



El Paso Alumnae Chapter Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.



Breast Cancer Tea

Honoring All Fighters and Survivors



Detect It | Survive It | Talk It

A Scholarship & Community-Based Programs Fundraising Event

October 15, 2022

12-2PM

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MESSAGE FROM THE

**EL PASO ALUMNAE CHAPTER PRESIDENT
SHAVENA JAMIERSON**



Welcome to the 2022 Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc - El Paso Alumnae Chapter Breast Cancer DSTea Luncheon! I am both delighted and honored to have you present with us on this occasion. You are playing a critical role in helping each of us "**Detect It, Survive It and Talk It.**" Breast cancer, or any detection or diagnosis of cancer, should not be a taboo thing to talk about with family, friends, or in our community. We have a myriad of prevention, detection, and treatment resources to stand up to cancer and fight it head on without feeling ashamed about it. You are not alone in this.

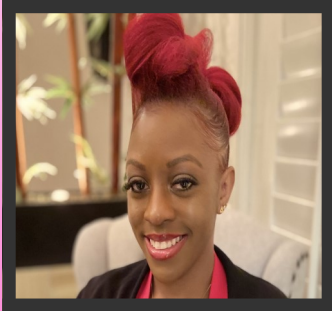
The El Paso Alumnae Chapter members see you. You are beautiful. You are strong. You are brilliant. You are wonderfully made. You are enough. You are worth celebrating. Your milestones are worth celebrating. Your family is worth celebrating. You are important to them and important to our community. So, join me today in giving a strong and bold voice to this moment---**your moment as a survivor or fighter.** We celebrate each of you--the survivors and the fighters--for your intentionality in "*Detecting It, Surviving It and Talking About It*" so that the next sister, daughter, sister-friend can too! I will do my part to detect it, fight it, survive it and talk about it in our community. Hugs! We see YOU!





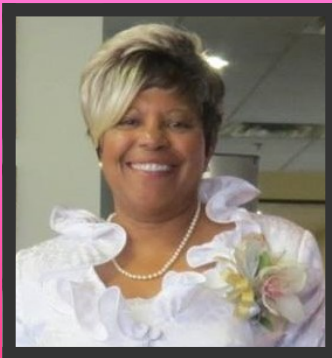
MESSAGE FROM THE

BREAST CANCER TEA LUNCHEON CHAIRWOMAN AND CO-CHAIRWOMAN



Best,

Patrie Williams, Ph.D.
Patrie Williams, PhD.
Breast Cancer Luncheon
Chairwoman



Best,

Diane Williams
Diane Williams
Breast Cancer Luncheon
Co-Chairwoman

Greetings cancer fighters, survivors, Sorors, and attendees,

Welcome to the annual El Paso Alumnae Chapter Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. **Breast Cancer Tea Luncheon**. The **Breast Cancer Awareness Luncheon: “Detect It, Survive It, and Talk It”** is a community and scholarship program sponsored by El Paso Alumnae Chapter that promotes physical wellness and mental resiliency through the education, awareness, prevention, and detection of breast cancer and other cancers; and commends the perseverance of cancer survivors and fighters from the El Paso County area.

This year in the United States, an estimate 287,850 new cases of breast cancer will be diagnosed in women, with 15% being new cancer cases. It is predicted that approximately 2.9% of women will be diagnosed with female breast cancer at one point in their lifetime. Additionally, more than 2,700 men are diagnosed with breast cancer each year.

On this occasion, El Paso Alumnae aims to be a platform for survivors and breast cancer fighters, in their community, to tell their story of how detecting it, treating it, and talking about it can be the difference in how we all survive.

The **Breast Cancer Awareness Luncheon: “Detect It, Survive It, and Talk It”** committee worked diligently to ensure honorees and attendees have an enjoyable and informative experience. We extend thanks to our Chapter President and Members for their support, honorees for their willingness to share their testimony, and a special thanks to you, our guests, for taking time to celebrate the honorees and their families.

On behalf of the El Paso Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., we wish you an amazing experience at this year’s **Breast Cancer Awareness Luncheon:**

“Detect It, Survive It, and Talk It” filled with support for our honorees and a celebration that encourages fellowship and provides awareness of the importance of being an advocate for your physical and mental health.



