





The Legacy of Cheryl A. Hickmon

Cheryl A. Hickmon, a beloved native of Hartford, Connecticut, was born on May 11, 1962, to the late Dr. Ned Hickmon and Consuella Anderson Hickmon. Her journey in Delta Sigma Theta began at South Carolina State University, where she was initiated through the Alpha Xi Chapter in 1982. Her commitment to Delta was apparent early on and led her to become Alpha Xi Chapter President (1983-1984) and South Atlantic Regional Representative (1984-1986). After matriculating at South Carolina State, Soror Hickmon returned to her home of Hartford, where she joined the Hartford Alumnae Chapter and eventually became Chapter President (2009 – 2013).

Her love for Delta was reflected throughout her 39 years of continuous service. Over the years, she held numerous elected and appointed positions at the national, regional, and local levels. Some of these positions include National First Vice President, National Secretary, Eastern Regional Director, South Atlantic Regional Representative, Chair of the National Scholarship and Standards Committee, Co-Chair of the National Leadership Academy, and Co-Chair of the National Documents Review and Revision Task Force. She had the distinction of attending every national convention since her initiation and participating in a total of 107 conventions and conferences throughout her lifetime. Being elected National President and Chair of the National Board of Directors in November 2021 was the culmination of her life's dream as a member of Delta Sigma Theta.

Jabberwock Pageant

Based on the interpretation of the classic Alice in Wonderland written by English mathematician Charles Lutwidge Dodgson under the pseudonym Lewis Carroll, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Incorporated established the Jabberwock Pageant in 1925. In Carroll's book, the mythical character the "Jabberwocky" summons all the creatures in the kingdom to perform at a gala event. For more than 90 years, chapters around the globe have implemented this evening of pageantry and entertainment to provide the community's most promising young women an opportunity to raise scholarship funds. Participants also take part in educational, cultural and public service opportunities, which allow them to grow personally and form lifelong relationships.

Former Jabberwock Queens

The participants listed below were crowned "Miss Jabberwock" and later enrolled in the college or university of their choice.



Manasses Campbell 1990 Carol Gerald 1992 Adrienne Ash 1994 Monica Williams 1996 Joy Wilson 1998 Angel Washington 2000 Kristy Clark 2002 Deidre Stroman 2004 Courtney Moore 2006 Krysten Dupree 2008 Kayla Waymyers 2010 Alexis Worsley 2012 Taylor Dockery 2014 Dariele Sanchez Campbell 2016 Daryn Alexis Dupree Wilkerson 2018 Ashari Baker 2020



Greetings...

Congratulations 2022 Jabberwock participants!!!

We are honored to be a part of such a memorable and impactful time in your development. May your Jabberwock experience have a positive influence on your life choices and your journey. We thank you, your parents, guardians, other relatives, friends, and supporters for helping to make this a magical experience.

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From...

Bennettsville – Cheraw Alumnae Chapter Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Jabberwock Committee,



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Karen Clark



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Greetings from the Chapter President

Thank you for your selfless support and commitment to the Bennettsville-Cheraw Alumnae Chapter 2022 Miss Jabberwock Pageant.

As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter the words, but to live by them.

We continue to prove that this is not a beauty pageant but rather a program designed to encourage, inspire and recognize the many achievements of the young girls in our community.



The success of this program is not possible without the generous support of our Sponsors, Sorors, Parents and Supporting Families, as well as the other Greek organizations. We humbly thank them for their continued support and contributions.

We, members of Bennettsville-Cheraw Alumnae Chapter acknowledge Special Appreciation for our 2022 Miss Jabberwock Committee, which was spear-headed by Soror Renee McLeod. You and your committee have accomplished a tremendous feat in this Virtual world during this pandemic. We thank you for an AWESOME JOB! .

We are so fortunate to live in such a caring and generous community that has a deep understanding of the value of our youth. We thank our supporters for their continued investment in our program, our contestants for their unflagging commitment to the program and its process, and the families who shared their daughters with us and cheered them on.

