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# FOUNDERS DAY CELEBRATION

## J-13 RECLAMATION ROUND UP

Columbus (GA) Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc., hosted a Founders Day Event on January 13, 2019. The theme for the event was “J-13 Reclamation Round Up” and was spearheaded by the Membership Service Committee. The intent of the event was to celebrate our Founders, reclaim inactive Sorors, and retain active Sorors. Sorors from the surrounding areas of Columbus (GA) Metropolitan and Manchester Alumnae Chapters joined us as we celebrated the Sorority’s 106 years of Sisterhood and Service. The event was “Mardi Gras” inspired. Sorors attended in their fashionable Mardi Gras Attire and sisterly spirits. The celebration culminated with a “Best Dressed Attire” contest, prizes and a Zydeco Line Dance (which was derived in southern Louisiana) to coincide with the Mardi Gras theme. There was a large presence of ninety-one Sorors at the event. Throughout the weekend there were two Sorors reclaimed, as all enjoyed a great roundup of fellowship, food, fun, and photos.







# 106TH JOINT FOUNDERS DAY

WEEKEND CELEBRATION JANUARY 26-27

Accolades to the Founders Day Committee Co-chairs and members of the Columbus (GA) Alumnae, Columbus Metropolitan Alumnae, and Theta Phi Chapters of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., who worked tirelessly to make our 106th Founders Day celebration a huge success. There were 225 Sorors from the three local chapters who attended the weekend celebration which included the unveiling of a historical marker denoting the birthplace of Founder Winona Cargile Alexander here in Columbus, GA. We were overjoyed to have the Southern Regional Director, Sandra K. Horton, Southern Regional Chaplain, Jaye L. Peabody-Smith, and National Archives Chairperson, Geraldine Hudley to join in our celebration.

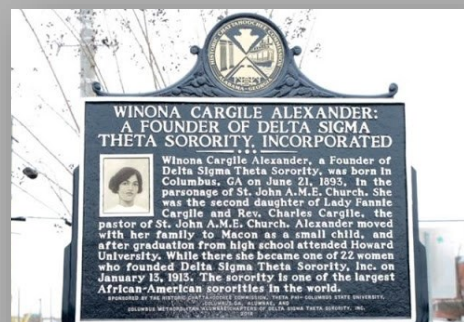




# 106TH JOINT FOUNDERS DAY

WEEKEND CELEBRATION JANUARY 26-27 (CONT.)

The weekend ended with the Historic Marker Dedication Ceremony denoting the birthplace of Founder Winona Cargile Alexander. Soror Alexander was born in Columbus, GA, June 21, 1893.







# RED CARPET MOVIE

## "IF BEALE STREET COULD TALK"

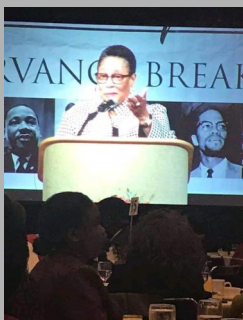
The Arts and Letters Committee hosted A Red Carpet Movie Outing "If Beale Street Could Talk" on January 19. The movie is based on the novel by James Baldwin. It is an American drama written and directed by Barry Jenkins that tells the story of a woman desperately trying to prove her fiancé innocent of a crime.





# BLACK HISTORY MONTH

## CELEBRATING OUR HISTORY



The keynote speaker at The Black History Month Observance Breakfast was Congresswoman and Past National President of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Marcia L. Fudge.



Our GEMS along with the committee chair Soror Tasha Archibald attending The Black History Month Observance Breakfast.



Members of Columbus (GA) Alumnae, Columbus Metropolitan Alumnae, and Theta Phi Chapters were in attendance to hear the awesome message and support our Past National President Marcia L. Fudge.

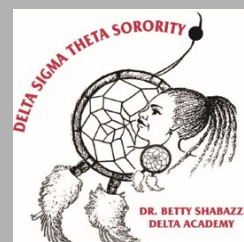
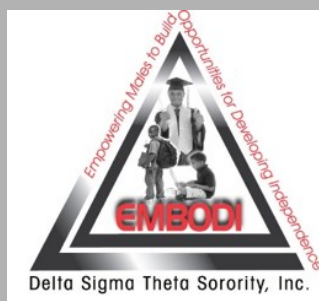


# STEM CAREER DAY

DR. BETTY SHABAZZ DELTA ACADEMY



Our local **Dr. Betty Shabazz Delta Academy** hosted a STEM Career Day. The event was held to address issues related to STEM education. The EMBODI and Delta GEMS participated in the event.







