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*I hear and I
forget
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remember
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understand*

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THANK YOU

Thank you to all that
have volunteered and
made contributions
to our organization.

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Purchase a Brick for \$20.00  - Leave a legacy of your contribution towards The DOT Organization Community Center for the youth of Southern New Jersey. Each purchase enables your name to be placed on a brick within the center, plus you will receive a certificate of appreciation from The DOT Organization.

UNITED WAY  - The DOT Organization, Inc (Dreams of Tomorrow), truly appreciates your consideration of supporting our efforts, to assist at-risk youth, by participating in the 2015-2016 United Way of Greater Philadelphia and Southern New Jersey Campaign. As your company's Open Enrollment approaches, we ask that you remember to choose The DOT Organization, Inc, as your United Way designee. United Way - **Code 19699 or Code 6245**

WHAT CAN I DO TO HELP DOT?

*Designate DOT as my United Way Agency; *Make DOT the receiver of my employer's Matching Funds Program; *Participate in my company's Volunteer Program with DOT; *Talk to my HR Personnel for other ways I can help DOT; *Make an individual financial donation to DOT; *Participate in DOT's fundraisers; *Sponsor a fundraiser for DOT; *Sponsor youth in one of DOT's programs; or *Tell others about DOT.

HOLIDAY CELEBRATION

Have a prosperous New Year, an excellent Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday, an inspirational Black History Month, a loving Valentine's Day, and President's Day

DOT Quarterly STAR



Rev. Keith D. Dickens

Rev. Keith D. Dickens, an ordained American Baptist minister, is currently serving as the Interim Pastor of the Parkside United Methodist Church in Camden, New Jersey. Prior to joining Parkside United Methodist Church, he served as Associate Pastor of the historic Calvary Baptist Church in Chester, Pennsylvania. As a college administrator, he serves as Assistant Director of Admissions at Rowan University in Glassboro, New Jersey.

Rev. Dickens, a native of Bridgeton, New Jersey, is the son of the late Betty Jean Lingo Dickens. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Political Science/Public Administration from Grambling State University, (Grambling, Louisiana); A Master of Divinity degree from Palmer Theological Seminary of Eastern University, (St. Davids, Pennsylvania).

He is a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.; the N.A.A.C.P.; the Philadelphia Baptist Association of American Baptist Churches, USA and the American Academy of Religion.

Rev. Dickens is blessed to share his ministry with his lovely wife and college sweetheart, Aquanetta Lynn West Dickens, a Senior Administrator / Environmental Scientist with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania) – Region 3.

They reside in Williamstown, New Jersey and are the proud parents of one daughter, Imani Nicole who is in her Sophomore year at Spelman College (Atlanta, Georgia) where she is majoring in English / Communications.

Rev. Dickens' life verse is Philippians 3: 13-14, " Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

January is Cervical Cancer Awareness/ February is National Cancer Prevention Month; Gallbladder and Bile Duct Cancer Awareness. March is Colorectal Cancer, Kidney Cancer and Multiple Myeloma Awareness.

ORGANIZATIONS TO SUPPORT

Alpha Kappa Alpha
Sorority, Inc.

Delicate Healthcare
Agency - Unique
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Delta Sigma Theta
Sorority, Inc.

L.I.O.N. ("Leading Light"
in our Neighborhoods)

Mz. Eazy's Cafe

National Coalition of 100
Black Women, Inc.

Omega Psi Phi Fraternity,
Inc.

PEAK (Pro Elite Athletic
Kooperative Inc.)

Phi Delta Kappa Sorority,
Inc.

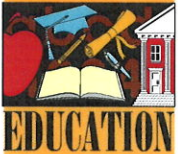
Rochester's Barbecue &
Grill

Sugarpuddin's (The Best
Ribs)

Tonya Dorsey New Vision

Winslow Township Rotary

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority,
Inc.



DOT EVENTS

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. BREAKFAST - Monday, January 18, 2016, 9 AM to 12 PM

At St. Charles Borromeo Church, Religious Education Center, Siena Hall, 176 Stagecoach Road, Sicklerville, NJ 08081. Cost \$20.00 Adults, \$15.00 children 12 and under. No tickets sold after January 15, 2016. For tickets or further information call (856) 262-3878.

MEN'S GREEK FRATERNITY BASKETBALL GAME - Friday, March 11, 2016 6 PM to 10 PM

At the Winslow Township High School, 10 Coopers Folly Road, Atco, NJ. Tickets sold in advance \$6.00 adults, \$2.00 children. Tickets sold at the door are \$7.00 adults and \$3.00 children. For more information call (856) 262-3878.

DOT EASTER EGG HUNT - Saturday, March 19, 2016, 12 Noon to 2 PM for ages 3 to 12

At the DOT Center, Williamstown Pavilion, 1809 N. Black Horse Pike, Unit 12, Williamstown, NJ 08094. Light refreshments will be served. To RSVP or for information please call 856-262-3878 or email thedotorganization@hotmail.com.

