

ZETA PHI BETA SORORITY, INCORPORATED  
RHO THETA ZETA CHAPTER PRESENTS

# Casino Royale

*A 25th Anniversary  
Celebration*

5 p.m. SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 2024



**DIGITAL SOUVENIR BOOK**

CELEBRATING A QUARTER CENTURY OF RESILIENCY WHILE FINER

## Delta Marriott Kalamazoo Hotel

**DANCING | GAMING TABLES | DINNER | COMMUNITY AWARDS**

Dr. Stacie NC Grant, International President & CEO  
Keisha D. Smith, Great Lakes Regional Director  
Lynese Thomas, Michigan State Director  
Tameatha Reed, Rho Theta Zeta Chapter President



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# WELCOME!



## ZETA PHI BETA SORORITY, INCORPORATED

SCHOLARSHIP - SERVICE - SISTERHOOD - FINER WOMANHOOD

[www.zphib1920.org](http://www.zphib1920.org)

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated was founded on January 16, 1920, at Howard University, Washington, D.C., by five undergraduate women who wanted sororities to be more than social organizations, instead to directly affect positive change on the pressing issues of the day and to raise people's consciousness. Arizona Cleaver Stemmons, Pearl Anna Neal, Myrtle Tyler Faithful, Viola Tyler Goings and Fannie Pettie Watts believed that sorority elitism and socializing were overshadowing the real mission of progressive organizations and failed to address fully the societal mores, ills, prejudices and poverty affecting humanity in general and the Black community in particular.

These women, also known as our Five Pearls, zeroed in on four areas: Scholarship, Service, Sisterly Love and Finer Womanhood. What they started has blossomed into an international non-profit 501(c) (7) organization of more than 125,000 members and 875-plus chapters spread across the United States, Africa, Europe, Asia and the Caribbean, and divided into eight regions.

The Sorority has been innovative because it has chronicled several firsts:

- ✓ The first Greek-letter sorority organized in Africa
- ✓ The first to establish a national executive office of a Black sorority, in 1948
- ✓ The first to establish national auxiliaries
- ✓ The first and only National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) sorority to be constitutionally connected with a fraternity, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Incorporated

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# ORDER OF THE PROGRAM



<b>WELCOME</b>	TAMEATHA REED, RHO THETA ZETA PRESIDENT
<b>MASTER OF CEREMONIES</b>	SIDNEY ELLIS
<b>GREETINGS</b>	LYNESE THOMAS, MICHIGAN STATE DIRECTOR TAMEATHA REED, RHO THETA ZETA PRESIDENT BRO. SEAN HOLLINS, PI LAMBDA SIGMA PRESIDENT PHI BETA SIGMA FRATERNITY, INCORPORATED
<b>THE OCCASION</b>	TAMEATHA REED, RHO THETA ZETA PRESIDENT
<b>INTRODUCTION OF CHAPTER MEMBERS</b>	SIDNEY ELLIS
<b>INTRODUCTION OF CHARTER MEMBERS</b>	SOROR EARLENE McMICHAEL, RHO THETA ZETA
<b>INVOCATION</b>	BRO. HENRY MILLINER, PI LAMBDA SIGMA
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<b>PRESENTATION OF HONOREES</b>	SOROR EARLENE McMICHAEL, RHO THETA ZETA
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# *The Story of Rho Theta Zeta*



Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated's Resilient Rho Theta Zeta Chapter serves the Kalamazoo and Portage communities in southwest Michigan. It was chartered on April 19, 1999. There had briefly been a Zeta graduate chapter in the community before us, but many of Lambda Psi Zeta's members moved away over time. Those sorors still around continued to informally get together, found they liked meeting up and decided to bring a new graduate chapter to the area.

Thus, Rho Theta Zeta was born, birthed by 10 women made up of Zetas already living the community and some who had recently graduated from Western Michigan University. The charter members are Sorors Keisha Barksdale, Ondraya Dixon, Renita Ellis, Bridgett Gibson, Joan Harris, Kelley Kellis, Monique Ligons, Peggy McKnight, Sheila Parkman and Hillary Williams.

In 2017, we were named Michigan Chapter of the Year at the Michigan State Organization Leadership Conference. We have twice co-hosted the state conference. We are excited to announce that Rho Theta Zeta will be the host chapter for the September 2024 Michigan State Organization Leadership Conference to be held at Kalamazoo's Radisson Plaza Hotel!

