

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.

Omicron Zeta Chapter

68<sup>th</sup> Finer Womanhood Observance

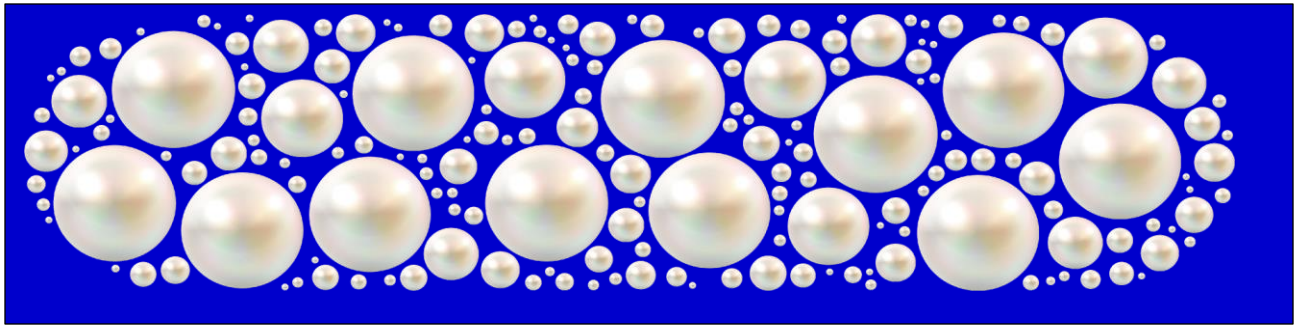
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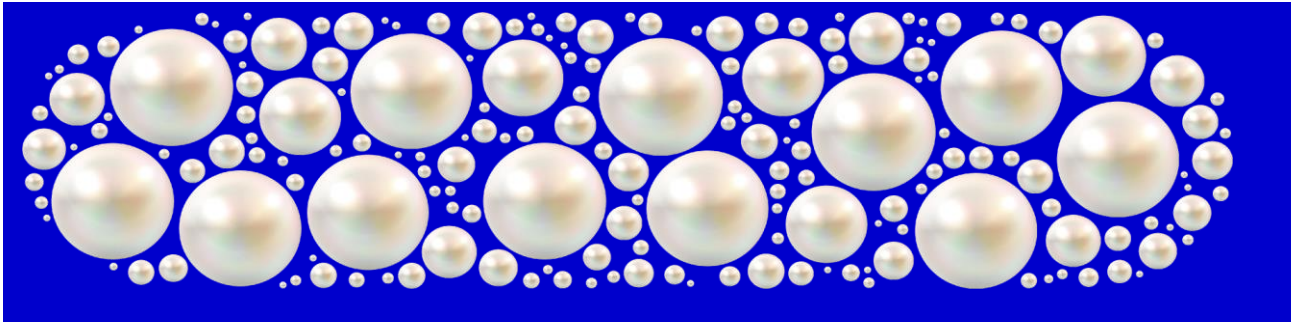
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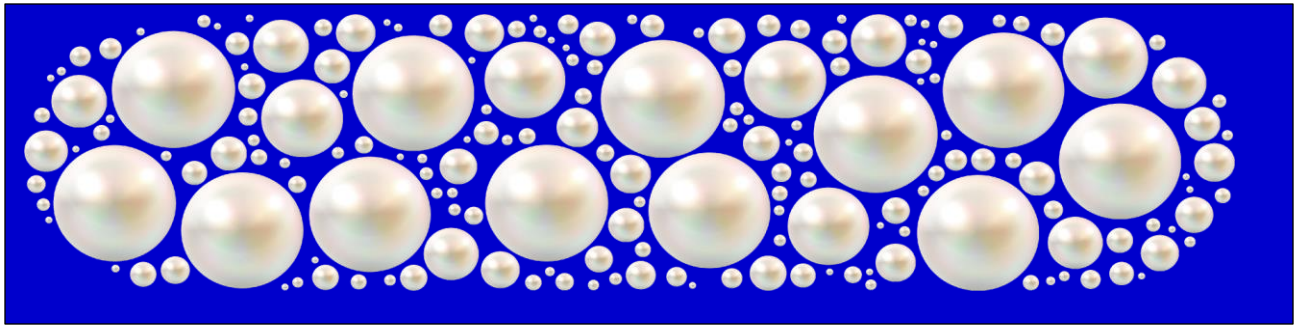




