



CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.



Pictured above, SAC MLK Float with Mr. and Miss Jabberwock and sorors walking in the MLK parade through downtown Savannah.

Pictured right, sorors attend the MLK Citywide Memorial Service at St. James AME Church where the speaker was Bishop Rosa Williams, pastor of Everfaithful Baptist Church of Augusta and a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

Financial Tip of the Month

SAVINGS AND INVESTMENT

- 1) No matter what your age is, **TODAY** is the first day of the wealth of your life. Start saving and investing more today. Don't be intimidated or overwhelmed. There are professionals ready to answer questions and assist you as you move forward.
- 2) Invest regularly. Save 10-15% of your income.
- 3) Use tax advantaged Roth 401k and IRA plans. Remember to **always** contribute at least as much as your employer contributes to your retirement. Your employer's contribution is set by company policy. Your contribution is normally voluntary. At least match your employer's.
- 4) In order to diversify investments, vary your holdings to reduce risks by investing in mutual funds and equity funds.
- 5) Look for companies with low cost fees for handling YOUR money.
- 6) **BE PATIENT!** Don't panic during market volatility. The market goes up and down. Buy, hold and realize REWARDS!
- 7) As important as the above are, please keep abreast of your credit record. Credit reports do matter! Credit reports are kept by three (3) major credit agencies. From these reports, you have a credit score. Your credit score determines whether you can get a loan AND how much interest you will pay. Get your FREE Annual Credit Reports at www.AnnualCreditReport.com



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Pearls of Delta Knowledge

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Savannah Alumnae Chapter

STANDING ON THE LEGACY OF 103 YEARS

My dedicated, sensational, tenacious sisters of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated Savannah Alumnae Chapter, I greet you in the spirit of sisterly love with a gregarious and profound: HAPPY FOUNDERS DAY SORORS!

One hundred and three years ago, **Soror Founder Myra Davis Hemmings** opened a chapter meeting January 13, 1913 as the chapter president of Alpha Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority. During the midst of that meeting, opinions, ideologies, and priorities for shaping the community changed; they wanted to be more than just a social organization. They wanted to serve their community in a way that would make a positive and lasting impact and leave it better than they found it.



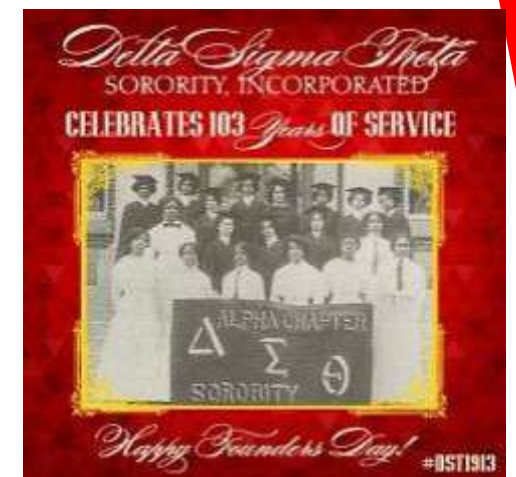
By the close of that meeting, Soror Davis had become one of the "Illustrious Twenty-two" Founders of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated and the first chapter president of the historic Alpha Chapter at Howard University. Standing on the shoulders of visionary women has allowed this sorority to transform and impact communities through effective projects and programs for 103 years. There is not an aspect of our Five Point Programmatic Thrust that does not allow us individually, and collectively, to impact the lives of every individual in our community. Not only do we transform and impact our community, we also transform and impact ourselves.

Sorors, we come from greatness. We come from women who were the best and the brightest, during a time when women were oppressed; couldn't vote; didn't have many options for professional careers and most women didn't even have the financial means or inclination to seek higher education.

Sorors, look at us 103 years later! We are doctors, lawyers, judges, school administrators, nurse practitioners, astronauts, airline pilots, engineers, social workers, accountants, physical therapists, chefs, firefighters, police women, senators, congresswomen, CEO's and so much more.

One hundred three years ago, we started a movement founded in Christian principles with a desire to make this world better. We are a sisterhood called to serve a greater purpose than ourselves. I imagine the Founders often look down from heaven and smile at the work Delta is doing. I imagine they look down and marvel at the legacy they have created from twenty-two, to more than three hundred thousand initiated. I imagine they look down and smile at the lives we impact every day through service. Most of all, I hear them whispering, "keep working Sorors, keep moving forward Sorors, keep making a difference ... we've come this far by faith.

Yes, we had the vision but **you** are the ones keeping it alive!"



With Love & Devotion to Delta,
Laura N. Wiggins
 Chapter President





Serving Our Community



Members of SAC donated time, talent and resources to several efforts that support our community.

- ▲ Over 50 cases of water were donated to Divine Rest Ministries for distribution to the homeless population.
- ▲ More than 25 sorors painted, cleaned offices and packed food for the needy at the Frank Callen Boys and Girl Club on the MLK National Day of Service.
- ▲ Scholarship and Awards Committee conducted a workshop to assist high school seniors with applying for scholarships. A similar workshop will be held in Bryan and Effingham counties in the coming months.



Membership Happenings

FOUNDERS DAY 2016 CELEBRATING 103 YEARS

Sisterhood ~ Scholarship ~ Service



Pictured left and below: Sorors at dinner at Carrabba's Italian Restaurant



Pictured at right: Savannah State University President, Cheryl Dozier, (center) visits with members of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, as they celebrate Founders Day on SSU campus.



SAVANNAH ALUMNAE MOURNS DEATH OF 12th CHAPTER PRESIDENT MOZELLE CLEMMONS



*Soror Mozelle Clemmons
1924-2016*

The members of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Savannah Alumnae Chapter mourn the death of our beloved sorority sister **Mozelle Dailey Clemmons**. Soror Clemmons served with distinction from 1965-1967 as the 12th Chapter President of Savannah Alumnae. She has been a pillar of the Savannah community since moving to the city in the 1940's with her husband, the late J.B. Clemmons.

Soror Clemmons dedicated her life to the preservation of African American culture and history in Savannah and is credited with starting the Freedom Fund Dinner, the leading fundraiser of the Savannah Branch of the NAACP. She is also one of the three individuals responsible for the preservation and restoration of the King-Tisdell Cottage and the founding of the King-Tisdell Foundation.

When asked what inspired her commitment to this community, Soror Clemmons was quoted as saying, "If the community gives you so much, you ought to give something back. That's my inspiration, is to give something back." The members of Savannah Alumnae Chapter salute her life and her legacy of giving back to our community.