# BRADFIELD BRIEF

Every March, Women's History Month provides an opportunity to honor the generations of trailblazing women and girls who have built our Nation, shaped our progress, and strengthened our character as a people.

Throughout our history, despite hardship, exclusion, and discrimination, women have strived and sacrificed for equity and equality in communities across the country. Generations of Native American women were stewards of the land and continue to lead the fight for climate justice. Black women fought to end slavery, advocate for civil rights, and pass the Voting Rights Act. Suffragists helped pass the 19th Amendment to the Constitution so that no American could be denied a vote on the basis of sex.

Standing on the shoulders of the heroines who came before them, today's women and girls continue to carry forward the mission of ensuring our daughters have the same opportunities as our sons. Women of the labor movement are achieving monumental reforms to help all workers secure the better pay, benefits, and safety they deserve. LGBTQI+ women and girls are leading the fight for justice, opportunity, and equality — especially for the transgender community. Women and girls continue to lead groundbreaking civil rights movements for social justice and freedom, so that everyone can realize the full promise of America.

This Women's History Month, as we reflect on the achievements of women and girls across the centuries and pay tribute to the pioneers who paved the way, let us recommit to the fight and help realize the deeply American vision of a more equal society where every person has a shot at pursuing the American dream. In doing so, we will advance economic growth, our health and safety, and the security of our Nation and the world.

Exerpts taken from "A Proclamation on Women's History Month" given March 2022 by Joseph A. Biden

### **WOMEN'S** History Month



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#### Phenomenal Women of Eta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated

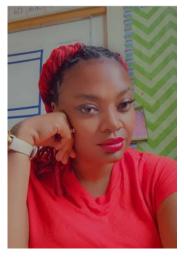
#### Gamma Iota Chapter Dr. Mae Johnson



Doctorate Degree Walden University Dec. 2023 Early Childhood Education and Leadership

Alpha Zeta Chapter **1st Anti Basileus Charita Harrod** Inducted ceremoniously into the Alpha Chi Honor Society Received PHD in Educational Leadership with a focus on Special Education

# Epsilon Iota Chapter would like to celebrate and congratulate



Soror Virginia "Gin" Henson Epsilon Iota Chapter Soror Henson received her Masters Degree in Special Education from Grand Canyon University, and was inducted as a member of Phi Alpha Theta, National History Honor Society.

Delta Gamma Chapter-**Nechia Y. Coleman** received her Education Specialist Degree June 2022.





Soror Olga Mactavious Epsilon Epsilon Chapter - Eastern Region

It is with great gratitude and excitement that my daughter Eddlyn Nathaly and I will both be graduating from college on May 18th, 2024. This will be her first. She will be graduating from Morgan State University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Medical Laboratory Science.

I will be graduating from Baltimore City Community College with an Associate Degree in Early Childhood Education. My heart is overfilled with joy and emotions to announce this accomplishment to my sisters and the rest of the Eta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated.

It has been a long journey with multiple challenges, and God has been there with us during our matriculation through this phase of our lives. The time is here to thank God and celebrate for due to the Pandemic, I am embarking on a new career goal.

#### Natasha Spearman



Epsilon Kappa Chapter in Tuscaloosa, Al. - Southeastern Region

I recently started my training center. I am an independent contractor who provides training and certifications. I am a Professional Development Specialist for the Council for Professional Recognition in Washington DC; I am endorsed to conduct Verification Visits for the following settings: Infant -Toddler and Preschool. I also have Spearman's Safety Team, and I'm certified through the American Safety & Health Institute as a Level 1 Instructor. My certification includes Adult First Aid, Pediatric First Aid, CPR/AED for all ages, wilderness first Aid, blood-borne Pathogens, Child Babysitting Safety, administration of epinephrine and injectors, oxygen, and life-threatening bleeding.