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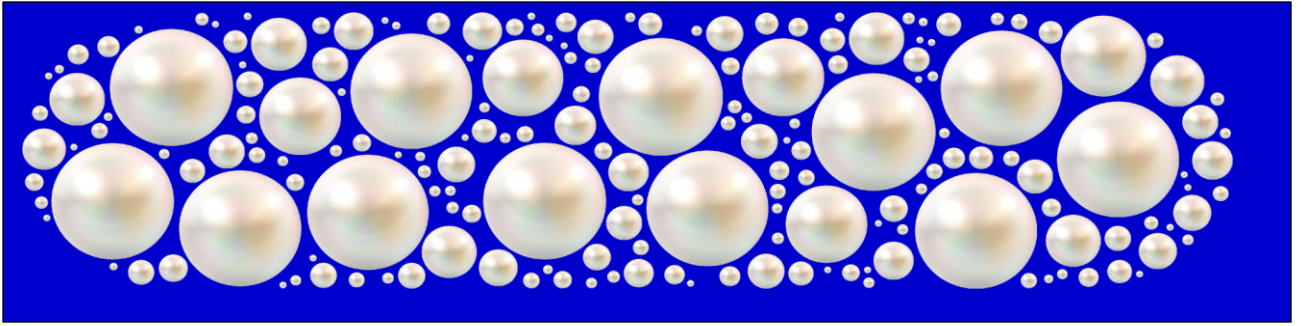


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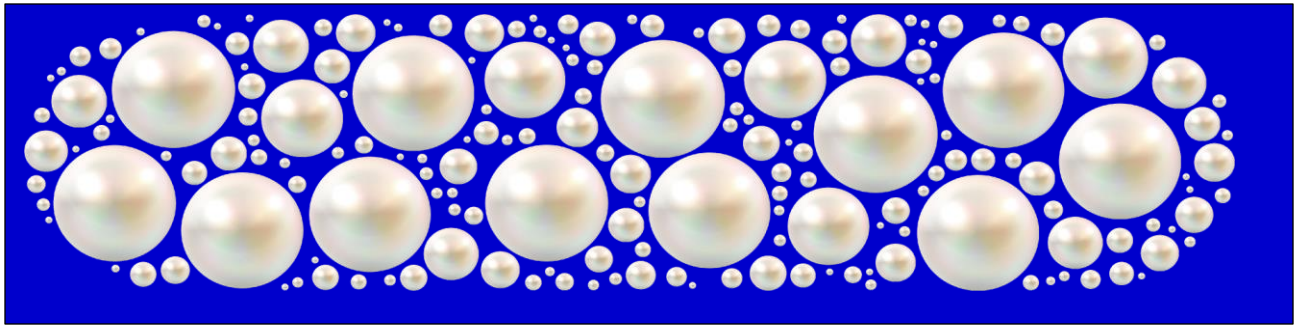




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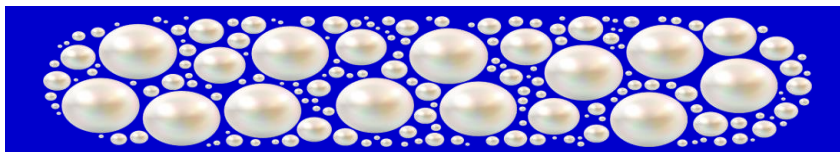
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## Omicron Zeta Chapter, President



Ms. Yasmin Morton-Moses, Esq.



Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated  
Omicron Zeta Chapter  
Finer Womanhood Observance Programme  
Ms. Tia Newkirk, Mistress of Ceremonies

Welcome

Ms. Tia Newkirk  
Omicron Zeta Chapter

Salute to Our Founders

Mrs. Angeline Hariston  
Omicron Zeta Chapter

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Invocation

Mrs. Sharon Ashe  
Omicron Zeta Chapter

Greetings

Miss Lauren Wilson  
2021 Blue Revue Queen

Miss Madisen Moses  
2021 Blue Aspirations Princess

Mr. Clifford Powell  
Zeta Male Network, Chair

Friend Carolyn Williams  
Zeta Amicae of Raleigh, President

The Honorable David Baker  
Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc.  
Eta Sigma Chapter, President

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Musical Tribute

Elder Richard Ashe  
Zeta Male Network





# Woman of the Year

## Mayor Jessica Day



Mayor Jessica Day grew up in Knightdale, NC and has really seen it grow from a small community to one of the fastest growing cities in North Carolina.

