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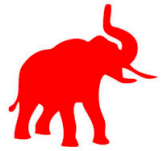


NEXT CHAPTER MEETING

Saturday, October 21, 2017 at 10:00 A.M.

Location: Parkville High School

2600 Putty Hill Ave, Baltimore, MD 21234



October 2017



Greetings Sorors,

October is designated as "Breast Cancer Awareness". We acknowledge our SURVIORS and THRIVERS for their courageous fight of an mysterious and virulent disease that creeps into lives of many. A disease that we don't know how or why it picked us, but we know that it picked the **WRONG** one. For we won't let it steal our joy. We take a moment to applaud our cancer survivors for never giving up and to staying strong and encouraged to fight for another day. A day for a cure, a day for answers, a day to say....*not today!* As we participate in Susan Komen's Race for a Cure, let's remember all of the types of cancers that we continue to walk, run and fight for: colon, prostate, cervical, lung, brain and skin to name a few. Cancer not only impacts

the individual but also the family and friends of the individual. Therefore, we applaud you too for standing with your mom, dad, sister, brother and friend by letting them know they are not alone. Thank you for answering the call and staying strong when sometimes one may feel like giving up. Stay encouraged, don't be discouraged, joy comes in the morning.

The St. Jude Walk was a great success. Sorors around the state of Maryland came out to walk for a worthy cause.



Kudos to Economic Development Committee for an awesome financial workshop. Our first event on the Eastside in several years was well attended by sorors and the public. The presenters covered the full spectrum of setting goals, how to invest and addressing the question "Do I have enough to purchase a home?" The attendees gave positive feedback and are now equipt to take the next step towards gaining financial independence.



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Switching gears, as we prepare for membership intake, one of our most sacred trusts, let's not forget our own reason and desire to become a member of this illustrious sisterhood. We too longed for the day and committed ourselves to the principles of SISTERHOOD, SCHOLARSHIP and SERVICE. Take a moment and recap your current SERVICE to BCAC. How do you currently serve? Would you stand and represent an applicant as yourself today? I challenge you to join a committee to serve the public and one another. After all, that's what our 22 diligent, dedicated, dynamic and devoted Founders did 104 years ago.

I'd like to welcome new committee chairs to BCAC:

Barbara Crawley	Outreach
Valencia Carter	EMBODI
Michele Hall-Davis	EMBODI
Cynthia Greene-Graham	Collegiate Transition Taskforce
Donna Briscoe	Collegiate Transition Taskforce
Dorothy Reed	Crabfeast 2018
Felecia Wilson	Crabfeast 2018

Please join me in commending these sorors for answering the call to serve. I am sure they will be reaching out to you to join their committee to ***Plan, Prepare, Pursue with Passion***. Stay tuned for upcoming activities of BCAC serving all communities throughout Baltimore County.

Violets & Pearls,

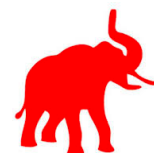
Keitha Robinson

President

Deadlines for Photos, Changes, and Receipt of Emails

Message from Soror Barbara Crawley

- New /Updated Photos will be taken at the October chapter meeting; Sorors may also send a jpg file via email to Barbara Crawley at barbelly@verizon.net
- Directory updates and changes for the 2017-18 issue must be made by Saturday, October 21, 2017. Any modifications to your individual profiles, such as changes to your address, telephone numbers, email addresses should be submitted.
- Sorors who were financial in 2016-17, yet have not paid their dues for 2017-2018 will continue to receive emails up to the October chapter meeting. If dues are not paid by October 21 chapter meeting, these Sorors will no longer receive emails and will be removed from the directory except for the Pioneering 31.



UPCOMING EVENTS



ATTENTION SORORS!

Next Chapter Meeting
Saturday, October 21, 2017
Parkville High School
2600 Putty Hill Ave, Baltimore, MD
21234

Next Meeting: November 18, 2017

2017-2018 Executive Board Meetings

November 8, 2017 (NW Hosp)	April 11, 2018 (NW Hosp)
December 6, 2017 (NW Hosp)	May 9, 2018 (NW Hosp)
January 10, 2018 (NW Hosp)	May 30, 2018 (NW Hosp)
Feb. 7, 2018 (NW Hosp)	Aug. 29, 2018 (NW Hosp)
March 7, 2018 (NW Hosp)	



Scripture Matthews 6:33

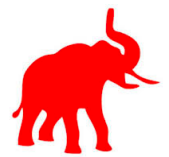
But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you.

Please pray for the following Sorors:

Cathy Carr
Sheila Bennett
Renee Jenkins
Eathell Lewis
Gloria Marrow
Caroyln Vaughn

Those who have survived and are still suffering from breast cancer.





October 2017

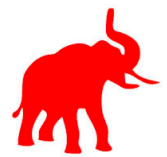
Oct 1	Cathy Harris	Blackwell
Oct 1	Valencia	Carter
Oct 1	Delores Couser	Cooke
Oct 3	Brynez Mercedes	Baxter
Oct 5	Kisha Watkins	Parker
Oct 8	Adrienne	Dickerson
Oct 13	Nneka	McNeal-Jackson
Oct 14	Leah N.	Abrams
Oct 14	Laura Jean	Louden
Oct 18	Wanda Faye	Etheridge
Oct 21	Felecia Ann	Wilson
Oct 22	Sandra Janine	Lemon
Oct 25	Wendy	Rose
Oct 27	Stacy Michelle	Woods
Oct 28	Trudy	Cobb-Dennard
Oct 28	Cozette C,	Ford
Oct 30	Phyllis R.	King
Oct 30	LaTasha Janelle	Peele
Oct 31	Crystal Harding	Patillo
Oct 31	Judy Grier	Smylie
Nov 2	S. Tanisha	Pryce
Nov 2	Diana	Toogood
Nov 5	Gwendolyn Maria	Parker
Nov 6	Zena	Penn
Nov 11	Janell M.	Gerard-Jones
Nov 14	Angela Cecilia	Gaither-Scott
Nov 14	Linda Martin	Hollis
Nov 17	Carol A.	Rogers
Nov 19	Jacqueline Helen	Thomas
Nov 21	Pia C.	Sterling
Nov 23	Pamela S.	Lamb
Nov 24	Adriene	Roberts
Nov 24	Maxine	Turnipseed
Nov 27	Kathy Areilia Nicholas	Boykins
Nov 27	Umekca Aisha	Horsey
Nov 27	Valerie Patterson	Richardson
Nov 27	Lisa Y.	Settles

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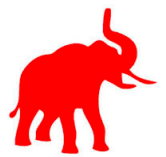
Birthday Prayer

I pray for you on your special day,
May every blessing come your way.
May the warmth of loved ones
Lift your heart,
And the treats and gifts
Play their part.
But most of all, may you truly know
How you're treasured and loved
The whole year through!



