

March 27, 2019



Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated, Eta Pi Zeta Chapter was chartered on November 11, 1973 to serve Montgomery County, MD. Forty-five years later, Eta Pi Zeta is still going strong and having an positive impact on the community: primary schools appreciate our support, high school seniors are thankful for our college scholarships, and families with premature infants benefit from the chapter's March for Babies fundraising efforts. In honor of our 45th anniversary, here is an excerpt from the poem Frat Jeffrey "Big Homey" Banks wrote in tribute to the women of Eta Pi Zeta Chapter:

Z-Phi on the north side of DC  
The Atlantic Region's BLUties of the Eta Pi Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated  
The illustration of 45  
Years of helping Montgomery County Maryland to thrive  
Do you want to know the tea?  
So you'll be able to see how these ladies bring things from Silver Spring and county-wide  
They decide to take a bind and make it fine because they're finer  
Their exemplary service is designer  
The Eta Pi Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated

From 1973 to infinity  
The stork's nest of March of Dimes  
Serving all generations all of the time  
The children, the elderly, the sick, the church, charitable walks  
These ladies are the bricks  
In the foundation of this community  
Always rising to the call of duty  
When the neighboring "45" looks bad  
This "45" looks good  
As we ALL know a Zeta lady should  
Cuz "A Zeta lady looks good every day!"

Eta Pi Zeta Chapter was humbled and honored to serve as this year's host for the 2019 Maryland State Leadership Conference. Congratulations to the chapter for earning first place for Z-HOPE (Zetas Helping Other People Excel). Congratulations also go out to Soror Arlinda Clark for her induction into the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated State of Maryland Hall of Fame.

For all that they do, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated, Eta Pi Zeta Chapter is the Zeta Crush for this Wednesday!



March 20, 2019

A 24-year resident of gorgeous Prince George's County, Gayle Lyke carries grace and humility wherever she goes. Gayle attributes these inherent pillars to the woman who instilled in her the importance of Godly character: her mom, Triumphant Life Member Soror Nettie Joe Moffett (Alpha Omega Zeta Chapter).

Gayle became a member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated through Upsilon Lambda Chapter at Virginia Tech University in 1986. She currently is an active member in Delta Zeta Zeta Chapter in Prince George's County, MD. Gayle has served the sorority on many levels, including, but not limited to: Chapter President (graduate and undergraduate), Member-at-Large, and MD State Representative to the Atlantic Region Elections Committee. Most recently, she accepted the call to lead the marvelous state of Maryland as the eleventh Maryland State Director.

Gayle holds a BS in Microbiology, a Certificate in Medical Technology (The Catholic University), a Certificate in Public Health (UNC Chapel Hill) and an MS in Management with a concentration in Healthcare Administration (Southern New Hampshire University). She has been employed by the Department of Veterans Affairs for over 30 years, where she currently serves in dual capacity as Senior Program Manager and Administrative Officer for the Veterans Healthcare Administration Post Deployment Health Service. Gayle is a certified federal mentor, project manager and contracting officer representative who has professional memberships with the American Society of Clinical Pathology and the American Public Health Association.

An active member of First Baptist Church of Highland Park, Gayle serves as Co-Chair of the Women's Season Program, in addition to being a facilitator for "Crown" Financial workshops. An avid football fan, Gayle loves to read, travel, and spend time with family and friends in her spare time. Her greatest joys are her two adult daughters, Allison and Ayasha (Soror).

We congratulate Gayle for an exceptional 2019 Maryland State Leadership Conference as a first-time State Director. She operated in excellence: One Zeta...Unified...Mobilized...ZetariZed!!!



For all that she does, Soror Gayle Lyke is our Zeta Crush for this Wednesday!