**Breast Cancer Awareness
Luncheon:
Detect It | Survive It | Talk It
Program**



Mistress of Ceremony
Karen Dykes

Welcome
Shavena Jamierson, President

Fighters & Survivors Entrance
Michelle Hill & Diane Williams

Opening Prayer
Jonetta Redd

Memorial Tribute
Vivian Simmons
Debra Harris

LUNCH

Breast Cancer Statistics
Dr. Patrie Williams, Licensed Clinical Psychologist

Introduction of Speakers
Karen Dykes

Mrs. Autumn Ware
Ms. Avemaria Smart
Mrs. Lisa Johnson-Caldwell
Ms. Araceli Mendoza

Special Remarks
Dr. Patricia Davis, OB/GYN

Table Décor Winners

Fighters & Survivors Stroll

Closing Remarks
Shavena Jamierson, President

Meet the Honorees
2022



Honoree

County Attorney Jo Anne Bernal

**County Attorney Jo Anne Bernal is a 6 year
breast cancer survivor.**



Honoree

Karen Davis

Ms. Karen Davis is a 15 year breast cancer survivor.



Honoree

Margie Dykes

Mrs. Margie Dykes is a 17 year breast cancer survivor.



Honoree
Calonia Fults

Mrs. Calonia Fults is a 17 year breast cancer survivor.



Honoree

Beth Ann Flores

**Mrs. Beth Ann Flores is an 18 year
breast cancer survivor.**



Honoree

Lia Harrid

Ms. Lia Harrid is a 12 year breast cancer survivor.



Honoree

Diane Hills

**Mrs. Diane Hills was diagnosed with ovarian cancer
on October 29, 2021. She is a fighter!**



Honoree

Anna M. Harris Howell

**Ms. Anna M. Harris Howell is a 35 year
breast cancer survivor.**



Honoree

Jo A. Jacinto

Ms. Jo A. Jacinto is a 6 year triple negative breast cancer survivor.



Honoree

Louise M. Jamierson

**Ms. Louise M. Jamierson is a 35 year
breast cancer survivor.
She is currently a fighter of lung
and throat cancer.**



Honoree

Theresa Jones

Mrs. Theresa Jones is a 5 year breast cancer survivor.



Honoree

Minerva Ledee

Ms. Minerva Ledee is an 18 year breast cancer survivor.



Honoree
Catrena Lee

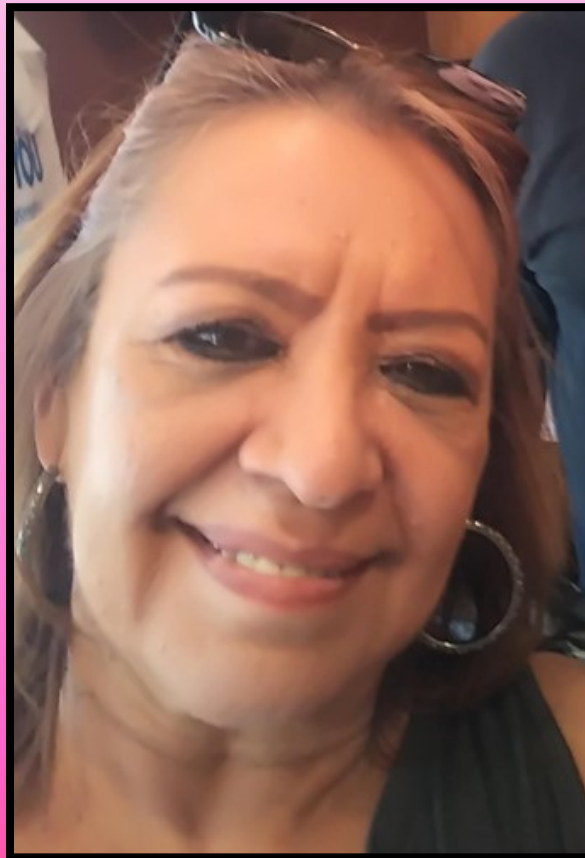
Ms. Catrena Lee is a 41 year breast cancer survivor.



Honoree

Billie Joyce Light

Mrs. Billie Joyce Light is a 15 year colorectal cancer survivor.



Honoree

Sandra Mendoza

Ms. Sandra Mendoza is a 21 year breast cancer survivor.



Honoree

Reyna Montano

Mrs. Reyna Montano is a 22 year breast cancer survivor.



