

Delta Happenings

The Hartford Alumnae Chapter Newsletter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated



Congratulations 2006-08 New Officers



The Hartford Alumnae Chapter officers for the 2006-2008 biennium:

Front Row (From left to right)
1st Vice President -- Cheryl A. Hickmon; President -- Danielle Burrell; 2nd Vice President -- Miranda Jackson

Back Row:
Journalist -- Kristen M. Clark; Recording Secretary -- Demitra Jones; Financial Secretary -- Veronica Taylor; Chaplin -- Velma Toney; Treasurer -- LaKisha Grant-Washington; Corresponding Secretary -- Valerie Lilley; Custodian -- Barbara Alleyne

Not Pictured:
Sergeant-at-Arms -- Kimberly Mathis; Parliamentarian -- Eleanor Lane

SororSpotlight

On August 28th 2006, the Bloomfield Superintendent of schools, named Soror Tanya Moorehead, the Bloomfield School District's "Teacher of the Year." Soror Moorehead is a special education teacher, who graduated from Bloomfield High School in 1993. She teaches language arts and math to 8th graders at Carmen Arace Middle School. During her six-year tenure, she has taught both sixth and seventh grades.



Soror Moorehead is involved in several mentoring programs. She volunteers with H.O.P.E (Helping Others Pursue Excellence), which serves high school students in the Greater Hartford, CT area; the Hartford Alumnae Chapter Delta Academy where she is the lead mentor for Delta Gems; and she is the co-founder and program coordinator for Promise which serves Hartford's inner city youth. Soror Moorehead also performs community work through Phillips Metropolitan C.M.E. Church where she is a member.

Soror Moorehead is now a candidate for the title of "Connecticut Teacher of the Year" and if chosen, will be a candidate for the "United States Teacher of the Year." Soror Moorehead received a combined Bachelor's and Master's teaching degree from the University of Connecticut.

President's Vision...

Sorors,

Thank you for electing me as the chapter's president for the 2006-08 biennium. As a chapter, we have much work to do this ensuing sorority year and I know that with the contributions, GREAT or small, of each soror, we will continue to promote exceedingly remarkable programs. I would like for us to play more of an integral role to empower the communities in which we serve while implementing programs and services based on our sorority's Five Programmatic Thrusts.

As we prepare to accomplish the tasks before us: MLK Scholarship Breakfast, Delta Academy, Founders' Day, 60th Chapter Anniversary Celebration, 2007 Eastern Regional Conference, and our other worthy programs and projects, I would like for us to remember the words from a gospel song by Ty Tribbett that says, "No way I can make it without you." We all need each other and I need you.

Danielle Burrell, President

Highlights: 49th National Convention



The convention was such an awesome experience for the sorors of the six hostess chapters in the Philadelphia region. Our vision was to impact the city economically; ensure that the city knew about who we are and what we do -- our mission, history, and programs; and guarantee that our Sorors would feel at home, have a good time and enjoy what we had to offer. On all three counts, we feel we were successful!!

The city benefited from our presence -- 20.5 million dollars made us the largest multicultural convention to visit Philadelphia this year. The city was washed in red and white. The bus drivers were telling their passengers, Welcome to Delta Land!!! We had unprecedented press coverage from all of the area newspapers, including the business pages; TV and radio. From the receptions, through the galas to the plenary sessions and Club Delta, we can tell, sorors had a good time!!!

With Warm Regards,

Rita L. Waters

2006 Convention Coordinator
Philadelphia





JER: Tee Time

On Saturday, August 12, 2006, the Hartford Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. along with the Connecticut Black Governors, hosted the Annual **John E. Rogers** Memorial Open Golf Tournament at Keney Park Golf Course in Hartford, CT. The event raised over \$2,500.



Proceeds from the John E. Rogers Memorial Open Golf Tournament will go to support the John E. Rogers African American Cultural Center (JERAACC). The John E. Rogers African American Cultural Center, Inc. was established to stimulate pride while empowering the African American community of Connecticut with the knowledge of its own unique history and culture. JERAACC will serve as a historical and educational institution for research on the lives and culture of African Americans.



DeltaAcademy/GEMS: Lights, Camera, Science and Technology!!!

The Hartford Alumnae Chapter held an orientation for the Dr. Betty Shabazz Delta Academy and Delta GEMS Program on September 23rd at Capital Community College. 60 people were in attendance to help celebrate the 7th year kick off of this program in the Greater Hartford Area.

Chapter president, Danielle Burrell, greeted all. Academy Director Jane Pertillar presented the program's curriculum: Math, Computer Technology, Personal Development, Career Opportunities, Science and Physical Fitness / Mental Health. The Academy's goals are to provide young girls with structured experiences that broaden their world views, improve their technical skills, and sharpen their leadership and service skills. Featured topics included: illustrious life of Dr Betty Shabazz, the dynamic history and public service commitment of the sorority and the Academy participants' responsibilities. A special presentation was given by 2005-06 Presidential Academy and National Convention attendee, Stephawna Shell.

If you need an application, please contact Soror Pertillar PertillarJ@hotmail.com or 860-670-0955. Hurry and submit your application today!!

DeltaDates

△ **October 14, 2006**
CT, Tri-State State Cluster
Mystic Hilton Hotel
Mystic, CT

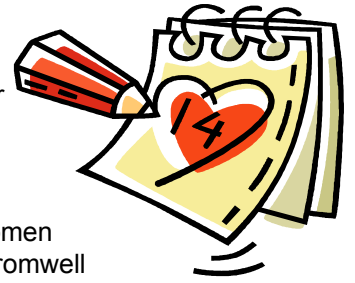
△ **October 28, 2006**
Money Conference for Women
Crowne Plaza Hartford-Cromwell
8:30am – 1:30pm

△ **October 29, 2006**
NBC 30 Health And Wellness Festival
Connecticut Convention Center
10:00am – 5:00pm
Free to the public and includes free health screenings.

△ **November 18, 2006**
22nd Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Ticket Sales
The Village– 1680 Albany Avenue
9:30am

△ **December 9, 2006**
Health and Fitness Party
Healthtrax Fitness and Wellness—Enfield, CT
7:00-11:00pm

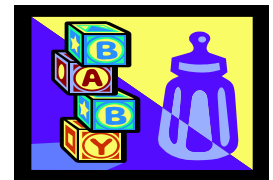
△ **January 15, 2007**
22nd Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Breakfast
Connecticut Convention Center
9:00am



News&Announcements

Newborns

T'Kai Howard (Boy)
Demitra Jones (Girl)
Valerie Lilley (Girl)



Accomplishments

- ✿ Kristen Clark – 2006 YMCA MAP Achiever
- ✿ Deloris Johnson-Drakes – Woman of Excellence Award
- ✿ Joanne Lewis – Dr. Frederick G. Adams Community Service Award
- ✿ Tanya Moorehead – Teacher of the Year
- ✿ Danielle Watt – Agilent Technology Award & Acres of Diamonds National Award

Congratulations to all of our Sorors!

Delight thyself also in the Lord; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart. ~ Psalms 37:4