Thank you so much for your infinite support of the Bennettsville-Cheraw Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

"Don't settle for average. Bring your best to the moment. Then, whether it fails or succeeds, at least you know you gave all you had. We need to live the best that's in us" - Soror Angela Bassett-

Lynn Cassidy Henry, President Bennettsville-Cheraw Alumnae Chapter Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.





Soror Beatrice Jones DuPree was initiated into Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. on November 21, 1953, thru Gamma Upsilon at Benedict College. She has been a member for 66 years and is a Delta Dear.

Soror DuPree is a charter member of the Bennettsville-Cheraw Chapter organized in 1983 and served as the first President.

Soror DuPree is a graduate of Benedict College with a BA in English and obtained her master's degree from the University of South Carolina. She is a retired English teacher and has served on several community organizations and in her church.

Soror Dupree was married to the late Ralph W. DuPree, Sr. and has three grown children, Yolonda, Ralph, Jr. and Leatrice Monica as well as five grandchildren, Krysten, Kelsey, Daryn, Ryan and Dayna.



Soror Lenora V. Powe was born December 18, 1946, to the late Mr. Leon and Mrs. Oralee S. Powe. She attended Johnson C. Smith University, where she joined the Gamma Lambda Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Incorporated in 1964. She held the office treasurer until completion of undergraduate studies. She also attended Emory University, Georgia State University, Dekalb Community College, and the University of Pennsylvania all in the efforts to further her education endeavors in the field of physical therapy. Soror Powe has worked at various hospitals and facilities throughout Atlanta metro area for over 15 years.

Soror Powe was owner and operator of Mellow Years Adult Daycare and Rehabilitation Instituted for five years until she retired to return to Cheraw, SC to care for her parents. She and her mother Oralee S. Powe were charter members of the Bennettsville-Cheraw Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Incorporated in 1983. As a member of the chapter, she has held the office of chapter president, first vice president, social action workshop chair, and a host of other committees. She is also a member of NAACP, Coulter Long Alumni Association, and G. W. Long Presbyterian Church.

Soror Powe was elected to Chesterfield County Council and held her district seat for 16 years. While serving on the county council she was vice chair for nine years. She has now retired from the Chesterfield County Council. She is the mother of one son, Reuben Hawkins, a daughter-in-law, Tameka Hawkins and a granddaughter, Chante' Mack.

About Bennettsville – Cheraw Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

After careful planning and working with several Deltas in the Pee Dee Region for over two years, on December 17, 1983, the seven-hundred twenty-third chapter, Bennettsville-Cheraw Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. was officially chartered. The South Atlantic Regional Director who later became our twentieth National President, Soror Bertha Maxwell Roddy, performed the chartering ceremony at the Valerie Motel, Patrick, South Carolina. Six women from Cheraw, five women from Bennettsville and two women from Marion working in Marlboro County decided that they wanted to make a difference in Marlboro and Chesterfield Counties. They are Sorors Ann Brown, Beatrice J. DuPree, Georgia E. Gillespie (deceased), Gayle Gore, Cynthia B. Hodge, Jesse S. Johnakin, Lenora V. Powe, Leathia M. Powe (deceased), Oralee S. Powe (deceased), Marie C. Smith (deceased), Julia Spears (deceased), Cynthia Streater, and Vanessa Stuckey-Brown.

With the leadership of eight presidents (Dannie H. Blair, Karen R. Clark, Beatrice J. DuPree, Yolonda G. DuPree, Jesse S. Johnakin, Lenora V. Powe, LaShawn Palmer, Braber Spell, and Lynn C. Henry), the chapter has raised over \$200,000 for scholarships through sixteen Jabberwocks for students in Marlboro County, Cheraw and other counties, giving out scholarship monies to other deserving students. Sponsored a SC State Meeting in 2001 with over 300 members attending, recently sponsored a SC State Founders Day along with Hartsville Alumnae Chapter with over 700 members in attendance. Sponsored teams for local recreation departments, hosted Senior Citizen's Dinners for over twenty years, sponsored Red/White Balls, Delta Academy, Delta GEMS, EMBODI, donated to our local Domestic Violence Shelters, and numerous other service projects. At the 20th Regional Convention in June 2001, the chapter won an award for Sincere Sisterhood and Stellar Service for sponsoring the Spring Mock Convention in South Carolina. In July 2008, the chapter won the Distinguished Program Award at the 49th National Convention for the South Atlantic Region. At the 2011 Regional Conference, Charleston, SC, the chapter was recognized for Excellence in Sisterhood. In 2017, the Chapter was recognized for its stellar Arts and Letters Program at the SC Fall State Meeting,