2017-2018 Committee Chairs

Amenities	Linda Miller
Arts & Letters	Wanda Horne/Stacy Woods
Beautillion-Cotillion 2017	Carla Chase/Maria McClung
Budget & Finance	Tanisha Pryce
Collegiate Transition Taskforce CTT (Project A.C.E.)	Cynthia Greene-Graham; Donna Briscoe
Crab Feast 2018	Dorothy Reed, Felicia (Peaches) Wilson
Day of Service "Jeri Reid's Day"	Gwen Parker/Brynez Roane
Delta Academy	Christina Fitts/Iris Steele
Delta GEMS	Tessie Waters/Janice Campbell
Delta Community Outreach Center	Barbara Crawley
Directory	Barbara Crawley
Donations	Donnell Phillips
Economic Development	Jennell Ferguson
Educational Development	Mabel Murray
EMBODI	Michele Hall-Davis/Valencia Carter
Emergency Response Team	VACANT
Fundraising	Monique Cephas
Grants	Cynthia Neverdon-Morton
Heritage & Archives	Stephanie Ennels
Hospitality	Eathell Lewis Johnson
Information & Communication	Kimberleigh De Laine
Internal Audit	Tujuana Hinton
International Awareness & Involvement	Angela Gaither-Scott/Michelle Gross
Membership Services	Stacey Mitchell-Brown
Music Choral	Janice Bowie
National Pan-Hellenic Council Rep	Kimberleigh De Laine
Nominating Committee	Belinda Cornish
Physical & Mental Health	Nneka McNeal-Jackson
Policies & Procedures	Sharon Gamble
Political Awareness & Involvement/Social Action	Judy Smylie/Deborah Risper
President's Council	Keitha Robinson
Program Planning & Development	Pia Sterling/Angela Mason
Reclamation	VACANT
Risk Management Youth Initiatives	Linda Miller
Ritual and Ceremonies	Darlean Williams
Scholarship	Stacey Mitchell-Brown
Sisterly Yours	Kim Brown
Step Team	VACANT
Strategic Planner	Adriene Roberts



* Committee Spotlight *

- ◆ **PPD**: Excellent DID on Chapter management
- ◆ **Economic Development**: Successful Financial Workshop
- ◆ **Technology**: Awesome revamp of chapter website.

Congratulations on a Job Well Done!

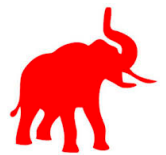
...FROM THE COMMITTEES



& Letters



October 15, 2017 Delta Sigma Theta Red Carpet event: Family and friends of Baltimore Alumnae, Baltimore County Alumnae and Baltimore Metropolitan Alumnae chapters enjoyed the premier of the movie "Marshall".



31st Annual Beautillion-Cotillion

HONORING BCAC PIONEERING 31



Baltimore
County
Alumnae
Chapter
Delta Sigma Theta
Sorority, Inc.

Saturday,
December 2, 2017
6:00 p.m.

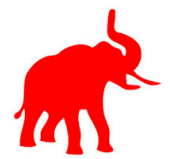
Doubletree by Hilton Baltimore
North - Pikesville
1726 Reisterstown Road
Pikesville, MD 21208

\$65 Adults
\$35 Children 12 & under

KEITHA ROBINSON, PRESIDENT

Beautillion-Cotillion 2017

- 31st Annual Beautillion-Cotillion for Saturday, December 2, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at \$65 per ticket. We want to have at least 250 in attendance not only to support our Debs and Beaus, but to also say thank you to the Pioneering 31 for the vision 31 years ago to do a fundraiser that also nurtures youth through wholesome activities then present them to society with skills and experiences to last a lifetime.
- Attire for Sorors at the Beautillion-Cotillion ball are black gowns accessorized with pearl jewelry.
- **Volunteers:** We still need as many Sorors as possible to help be chaperones for activities, facilitate workshops, interact with the young people and help guide them through this journey. As per Risk Management we need 1 Soror for every 4 Participants (1:4 ratio) per activity.
 - **Human Trafficking Workshop - October 21st from 2-4 pm at Milford Mill**
 - **Ice Cream Social - Sunday October 29 immediately following Waltz rehearsal 3:30-5:00 p.m.**
 - **Bless The Homeless - Sunday November 12 1:00-4:00 pm**
 - **Rites of Passage Saturday, November 18 from 5-8 pm at Milford Mill. Setup and practice for Sorors is Friday, November 17th beginning at 6:00 p.m.**
 - **Waltz Rehearsal begins Sunday, October 22nd from through Sunday, November 26th from 2-4 pm at Milford Mill, and on Saturday, December 1 at 5 pm; Collections will be held at all Waltz Rehearsals.**



October 2017

Please join a subcommittee and help. The following Sorors have committed and are working:

- Advisors - Tanisha Pryce, Zena Penn
- Senior Sub-Committee - Kathy Boykins, Rita Whiting
- Junior Sub-Committee - Faye Elliott Brown, Phyllis King
- Souvenir Journal - Janell Gerard-Jones
- Splash Party, Awards & Certificates – Gladys Bragg
- Evaluations, Permission Slips, etc. - Iris Steele, Tessie Palmer Waters
- Pioneering 31 Contact – Gloria Marrow
- LaFrance Muldrow Afternoon High Tea - Gail Neverdon Edmonds
- Workshops - Brittany Fletcher, Tamara Combs, Sonia Johnson-Brooks,
- Hostesses for Cotillion - Adrienne Roberts, Rita Whiting,
- Phyllis King, Tessie Palmer Waters
- Editing – Rita Whiting, Felecia Wilson, Faye Elliott-Brown, Barbara Crawley
- Citations, Political & Social Action – Gail Neverdon Edmonds, Debra Rispers, Judy Smylie
- Ticket Seating - Stacey Wise and Stephanie Ennels
- Flowers – Tajuanda Singletary, Faye Elliott-Brown, Demetria Newsome

We need You - Sorors to:

Sponsor a Deb or Beau in our Souvenir Journal at one of the varied levels:



- a. Pioneer \$150 +
- b. Crimson & Cream \$100 - \$149.99
- c. Fortitude \$75 - \$99.99
- d. Pearl \$50 - \$74.99
- e. Violet \$20 - \$49.99



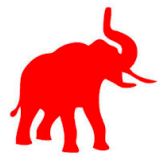
Buy a ticket: 31st Annual Beautillion-Cotillion for Saturday, December 2, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at \$65 per adult, \$35 for children 12 and under. Tickets are on sale via Event Brite. Get your tickets early, as we only have 100 seats available to sale.