Honoree

Dr. Nora Paugh

Dr. Nora Paugh is a 12 year breast cancer survivor.



Honoree

Dr. Brenda Powell-Russell

Dr. Brenda Powell-Russell is a 2 year a breast cancer survivor.

FIGHT CANCER



Honoree

Sabina Reyes

**Ms. Sabina Reyes was diagnosed on February 17, 2022.
She is a breast cancer fighter!**



Honoree

Christy Rios

Ms. Christy Rios is a 12 year breast cancer survivor.



Honoree

Dawn Wright

Mrs. Dawn Wright is a 15 year breast cancer survivor.

Guest Speakers
2022

It takes a lot of patience, dedication and strength to be a caretaker for immediate family as they battle their cancer diagnoses, as cancer is prevalent in Mrs. Autumn Ware's family history. Mrs. Autumn Ware started her journey fighting cancer as she supported her mother through her diagnosis until she succumbed to cancer in her early 40s. Mrs. Ware then served as a caretaker for her maternal grandmother, who fought ovarian cancer and passed away in her 80s. Her younger sister, Jamie Myrick, was diagnosed with acute lymphocytic leukemia when she was 14-years-old.



Mrs. Ware is a widow and the proud mother of four sons and one daughter, ages 20 – 31. Mrs. Ware began college at El Paso Community College and recently studied African Traditional Religions in Puerto Rico. An advocate for voting rights, Mrs. Ware was in Columbia South Carolina in 2019 volunteering with a presidential campaign. In 2020, she secured a job in Atlanta, Georgia working with the Biden-Harris campaign. Currently, Mrs. Ware volunteers at Scotsdale Baptist Church in El Paso, Texas, where she is passionate about processing migrants in the most peaceful and sincere manner.

Guest Speaker & Honoree

Autumn Ware

Mrs. Ware was diagnosed with breast cancer in April 2021 when her doctor, Dr. Ronald Baker, informed her she had invasive ductal carcinoma and a 1.7 cm encapsulated nodule. In October 2021, Dr. Diana Hook performed Mrs. Ware's double mastectomy at Herman Memorial in Houston, Tx. Dr. Bryan Correa, voted Top 10 Best Plastic Surgeons in Houston, performed her initial surgery and remained an integral member on her treatment team throughout her reconstruction surgery.

On August 26, 2022, Mrs. Ware was chosen to film a public service announcement for Superior Health-Plan, highlighting the importance of early detection. She was also invited to be a featured guest on Chia's Silver Lining, a non-profit online cancer support, in October 2022 to share her struggle with cancer and how she is overcoming obstacles in her path.





Guest Speaker & Honoree

Avemarie Smart

Chapter, The Links, Inc. where she promoted STEMs initiatives through interactive education.

One Monday morning while preparing for work in the Heart Recovery Unit at Del Sol Medical Center, Ms. Smart noticed an orange colored hue on her left breast that wasn't previously there. During self-examination, she did not feel pain but instead found a large lump. Her oncologist informed her that her lump was 18 centimeters in diameter. She was concerned, hopeful yet realistic, as she knew something was wrong. After chemotherapy and radiation, Ms. Smart has been cancer free for 11 years. She continues to praise God daily and states that having breast cancer set her free in many ways.

Ms. Smart is the youngest and only female member of an outstanding family of five brothers. She shares that her brothers are and continue to be giants whose shoulders have supported her throughout life. Ms. Smart indicates that each of her brothers set the bar for excellence at significant points in her growth and development that helped shape her purpose and vision of the life God planned for her.

Ms. Smart is a financial planner and educator for World Financial Group and previously worked as a registered nurse for over 29 years. She earned her bachelor of science in nursing from the University of San Francisco, California, a master degree in business administration from University of Phoenix, Arizona, and is a business administration doctoral candidate at the University of Phoenix, Arizona.