## DST GEORGIA STATE CLUSTER

FEBRUARY 22-24

Congratulations to the Columbus (GA) Alumnae, Columbus Metropolitan Alumnae, and Theta Phi Chapters of Delta Sigma Theta, Inc., for receiving the 2018-2019 Southern Region Red Ribbon award. Each chapter was acknowledged for their phenomenal job operating according to the rules and regulations set forth by Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.



Members of CAC attending the Georgia State Cluster in Macon, GA. The theme of this year's Cluster was "Embracing the Delta in Me." Sorors participated in a book drive service project, workshops, a closing dinner with entertainment, and an Ecumenical Service.





# SISTERHOOD MONTH

PAINTING WITH LOVE IN OUR HEARTS



Membership Service hosted an outing with Sorors in celebration of Sisterhood Month. Sorors enjoyed an afternoon painting beautiful pictures, good food, great conversation, and laughter.





# CONGRATULATIONS SORORS

## AWARDS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS



Congratulations to these ladies for being the 2019 Honorees of the Rosa Parks Women of Courage Award. We are extremely proud of the members of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Dr. Linda Hadley and Jacqueline Screws.



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



Congratulations Soror Pamela S. Williams, CEO of Peaceful River Residential Services and Peaceful River Home Care on being honored by Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., as a Community Pearl and being featured in the Columbus Minority Pages magazine along with her husband David.



Congratulations to Aflac U.S. President Teresa White and General Counsel Audrey Boone Tillman, honorees on Black Enterprise's 2019 Most Powerful Women in Corporate America list.



Congratulations to two members of Columbus Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., for receiving awards at the Black History Month Observance Breakfast. Lauren Chambers received the 2019 Emergent Leader Award and Lula Huff received the Legacy Award.





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Georgia State Cluster panel discussion hosted by Southern Regional Chaplain, Rev. Peabody-Smith along with five others. Our own Soror Sabra Strickland served on the panel and did an amazing job. They each shared life experiences and lots of encouragement for everyone.



Soror Helene Watson, one of three branch managers to serve the Mildred Terry Library is depicted in the library mural unveiled on January 5. The forty foot mural painted by well known artist Najee Dorsey celebrates the heritage of the library and the Liberty District.



Accolades to our President, Soror Harris and all the incredible women who shared their story of perseverance and determination during the Women's Summit on March 19.



Congratulations to Soror Marjorie Jackson on being selected as Columbus, GA Democratic Committee Treasurer.



Congratulations to Soror Crystal Pendleton-Shahid on being selected as the first African American Treasurer for the Leadership Georgia, Inc. Board of Directors.

Congratulations to Sorors named in the Inaugural Edition - February 2019 Who's Who African American and Hispanics in Columbus, Fort Benning, and Phenix City.

- ◆ Lauren Chambers
- ◆ Vernita Harris
- ◆ Michelle Hawkins
- ◆ Lula Huff
- ◆ Pat Hughley-Green
- ◆ Crystal Pendleton-Shahid
- ◆ Evelyn Pugh
- ◆ Faith Stephens
- ◆ Teresa Whitaker
- ◆ Teresa White





## UPCOMING EVENTS

2019

- **Apr. 6,** Adopted Daughters Luncheon
- **Apr. 20,** Women-Owned Businesses Expo -10am-1pm at Dorothy I. Height Elementary School
- **Apr. 27,** Chilling with the Authors
- **May 4,** Delta Dear Celebration - Delta Life Development Foundation House
- **May 5,** Delta Day at Mildred Terry Library
- **Jun. 20,** C.O.L.O.R. Book Club
- **Jul. 11-14,** 54th National Convention - New Orleans, LA

## REMINDER

All registration for the 54th National Convention will be ONLINE. Registration will open on Thursday, April 4, 2019, 12:00 noon, EST for all Delegates Registration and will close on Tuesday, May 7, 2019, 11:59 pm, EST or once capacity is reached.



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