***Collections will be at all Waltz rehearsals and chapter meetings.**

Collegiate Transition Task Force

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING: Conference Call - Tuesday, October 31, 2017; 7:30 pm

- Meet and Greet/Fellowship over brunch. Location: IHOP, Owings Mills, Date: TBD.
- Expected attendance: 10-15, to include: Cynthia Graham, Chair; Donna Briscoe, Co-Chair; Alexis Lee and Kaylyn Phillips, Committee Members (2 newly graduated Sorors to help bridge the gap) and hopefully about 10 collegiate Sorors.
- Attend college chapter meeting to talk about brunch to break the ice.
- Two target universities: University of Maryland, Baltimore County (Lambda Kappa) and Towson University (Mu Mu).



WE NEED YOU!
TO MAKE IT HAPPEN

DELTA ACADEMY

GRATITUDE AND HEART-FELT THANKS TO:

- ❖ A Soror who donated the fee for all interested participants to attend the MAD Girls Conference!
- ❖ Sorors Judy Smylie, Janet, Faye, Christina, & Iris who participated in the Vision activity.
- ❖ Sorors Gail Edmonds, Carol Rodgers, Judy Smylie, Tajuanda Singletary and Iris Steele who donated 12 tickets for girls and 12 tickets for parents to attend the High Tea.
- ❖ Soror May-Ling Duncan, co-moderator of Civility Workshop

UPDATES

40 Girls registered

Soror Lisa Settles joined the Academy Committee

Contacted parents and girls for completed essays, applications, and questions.

UPCOMING PLANS

T-shirt Distribution - DECEMBER

Mentoring Programs - YEAR-ROUND

Report Card Incentive - Each Reporting Period

Winter Holiday celebration in collaboration with PAL Center - December 5, 2017

DELTA GEMS

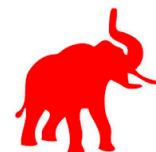
NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, October 18th, via phone conference; from 7pm-8pm

November 18th, G.E.M.S Public Service Activity; Grace A.M.E. food give-a-way

MEET & GREET

- *Meet and Greet held September 30th, at the Hillandale Pal Center; the event took place from 10AM-12PM with light breakfast.
- *14 participants attended; half from the Parkville High School recruiting effort.
- *Introductions/purpose were stated.
- *G.E.M.S participated in a getting to know you activity and completed G.E.M.S application.
- *Parents completed forms for participation.
- *Overall vibe was positive and parents/G.E.M.S expressed excitement.





OPENING CEREMONY

was held Saturday, October 14th; 10AM-12PM

The Hillandale PAL Center, 1111 Halstead Rd, Parkville, MD 21234

Thank you for your support our youth as they pledged the G.E.M.S oath and participated in the getting-to-know-you activities

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES

ACTIVITY	DATE	LOCATION
Educational Activity	10/28/17	The Movie "Marshall" about Thurgood Marshall at the Towson movie theater; asking Sorors for donations of \$15.00 to purchase a drink and food item of choice for the ladies. Anticipating 20-25 young ladies.
Public Service Activity	11/18/17	Grace AME Church Food Give Away 571/2 Winters Lane Catonsville, MD 21228
Christmas Party w/ Kappa Alpha Psi	12/09/17	Kappa Center 1207 Eutaw Pl Baltimore MD 21217
Public Service Activity *tentatively	12/16/17	Grace AME Church Christmas Give Away
Making A Difference(MAD) Girls with Baltimore Alumnae Chapter, BAC	01/20/17	Delta Community Center 2501 Springhill Ave Baltimore, MD 21234
Love Myself (Self- Love and Self-Esteem Building)	02/10/17	Hillandale PAL Center 1111 Halstead Rd Parkville, MD 21234
College Tour	03/11/17	TBD
Cultural Activity	04/14/17	TBD
Career/College Panel	05/12/17	TBD
Juneteenth	6/16/17	TBD

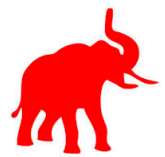
DELTA COMMUNITY OUTREACH CENTER

OUTREACH CENTER NEEDS IDEAS AND YOU!

Thank you to Sorors Yvonne Moore and Robin Quarles for lending a big shoulder and willing hands to sprucing up the Outreach Center in preparation for a Site Visit last week. We discovered many issues, among them duplication of items as well as cleanliness and a major need for efforts from our partner, the Baltimore County Department of Parks & Recreation, to maintain the upkeep of the facility. It has been several years since the facility was painted.

Future plans include inventorying items in bins and closets and starting to make use of these items for tutoring. Tutoring is needed before their grades fall and we have to work harder to motivate. If you have gone through Risk Management training, your time to tutor the participants at the Center in Reading and Mathematics will be greatly needed. The Outreach Center committee will work with Soror Mabel Murray, chair of Educational Development, to work out a schedule for assisting the program participants.

Our first holiday event will be the Harvest Fest on Tuesday, October 31st followed by Parents Night on Thursday, November 9th. Look for more information on these events.



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

On Saturday, October 7th the Economic Development Committee held a Financial Breakthrough workshop at the Sollers Point Multi Purpose center in Dundalk, MD.

We had 26 guests and 12 Soror's in attendance. Based on the surveys collected the participants aged range was from 23-53 years old. The geographical area's represented were, Owings Mill, Randallstown, Gwynn Oak, Cockeysville, Rosedale, and Nottingham area.

The workshop was held in collaboration with the Veney Financial Group (Patrica Veney), Hart Wealth Strategies, LLC (Shawn Hart), and Andrews Federal Credit Union (Soror Edie Jenkins).

Participants were given the opportunity to gain information on goal setting, investing, and the power of home ownership. Surveys showed people were grateful for the information and felt empowered to make better financial decisions.

We are thankful to ALL who assisted to help make this event a success!!

As we proceed with the Sorority Year, our goal is to continue to provide information and tools to empower everyone with tools to grow financially. Financial Fortitude is our goal!!