A community service advocate, Ms. Smart currently serves as the President of the El Paso (Tx) Chapter of The Links, Inc. Her current leadership positions include Co-Chair of the Accountability Task Force (ATF) and EPPD Independent Accountability Commission Working Group at Border Network for Human Rights (BNHR), and Chief Operations Officer (COO) of Jamaican American Community Organization (JACO). Ms. Smart previously served as the National Trends and Service Chair of The El Paso (Tx) Chapter, The Links, Inc., where her advocacy was focused on voter empowerment, HB88 legislature, and human rights. Additionally, she served as the Past Vice President of Programming for The El Paso (TX)



Mrs. Lisa Johnson-Caldwell received the news that she was breast cancer free in August 2019. She is currently employed as a clinical therapist for New Beginnings Behavioral Health, a residential treatment program and day treatment facility for youth and adolescent teens in Draper, Utah. Mrs. Johnson-Caldwell is married to Dennis Caldwell, who is also a cancer survivor. They share four children, two daughters ages 36 and 29, and two sons ages 22 and 14. She was diagnosed with triple negative breast cancer in October 2018 and started chemotherapy at the Texas Oncology under the care of Dr. Monica Diaz in December 2018. After completing chemotherapy, she had a double mastectomy at Providence Memorial in July 2019. Now undergoing the reconstruction process, she is a candidate for the DIEP flap reconstruction process with PRMA Plastic Surgery of San Antonio. Mrs. Johnson-Caldwell completed two out of the three stages of her reconstruction and will embark on her 5-year survival anniversary in 2024.



Guest Speaker & Honoree

Lisa Johnson-Caldwell

She detected a nodule in her right breast while performing her own self-examination, noting that it felt like the size of a pea and measured 2.3 cm when diagnosed. Mrs. Johnson-Caldwell indicated that she was familiar with the diagnostic process of breast cancer, as she was previously employed as a Histopathologist Technician for over 15 years prior to becoming a psychotherapist. Mrs. Johnson-Caldwell stated that she was prepared for what might be determined from the pathology of the breast biopsy. Her former supervisor, Dr. Jorge Bilbao, diagnosed her breast cancer. She believes her spirituality and medical background prepared her for the challenges ahead after being diagnosed.

Her time working in the medical healthcare arena provided her a better understanding of the importance of early detection. In her case, triple negative breast cancer (TNB) occurs in 10% to 20% of all breast cancer patients. Although TNB is a rare and aggressive form of cancer, she was able to receive some of the best treatment from local physicians such as her OBGYN, Dr. Patricia Davis, who was lovely enough to nominate her for the past two years to be recognized by the El Paso Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. as a breast cancer survivor.

Mrs. Johnson-Caldwell notes that it is important to have a strong support system when fighting breast cancer, relating that she would not have made it past the tough days without her faith, family, friends and medical team supporting her. She further believes the best approach to detecting and fighting breast cancer is to be your own advocate, stay close to God, love yourself and know your body.





Guest Speaker & Honoree

Araceli Mendoza

Ms. Mendoza was born and raised in El Paso, Texas. She graduated from Socorro High School and then graduated college at the University of Incarnate Word located in San Antonio, Texas. She received her bachelor's degree in liberal arts and became a certified instructor teaching secondary science. Upon graduation, she realized her passion in teaching and began helping others in her community by volunteering with nonprofit organizations that specialized in serving adolescents.

Ms. Mendoza is an Intelligence Analyst for the Domestic Trends Unit at the Department of Justice (DOJ). She provides strategic intelligence to federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies throughout the nation, where she is tasked with identifying threats to the nation, with an emphasis on the Southwest border.

Prior to her employment with the DOJ, Araceli was a Management and Program Analyst with the Office of Field Operations within the Department of Homeland Security. She was tasked with maintaining effective communication with the Intelligence Community. Ms. Mendoza was awarded quarterly civilian awards for her extensive teaching, facilitation, and program management skills while working for the Department of Defense (DOD) and U.S. Air Force as an Instructor and Instructional System Specialist.

Ms. Mendoza is a proud mother of two young men and is looking forward to seeing them graduate from college, begin their career, get married, start a family, and change the world. Araceli thanks God every day that she is blessed to watch her children grow into men.

She was diagnosed with Ductal Carcinoma in Situ on September 27, 2021. Life has completely changed for her since that day; however, Araceli's strength and willingness to fight for her life has not wavered. Fighting for her life has been difficult, as every day presents new challenges and requires her to make life-changing decisions. The one thing that remains the same, "Breast Cancer will not define her; she will survive!"



