Epsilon Gamma Iota, Inc.

"Through Unity We Shall Prevail"

2014-2015 2nd Quarter Newsletter

Message From the National Director

Greetings Members! I hope everyone had wonderful holidays. We have had a lot going on since the last time I addressed you and have even more coming up. For starters, our NAB has grown and I would like to introduce our new directors:

- Miosha Robinson(Alpha Spr01) Director of Social Events
- William Sapon(Alpha Spr08) Director of Undergraduate Affairs
- NeCara McClendon (Delta Fall12) Historian

Many of you may have noticed that our website (www.eci1984.org) is currently under construction...Yes, we are in the process of revamping the site to accommodate better communication, membership tracking, and external visibility. We will be unveiling the website in multiple releases but it will be up and running soon. Thanks a lot to the current internet services team.

Lastly just want to give you a heads up on some key initiatives kicking off as well. If you would like to be involved please utilize the contacts indicated below or anyone on the NAB.

- 2016 Convention Location Selection (Miosha Robinson, socialevents@nab.eci1984.org)
- Membership Intake Revamp (Bri Westmoreland, <u>newmembership@nab.eci1984.org</u>)
- Total Membership Count/Repository (NeCara McClendon, <u>historian@nab.eci1984.org</u>)

Always a pleasure "Framily", my Frat is my Family. E-C......

*Faye Moore
National Director
2014-16

Congratulations Graduates!

Dr. Kimberly Allums

Alpha Chapter, Doctorate in Material Science and Engineering, Hired by Nasa Astromaterials Research and Exploration and Exploration Division

Latash Cox Dandy

Delta Chapter, Masters in Systems Engineering, Hired by Lockheed Martin Aeronautics Company

Derrick Davis

Alpha Chapter, B.S. Computer Science, Hired by Accenture

Jonathan Clark

Delta Chapter, B.S. in Architectural Engineering, Hired by Earl Swensson Assoc.

Kiera Mitchell

Delta Chapter, B.S. in Architectural Engineering, Hired by Robert Silman Assoc.

NeCara McClendon

Delta Chapter, B.S. in Computer Science, Hired by Naval Surface Warfare Center Dahlgren Division

Roland Chase Champine

Alpha Chapter, B.S. Computer Science, Attending PVAMU Graduate School of Computer Science

New Members:

Delta Fall 2014 "Coma2ose"
1. Myles "Hangman" Pearson
2. Thomas "C.S.I" Caruthers



Homecoming Recap

Alpha Chapter kept the partying going at Prairie View A&M University 2014 Homecoming in October. In honor of Epsilon Gamma Iota's 30 year Anniversary, Alpha Chapter "Set Homecoming Out!" Starting off with a pre-party on Friday night, and then to the tailgate festivities on Saturday. The tailgate was epic and included a catered breakfast, lunch/dinner with an excellent choice of beverages at the bar, all you can drink and eat. Gifts were provided to paid attendees (PVAMU flask, 30 Year Anniversary shirts and wrist bands). The turnout was great! Our founders represented with the biggest numbers in years. To honor the establishment of this amazing organization and 30 great years of hard work, there was a balloon release and a pinning ceremony for the founders present at the Epsilon tree.





Delta Chapter kicked off the 30 Year Homecoming festivities at Tennessee State University (TSU) 2014 Homecoming in September. "Get Geeked, Get Geeked...It's Homecoming Week". Geeked is exactly what went down. The 2014 TSU Homecoming theme was to "Renew Old Acquaintances" and Delta chapter defiantly fulfilled that notion. From kicking it off with drinks and goodies at the pep-rally (if you haven't had Stephanie's red velvet cupcakes, I don't know what you are doing with your life), day party in Titan Stadium, to late night festivities and so much more in between. Downtown Nashville happens to have great night time scenery full of social venues; the Party bus (yes round 2) allowed for Epsilon alumni and current members to enjoy music and beverages conveniently on the transportation in a social venue setting. Also, there were bus stops at various amenities in downtown, which allowed catching up on old times and current events in our Epsilon family.

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ALPHA CHAPTER HIGHLITES: Some of our recently completed programs are our Haunted House fundraiser and E-Week. The Haunted House fundraiser incorporated other community service organizations on our campus where there was various scenes of fright and excitement of makeup and costume changing. There was about 100 hours of community service distributed to other organizations involved as well and monies collected for our chapters' future endeavors. E-week was successfully completed in a way that included recognition of our 38 founders. 38 balloons were released and 38 cupcakes added a even more sweetness to the event. Additionally, a seminar that included "What is Epsilon" was conducted that included a ice cream social portion. Proposed future projects are Temptation Island Auction, Random Acts of KindnEss Week, membership intake application, and ValentinE Day Raffle. Epsilon Gamma lota, Inc. alumni are always welcome to attend so if you're in town feel free to reach out.—Samaria P. (Alpha Chapter President 2014-2015)