If you would like to be a part of the Economic Development Team, contact Soror Jennell Ferguson, Chairperson

ARE YOU READY FOR YOUR

FINANCIAL



Join the members of
The Baltimore County Alumnae Chapter, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated

Saturday, October 7, 2017

11am - 2pm

Sollers Point Multipurpose Center
323 Sollers Point Rd, Dundalk, MD 21222

Lite Refreshments will be served



Debt Consolidation



Saving for College



Retirement Divesting



Investments & Credit Repair

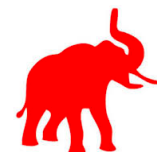


Homeownership/Refinancing

We have the Answers to Your Questions!

Keitha Robinson, President
For More Information Contact: president@bcacdelas.org





Fundraising

Are you ready to help the chapter raise funds? Do you have new ideas to bring to the floor? Do you want to see us doing more in our community?

Here's a golden opportunity. Join the Fundraising Committee at the Winfield PAL Center on Wednesday, October 25 at 6:30 pm for a meeting.

Any Questions? Soror Monique Cephas: mcephas4lk@gmail.com or txt or call 443-804-7298.

August 2018						
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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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Get ready for another SMASHING success!

SAVE THE DATE
BCAC CRABFEAST
FRIDAY, AUGUST 3, 2018



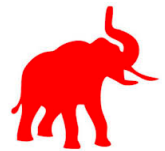
MEMBERSHIP

Membership outreach - Membership/Sisterly Yours/Reclamation- will host an information and support table a Chapter meeting for Sorors who need assistance in signing-up for the Regional Cluster Meeting. **(PLEASE BRING YOUR Members Only Login)**. There will be hard copies of the registration form available for Sorors who don't remember it or can't access it online. A Soror will be available from 9:30 and up to 30 mins after Chapter meeting (providing the end time is no later than 1:00 p.m.). Chapter members are encouraged to become the best informed Sorors, through attendance to activities like the Cluster Meeting, which will help us operate better as a Chapter.

COMING SOON - Look for updated information about Retreat and Proposed Round-Up (Fun Pot Luck) to recruit, engage, inform, and welcome Sorors.

ALL Membership Service Committees are in need of members! We want to keep strong the long standing tradition of hosting Hospitality at BCAC with warm and welcoming Sorors to work on the Amenities & Hospitality Committees.

vol^{unteer}
do good, feel good



POLITICAL AWARENESS & INVOLVEMENT/SOCIAL ACTION

DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC.

BALTIMORE COUNTY ALUMNAE CHAPTER



Calendar of Events:

Sept. 2017: participated in the Social Actions Webinar

Wed., Sept. 13: attended the Baltimore County West Democratic Club mtg.

Thurs., Sept. 14: attended the Baltimore County Republican planning mtg.

Sat., Sept. 16: attended the African Cultural Festival staffed voter registration table, addressed questions regarding voter registration and upcoming election, and handed out fliers for the October Expungement Clinic that we are partnering with the Sigmas and Del. Sydnor.

Sept. 19: attended community meeting hosted by Baltimore County Police Dept., Outreach Unit

Thurs., Sept. 28: attended state elected officials' information forum/FR—shared info on new bills that will take effect Oct. 1, 2017 and anticipated changes in 2018 in the Maryland General Assembly.

Sat., Sept. 30: field trip to Cambridge, MD with Women's group on Good Government/Public Policy—emphasize on civil rights issues and minorities having a seat at the table.

Sat., Oct. 7: assisted with sign-in/registration at the Expungement Clinic.

Proposed Calendar Events:

- ✓ Nov. 2017: Civics 101:Legislation (Lawmaking) Information Session – Eastern Baltimore County
- ✓ Dec. 2017: TBD
- ✓ Jan. 2017: TBD
- ✓ Feb. 2017: NOTE: Candidate filing deadline is Feb.
- ✓ Mar. 2017: Gubernatorial Candidate Forum in collaboration with area chapters.
- ✓ Apr. 2017: Candidate Forums—County, State and Federal elected officials
- ✓ May 2017: Review of Civics 101 along with update from candidate forums
- ✓ June 2017: Push for "Got Out to Vote"

Important dates

- Feb. 27, 2018 – Candidates filing deadline
- June 26, 2018 Primary Election (Early Voting: June 14-June 21)
- Nov., 6, 2018 General Election (Early Voting: Oct. 25-Nov. 1)

Issues: Baltimore County School Board

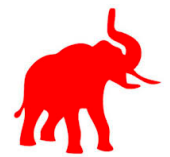
Women's

Third topic TBD

Social Action

Sorors Smylie & Risper,
Co-Chairs
EB:Oct2017

*Actively involved in local, state and national issues
~ transforming lives, and impacting communities.*



PROGRAM PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

Seventy-eight (78) Sorors were in attendance at the Chapter Management DID organized by The PP&D Committee on Saturday, September 23, 2017. The DID was facilitated by Sorors Stephanie Minor-Harper and Bernadette White from Federal City Alumnae Chapter (FCAC).

Out of the 72 completed the workshop evaluation forms, Sorors:

- (1)strongly agreed the content was clear, relevant, and provided new insights
 - (2)strongly agreed the presenters were knowledgeable/the session was organized
 - (3)felt the overall workshop was excellent or very good
 - (4)recommended longer time to cover the topics.
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RITUAL AND CEREMONIES

WHAT EVERY SOROR SHOULD KNOW...

Respect and Recognition for the National President and Past National Presidents

When the National President and Past National Presidents enter a Delta assembly (opened or closed), the membership stands and remains standing until these revered sorors are seated. When the National President and Past Presidents are introduced or presented, in ascending order of their presidency, the membership stands and remains standing until each has been presented. The membership remains seated during the recessional until the National President and dais have exited.

Respect and Recognition for Regional Director/ Representative

When the Regional Director and/ or Regional Representative enters a regional or chapter activity and when they are introduced, the membership stands and remains standing until these revered sorors are seated. The membership remains seated until the Regional Director and dais has exited.

- Darlene C. Williams, Ritual and Ceremonies Chairperson

SCHOLARSHIP

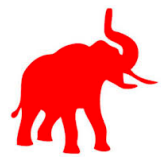


Next meeting- Wednesday, November 1,
2017@ 7:30 p.m. via conference call
1-319-527-9163 code 692894#

**Scholarship Committee is still seeking
members for this Sorority Year.**

*The Scholarship Committee met on 10/10/17 via
conference call where the goals for the year were
reviewed and discussed. The Scholarship
Committee will improve the application, review the
process and distribution, with the assistance of
the Technology Committee.*





...FROM THE FOUNDATION



"Honoring Our Sheroes: Networking and Engaging To Empower Female Veterans"

4th Annual Stand Down

THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF BALTIMORE COUNTY, CATONSVILLE CAMPUS

The Barn

800 South Rolling Road

Catonsville, MD 21228

November 17, 2017 - 8:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.



