



The Delta Download ↓



THE PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE

Sorors, welcome to the 2021-2022 Sorority year! We are anticipating great things! So far, we have started the year off with our chapter roundup and retreat, "Unwrapping Our Gifts," first chapter meeting, first community service event, the School Supply Give-Away (Drive-By), and 57th Charter Day! We have come out the gate running! Not only that, we have a new look! We have a beautiful logo that Media Relations created specifically for our Chapter Box, and there is a new layout for The Delta Download! We are full of energy and ready to take Suffolk Alumnae to the next level. Sorors, we are a dynamic group of talented women with many gifts to offer the chapter. We have over 20 committees and projects that can use your unique gifts. Let's use them to serve our area, meet the community's needs, and make a lasting impact on everyone with whom we connect. I am excited about the potential this year brings. Get excited with me, and let's make a difference in Suffolk!



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Ready to Serve,

Tina M. Paul

STAYING CONNECTED

The chapter newsletter was revamped in August 2020 and given a new name, **The Delta Download**. Keeping sorors connected and in the loop when a global pandemic kept us apart was one of its goals. With social media platforms proving to be the first place to turn for information, **The Delta Download** served as a tangible resource documenting chapter events and providing a glimpse into the lives of our DEARS and other chapter members through the Spotlight and the monthly "Getting to Know You" question.

We hope you look forward to receiving and reading the newsletter. We appreciate it for its historical keepsake value and view it as a means for our not-so social-media-savvy members to stay connected. We will continue to spotlight chapter members monthly and provide quarterly updates on committee events, community programs, and Sorority news.

If you would like to see something captured in the newsletter, please let us know.



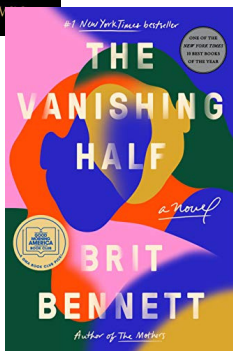
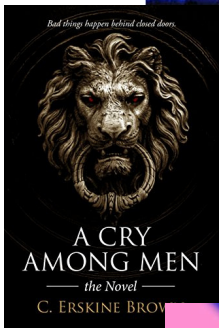
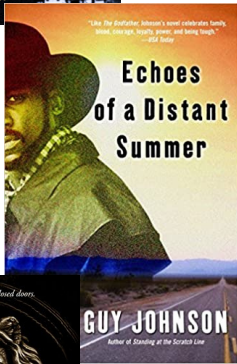
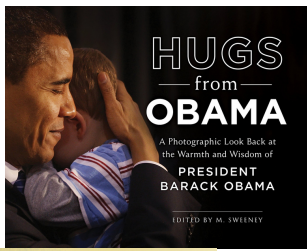
IT'S ALL ABOUT YOU!

We are looking to YOU to build our newsletter. Do you have good news about a job promotion or the birth of a child? Look for your story in **"Tell Me Something Good"**. Would you like to share a memorable moment about a Delta experience? That will be featured in **"Remembering HERstory"**. If it's important news about you, we want to hear about it. Submit your entry by the Executive Board meeting, and we will include it in the next issue.

Submit all articles to
sacd64.newsletter@gmail.com.

What Are You Reading?

As the seasons are about to change, many of us are ready to pull out our nice fall sweaters and fashionable boots. Some of us are ready to curl up with a blanket and a good book. But which book? Tell us what you're reading now.



Favorite book:

Fire Goes Out Without Wood

Favorite genre:

Biblical stories

Favorite author:

Catherine Reed

Last book you read:

Hugs from Obama



**Vermelle T. Byrd, Charter Member,
Alpha Lambda, Fall 1955**

Favorite books:

Standing At The Scratch Line and Echoes of a Distant Summer by Guy Johnson; A Cry Among Men by C. Erskine Brown (A fellow VSU Trojan).

Favorite genre:

fiction (but not horror).

Favorite authors:

Zora Neale Hurston, J. California Cooper, Langston Hughes, James Baldwin, and Guy Johnson (Maya Angelou's son).

Last book you read:

The Vanishing Half by Brit Bennett.



**Soror Charlene Christian-Andrews,
SAC, Spring 1981**

The **Getting To Know You** section of the newsletter allows us to get to know our sorors in a more intimate way. Each month The Delta Download will pose a different question to the chapter. Please consider sharing your thoughts on the topic so we can learn more about you and potentially have more dialogue in the future. You never know how your thoughts will connect with another's.