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RHO THETA ZETA CHAPTER  
*Charter Members*

*(in alphabetical order)*



***KEISHA BARKSDALE***



***ONDRAYA DIXON***



***RENITA ELLIS***



***BRIDGETT GIBSON***



***JOAN HARRIS***



***KELLY KELLIS***



***PEGGY McKNIGHT***



***SHEILA PARKMAN***



***MONIQUE (LIGONS) TERRY***



***HILLARY WILLIAMS***

**Dr. Stacie NC Grant**  
International Grand Basileus & CEO

**Keisha D. Smith**  
Great Lakes Regional Director

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*Ohio State Director*

**Toya Griffin**  
*Wisconsin State Director*

Greetings to the Finer Women of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated ~  
Rho Theta Zeta Chapter, Amicae, Youth Affiliates and Guests,

On behalf of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated, Great Lakes Region, we commend the Rho Theta Zeta Chapter in Kalamazoo, Michigan on their leadership, service and this auspicious occasion for the 25th Anniversary Celebration "Celebrating a Quarter Century of Resiliency While Finer"! Congratulations to the exemplary keynote speaker, Norma C. Dartis, 18th Great Lakes Regional Director, the honorees for your dynamic service and scholarship recipients on your outstanding academic achievements. This is a momentous occasion worthy of joy and reflection!

I am extremely proud to see our principles of Scholarship, Service, Sisterhood, and Finer Womanhood effectively implemented throughout your communities. The Rho Theta Zeta Chapter delivers extraordinary experience with unwavering dedication. The attributes of the Rho Theta Zeta Chapter are significant as they render service through the Extraordinary Power of S.H.E. (Social Justice, Health Justice, and Economic Justice) and award scholarships to students. The Rho Theta Zeta Chapter has a spirit of excellence, influence and collaboration to benefit surrounding communities and partnerships.

On behalf of the Greater Great Lakes Region, I want to personally thank everyone for your support of the Rho Theta Zeta Chapter and this beautiful event. My sincere gratitude is extended to the Rho Theta Zeta Chapter for your incredible journey and service!

Yours In Service,

*Keisha D. Smith*

Keisha D. Smith  
Great Lakes Regional Director & Chair of the Regional Directors  
Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated

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# Michigan State Organization

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## Graduate Chapters

- Beta Omicron Zeta
- Zeta Beta Zeta
- Zeta Nu Zeta
- Zeta Omega Zeta
- Eta Lambda Zeta
- Theta Rho Zeta
- Kappa Rho Zeta
- Lambda Rho Zeta
- Pi Gamma Zeta
- Pi Rho Zeta
- Rho Delta Zeta
- Rho Theta Zeta
- Sigma Pi Zeta
- Upsilon Theta Zeta
- Upsilon Psi Zeta
- Chi Iota Zeta
- Chi Kappa Zeta
- Gamma Alpha Zeta Zeta
- Delta Alpha Xi Zeta
- Delta Alpha Psi Zeta

## Undergraduate Chapters

- Phi Gamma
- Gamma Delta
- Theta Delta
- Pi Delta
- Sigma Kappa
- Nu Nu
- Theta Xi
- Phi Sigma
- Theta Phi

April 20, 2024

### Greetings Sorors, Brothers of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Incorporated, Zeta Amicae, Youth Affiliates, & Guests

Congratulations to the Rho Theta Zeta chapter on reaching such a significant milestone of 25 years! Your dedication to **scholarship, service, sisterhood**, and **finer womanhood** has undoubtedly left a positive and lasting impact on the communities of Portage and Kalamazoo. Tonight's **25th Anniversary Casino Royale** celebration is a wonderful testament to the chapter's commitment to serving and uplifting its community members. Here's to many more years of continued success, service and sisterhood to the cities of Portage and Kalamazoo.

The dedication and vision of the charter members of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated Rho Theta Zeta chapter, Sorors Keisha Barksdale, Ondraya Dixon, Renita Ellis, Bridgett Gibson, Joan Harris, Kelley Kellis, Monique Ligons, Peggy McKnight, Sheila Parkman and Hillary Williams, have left an indelible mark on the community. Their commitment to service, leadership, and empowerment has continued to thrive, shaping the chapter's legacy and making a lasting impact. Their collective efforts have laid a strong foundation for the chapter's ongoing mission to uplift and serve the community. We honor and celebrate their contributions as we continue to carry forward their vision for years to come.