#### Damaurriah Butler-Sessum XI Chapter in Houston, TX - Southern Region

Soror Butler-Sessum is the newly appointed Regional Special Education Program Manager of Elementary Instructional Improvement for Aldine ISD. In this pivotal role, Damaurriah will lead and oversee all aspects of special education programs across our district involving instructional programming, ensuring excellence and equity for every student. With her wealth of experience and dedication, we are confident she will elevate our efforts in supporting the diverse needs of our students with exceptionalities. Please join us in congratulating on her welldeserved promotion. Gamma lota Chapter Judge Laverne Simpson



#### Grand Marshal of the 2024 Greenville Mardi Gras Parade



#### Alpha Zeta Chapter Basileus Monique Robinson-Poole

Recognized by the National Technical Honor Society as an Honor Roll Advisor\_ January 2024 Recognized in October 2023 as a Bethune Height Achiever Appointed Secretary of the Maryland State Organizing Committee Appointed by NCNW to the Maryland State Compliance Team Elected Vice President of The Charles County Literacy Council

SUCCESS

#### Delta Kappa Chapter Anita Franklin



Appointed the Volunteer Military Veteran Liaison at SAAACAM. Received recognition for collages on a Purple Heart Veteran and another war veteran. Every month she will accompany a veteran with her/his collage to get their history archived. My next mission: to work on getting some of the collages I've already done for Delta Kappa Sorority archived.

> Edna Jones-Houge, Esq. Chapter: Alpha Theta



I am the 2nd African American attorney to work in my department and the first African American woman attorney in my department.





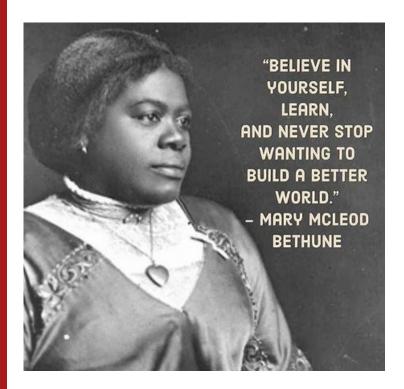
**Dr. Joyce M. Thomas**, Epsilon Epsilon Chapter

- .1975 Chairman of the Miss Virgin Islands Pageant whereby the winner participated in the Miss Universe Pageant in the Phillipines
- •Her first publication was an article featured in Essence Magazine (July 1997) entitled "Hurricane Season"
- In 2001, awarded Advisor of the Year for the entire Eastern Region of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated
- .In 2012, became a Charter Member of Dorie Miller VFW Auxiliary #5367
- In 2014, sponsored the Chartering of Epsilon Epsilon Chapter of Maryland, Eta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated
- ·Served as the 2018 2019 VFW Auxiliary Department of Maryland State President
- Inducted into the VFW Auxiliary National Circle of Excellence at the VFW National Convention in Orlando, Florida in 2019
- •Received a Citation from Governor Larry Hogan in 2019
- •Awarded for acquiring 750 Volunteer hours at the Loch Raven VA Medical Center
- Graduated from Baltimore City Community College in May 2023 with a Basic Skills Certificate in Information Technology
- •Inducted into Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society in 2023



**Soror Bettie Owens**, Chapter Basileus Epsilon Beta Chapter, Mid-Eastern Region

Started a business: KAW Home Care Services, LLC Columbia, SC An In-Home Healthcare Business providing personal care assistance to the elderly and disabled.



# **BIRTHS & EXPECTANCY**

#### Soror Carolotta Forester Langford Delta Kappa Chapter

and husband, Bishop Harvey Langford welcome their 5th great grandson, born January 30, 2024 - E'Marion Nymir Joyner 7 lbs

**Soror Edna Jones-Houge** Alpha Theta Chapter Information: I had my first child, a baby boy, on January 9th, 2024. Myles Eugene Houge.





Soror Damaurriah Butler Sessum XI Chapter- Houston, TX is expecting her second child. The baby girl is scheduled to arrive around Boule time. Two weeks later her son, Senord Rhyan Newby will turn 15 years old.



# WEDDING



#### Soror Gisele B. Bell

Alpha Theta Chapter Mid-Eastern Region Wedding Date: March 23, 2024



Eta Phi Beta Sorority Delta Chapter's Youth Group - West Palm Beach Florida

#### Organizational Structure Mentoring Workshop by Hyacinthia Becton, Delta Chapter's Grammateus November 4, 2024

Our youth participated in a workshop identifying the leadership roles of an organization and beginners' parliamentary procedures.

