 for 20 BINGO games. Presale purchases will receive a free game. Additional games can be purchased for \$1 each at the event.**



*supporting communities in speech, hearing, art, music and literature*

6413 W Co Rd 675 S  
Knightstown

*Cash or Venmo ONLY*  
*\$10*

Friday, Oct 27th  
8pm ~ 10:30pm  
Saturday, Oct 28th  
8pm ~ 10:30pm

Sponsored by Psi Iota Xi, Gamma Eta

# HAUNTED TRAIL



**32<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL  
ARTS & CRAFT SHOW**  
*9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.*  
**Saturday, October 28, 2023**  
*Monroe Central High School  
State Road 32 E – Parker City, IN*



***Eta Iota Chapter 32nd Annual Arts, Crafts & Collectibles***

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THE THETA THETA CHAPTER OF PSI IOTA XI INVITES YOU TO ATTEND

# DESIGNER PURSE BINGO



SUNDAY | NOVEMBER 5, 2023 | 2:00 PM | \$40

Coach, Kate Spade,  
Guess, Michael  
Kors, and MORE!

Theta Kappa's

Designer Purse

**BINGO**

Raffles  
Door Prizes

Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 PM

Edon Community Building  
520 Parkway Street, Edon Ohio

\$25.00 for 20 games

Doors open at 1:00 PM – Refreshments Available

Email: [thetakappa@psiitaxi.org](mailto:thetakappa@psiitaxi.org), Facebook: Theta Kappa-Psi Iota Xi or any Theta Kappa member

Theta Kappa is a Charitable Organization-We support speech, hearing, art, literature, and music

Only 250 tickets available- **PRE-SALE ONLY**

**TICKETS ARE NON-REFUNDABLE**

Must be 18 and have ticket to enter

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Please NO ALCOHOL

Bring a can good for the local food pantry and receive 1 extra Bingo card!

\*Limit 1 free card per person

## *Indiana State Association*

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**Piecing PIX Together**  
Saturday, April 13, 2024  
Crawfordsville, Indiana

## ***Fallen Petals***



Please send obituaries to [terriesler@psiitaxi.org](mailto:terriesler@psiitaxi.org) to be included in the next newsletter and the Helicon.

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### ***Diane Daoust***

Diane Kaye Daoust, 75, entered into Heaven on June 4, 2023. She was surrounded by loved ones at her home after an extended illness. She was born June 16, 1947 in Anderson, Indiana.

Diane was a mother, grandmother, sister, daughter, wife, friend and so much more. She was an amazing hostess, a lover of history and a natural teacher with a treasure trove of information to share. She graduated from Madison Heights High School and attended Indiana State University with the dream of becoming a teacher. She was fiercely loyal to her family and friends. A loving mother who taught her children about high expectations, responsibility, self-reliance and the value of family relationships. She was a doting grandmother and was so proud of each granddaughter and grandson. She was a devoted wife and embraced her extended Daoust family with love.



Diane enjoyed winters at her beloved Bonita Beach Club and summers at Lake Wawasee. Although she was a true lake girl at heart. She loved sharing these special places with her family and friends and created so many memories that we will all hold forever in our hearts. Her love of travel overseas was a true passion - too many fabulous places to list. Her entire adult life was not only spent loving and supporting those she held dear but also was extremely active in philanthropy to give back to her community through Edgerle and Psi Iota Xi just to name a few. She meant so much to so many. She was so very loved and will be deeply missed.

She leaves behind daughter, Kelly Shannon, son, Chris Daoust, daughter, Rachel Frum (Brett) and daughter, Sarah Noel (Scott). Nine grandchildren, Jacob Shannon (Kayleigh), Maddie Shannon, Griffin Frum, Grayson Frum, Grant Frum, Kendall Keyton, Nolan Keyton, Andrew Noel and Ellie Noel; sister, Rita Drews (Ed); sister-in-law, Suzanne Daoust (Mike); nieces and nephews. Those who have passed before her include, husband, Dick Daoust; son, Jonathan Daoust; parents, Max and Bettie Jo Risinger; and grandparents.

A very special thank you to Joanne Smith her hospice nurse of which her children could not have done without and all Mom's angels who helped care, love and support her through not only her illness but her entire life - you all know who you are.

A memorial service will take place on June 17 at Brown-Butz-Diedring Funeral Service & Crematory, 515 E. 53rd St., Anderson, Indiana, with visitation from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. followed by the service at 3 p.m.