Indeed, the commitment to community service and the enduring impact of chapters such as Rho Theta Zeta, is truly inspiring. Through their dedication to service, they not only uphold the values of **Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated** but also contribute positively to your community, leaving a lasting legacy of empowerment, support, and leadership. It's heartening to see their principles continue to shape and enrich your area today. Congratulations again on our chapter's **25th Anniversary!**

It's truly a pleasure to celebrate the achievements and continued service of the Rho Theta Zeta chapter. Their dedication to making a positive impact in the community is commendable, and I'm thrilled to join in the festivities and extend my heartfelt congratulations.

Here's to many more years of success, growth, and making a difference in the lives of others.

Cheers to the Rho Theta Zeta chapter!

Sisterly,

**Lynese S. Thomas**

Michigan State Director



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**Ondraya Dixon**

**Renita Ellis**

**Dalexius Walker**

**Deleon Dyson**

**Kyra Griffin**

**Janae McClenton**

**Sarah Taylor**

April 20, 2024

Greetings Sorors, Amicae, Youth Affiliates, Brothers of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., Divine Nine, Family and Guests,

It is a pleasure to greet you in the name of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. on behalf of the **Resilient Rho Theta Zeta Chapter** of Kalamazoo County, Michigan.

With an appreciative heart, I welcome you to our 25-Year Anniversary Casino Royale Celebration. Our theme, "**Celebrating A Quarter Century of Resiliency While Finer,**" represents our fortitude while serving with dignity and grace, attributes reflective of our Sorority's principle of Finer Womanhood.

I am proud to lead a chapter with a foundation and legacy of serving our community for 25 years. Rho Theta Zeta was chartered on April 19, 1999, by 10 trailblazers: Sorors Keisha Barksdale, Ondraya Dixon, Renita Ellis, Bridgett Gibson, Joan Harris, Kelley Kellis, Monique (Ligons) Terry, Peggy McKnight, Sheila Parkman and Hillary Williams. Thank you, sorors, for paving the path and for always being examples of true leaders with grace and elegance as we carry forth the **Light of Zeta**.

This evening represents a significant milestone in our legacy, in the community and in our hearts. And we are both honored and touched by everyone who joined us this evening in celebration as we continue to grow in the depth of service we provide to the Portage and Kalamazoo communities while representing the principles of Zeta: Scholarship, Service, Sisterhood and Finer Womanhood. I am excited to celebrate Wendy Fields, Rev. Lenzy Bell, Kim Guess, Daniel May and Nicole Triplett as Community Excellence Honorees. A special thank-you to Co-Chairs Sheila Parkman and Fallon Lee, and the Casino Royale Committee for an outstanding event.

Thank you to our guests for joining us, and may you enjoy our **25th Anniversary Casino Royale Celebration!**

Sisterly,

Tameatha Reed, President  
Rho Theta Zeta Chapter



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LANSING

GRETCHEN WHITMER  
GOVERNOR

GARLIN GILCHRIST II  
LT. GOVERNOR

April 20, 2024

Dear Friends,

On behalf of the State of Michigan, I would like to offer my warmest greetings and recognition to the Rho Theta Zeta Chapter of the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated upon their 25 years of unwavering service to their community.

I am truly grateful for all the contributions you have made to our state. Michigan is great because of the work, diversity, and grit of the people in it. Your accomplishments remind me how immensely proud and humbled I am to represent a state so full of heart, determination, and resilience. I have no doubt that you will continue to make a positive difference in your community and serve as an inspirational example to countless others. I look forward to continuing to work with you to build a bright future in our state.

Again, congratulations. I send my best wishes for your continued success in every endeavor.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Gretchen Whitmer".