Special Remarks



Guest Speaker

Dr. Patricia M. Davis

Patricia Marie Davis is the only daughter and second child of Jethro and Frances Hills of El Paso. She is the proud product of EPISD. She attended Houston School and is a top 2% 1971 graduate of Austin High School where she played multiple sports, lettered in Academics all four years and was voted Most Popular her senior year with classmate Ron Stallworth (author of Black Klansman). She left EP to attend Incarnate Word College graduating; Magna cum Laude with a bachelor's degree in Biology and a minor in chemistry in 1975. She was accepted to the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston and graduated with a M.D. in 1979.

Dr. Davis then went on to complete her residency in OB/GYN in 1983 in Stockton, California. She practiced and taught in Stockton until 1987 when she finally returned to Texas. In Dallas, she had a private solo practice for ten years before returning to El Paso. She is the mother of two children; Matthew Martin and the late Linda Marie and the doting grandmother to one Matthias Leteh. Back home since 1997, she has practiced obstetrics and gynecology serving the El Paso community. Among all the accomplishments and awards one of her proudest was being named Austin High School Outstanding Ex in 2010.

As a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., she is humbled to serve in the El Paso Alumnae Chapter alongside her mother, Frances and her niece, Patrice.

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The El Paso Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. extend our gratitude to our community partners for their kindness, support, and generosity. The success of our breast cancer luncheon event is credited largely to community partnerships, like yours, who lend their financial support and presence to our event. Proceeds raised will be used to support local non-profit breast cancer organizations and charities, other community outreach cancer service programs in the El Paso County area, and our general scholarship programs.

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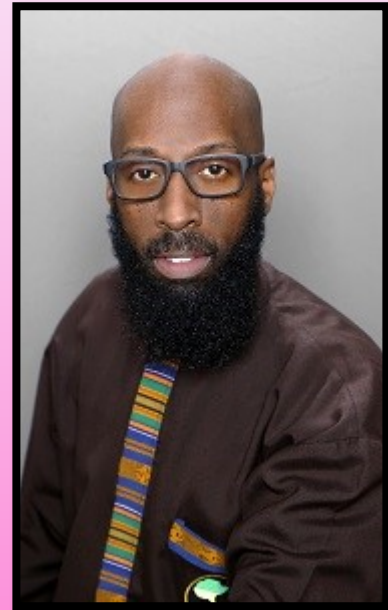
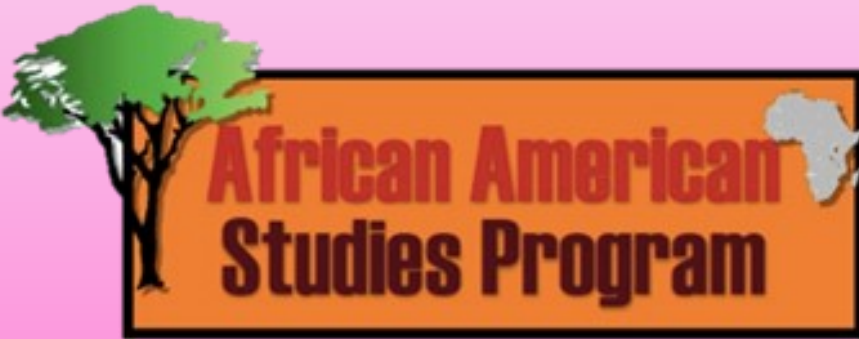
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Dr. Michael Williams

The African American Studies Program congratulates the El Paso Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Incorporated for hosting this meaningful event. We also send our heartfelt congratulations to the cancer survivors and fighters; please know that you are an inspiration to us all and that we salute and honor you. I hope each and every one of you appreciates how special and important you are. Peace & Blessings to you in all that you do.



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Congratulations El Paso Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. on hosting an awesome Breast Cancer Tea Luncheon. To the cancer fighters and survivors, thank you for sharing your testimony as you are the epitome of resilience.

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WE WANT TO
Thank you.

Thank you again for attending our DSTea luncheon.

We, the members of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. take pride in providing community-based programs that meet the needs of our community. We will always strive to bring innovative, inspirational, and relevant programming to you. Your support of this event and future events helps El Paso Alumnae Chapter to humbly serve and do our part in keeping the El Paso community strong and resilient for years to come. We see you and love you!



Breast Cancer DSTea Committee Members

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Vivian Simmons
Trepnya Sumpter

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February 18, 2023

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