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WWW.BCDELTAFOUNDATION.ORG

SPEAKER



Betty Moseley Brown, Ed.D.

**Associate Director
VA Center for Women Veterans**

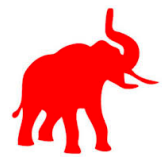
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- *Continental Breakfast and Snack
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- *Hear Up-to-Date Information about Housing and Benefits
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EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION

By Friday October 20, 2017
(early bird): \$65 Alumnae
\$50 Collegiate After October
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FINAL REGISTRATION DATE:
OCTOBER 27, 2017

NO ONSITE REGISTRATION

2017 Fall Cluster Meeting Information and Registration

Early Bird Special! Sorors, please register today for the early bird special before the price goes up!

Please see below information regarding the upcoming 2017 Fall Cluster Meetings for the Eastern Region. The Fall Cluster Meetings will be held on Saturday November 4, 2017 - DC/MD/USVI - Bowie, MD

We hope that you are planning to join us! Our theme for this biennium is: "The EAST: First to Serve...First to Lead...First to EMPOWER!!!" Cluster Meetings provide important updates and information that are germane to our sorority's programming nationally, and are vital to the development of our chapters. Therefore, we ask that all chapters send representation to ensure that we continue to further the goals of our sorority.

Please follow ALL of the instructions below to register. You MUST register electronically AND using the paper form to mail your payment. **REMINDER:** There is NO onsite registration the day of training; please check your cluster forms for final payment deadlines for the individual meetings.

1. Click the registration link below to electronically register for one of the cluster meeting dates:
[2017 Fall Cluster Meeting Registration](#)
2. Download one of the cluster registration forms listed here: [DC/MD/USVI - Saturday November 4, 2017](#)

1. Why do I need to register online first?

When you register online using the Google form, we are capturing your registration and price point immediately and creating our registration rosters, which ultimately will guarantee a smooth registration process at all of our cluster meetings.

2. Can I attend another state's cluster meeting?

Yes! Please REGISTER ONLINE FIRST using the link provided below and then proceed to download the Individual Registration Form for your desired cluster meeting. You will be submitting payment directly to the chapter accepting payment for that cluster meeting.

3. My chapter has already sent the chapter check for the cluster meeting! What happens now?

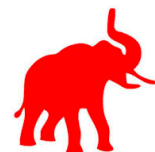
Please download the Individual Registration form and submit your payment to the chapter accepting payments for your desired cluster meeting.

4. Can I attend more than one cluster meeting?

Yes! Please REGISTER ONLINE FIRST using the link provided for one or more cluster meetings; then proceed to download the Individual Registration Form(s) for your desired cluster meetings. You will be submitting payments directly to the chapter accepting payment for your desired cluster meetings.

5. What is the attire for the cluster meeting?

This is a Delta business meeting, therefore, business attire is requested for the cluster meetings.



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6. Do I need to print anything once I register online?

Once you've completed the online registration process first, the only form you need to print is the Individual Registration Form to submit to your chapter's Financial Secretary OR to submit directly to the chapter taking payments for your desired cluster meeting.

7. If I registered online BEFORE the deadline, but my chapter meeting/executive board meeting is after the deadline, do I need to pay more?

No. Once you've registered online and we've captured your registration and price point, simply print the Individual Registration form to give to your chapter's financial secretary along with your payment.

9. Do I have to make a lunch selection?

Yes, ONLY if you are attending either the TriState/CT Cluster Meeting on Saturday October 28 OR the Maryland/DC cluster meeting on Saturday November 4. Sorors should select "N/A" if they are attending either of the other two cluster meetings.

10. Does each individual Soror have to register online and submit a printed copy of their registration?

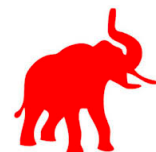
Yes! Once you've REGISTERED ONLINE FIRST and we've captured your registration and price point, simply download and print the Individual Registration form to give to your chapter's financial secretary along with your payment.

11. How do I know if my registration was successful?

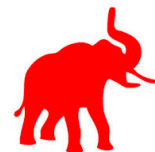
Upon successfully registering, you will receive a message that states "Thank you Sorors! Your responses have been recorded" OR "Thank you Sorors! Your registration has been received."