She holds a Bachelor of Business Administration from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. Upon graduation, she started her career with Syngenta Crop Protection in Greensboro, NC, as the charter member of their 2-year Supply Chain Leadership Development Program. She was able to rotate through the different areas of the supply chain including the planning, purchasing, plant operations, and sales departments. She, then, continued in the Agro-Chemical business with BASF Chemical Company. Since the start of her career, she has had the opportunity to gain additional experience in real estate sales, insurance sales, and financial education.

Mayor Day has always had a passion to give back to her community and to help others improve their quality of life. In 2017, Jessica became the first African American female to be elected to the Knightdale Town Council, and in 2019, she became Mayor Pro Tem. In January 2021, Jessica was the unanimous choice to fill the position vacated by the resignation of Representative James Roberson, making Day the first African American female to hold the seat as Mayor for the Town of Knightdale. In November 2021, she was re-elected by an overwhelming majority.

Let us delve a little bit more into exactly who Mayor Day is as a person. As you know, we are living in a time of social and political unrest and injustice. Realizing this, Mayor Day has stepped up to the plate to do her part in positively impacting our community. She has stepped up to do her part to help our people, and to make sure that we are well-represented, in a town where the Black community has largely been underrepresented. Most recently, Mayor Day served as facilitator for the Knightdale Police Department's Community Policing Forum, and she has served as a liaison to the Public Safety Advisory Board. Additionally, Mayor Day serves on the Board of Directors for Passage Home, Inc.

In addition to serving in the abovementioned capacities, Mayor Day serves on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and Knightdale Chamber of Commerce. She also is on the Board of Delegates for the Triangle J Council of Governments, which is one of the 17 regional North Carolina Councils of Governments established by the North Carolina General Assembly for the purpose of regional planning and administration. As a member of the Knightdale Rotary Club, Mayor Day focuses on addressing food insecurity and promoting community development and truly believe in "service above self." Above all, though, she is a proud member of World Overcomers Christian Church.

Her commitment to the community by embracing economic development, supporting small business, and realizing education opportunities for all citizens are key elements that result in a more vibrant and thriving community. Likewise, Senator Sarah Crawford believes that "Knightdale is so fortunate to have Jessica Day serving as Mayor. "Jessica is a proven leader, who is passionate about serving the town and its residents." In her free time, Mayor Day enjoys a good dance class like Zumba or a chance to relax doing yoga or reading a good book.

# Zeta of the Year

## Eva Oakley, MSN, BSN, BS, RN



In the great words of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr "I can help somebody as I pass along, If I can cheer somebody with a word or song, If I can show somebody he's traveling wrong, then my (her) living will not be in vain."

Eva is a retired Branch Manager with the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Health Service Regulation Section.

Eva Oakley is a Registered Nurse. Her nursing career showcases her expertise in various leadership capacities in public service with the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Psychiatric Hospitals and Wake County Human Services Mental Health/Substance Abuse Crisis and Inpatient treatment. In addition, Eva Oakley was Director of Homeless Services and a Public Health Immunization nurse, which gave her a passionate drive to

advocate, aid, and promote health care and services in marginalized communities, which often affect the most vulnerable individuals. She gravitates to helping the elderly, coordinating community resources and educational programs. She obtained over 10 years of long-term care experience where she was employed as Director of Food and Nutrition services for two different well-known Nursing Care facilities.

She is a member of Watts Chapel Missionary Baptist Church where she serves on the First Aid ministry and the servant leader for the Impact Missionaries ministry. She is missionary at heart and works diligently with Lott Carey Foreign Mission where she serves as operational contact for disaster services.

Eva's spirit for service for humanity connected her with the American Red Cross. She has been a volunteer over six years where she primarily serves as Disaster Pre-Assignment Health Question specialist and Disaster Health Services Service Associate.

She is a proud member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., Omicron Zeta Chapter. She is a chartered member of Rho Phi Chapter of Chi Eta Phi Nursing Sorority Inc. where she served as the first president. She currently serves as Chi Eta Phi Nursing Sorority Inc. Liaison to the American Red Cross and is a member of the North Carolina Nurses Association.

She holds a Master of Science in Nursing with a concentration in Education from Walden University, Bachelor of Science in Nursing and Bachelor of Science in Home Economics from North Carolina Central University.

She enjoys sports, traveling, and outdoor activities. Eva is married to Rev. Michael Oakley and to their union they have three adult children, five grandchildren and one fur baby.

