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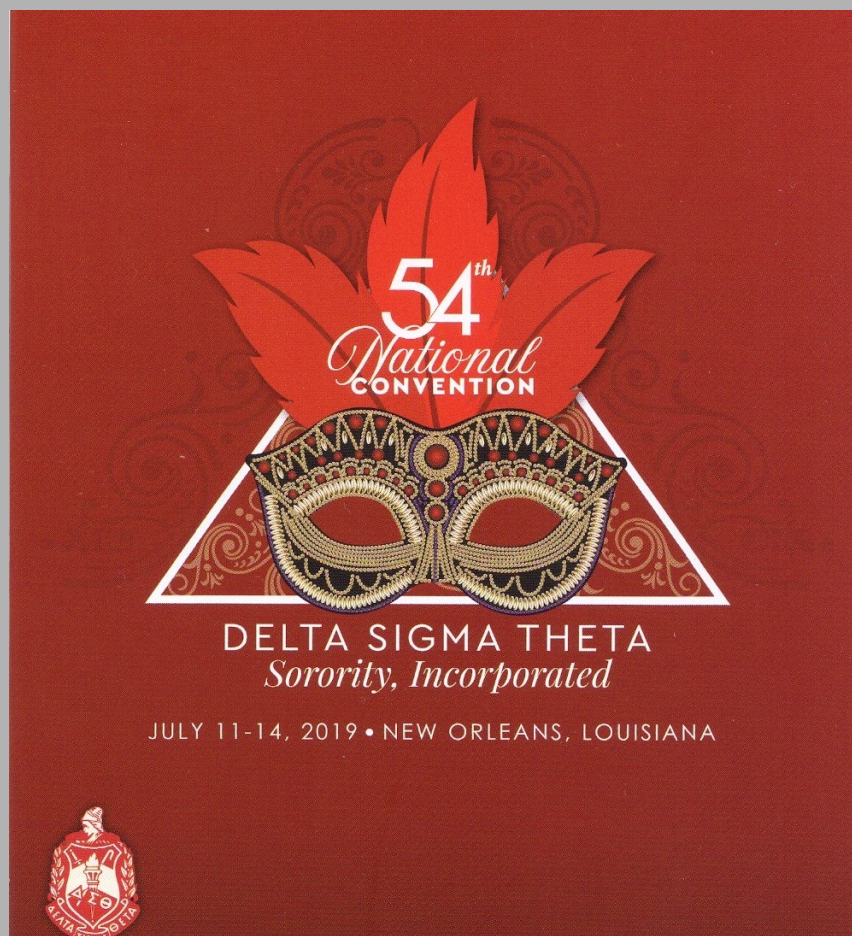
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New Orleans Bound!



RED CARPET MOVIE

"THE BEST OF ENEMIES"

The Arts and Letters Committee hosted A Red Carpet Movie Outing "The Best of Enemies" on April 6. The movie is based on the true story of a reluctant partnership between civil rights activist Ann Atwater (Taraji P. Henson) and C.P. Ellis (Sam Rockwell), the leader of the white supremacist group Ku Klux Klan, who came together to discuss the issue of racial desegregation of Durham, North Carolina schools in 1971, which eventually lead to surprising outcomes for them and the entire community.





STOP THE SILENCE

VIRTUAL WALK



LaRae Moore

Cheryl Jackson
Lisa Dupree
Kim Frazier
Vernita Harris
Donna Baker
Pam Allen
Marilyn Person
Eva Smith
Jeanella Pendleton
Marjorie Jackson
Glenda Culpepper

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Vanessa Biggers
Brenda Williams
Sarita Mobley
Mattie Hall
Lauren Chambers
Mary Gamble
Marianne Baskin
Connie Love
Sandra Jemison
Lula Huff
Marsha Collins

Thank you to the CAC Sorors who donated and participated in the 2019 Stop the Silence Breast Cancer Walk/Run on April 13. Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., partnered with Sisters Network Inc. (SNI). SNI is a leading voice and only national African-American breast cancer survivorship organization in the United States.



WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS EXPO

MONEY MATTERS: AVOIDING BUSINESS PITFALLS



In support of the Sorority's Economic Development Five Point Programmatic Thrust, the Columbus (GA) Alumnae Chapter and Columbus Metropolitan Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., in collaboration with the Delta Life Development Foundation presented its 2nd annual women owned business expo on April 20. The expo was designed to provide a venue where women-owned business owners would be encouraged to promote and vend their products and merchandise, as well as be assisted in fostering business, social, and informational networks.



CHILLIN WITH THE AUTHORS

DIVINE9 STYLE

The Arts and Letters Committee hosted Chillin with the Authors on April 27.



There were four authors: LD Wells (DST), Dr Erica Gibson (DST), Tiffany Taylor (Zeta Phi Beta), and Dr Christie Black-Murrell (DST). One other local author (Stephanie Perryman) was in the audience and she was allowed to introduce herself and her book.





SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

2019 RECIPIENTS

The Scholarship and Teen Seminar Committees of the Columbus (GA) Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. and the Delta Life Development Foundation, Inc. hosted their annual Teen Seminar and Scholarship Award Ceremony on Sunday, April 28 at the Delta Life Development House. Twenty-one area high school seniors received scholarships along with six college students, who were eligible for either the Teacher Education Renewable Scholarship or a general book scholarship. Awards totaling \$43,700 were presented. Dr. David Lewis, Superintendent of Education for Muscogee County School District delivered an inspirational message to the scholarship recipients.





RELAY FOR LIFE

CANCER CHARITY WALK

CAC raised over \$1,200 in the Relay for Life Movement held on May 17 at Kinnett Stadium. The Relay For Life movement is the American Cancer Society's signature fundraiser dedicated to helping communities attack cancer. From team members to volunteers, we all want to remember those we've lost, help those affected today, and give us a home team advantage against cancer. Through funds donated, time given, or awareness raised, our communities are teaming up to make a difference. When we rally together in the fight against cancer through this fun and inspirational event, we can accomplish anything.





CONGRATULATIONS SORORS

AWARDS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS



Congratulations to Aflac U.S. President Soror Teresa White. She has been elected to the Synovus Financial Corporation Board of Directors, becoming the third female member of the 11 member board.



Congratulations to Soror Pat Hugley Green, the chair of the Muscogee County School Board. She was recently installed as president-elect of the Georgia School Boards Association (GSBA).



Congratulations Soror Carla Jones on being selected Kendrick High School 2019 Teacher of the Year.



Congratulations Soror Maketa Smith for completing her classes for Family Nurse Practitioner & being recognized as an Outstanding Graduate Student at Troy University's Honors Convocation on Friday May 3.



Congratulations Traveika M. Hunter on being selected East Columbus Magnet Academy 2019 Teacher of the Year.



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Congratulations Sorors Lisa Dupree, Lauren Chambers, Shannon Watkins, and Sabrina Latham for being inducted into the Columbus, Georgia Chapter of Jack & Jill of America.



Congratulations Soror Kenyetta Vann, Norview Middle School educator and mentor named Norfolk, VA Public Schools Teacher of the Year.



Congratulations Soror Mae Washington on her 70 Class Reunion. She marched during the 2019 Commencement Ceremony at Clark Atlanta University Class of 1949.



Congratulations Soror Faith Stephen-White on your marriage June 30.



54TH NATIONAL CONVENTION

IMPORTANT INFORMATION CONVENTION FOR PARTICIPANTS

Convention Attire Update

Public Meeting

Business casual (please wear comfortable shoes).

Plenary I: Formal Opening

White attire only (includes wraps/shawls) - no pants.

Social Action Luncheon

White attire with a touch of red.

Memorial Observance

Red, white or black attire, no pants (must be a single color). Violet corsage can be worn.

Plenary Sessions

Business attire (suits, dresses, skirts/blouses, dressy pant suits).

Plenary Session: Formal Closing

Business attire or after-five attire, if attending the Grand Sisterhood Soiree.

Ecumenical Service

Business casual or travel attire.

*NOTE: Since the Ecumenical Service is the last event of the convention and a travel day, we are changing the attire guideline so sorors and guests may feel comfortable wearing travel or business casual attire - no jeans.



54TH NATIONAL CONVENTION

IMPORTANT CONVENTION INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS

Just a few friendly reminders on appropriate dress.

The Protocol and Traditions Team looks forward to seeing you in New Orleans in during the 54th National Convention. To help you prepare, we are providing you with a few reminders of some of the topics we provided in our monthly communication during the 2018 – 2019 Sororal year.

Attire guidelines are listed on pages 19-21 in the 2011 Protocol and Traditions Manual. Delta business attire is traditionally a business suit, dress or other clothing that reflects a professional style. Pants must be full length. All forms of Capris, leggings, cropped pants or gauchos are not allowed. Jackets, t-shirts or sweaters classified as paraphernalia are not allowed. A blazer with a Delta Crest is allowed as is a sweater with small symbols. Flip flops, foam bottom shoes or beach shoes are not allowed. Denim or Khaki attire and baseball caps are not allowed.

The information noted above from the Protocol and Traditions Manual has also been shared at National Conventions, Regional Conferences and State Clusters. Additional information shared in Protocol and Traditions Workshops held at these events includes: Any attire outside of business attire i.e. leggings, and jackets that would not be considered business attire is prohibited (per the guidelines as identified in the Protocol and Traditions Manual, which can be downloaded from the National Website).

All of the items mentioned above are topics frequently covered in workshops held at National Conventions and Regional Conferences. Questions are welcomed during the Protocol and Traditions Workshops which are usually held during these events.



UPCOMING EVENTS

2019

- **Jul. 11-14**, 54th National Convention - New Orleans, LA
- **Aug. 3**, 11th Annual Blood Drive and Health Awareness Check
- **Aug. 17**, Annual Sisterhood Breakfast
- **Dec. 20**, Annual Scholarship Gala

REMINDER

Remember your Red Envelope (ERT Information) for the 54th National Convention.

Distribution of tickets for the Annual Scholarship Gala will begin in September.



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