Gretchen Whitmer  
Governor of Michigan



State of Michigan, United States of America  
**Proclamation**

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*25th Anniversary of the  
Rho Theta Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.  
April 19, 2024*

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**WHEREAS**, on April 19, 1999, the Rho Theta Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated was established in Michigan's Kalamazoo County by 10 forward-thinking women, making this year the 25th anniversary of the chapter, a major milestone that will be commemorated with a gala on April 20, 2024, where five local leaders and the chapter's charter members will be honored; and

**WHEREAS**, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority's Rho Theta Zeta Chapter was formed to be a community-conscious, action-oriented organization to enhance the lives of those living and working in the Portage and Kalamazoo areas through its numerous standing service projects and the development of new ones to ensure it meets the community's ever-changing needs; and

**WHEREAS**, Rho Theta Zeta steadfastly carries out its work guided by the four pillars of Scholarship, Service, Sisterly Love and Finer Womanhood of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, an international organization of college-educated women with more than 875 chapters spread across the United States, Africa, Europe, Asia, and the Caribbean; and

**WHEREAS**, service examples of the Rho Theta Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority have included: the creation of public recognition events to honor individuals and organizations making an impact, providing onsite interactive activities for the residents of the Heritage Community of Kalamazoo through adopting the senior citizen assisted living facility, hosting toiletries collection drives and other programming to help domestic violence survivors, providing meals to voting polling site workers, awarding college scholarships annually, offering youth groups for girls, and holding premature birth awareness programs and its yearly Bowling for Babies fundraiser to support the March of Dimes' mission to improve the health of babies; and

**WHEREAS**, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority's Rho Theta Zeta Chapter once earned Chapter of the Year for the Michigan State Organization of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., and is a charter member of the Kalamazoo Chapter of the National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) founded on Jan. 25, 2020. Rho Theta Zeta has been privileged to twice host the Michigan State Organization Leadership Conference for Zeta, and will be doing so again September 20-21, 2024, at the Radisson Plaza Hotel in downtown Kalamazoo; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, ON BEHALF OF THE 55<sup>th</sup> CITY COMMISSION, I, DAVID ANDERSON, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF KALAMAZOO** proclaim April 19, 2024, as Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated - Rho Theta Zeta Chapter Day in Kalamazoo, Michigan, the day to encourage area residents to support Rho Theta Zeta Chapter in its commitment to aiding our community.



  
David F. Anderson, Mayor





# KEYNOTE SPEAKER

*Norma Dartis*

FORMER GREAT LAKES  
REGIONAL DIRECTOR



**SOROR NORMA DARTIS** was blessed to serve as 18th Great Lakes Regional Director (1996-2002) and Chair of Regional Directors in the administration of Dr. Barbara West Carpenter, where she was named Outstanding Regional Director in 2002. During her tenure, 25 chapters were chartered, including Kalamazoo County's Rho Theta Zeta Chapter. She has held national positions, among them National Director of Political Awareness, National Director of UNCF, National Director of Honorary Members and National Historian. She currently serves as International Co-Director of Zeta Crystal Doves and 2024 Grand Boule' Co-Marshal in Dr. Stacie NC Grant's "Embracing the Extraordinary" administration.

Soror Dartis is co-owner of CND College Prep Consultants, LLC, providing financial literacy for families whose dream is obtaining a postsecondary education. She also is Chair of the Board of Managers of a 501©3 nonprofit, Opening College Opportunities. The Indianapolis native is a retired senior buyer and purchasing program manager from General Motors Corporation. She was the first African-American and only woman in her division to be named Global Creativity Team Leader where she was responsible for buyers in Brazil, France, Japan and the United States. She received the Chairman's Honors Award from the Chairman & CEO of General Motors Corporation.

She has served as president, vice president, secretary, treasurer and parliamentarian of Mu Tau Zeta Chapter in Speedway, Indiana. In the state of Indiana, she has held the role of treasurer. On the regional level, she was elected Chair of the Great Lakes Regional Executive Board and Public Relations officer.

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## COMMUNITY EXCELLENCE AWARD

*Rev. Lenzy Bell*

FIRST UNITED BAPTIST CHURCH PASTOR



**REV. LENZY BELL** has been senior pastor of First United Baptist Church in downtown Kalamazoo for the past 24 years. He is married to First Lady Lori Ann Bell, for 36 years. They have five children and seven grandchildren.

Pastor Bell is vice president of the Northside Ministerial Alliance, a founding member of Cradle Kalamazoo (Infant Mortality Reduction), a board member of the United Way of South Central Michigan (formerly the Battle Creek and Kalamazoo Region), board member of Group Violence Intervention (GVI) and president of the Chain Lake Missionary Baptist Church Association.