# Collegiate of the Year

## Makayla Sanders



Makayla Sanders became a member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated, Omicron Chapter at Shaw University in the Spring of 2021. Makayla was introduced to the world of Zeta when her mother became a Zeta in 2007. Makayla was a member of the Archonettes, one of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.'s Youth Affiliate Groups in 2012. Archonettes are high school-aged young ladies who demonstrate an interest in the goals and the ideals of scholarship, sisterly love, and community service. In 2017, she was a participant in Omicron Zeta's 70<sup>th</sup> Blue Revue Program.

Makayla currently serves as the President of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., Omicron Chapter. She is the only member on campus and has planned and managed all chapter activities. Makayla is a senior, majoring in Business Management with a minor in Accounting. She will be graduating in December 2022.

Recently, she secured an internship position with State Employees Credit Union (SECU) where she was able to gain hands on experience in their IT Support Division. Makayla is also involved in other organizations at Shaw University. She is a member of the National Society of Leadership and Success (NSLS), which is the nation's largest leadership honor society. Makayla is also a member of the National Association of Black Accountants (NABA), and she also hold the position of Secretary with the National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) at Shaw University.

Makayla is a Zeta legacy. In addition to her mother, LaKrystal Sanders being a member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., Omicron Zeta Chapter, Makayla's uncle, Cleveland Sanders, III is a member of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., Eta Sigma Chapter. Her grandmother, Angela Sanders, is a member of Zeta Amicae of Raleigh.

Makayla enjoys being involved and helping the community. In her free time, she enjoys astronomy and viewing the night sky through her telescope, painting, and cooking.

# Amica of the Year

## Cathryn “Dawn” Williams



Amica Cathryn Dawn Williams joined Zeta Amicae of Raleigh in March 2021. Over the course of the last year, Amica Williams has proven to be an asset to Zeta Amicae of Raleigh. For the last year, she has served as the organization's Treasurer, Social Media Chair, and Z-Hope (Zetas Helping other People Excel) Administrator.

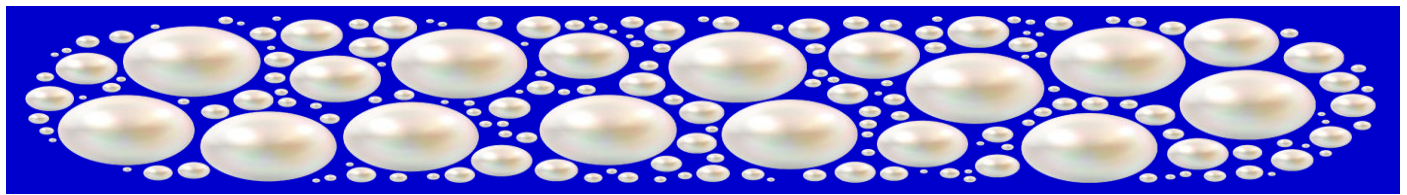
A native of Asheville, N.C., she is a huge Carolina Panthers fan. Born to high school sweethearts, Calvin and Ella Williams, in 1975, Amica Williams prefers for her close friends and family to call her “Dawn”. Dawn considers her older brother to be her best friend. In addition to her parents and brother, Dawn, also, has a 5-year-old beautiful, spoiled tabby cat named Ice.

In addition to serving Zeta Amicae of Raleigh, Amica Williams has served our Country. When Dawn joined the United States Army in 1997, she only planned on serving for four years. Instead, she retired after twenty years of service. Those twenty

years included her serving as an Army Recruiter and Instructor/Writer. Most notably, she completed four combat tours having served two tours in Iraq and two tours in Afghanistan. Prior to joining the Army, she worked as a Certified Nursing Assistant for five years. She truly loved this position because taking care of people has always been a great passion of hers.

Dawn happily retired in January 2017 and, currently, resides in Raleigh, N.C. When not working part-time at Wake Technical Community College, Dawn enjoys cruising and traveling to the Caribbean Islands. She, also, is a member of the Kappa Epsilon Psi Military Sorority, Incorporated.





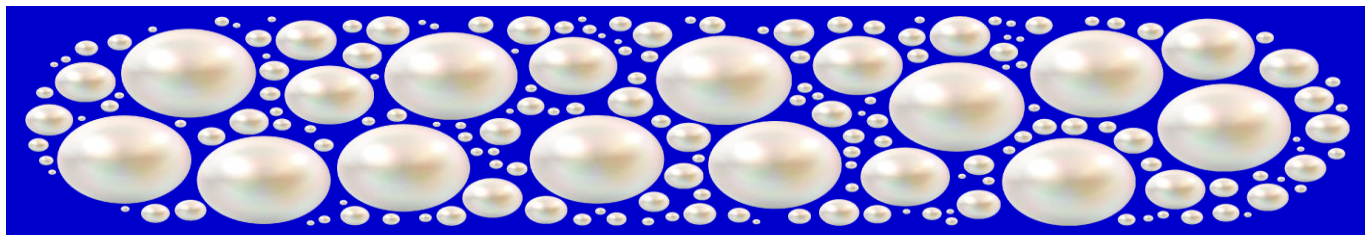
## *OZ Former Men and Women of the Year*