#### **Nursing Home Visit**

December 2, 2023 We visited the Nursing Home and Rehabilitative Center that Saturday afternoon and sang Christmas Carols as we walked through the halls. Many of the residents joined in with the caroling. It was great for our youth to spread Christmas joy.



Christmas Party December 22, 2023 The youth enjoyed a wonderfully fun Christmas pajama-themed evening at a Soror's home playing games, enjoying food, and exchanging gifts.

#### Etiquette Workshop January 6, 2024

Delta Chapter's Basileus and Soror Sandra Robinson shared table etiquette dos and don'ts with our youth. Our youth learned how to set a table and which utensils are theirs for use when a table is set. After sharing in a few fun games to test the youths' retention of the information shared, they shared in a meal allowing them to demonstrate the proper use of table etiquette.

#### MLK Performing Arts/MLK at the Fairgrounds

January 7 & 15, 2024 Two of our Delta Chapter youth group members competed in the MLK Coordinating Committee's Performing Arts competition. Our youth placed first and second in their age group. Both participating youths performed at the South Florida Fairground MLK Day celebration.

MLK Breakfast =January 15, 2024 Ten Delta Chapter youths and two parents attended the MLK Coordinating Committee's breakfast.



Delta Chapter Youth **Cultural Excursion** African American Film Festival, "Bright Roads" at the Rinker Playhouse February <u>17, 2024, Cultural Outing</u>

#### Fashion Show Luncheon Fundraiser – "Discovering Our Roots"

March 9, 2024, at 11:00 AM Our youth walked the runway showing their style with themed scenes; Red and White, Sports and Athletics, Elegance, and Ethnic/Africa

#### ETA PHI BETA YOUTH GROUPS AT WORK IN THE COMMUNITY

**Gamma Mu Chapter** of Eta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated recently accompanied its youth group to visit the **Murphy House African-American Museum in downtown Tuscaloosa, AL**.

The group was welcomed by Ms. Ruby Simmons and Ms. Mozelle Cannon-Lewis. Both ladies gave an orated history and tour of the museum. Today, the former home of the Murphy Family operates as a museum housing the memorabilia of a period in Tuscaloosa history which showcases the lifestyle of affluent black Americans during the early 1900s . During our visit, the youth were participants in taking an actual voter registration test. They learned that only by passing such tests would an African American be allowed to vote eve though it is our constitutional right to do so.

> Submitted by Gamma Mu Chapter Youth Advisors: Soror Veronica Cross Soror Prelinca Sherrod Soror Maggie Smith Soror Kimbelia Lark, Basileus

#### ETA PHI BETA SORORITY, INCORPORATED MID-EASTERN REGION YOUTH GROUP ACTIVITIES REPORTING PERIOD JULY 2023 - FEBRUARY 2024

Eta Phi Beta Youth: Adapting, overcoming and still serving! The youth groups of Alpha Rho and Alpha Theta attending their Youth Conference July 13, 2023. The youth conference was held during the 26th Biennial Mid-Eastern Region Conference in Durham, NC. Top: Bryce Seymore, Marley Davis, Gabriel Harris-Johnson, Brooklyn Davis. Bottom: Avon "AJ" Seymore, Seven LeGrande, Ravaugn Hatcher and Morgan Davis.

Alpha Rho Youth in Greensboro have completed several fundraising and community service activities. The youth are committed to serve our great sorority.





Alpha Rho Youth Fundraiser Terri Lynn Top Seller: Bailey Womack with Advisors Shepard and Johnson.



Alpha Rho Youth Fundraiser Terri Lynn 2nd Top Seller -Gabriel Harris-Johnson with Advisors Shepard and Johnson



Alpha Rho Youth Morgan Davis and Maddy Richardson presented a workshop to the youth on Free Libraries in Greensboro. This is an ongoing project of collecting books and distributing them in different communities where there are existing free libraries.

#### **YOUTH MAKING A DIFFERENCE**



Alpha Rho Youth Gabriel Harris-Johnson making "Thinking of You" cards for distributing to a nursing facility.

#### Alpha Gamma Youth Group Activities Julia Gilchrist, Youth Advisor



Alpha Gamma Youth Serving the community by donating 20 Thanksgiving Baskets with turkeys to families in the community for the holiday.