DOT "DO A GOOD DEED DAY" - March 31, 2016

The DOT Organization celebrates its 11th Birthday during the month of March. We would like all of our supporters to do a good deed for somebody by March 31, 2016 or whenever you can. Please join us in making this a wonderful day for someone. Please feel free to share with us your good deed by email at thedotorganization@hotmail.com.

OLDIES BUT GOODIES DANCE- Saturday, April 23, 2016 from 7 PM to Midnight

At St. Charles Borromeo Church, Religious Education Center, Siena Hall, 176 Stagecoach Road, Sicklerville, NJ 08081. Tickets \$20.00 at door \$25.00 Casual Attire. BYOB and BYOF. For tickets or further information call (856) 262-3878.

DOT HISTORY

The **DOT Organization, Inc.** was founded March 2005 to implement the educational and informational processes needed to address the emerging issues and concerns of South Jersey communities. The vision of this non-profit corporation is to eliminate and/or reduce both visible and invisible problems areas by providing positive influences, heightening awareness of educational and economic empowerment opportunities, and building bridges between home, school, and the community. With the dedication, insight, experience, and expertise of its leaders. The **Dot Organization, Inc.** will lead community residents through required processes so they can benefit from state, local, and federal resource opportunities.



ORGANIZATION SPOTLIGHT

National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa, Inc. Eta Chapter Jarian R. Graham, President, Camden, NJ



The National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa, Inc. was organized in 1923. The purposes of the Sorority are: To stimulate professional growth among teachers; To foster true sisterhood; To promote the highest teaching ideals; and To encourage the development of the potential of our youth

The National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa, Incorporated is a professional organization of teachers dedicated to the task of training youth of America to cope satisfactorily and effectively with today's problems, firmly believes education to be a potent factor in maintaining and perpetuating democracy as the most ideal form of life. Through day by day instruction in the classroom and multiple contacts in the community, the National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa, Incorporated seeks to inform all citizens of the ever-changing problems of our culture and to equip them with the necessary social skills to solve these problems according to true democratic process.

The National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa, Incorporated Eta Chapter was chartered on March 5, 1927. This event took place at the Catherine YMCA of Philadelphia, PA. Sisters from Alpha and Beta Chapters were responsible for Eta's chartering. Nine ladies represented Eta's Charter members and we have two Honorary Members. The Sorors of Eta Chapter are hardworking, dedicated women who love the National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa, Incorporated. Many of these women have pledged their undying love and support for the group by becoming Life Members. We have fourteen Life Members. Eta Sorors have also served in leadership positions on both the National and Regional levels.

Eta Chapter has a rich and expansive history. We were responsible for organizing and presenting the first Youth Conference which was for our Xinos (young ladies). The last Regional Conference Eta hosted was in Cherry Hill, NJ. Eta also hosted the 2008 Eastern Regional Xinos and Kudos Conference. Thirty-five Chapters from Connecticut to North Carolina participated in both conferences. The Sorors of Eta Chapter recognize the importance of training our youth. Our Xinos and Kudos consist of young ladies and young men in grades 9-12. We are also proud to acknowledge the husbands, friends, and significant others who represent the Anthrosos or the "Men In Our Lives."

Eta Chapter has presented numerous activities to fund our Scholarship Program. We have invited the community to these events: Fashion Shows, Scholarship Luncheons, Jazz Brunches, Philadanco 2 of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, famous authors and actors, Intermezzo Choir Ministry of Philadelphia, PA, and sponsored theatre plays. Eta Chapter Sorors and the Youth group participate in many community activities such as the October "Making Strides Against Breast Cancer", Dreams of Tomorrow's Girls Summit, serving Thanksgiving dinners, cards for Veterans, donations to Food Bank of South Jersey, and visiting elderly citizens. Eta Chapter and its affiliates: HUB Parents and Anthrosos make it possible for our Youth Group through workshops, to inspire the attainment of high ethical, educational, moral, spiritual and social standards in order to confront the future with civility, confidence, and competence.

Eta Chapter each year gives scholarships to high school students who plan to major in education at the college of their choice. Middle school achievement awards are given to a young lady and a young man who have shown an interest in pursuing a career in education. The middle school awards are given to students in schools where our Sorors are teaching. Eta also gives book awards to graduating members of our Youth Group: Xinos and Kudos. National gives two six thousand dollar scholarships annually to each of the five regions. High school seniors may obtain applications from their counselors in the guidance department.

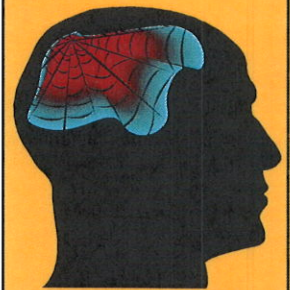
The National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa, Incorporated, Eta Chapter is committed to the ideals set forth by our founders. We wish to continue their legacy by following the tenets of our purpose.

Submitted by
Jarian R. Graham,
Eta Chapter, President

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"The
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