THAT'S MY SOROR

Each month we will meet three sorors: a Delta DEAR, a reclaimed soror, and our spotlight soror.



**She's our DEAR!
Soror Lula B. Holland**

Job/Title/Position:

Asst. Director, Dept. of Social Services; Registered Nurse; Ret. Col. U.S. Army Reserve

What is your idea of a good time?

Going out with friends, laughing and talking together

Initiation chapter/date, line number/name; line's name:

Suffolk Alumnae; 4/30/1993; #11-Covered; Together 25

What committee(s) do you serve on in SAC?

Membership Services

What is a pet peeve of yours?

I don't like it when people are not committed.

What Delta advice would you give a young soror?

You made the choice to become a Delta, now use your gifts and talents to make Delta the best it can be because you are now part of its success!

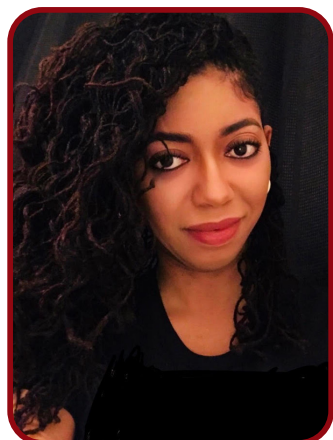
Based on the theme from this year's chapter retreat, what gifts are you unwrapping?

I will continue to share the knowledge I have gained. I love to help out wherever needed.

If money/time/talent were no object, what one thing would you have, be, and do?

HAVE - Honestly, I am blessed beyond measure. I haven't a need for anything!

BE - A helper to anyone in need, **DO** - See a Broadway play once a month.



**Welcome Back, Soror!
Dr. Malikah Myrick**

Job/Title/Position:

Imaging Services Administrator

What is your idea of a good time?

Reading, fine dining, and traveling

Initiation chapter/date, line number/name; line's name:

Suffolk Alumnae; 04/22/2001; #6-Big Business; The Real M.E.

What committee(s) do you serve on in SAC?

Media Relations (MRC)

What makes SAC special to you?

It is my home, chapter of initiation.

Based on the theme from this year's chapter retreat, what gifts are you unwrapping?

My talents include: teleconferencing, public health, and graphic design.

If money/time/talent were no object, what one thing would you have, be, and do?

HAVE - A Condominium in downtown Chicago, **BE** - A foster parent, **DO** - Travel internationally once a year.



We're Spotighting You!!
Soror Janice D. Smith

Job/Title/Position:

Web Application Services Manager

What is your idea of a good time?

I love to spend time in my garden from spring through fall. I also love interior design and spending time with my family. I always count it a good time hanging with my girlfriends. Before COVID, I would visit one of my girlfriends who lives in DC twice a year. And between August and November, I usually go on a girl's trip with another set of girlfriends.

Initiation chapter/date, line number/name; line's name:

Suffolk Alumnae; April 9, 2006; #2 -Triple C;
Phenomenal XXVI

What committee(s) do you serve on in SAC?

Media Relations (MRC) and May Week

What is a favorite gift you've received?

Two months after I was born, my father was deployed to Thailand for a year. While there, he paid a jeweler to create a custom gold jewelry set for me. He kept the set in a safe place for years until he presented it to me on my 16th birthday. I will always cherish the memory of that day.

What is your most memorable moment in Delta?

My most memorable moment happened while I was a pyramid. My LS Laurie was going through cancer during that time. I remember one evening she showed up to the meeting after chemo treatment earlier that day and how our Line surrounded her with love and prayers. I will always remember how much of a spiritual experience it was during that time.

Based on the theme from this year's chapter retreat, what gifts are you unwrapping?

I will continue to share my technology skills and ensure the website is more engaging this sorority year.

If money/time/talent were no object, what one thing would you have, be, and do?

HAVE - a haven of plush accommodations and worry-free amenities for caregivers to recharge, restore, and rejuvenate, **BE** - a voiceover actress, **DO** - live in Italy for a year.





Celebrating Sorors

Happy Birthday, Sorors!