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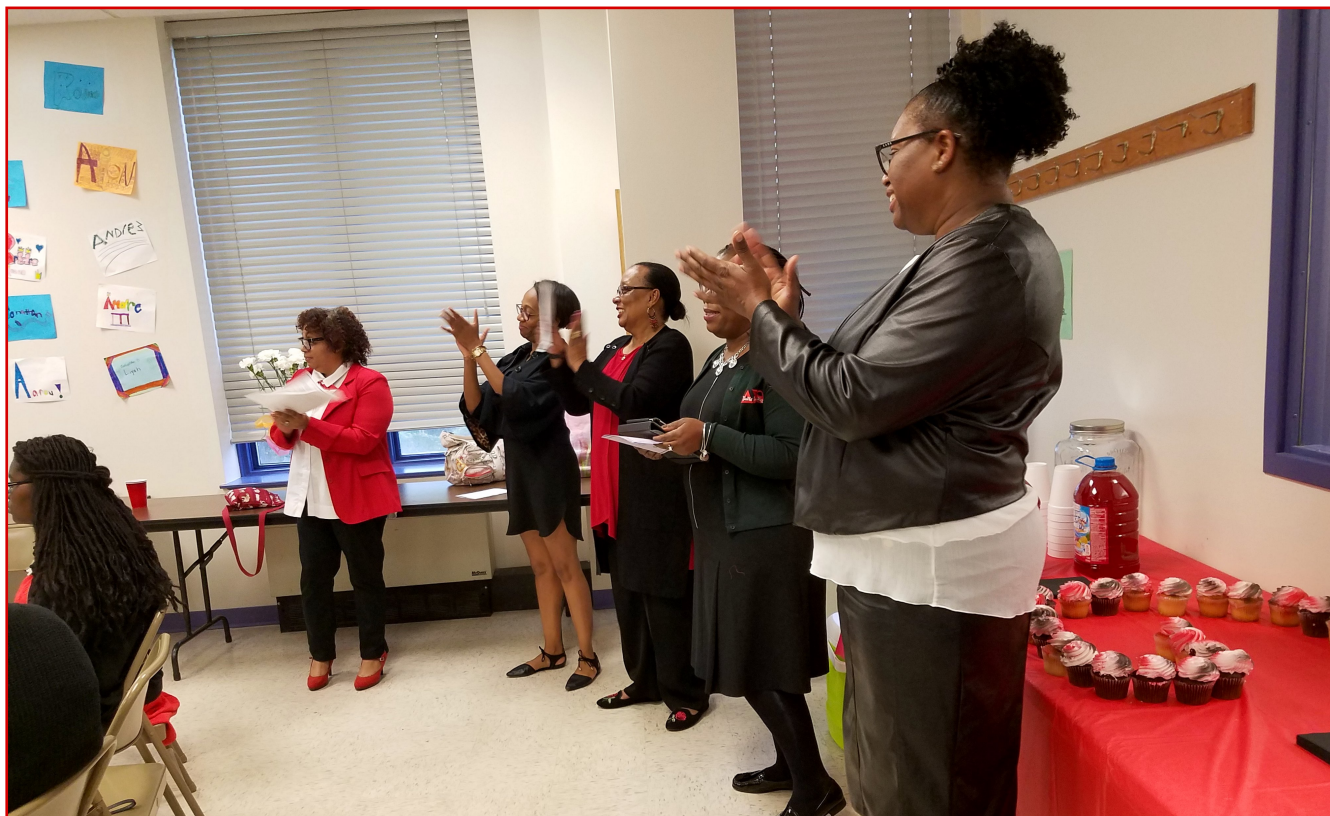
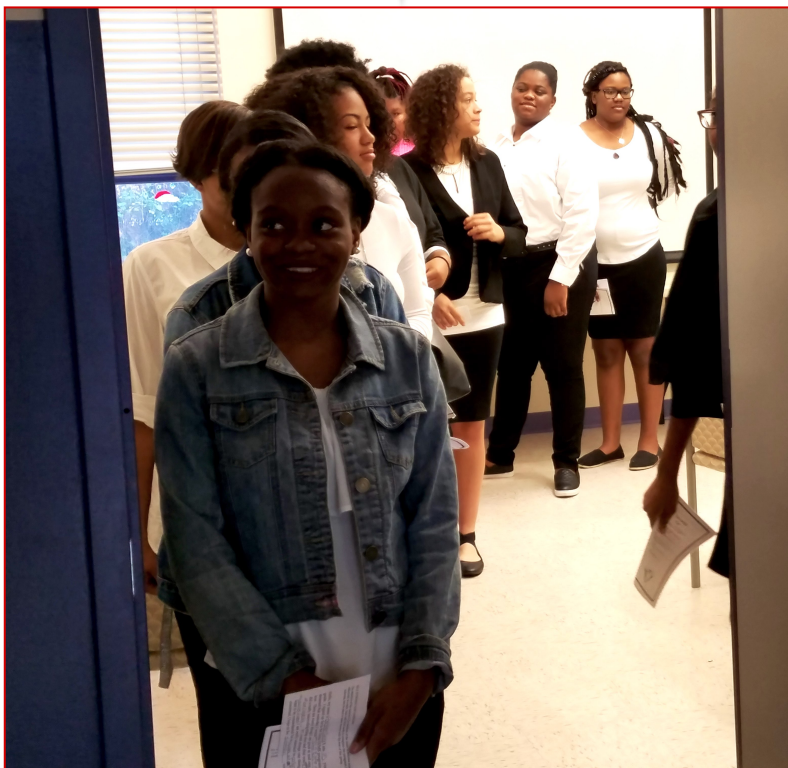


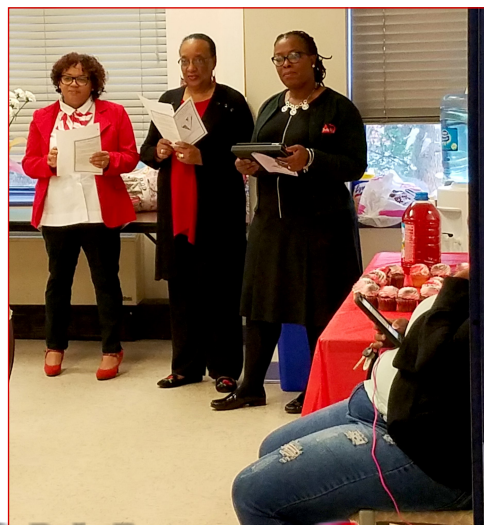
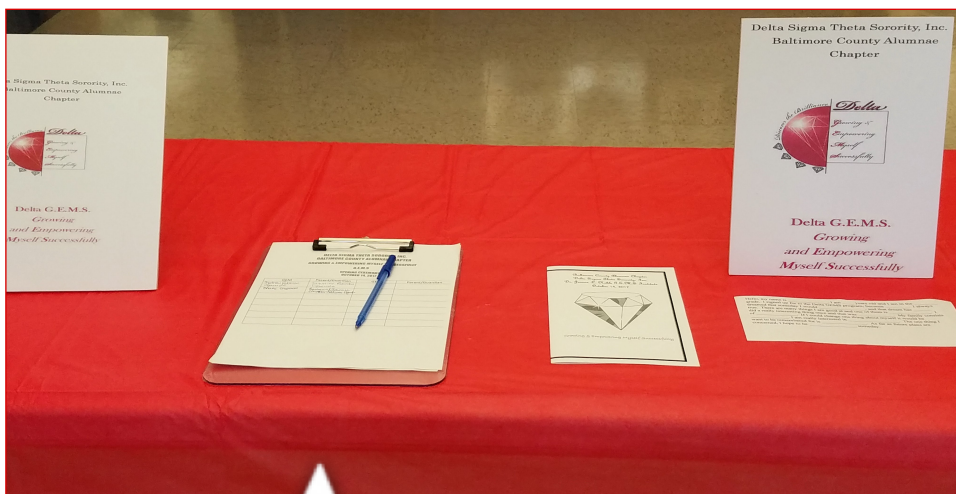
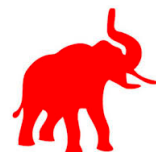