**Alpha Gamma Youth girls** participated in the All Girls Matter Empowerment Conference sponsored by Tragil Wade, the sister of Dwayne Wade.



**Alpha Gamma Youth** participated in the Dade County Deltas Human Trafficking Symposium & Community Round-table.



Alpha Gamma Youth served in the New Horizons Toys for Tots Event. They distributed approximately 14,000 toys



NCNW HBCU College Fair Alpha Gamma Youth were able to speak with college advisors on site and complete applications for possible scholarships. 14 different colleges and universities were present-

#### Tau Chapter Oklahoma City, OK



Tau Chapter's Youth Group served as host and hostesses at the chapter's Membership Intake Soiree held Friday, February 2, 2024. The Soiree was held at Viaggio's Café located in Midwest City, OK. Three Eta Kids were in attendance. Their work was not done. Many youth and chaperones also volunteered at The Kid's Café Community Food Drive on February 28, 2024, to help organize and distribute food to members of the community.

> Carmen Butler, President Jeanor Taylor, Youth Coordinator Pictured: Soror Roberta Parker with Bee-Ette Nayah Casby

<u>Eta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated</u> <u>An Affiliate of the National Council of Negro Women</u>

16th Biennial Youth National Conference

<u>July 21-26, 2024</u>

click here for Registration Packet

#### PLEASE TAKE NOTE!

#### THE YOUTH CONFERENCE WILL BE ONLY AS SUCCESSFUL AS WE MAKE IT!

- <u>ALL YOUTH</u> are encouraged to attend their conference
- Targeted attendance for our youth is 60
- Sponsors are needed to assist youths to attend their conference
- Parents of all youth are welcome to attend their conference. They can attend youth sessions and /or act as chaperones on outings, sessions and events

### Pre-Boulé Activities, you just don't want to miss!



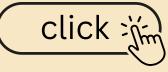
ETA PHI BETA SORORITY, INCORPORATED GRAND CHAPTER" INVITES YOU TO

# **Golf For Education!**

### Topgolf Atlanta

July 20, 2024 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM Topgolf Atlanta Midtown 1600 Ellsworth Industrial Blvd NW, Atlanta, GA 30318 Supported by ICYG. www.icyg.org

If golfing is not your thing...don't let that prevent you from supporting the Educational and Charitable Foundation of Eta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated. We welcome donations of any size. We need your support! Click to register or sponsorship details



## Buzz over to the Pre-Boulé Workshop July 20th - 2-5p.m.





Gome be a part of the Pre-Boulé Workshop

Are you Boulé Ready?

The theme for this event "After The Mask" This workshop requires you to wear clothes you don't mind getting dirty, and that you be prepared to interact with your sisters in some hands on fun! TEAM BUILDING



**Delta Chapter** is the winner of the February **#Love my Chapter Contest.** They have been awarded a complimentary full page ad (of their choice and design) in the 36th Biennial Grand Boulé Souvenir Journal.

#### Hat's off to the members of Delta Chapter!

**DID YOU HEAR THE NEWS?** 

### SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS ARE NOW AVAILABLE

Just log into your Eta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated Online account, go to the Members Files. Scholarship Packets are in three different folders. Select which application you would like and download it to your desktop. ONLY TYPE APPLICATIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED If you have any questions please feel free to email me at: Kimmykaye603@gmail.com

#### Eta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated Announces Second Year Grant GHWs BRIDGE ACCESS PROGRAM

The Bridge Access Program provides free COVID-19 vaccines to adults without health insurance and adults whose insurance does not cover all COVID-19 vaccine costs. The processes for data collection and reporting has changed. Each chapter will report directly to Good Health WINs and Grand Chapter will only report on national programs

. Don't forget that all materials for any Good Health WINs program must include the QR Code for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Bridge Access Program and required verbage. This includes all flyers, brochures, bags, posters, labels or any other GHWs collateral materials.



Bradfield Brief

"Free COVID VACCINES Uninsured/Underinsured Vaccines.gov"

#### Coming up in the

• Sorors with green thumbs

- The Road to Boulé
- National Jazz Week
- Good Health WINs Bridge Access
- Easter Photos
- and more