September

- 09/02 Patricia Richards-Spruill
- 09/03 Toni Thomas
- 09/03 Adrienne Turner
- 09/04 Charlene Christian-Andrews
- 09/10 Gail Pulley
- 09/13 Erica Williams
- 09/16 Lorri Banks
- 09/17 Ericka Counts
- 09/19 Gloria Mizelle
- 09/27 Barbara B. Walker
- 09/29 Joyice Powell Jones
- 09/30 Dana Woodson



October

- 10/05 Anjelica Harris
- 10/06 Erin Lawrence
- 10/12 Angela Hicks
- 10/13 Erin Banks
- 10/20 Charlene Holloway
- 10/25 Malika Myrick
- 10/26 Latasha Powell-Mason
- 10/26 Vanessa Harris
- 10/27 Ebony Hudson
- 10/30 Jess Moore

*Happy
Delta Versary,
Sorors!*

OCT, 1968 Jacqueline Matthews, SAC
OCT, 2020 Dionna Scott, Upsilon Iota - Chowan Univ.



Our thoughts and prayers are with you!

Please continue to pray for our Sorors who have recently suffered a loss, are ill, recovering from surgery, have been under the weather, or are facing one of life's many challenges. Those that we are aware of include:

Sorors Felicia DeLoatch, Joyce Diggs, Robin Gregg-Chappell, Darlene Lascano, Jacqueline Matthews, Melody Matthews Calloway, Sharon Slaughter, Jancie Smith, Patricia Richards-Spruill, Guinelle Trower-Koonce, and Dana Woodson

If we have omitted any names, please forgive us and let us know so we can include them next month.



Suffolk Alumnae Members

2021-2022

Adrienne Simmons	Felita Steverson	Lonice Williams
Adrienne Turner	Gail Hinton-Copeland*	Lorri Banks
Alexis Smith	Gail Pulley	Lula Holland*
Angela Hicks	Gayle Spencer-Ridley*	Malikah Myrick
Anjelica Harris	Gina Knight	Marcia Brown
Aretha Porter	Gloria Mizelle*	Marion Monique Keeling
Barbara B. Walker*	Gloria Spruiell*	Mary Hicks*
Belinda S. Pitts	Guinelle Trower-Koonce*	Mary Steverson*
Betty Montgomery*	Gwendolyn Williams	Melleasenah Rountree
Beverly Washington-Williams	Helen Lewis*	Melody Matthews
Brenda Boston*	Helivi Holland	Monique Barnes
Bridgette M. Buckner	Jacqueline Allen*	Nancy Adams*
Camino Staton	Jacqueline Matthews*	Nicole Austin
Carolyn Mayfield*	Jacquelyn Lawrence*	Nicole Randolph
Cassidy Lewis	Jan Elion*	Pamela Jones-Watford
Catrina Uzzle	Janice Smith	Patricia Richards-Spruill*
Charlene Christian-Andrews*	Jessica Moore	Pharnethia Jackson
Charlene Holloway	Jessie Lawrence*	Regina McKinney
Charlette Fairchild	Jewel Anderson	Robin Edwards-Clark
Chassity Beads Harris	Joy Porter	Robin Gregg-Chappell
Cherelle Mason-Harris	Joyce Diggs*	Robin J. Whitley
Crystal Phillips	Joyce Powell Jones*	Sharon Knight*
Dana Woodson	Juanita Glover*	Sharon Slaughter
Darlene Lascano	Judith Brooks-Buck*	Shawn Harris
Davida Harrell-Williams	Julia James	Shea Skinner
Deborah Norris	Kathryn Allen-Stamps	Simone Boothe
Deborah Sanford*	Katrina Pope	Sonia Bethea
Deborah Springs*	Kelli McCray	Stephanie Blue
DeVonda Spivey	Kia Edwards	Takiyah Brown
Dionna Scott	Kier Holland	Tamara McBride*
Doris Johnson*	Kimberly Penerton	Tenesha Hicks
Ebony Hudson	Kimberly Pitt	Tess Turner
Echoe Edmond	Kimberly Vincent	Tia Hughes
Erica Williams-White	LaCleder Odom	Tina M. Paul
Ericka Counts	Lakeila Powell	Toni Thomas
Erin Banks	LaShawndra Walker	Vanessa Harris*
Erin Lawrence	Latasha Powell	Vermelle T. Byrd*
Ernestine Kearney*	Latonya Williams	Vicki Wiggins-Pittman
Felicia DeLoatch	LaToya Gregg	Wendy Hicks
		Yilla Smith-Harry



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