Through membership intake, we have brought forty-four members into the sisterhood. They are *"The Magnificent Seven"* (Spring 1984), *"The Dynamic Three"* (December 1987), *"Double Trouble"* (March 1992), *"Circle of One"* (Spring 1995), *"Six Dreams of Crimson and Cream"* (Spring 2001), *"Eleven Reflections of Divine Discretions"* (Spring 2007) and *"The Five STEMS"* (Spring 2014) and *"The 14 F.O.R.C.E.S. of Distinction."* (Spring 2021)

In its thirty-eight years of service, the Bennettsville-Cheraw Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. continues to be recognized in Marlboro County and Cheraw as a leader in public service. We are thankful to God for his blessings, and we will continue to be a viable and positive force in these communities.



Dannie Blair, First Vice President

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Miss Jabberwock 2020

Miss Ashari Baker



Hello everyone. My name is Ashari Baker. I am the 2020 Jabberwock winner. It has been a great pleasure participating in Jabberwock although COVID played a major part. Throughout my experience, I had the opportunity to bond with the other five contestants. We participated in many fun workshops and went on a field trip to see the Color Purple. I enjoyed the scrapbook workshop. The ladies of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority have been very supportive of me, and I look up to them as my role models. I will be graduating on June 4, 2022, and I plan to attend Morris College. The scholarship money I will receive will help me out tremendously. I want to give a special shout-out to my sponsors for allowing me the opportunity to be a part of a wonderful experience. Thank you.

Ashari Baker is the daughter of Traisha Thomas and Theo Baker. Her hobbies include shopping, eating out, and spending time with her family and friends. She also enjoys doing hair.

Mistress of Ceremony Tonya Brown

School: Morris College

Hometown: Bennettsville, South Carolina

Tonya Brown is a General Assignment Reporter at WPDE NewsChannel 15.

She attended Morris College and received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Communications.

Tonya is a native of Bennettsville, and grew up watching NewsChannel 15, she remembers almost all the past reporters and anchors. She became inspired to become a journalist, after a television reporter spoke to her Seventh Grade Class.



When Tonya isn't meeting deadlines, she's speaking to community groups and churches. She enjoys talking to youth and helping them when needed.

She has been reporting stories out of the Pee Dee for nearly 26 years. Tonya has covered hurricanes, tornados and a major ice storm.

Tonya lives in the Pee Dee with her husband. She looks forward to continuing to tell the stories of the Pee Dee.





La:Faith Harbor

Remiya Jackson



Trinity Pearson



Dayna Wilkerson

2022 Jabberwock Contestants



La'Faith Harbor, Dayna Wilkerson, Remyia Jackson, Trinity Pearson

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La' Faith Harbor Marlboro County High School

Parent(s): Crystal Harrington and Maurice Harbor Sponsors: Soror Dannie Blair Soror Kimberly Dease

Centennial List \$100

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Crimson List \$49-\$25

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Cream List \$24 & below No Name Leo Jones Carol Sullivan Doris Porter Randy Alford Greg and Jennifer Brogdon Travis Hamer



Remiya Jackson Marlboro County High School

Parents: Reva Tomlison Sponsors: Soror Nickole Broddy Soror Vaucheria Brown

Centennial List \$100

Adam and Teresa Thomas Joyce Jacobs Mia David Shawn and Reva Tomlison

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Crimson List \$49-\$25 Meka Poole Ted and Renata Horton Wanda McDonald Chata Seegars

Jean Fletcher



Trinity Pearson

Marlboro County High School Parents: Tesha Pearson Sponsors: Soror LaRhonda Alford Soror Daishanna Pearson

Centennial List \$100

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Dayna Wilkerson

Leesville Road High School, Raleigh NC Parents: Reginald and Monica Wilkerson Sponsors: Soror Beatrice DuPree Soror Yolonda DuPree

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