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## **Lou Ann Brown**

Lou Ann Brown, 90, died Aug. 6, 2023,



at Prairie Lakes Health Campus in Noblesville after a brief illness. She was born in Anderson, Indiana, on Nov. 19, 1932, and was a lifelong resident. She was a graduate of the class of 1950 at Anderson High School. Thereafter, she attended Ball State University to complete her formal education earning a BA and MA in education. She was a member of Chi Omega social sorority. Following college, she moved with her husband in a couple of his Air Force assignments in Texas and Florida, before returning to Anderson.



She married her high school sweetheart, Phillip R. Brown, her husband of 68 years, on April 10, 1954, in Anderson. Her husband died in July 2022. She taught for many years part-time with Anderson Community Schools, serving in elementary assignments.

She was active in her church, First United Methodist Church of Anderson. She served for several years as a church-appointed board member of United Faith Housing (Harter House) where she had a reputation for being a tireless organizer of fundraising events. She was a supporter of many activities with her children. Her main hobby was being a devoted member of her family. She also loved gardening, cooking, watching Pacer games on TV and especially Anderson Indians basketball, of which she was a loyal fan.

Lou Ann and Phil raised three children, Steve Brown (Kris), of Carmel, Beth Ann Dowling (Brian), of Clear Lake, Texas, and Jeff Brown (Kittie), of Noblesville. They had seven grandchildren, Andrew Brown (Brooke), Jennifer (Brown) Fay (Lex), Kevin Brown (Corey), Daniel Dowling (Nadia), Brianna (Dowling) Reeves (Jonny), Nathan Brown (Daniela) and Meredith Brown. Lou Ann was especially proud to have five great-grandchildren, Evan Fay, Sarah Fay, Grace Brown, Marlowe Reeves and Teddy Brown. Lou Ann was fortunate to have time to know and enjoy her great-grandchildren.

Lou Ann was preceded in death by her parents, Louis and Margaret Kilmer. Her brother Joe Kilmer and sister-in-law Bev, of Pendleton, survive her. Visitation will be held from 12:30 to 2 p.m., at First United Methodist Church 1215 Jackson St. Anderson, IN 46016 on Thursday, Aug. 10, 2023, with services starting at 2 p.m. Burial will follow at Memorial Park Cemetery in Anderson.

Memorial contributions can be made to the United Faith Housing or the charity of the donor's choice.

Loose Funeral Home & Crematory is honored to serve the Brown Family. Please visit [www.loosecares.com](http://www.loosecares.com) to place an online memory of Lou Ann. Memorial contributions can be made to the United Faith Housing or the charity of the donor's choice.

## ***Marilyn D. Fox***

Marilyn D. Fox, 91, of Winamac, IN died at her husband's home in Crawfordsville, IN on Saturday, August 5, 2023 as the result of a house explosion. She was born on June 12, 1932 in Chicago, IL to the late Arnold A. and Ruth M.

Johnson. Marilyn graduated from Monterey High School. Marilyn attended Purdue University and transferred to the University of Nevada Reno where she earned a Bachelor's Degree. She went on to earn a Master's Degree from Ball State University and later completed some higher-education courses at Indiana University.



Marilyn dedicated her life to teaching. She taught at Kokomo and Haworth High Schools for over 35 years. She was not only a teacher but also a coach, mentoring girls in numerous sports including tennis, synchronized swimming, and cheerleading. During the summers, Marilyn served as the recreation director for the Disciples of Christ Christian Assembly at Crystal Lake in Frankfort, MI for 20 years.

In addition to her successful career, Marilyn was an active member of various organizations. She was a member of Delta Kappa Gamma academic sorority and Indiana Retired Teachers Association. Marilyn was a 50 year member of Psi Iota Xi philanthropic sorority in Kokomo and also was a founding member of the Winamac chapter. She was a member of the Lion's Club in Monterey, IN and the Mentone Flying Club in Rochester, IN as well as the Book Club and Garden Club in Winamac. Marilyn was also a member of First Christian Church in Winamac.

While attending Purdue University, she married the late Jerome W. Friedrich of Kewanna, IN. They were together 28 years and had three beloved children, Rochelle, Denise, and Steven. On March 16, 1990, Marilyn married the late Lloyd Fox of Monterey. Many great memories were made with the Fox family during their 19 year marriage. Lloyd died on September 22, 2009 and is buried at St. Anne's Cemetery in Monterey. A few years after Lloyd's death, Marilyn found companionship with the late Richard "Dick" Chastain (who just so happened to be the widower of her late Purdue roommate). Marilyn and Dick were recently married in June of this year. They enjoyed traveling together, especially visiting family. They had a lovely life together. While their death was sudden and tragic, we know they were led Home by angels.

Marilyn leaves behind a loving legacy and will be deeply missed by her family and everyone who knew her.