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Dr. Ellen S. Alston\*  
Rev. Paul & Mrs. Betina Anderson  
Hon. Sheriff John\* & Mrs. Juanita Baker\*  
Mrs. Sonia Barnes  
Dr. Jeanette Beckwith  
Mrs. Jeanette Boone  
Mrs. Emma P. Boyer\*  
Rev. Charles & Mrs. Regina Brooks  
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Mrs. Lillian W. Logan\*  
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Dr. Shauntae B. White  
Mrs. Mary Whitley\*  
Ms. Frances Lonnette Williams  
Dr. James\* & Mrs. Bertha Wilson\*  
Mrs. Cliffonia Wimberly\*

\*Deceased





## *Special Thanks To*

*Ms. Tia Newkirk ~ Mistress of Ceremonies*

*Miss Lauren Wilson ~ 2021 Blue Revue Queen*

*Miss Madisen Moses ~ 2021 Blue Aspirations Princess ~ Junior Editor*

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*The Honorable David Baker ~ Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. ~ Eta Sigma Chapter ~ President*

*Elder Richard Ashe ~ Zeta Male Network*

*Mr. Eric Andrews ~ Photographer*

*Mr. Edgar Hariston ~ Videographer*

### *Honorees*

*Woman of the Year ~ Mayor Jessica Day*

*Zeta of the Year ~ Mrs. Eva Oakley,*

*Collegiate of the Year ~ Ms. Makayla Sanders*

*Amica of the Year ~ Ms. Cathryn Dawn Williams*

*Wake Forest Awards & Engraving, Inc.*

*Mr. Javenlin Guildford ~ The Secret Garden II*

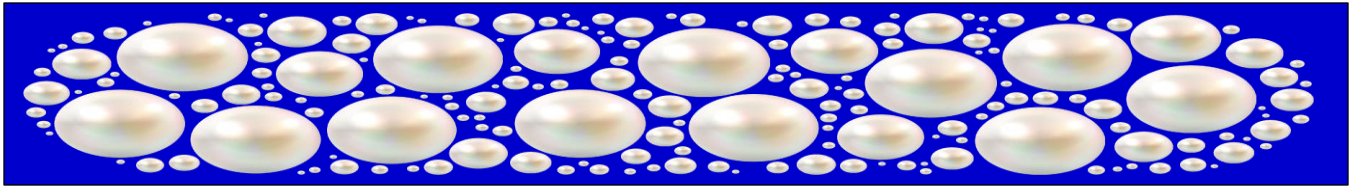
### *68<sup>th</sup> Finer Womanhood Observance Committee*

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*Vernita Lockhart, Joni Newkirk, Asha Piggott, Portia Tomlinson*

*Yasmin Morton-Moses, Esq., President*



## *Finer Womanhood Observance Patrons*

### *Honor ~ Pearl ~ \$100*

*Dr. Chika Chukwu*

*Mona Finch*

*Annie Doris Jackson*

*Catherine Smith*

### *Gold ~ \$50*

*Rhonda Curtis*

*Angeline Hariston*

### *Silver ~ \$25*

*Elenor Adams*

*Doris Alston*

*Rhonda Currie*

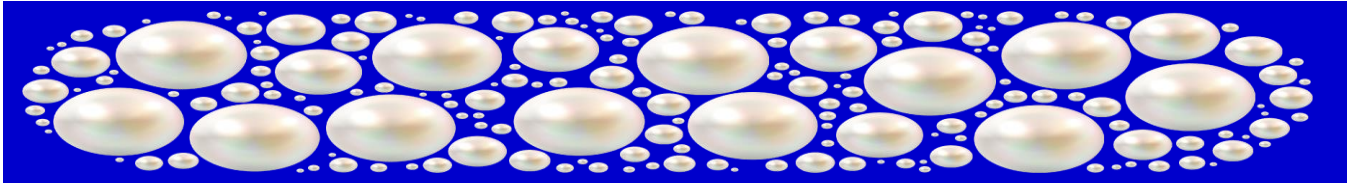
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