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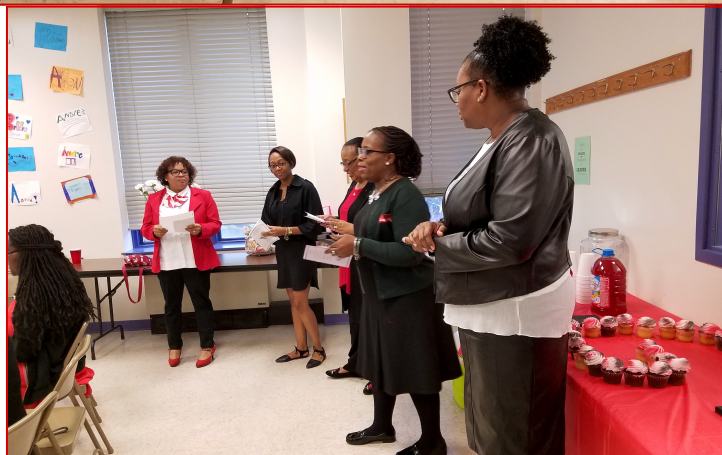
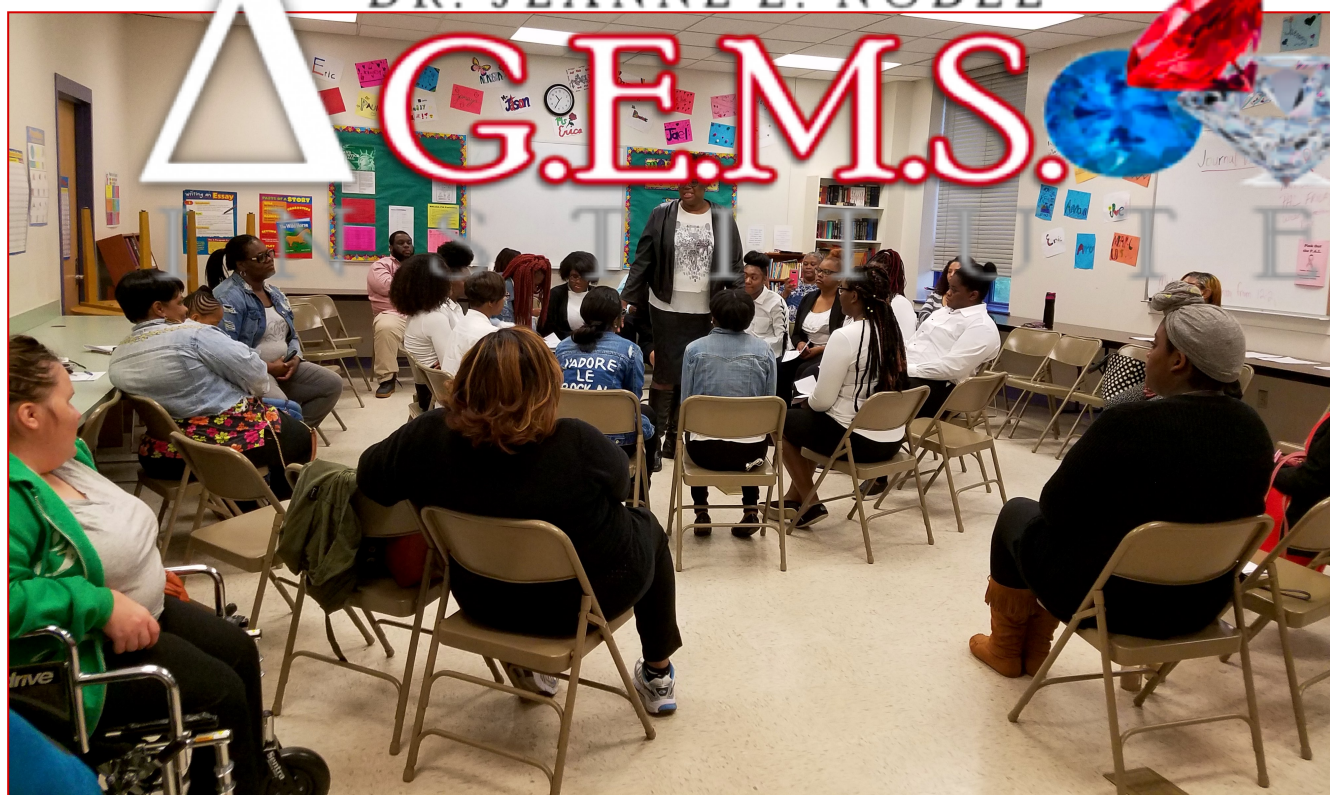


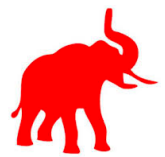
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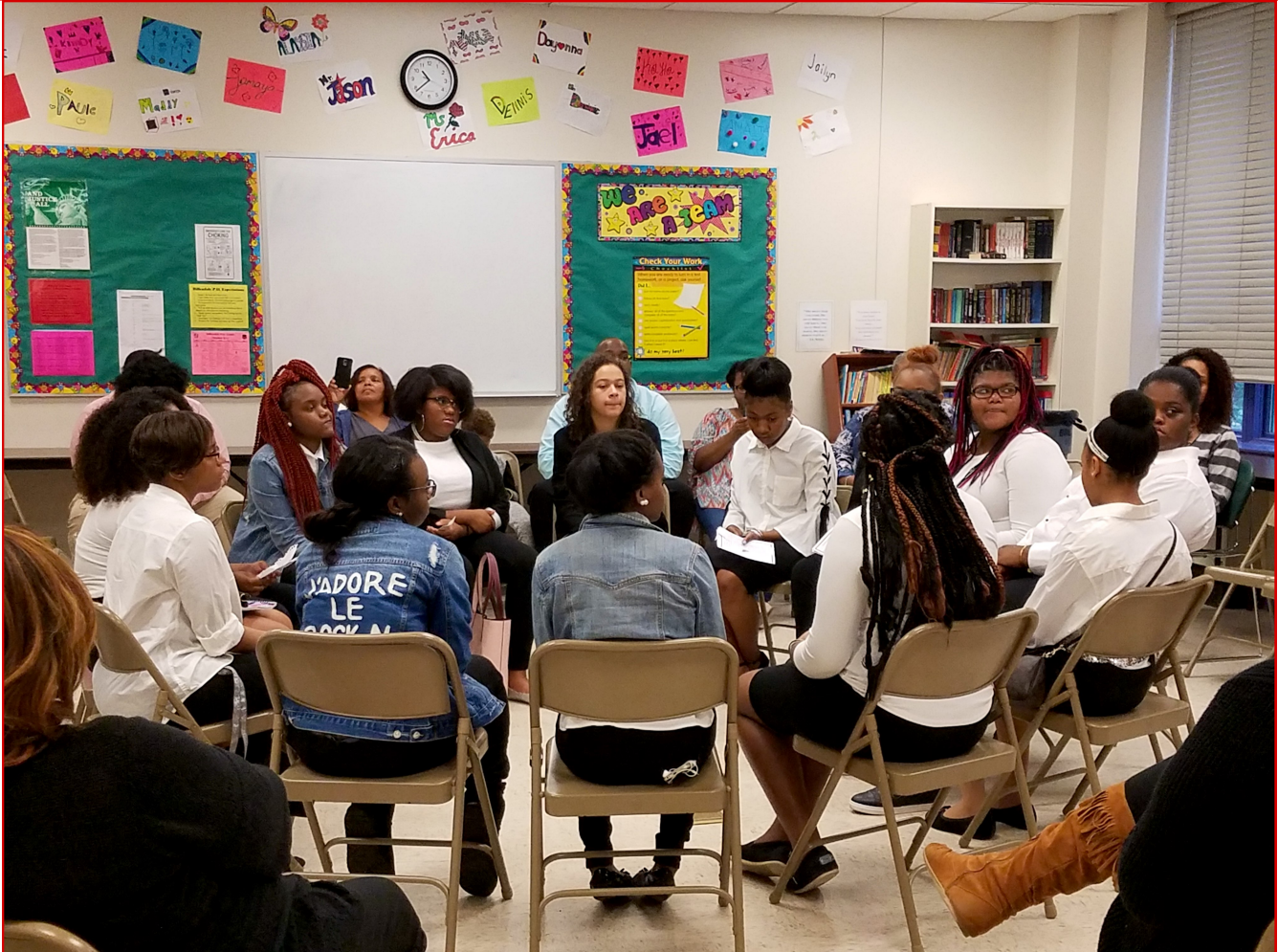