Bell loves history and the influence the Ancestors have on his life. They are the encouragement that he needs when facing trials and challenges. He works in community to address various issues to get them resolved to improve the quality of life for all citizens. He also works to build strong family relationships to build a strong community.

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# COMMUNITY EXCELLENCE AWARD

*Wendy Fields*

PRESIDENT, METROPOLITAN KALAMAZOO  
BRANCH OF THE NAACP



**WENDY Y. FIELDS** is serving her third term as the president of the Metropolitan Kalamazoo Branch NAACP. The Kalamazoo, Michigan native is a strong advocate for social justice. Fields has been recognized numerous times for her community work, including the YWCA 2018 Women of Achievement Award. She attends Galilee Baptist Church, where she serves as a trustee and in other ministries. Fields is active with a long and diverse list of organizations, such as the Executive Board of Centrica Care Navigators (formerly Hospice Care of Southwest Michigan), Cradle Kalamazoo Steering Committee, Group Violence Intervention Executive Committee, Kalamazoo Junior Girls, Douglass Community Association, the Kalamazoo Public Safety Department's new recruits' diversity/cultural training program, Mothers of Hope and S.H.A.R.E., to name just a few of the groups making a difference with which she is involved.

Fields worked for Kalamazoo County government in the Head Start Program and the Maternal and Infant Health programs before retiring in 2014 after 39 years. While with the county, she advocated along with co-workers to unionize the Kalamazoo County Head Start. She was also instrumental in the development of the county's Anti-Racism Team. Her service on it resulted in increased hiring of people of color within the Health and Community Services Department. Fields' personal philosophy is: help others through truth, empowerment and advocacy. She has two children and three grandchildren.

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# COMMUNITY EXCELLENCE AWARD

*Kimberly Guess*

OWNER, GUESS WHO'S DANCING FITNESS

CO-OWNER, THE XPERIENCE



**KIMBERLY GUESS** founded Guess Who's Dancing Fitness, LLC in March of 2018. Guess, with business partner Symphony Ollie, are owners of a commercial liquor license, registered with the Michigan Liquor Control Commission, and both businesses are federally certified as a WOSB business by the SBA and MBE-certified by Michigan Minority Supplier Development Council and the NMSDC. During COVID, Guess and business partners Symphony Ollie and Bryan Sims formed a successful AirBnB business, and, in April 2022, opened the first Black-owned entertainment venue on the Downtown Kalamazoo Mall, The Xperience by Luxury Escapes, Inc.

The Xperience by LuXury Escapes, Inc., is a multi-use event venue. Within the first eight months of business, The Xperience was able to generate over six figures in revenue through a unique business model that focuses on collaboration with other Black and Brown-owned small businesses. Within this business model, The Xperience has paid over \$100K of revenue for the participating vendors, and the model has been used by other new venues opening around the city.

Coming from the Northside of Kalamazoo, Guess hopes that all her business and non-profit endeavors will inspire her community to strive for more, and be an example that there are no limits to what you can do.

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# COMMUNITY EXCELLENCE AWARD

*Daniel May*

OWNER, DABNEY & CO. - COCKTAIL BAR AND LOUNGE



**DANIEL MAY** is a talented entrepreneur who excels at combining a wide range of ingredients to produce exceptional results. His skills are diverse, spanning finance, creative design and management.

As a Greenleaf Trust Scholar and a member of the first cohort of Starting Gate, a student business accelerator, May honed his skills at Western Michigan University's Haworth College of Business. He fell in love with Kalamazoo and decided to give back to the community by working as a finance professional, and he is currently the pricing manager at a global medical device company.

He has also leveraged his passions and strengths to create and run his unique business, Dabney & Co. - Cocktail Bar and Lounge, located in the heart of Kalamazoo's central business district. This business is a celebration of Black culture, showcasing music, art and food in an elevated space. Guests can expect to hear the sounds of Motown, disco, blues, jazz, '90s hip-hop and R&B while enjoying soul food served as tapas.