DELTA CHAPTER HIGHLITES: Some of the recently completed programs Delta chapter completed after homecoming was "The Global Scholars Engineering Program". This program was teamed with TSU's College of Engineering to provide resume and interview skill critique for students interested. This was a great way to provide career readiness and allocation of community service hours for our chapter. Many alumni members of Epsilon also engaged in providing critique based on their current experience in industry. Some of the upcoming projects are "What is a Engineer" seminar and Etiquette Class. Last, but not least our chapter had the chance to add two new members recently. We are looking forward to an even more exciting Spring semester. As always, all members of Epsilon Gamma lota are welcome to attend our events. Feel free to reach out if your available and/or interested in attending.—Jamel Simmons (Delta Chapter President 2014-2015)

Friendly Notations

Dues:

- ♦ Undergraduate Members \$30
- ♦ Graduate Members-\$90
- ♦ Chapter Dues \$60
- ◆ Life Membership \$590/\$530

*Please contact Faye Moore for payment options and details @ nationaldirector@nab.eci1984.org

Open NAB positions:

- ◆ Director of Operations
- ◆ Director of Academics
- ♦ Sgt. at Arms

WHATS HAPPENING IN CORPORATE WORLD?

The 2014-2015 Q4 E-dition Newsletter would like to highlight Soror LaTasha Cox Dandy, who is a 2015 recipient of the Black Engineer of the Year (BEYA) Science Spectrum Trailblazer Award and was recognized at the 29th Annual BEYA STEM conference. Mrs. Dandy has a passion for inspiring youth and getting them excited about STEM. See what LaTasha has been up to in industry...

LaTasha Dandy is a Systems Engineer based out of the Fort Worth, TX facility of Lockheed Martin Aeronautics Company. She has worked for Lockheed Martin since 2011 and is a participant in the Engineering Leadership Development Program designed to prepare outstanding future technical leaders for Lockheed Martin. As a current participant in the program, Mrs. Dandy will complete 3 one year rotations in organizations outside of her initial role to the company. She is currently in her 3rd year of the program serving as a Cost Account Manager under the F-35 Chief Information Office. She has previously served as a Technical Subcontract Manager holding suppliers to superior quality and delivery performance. She also managed parts procurement through proposals and provided supplier support for the Radio Frequency ID (RFID) initiative. In her first year of the program, she served as a System Security Engineer working closely with Government customers to certify components of the F-35 for operation. She also served as a Systems Engineer on the Israel F-35 program helping to manage the System Engineering life cycle of the program. Through her efforts, LaTasha has received numerous team recognition awards for her willingness to breakdown silos and tackle the most difficult tasks head on.

She is a Lockheed Martin Ambassador for the Engineers in the Classroom initiative and she also tutors local high school students in math. Additionally, she volunteers through Junior Achievement, the Big Brothers and Big Sisters program of Fort Worth, TX, and she is a mentor to a promising young lady at the Fort Worth Young Women's Leadership Academy (YWLA). She is a member of the National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE), Institute for Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE), and the Lockheed Martin Leadership Association (LMLA). "If I had to give any advice to any upcoming career professional I would say always keep an open mind to opportunities that may be out your comfort zone. That is when you really learn what your TRUE "zone" is."-- LaTasha Cox Dandy (Delta Chapter - Fall 2007)

Business Hall of Fame

<u>Fashion & Style:</u> La Femme Rebelle Clothing was started by two cousins, more like sisters, Porsha and Lauren from Ann Arbor, Michigan. We grew up with a love for fashion, make-up, hair and EVERYTHING girly!! So we set out to inspire and be inspired by women who are La Femme Rebelles- Lady Rebels... Because it was important to us to move fashion forward in some capacity, even if it was only on our front doorstep. We love women, that love looking good and feeling better, women that stand out from everyone else; because we're that woman. La Femme Rebelle Clothing is your favorite eBoutique that specializes in finding long-long lasting styles before they hit the streets.... Be the first!!! The website features; La Femme Rebelle Clothing- The seasons hottest, figure-flattering fashion for every occasion, La Femme Rebelle Couture- Custom pieces sewn to fit and complement your special size, La Femme Rebelle Consignment- Gently, sometimes never worn clothing; because we all know "What goes around, come around" in fashion.

We are ecstatic about the opportunity to correspond with women like you, about all things beauty and fashion by way of this blog and other social media. By posting short tutorials, fashion collages, and links to products we love, like the following:

- Clothing from La Femme Rebelle Clothing -- http://lafemmerebelle.storenvy.com/
- Hair tips from Hairfinity--http://www.shopbrockbeauty.com/?AffId=5296
- Make-up from Urban Decay -- http://www.urbandecay.com/

We hope you find something that works for you La Femme Rebelle Clothing loves that we represent every kind of woman and we hope that our passion for fashion make us your Fashion Sanctuary for the REBELLE in you... Be sure to use FBLOVE code to get your 10% off every time you shop. —Porsha Key (Delta Chapter, Fall 2005)