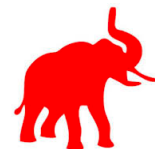
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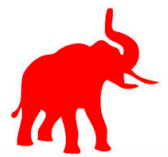
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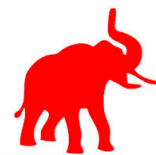


PRESIDENT'S PAGE



October Expungement Clinic (partnering with Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. and Del. Sydnor)





A STORY OF FAITH, CANCER & SPIRITUALITY

It all started with the flu. On January 20, 2017, while coughing up what felt like a lung, I noticed an explosion of blood on my shirt. Within days, I went through the usual tests. While being prepped for the biopsy, the tech offered to play music. I requested Third Day, my favorite Christian rock band. I became teary-eyed as I pondered the likely diagnosis. Then, I heard the Third Day song, "I've Always Loved You." Some might see this as a coincidence, but I know better. The chorus goes:



*Don't you know I've always loved you
Even before there was time
Though you turn away
I'll tell you still
Don't you know I've always loved you
And I always will*



And then I cried a little more! What should have been a very painful biopsy was filled with chatting and laughter with the Christian tech. There were many moments like this when I felt God's reassurance.

On February 7, I learned I had breast cancer. Many might see this as a death sentence, but thank God it was ductal carcinoma in situ (DCIS), a non-invasive, stage 0 cancer, localized in one breast. If you're gonna have breast cancer, this was the most favorable kind. My husband and I

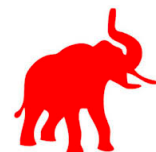
met with the oncology team and were joking during much of the meetings. The team psychologist couldn't quite understand why I didn't blame anyone, including God. I just smiled and said, "He loves me!" She asked about stress relief. Before I could tell her, my husband blurted out, "She goes into her prayer room and prays!"

And that's what has made the difference. I had a mastectomy on March 2, 2017. It took the two surgeons 9 hours to remove and reconstruct the breast. The reconstruction used tissue from my tummy. I thought, cool, a tummy tuck and boob job all in one! Since then, I've had two additional surgeries. Though I'm still recovering from the surgeries, the important thing is this: I am cancer-free. I do not require radiation or chemo or any other cancer drugs.

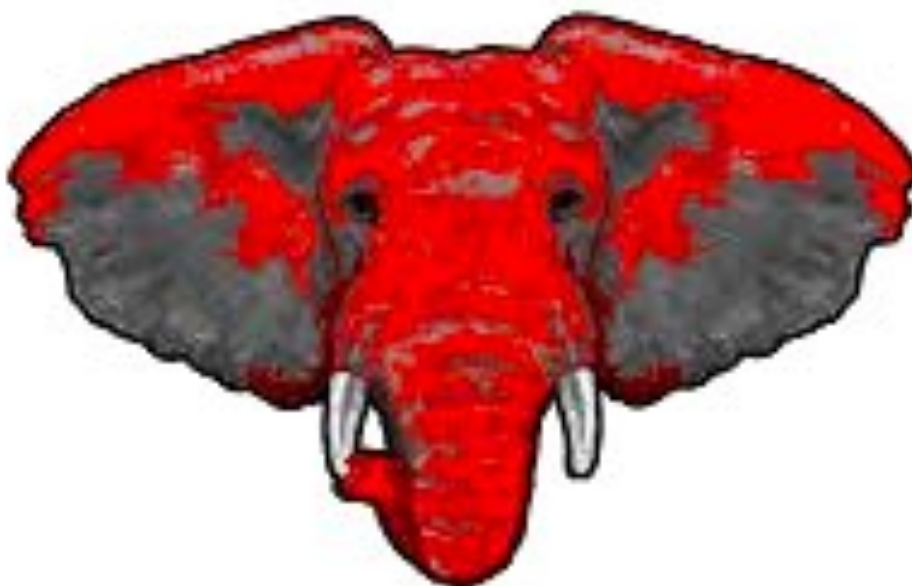
I'm a member of Lifesong Church in Sutton, Massachusetts, a nondenominational Bible-based church that believes in the power of prayer. I feel blessed that God has given me a strong connection to a praying church family, especially a strong bond with a wonderful sisterhood of praying women. When this adventure began, I contacted my chat group of prayer warrior women, known as "the 12." All of these women began to cover me in prayer. With the prayers of so many and my trust in the faithfulness of God, I could only have peace.

Now, I am not saying that there have not been difficult times: uncomfortable drainage tubes, no showers for three weeks, falling off an air mattress the second day out of the hospital, pain, swelling, [and] boredom. I have watched more British TV series than I can count!

I have no bitterness nor do I blame God. I don't feel the need to ask "why me?" I am grateful for the love, support and especially the prayers of friends, family, church family and colleagues. It's been humbling and sustaining. I must also give special props to Cliff, my husband of 16 years. He has shown such strength, love, devotion and care for me that, again, I am deeply humbled and blessed. Sometimes, I feel a little guilty that I am included with those who've had a worse experience with cancer. Still, I am grateful for my outcome and pray for those who have not been as fortunate.



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