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# COMMUNITY EXCELLENCE AWARD

*Nicole Triplett*

OWNER, TWINE URBAN WINERY

FOUNDER, KALAMAZOO BLACK BUSINESS EXPO



**NICOLE TRIPLETT** describes herself as a psychologist, African-American economics innovator and wine maker. She launched a line of wines, The Roche' Collection, a brand exclusively for the social casual wine drinker. It is sold at her Twine Urban Winery storefront in Kalamazoo and at select local retailers.

She is also founder of Black Wall Street Kalamazoo and the Kalamazoo Black Business Expo. Black Wall Street Kalamazoo is focused on the African-American community within Kalamazoo County to boost generational wealth building. BWSK is the area's Black Business Directory, highlighting and lifting up the African-American entrepreneur. The guiding principles of BWSK are to access and aid in advocating for equal lending and banking practices, the primary to ownership and generational wealth. Business education, acumen, economics and collaboration are consistently fostered in its endeavors.

Triplett started her Kalamazoo Counseling Connection private practice in downtown Kalamazoo in 2012. She holds a master's degree in counseling psychology from Western Michigan University, with an emphasis on marriage and family therapy.

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# Congratulations Kim Guess Sigma Known As Blue Diamond



Love,  
6FT U.N.D.E.R. (Fall 07)

Congratulations Rho Theta Zeta Chapter of  
Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.

## Congratulations

Rho Theta Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.  
on 25 Years of Finer in Kalamazoo County.



Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc.  
"Legendary" Lambda Lambda Sigma Chapter  
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# NAACP

*Metropolitan Kalamazoo Branch*

**CONGRATULATIONS!**  
TO OUR BRANCH PRESIDENT,  
WENDY FIELDS



**A Message From Our President:** I am sincerely grateful for this award. I encourage all of you to vote in the upcoming election and save the date for the NAACP's 45th Annual Freedom Fund Banquet happening Saturday, Nov. 2, 2024.

"Making Our Vote Count."



**HAPPY 25<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY!**

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**SENDING SISTERLY LOVE TO THE  
RHO THETA ZETA CHAPTER  
ZETA PHI BETA SORORITY, INC.**

*Congratulations!*

**25**  
YEARS

**Congratulations on your 25th  
Charterversary!**

**Congratulations on your years of  
Scholarship, Service, Sisterhood  
and Finer Womanhood in our  
community.**



***THE QU4D SQUAD***  
***MEMBERS OF DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC.***

***MARCELLA CHEATHAM***  
ZETA RHO CHAPTER '81

***MARCIA JONES***  
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*The ladies of Rho Theta Zeta*  
*Thank you for attending!*



# What do we do? Check out a few of our service projects.

## A Zeta woman is active in her community.

Rho Theta Zeta Chapter hosts standing service projects and develops new ones regularly to meet the needs of our ever-changing world. We also make an impact through volunteering with and financially donating to game-changing organizations and causes.

### COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



Rho Theta Zeta Chapter awards two \$1,000 college scholarships each year to impressive high school seniors.

### DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAM INITIATIVE



Our chapter holds toiletry collection drives to help women and their children rebuild after domestic violence.

### FEEDING THE POLL WORKERS



To thank poll workers for serving at the height of the pandemic, we delivered breakfast, lunch and dinner to the staff at 17 voting sites.

### UPLIFTING FIRST RESPONDERS



Being a first responder is a stressful job. We gave gift baskets with snacks, hot chocolate and hand warmers to Kalamazoo and Portage police officers.

### HONORING CHANGEMAKERS



We hold public recognition events to honor individuals and organizations of color making an impact.

### FIGHTING PREMATURE BIRTH



For almost 10 years, we've held Bowling for Babies to benefit the March of Dimes, which fights for healthy babies and mothers.



# MEET OUR MEMBERS

## Rho Theta Zeta Chapter



**Tameatha Reed**  
President



**Sheila Parkman**  
1st VP/Membership



**LaShundra Patterson**  
2nd VP/Community Service



**Fallon Lee**  
3rd VP/Fundraising



**Kyeata Dukes**  
Secretary



**Dalanna Robbison**  
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**Hillary Williams**  
Financial Secretary



**Earlene McMichael**  
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**Kendra Parkman**  
Sisterhood Coordinator



**Germaine Milliner**  
Phylacter



**Ondraya Dixon**  
Technology



**Joan Harris**  
Etiquette



**Renita Ellis**  
Chaplain/Refreshments



**Dalexius Walker**  
Lead NPHC Rep



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