She is survived by: Rochelle Friedman, Appleton, WI Daughter; Denise Hughes, Middleville, MI Daughter; Steven Friedrich, Delafield, WI Son Michael Friedman, Grandson; Stephanie Friedman, Granddaughter; Sunshine (Jason) Fowler-Howell, Granddaughter; Tabitha Fowler, Granddaughter; Logan Friedrich, Grandson; Alexandra Friedrich, Granddaughter; Owen

Handley, Great Grandson; Emmett Handley, Great Grandson; Ethan Handley, Great Grandson; Numerous Extended Family Members.

Preceded in death by: Arnold A. and Ruth M. Johnson, Parents; Amy Johnson, Infant Sister; Liam Handley, Great Grandson.

Memorial Services will be held at 2 PM EDT Saturday, August 19, 2023 at First Christian Church in Winamac with Pastor Stephen Sundquist officiating. Private Burial will take place at St. Anne's Cemetery in Monterey. Memorial Contributions may be made to First Christian Church. Online Tributes may be offered at [www.frainmortuary.com](http://www.frainmortuary.com). Cremation Arrangements have been entrusted to Frain Mortuary in Winamac.

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### ***Carol Schmidt***

Carol L. Schmidt, age 82, of Jasper, Indiana, passed away surrounded by family at 11:33 p.m. on Tuesday, September 5, 2023 at Memorial Hospital and Health Care Center in Jasper.

Carol was born in Jasper, Indiana, on September 1, 1941, to Louis and Louise (Eckerle) Rees. She married Thomas Schmidt on June 22, 1961, in St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Jasper, Indiana.

Carol was a 1959 graduate of Jasper High School and then worked as a secretary for Central Tractor for several years.

She was a member of Holy Family Catholic Church in Jasper, the Ladies Sodality, and the Psi Iota Xi Sorority.

She loved playing cards, traveling, going to the casino, and spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren and great grandchildren, and also her friends.

She is survived by her husband, Thomas Schmidt, Jasper, IN, three children, Phil (Lisa) Schmidt, Jasper, IN, Denise (Frank) Bainbridge, Orlando, FL, and Gregory (Tammy) Schmidt, Carlsbad, NM, 12 grandchildren, 13 great grandchildren, and one brother, James (Janet) Rees, Yukon, OK, She is preceded in death by two brothers, Edward and Ronald Rees.

A Mass of Christian Burial for Carol L. Schmidt will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, September 11, 2023, at Holy Family Catholic Church with burial to follow in Fairview Cemetery.

A visitation will be held from 1:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 10, 2023, at the Becher-Kluesner Downtown Chapel in Jasper and an hour before services from 9:00-10:00 a.m. at the church on Monday. The Ladies Sodality will pray a rosary at 12:30 p.m. at the funeral home on Sunday.

Memorial contributions may be made to Holy Family Catholic Church or to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital..

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# HAPPY HALLOWEEN



## ***National Council - Email & Website***

National Council is available to talk with Chapters and members if any questions or concerns arise. Please don't hesitate to reach out to National Council if they can assist you.

Contact us at: [info@psiiotaxi.org](mailto:info@psiiotaxi.org).

***The website can be found at [www.psiiotaxi.org](http://www.psiiotaxi.org).***

## **Fundraiser & Event Invitations**



Have you ever wished you could invite all Psi Ote sisters to your chapter's fundraiser or special event? Your chapter Helicon articles detail all the amazing events and fundraising activities you accomplish in your individual chapters and communities. Now we'd like to offer chapters the opportunity to submit invitations to their events and fundraisers via the monthly newsletter by emailing them to [terriesler@psiiotaxi.org](mailto:terriesler@psiiotaxi.org).

Electronic money transfer apps like Venmo plus virtual platforms like Facebook Live make it possible for even our most distant sisters to participate in another chapter's fundraisers with ease. You can support your sisters across the organization, and you might even get a few ideas for your own chapter!

# Convention Invitations



*Theta Theta Chapter*

of PSI IOTA XI  
invites you to attend

## NATIONAL CONVENTION 2024

*IN FORT WAYNE, INDIANA*

**GRAND WAYNE CONVENTION CENTER  
JUNE 22 & 23, 2024**

### ACCOMMODATIONS

HILTON DOWNTOWN AT THE GRAND WAYNE  
1020 CALHOUN STREET  
FORT WAYNE, INDIANA 46802



### Convention 2024

Convention 2024 will be hosted by Theta Theta, Fort Wayne, in Fort Wayne, IN, June 22-23, 2024.

Hilton Fort Wayne  
1020 South Calhoun Street  
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