

*Loudoun County* Virginia, one of the fastest growing and wealthiest counties in the nation, was desperately yearning for a chapter of the illustrious Sorority of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc., to be formed. Through the leadership and vision of Linda Griffin, this effort was launched in September of 2008. Ms. Griffin requested approval for a charter application from the South Atlantic Regional Director, Linda Wilson on October 15, 2008. The charter application was received by Ms. Griffin on October 29, 2008, and the chapter development was well on its way.

The first interest meeting was graciously held at the home of Linda Griffin, with 19 jubilant sorority members in attendance and much excitement in the air. Realizing the increased number of Deltas moving into Loudoun County these magnificent women felt a strong desire to form a chapter. Two weeks later on October 25, 2009 the sorority members convened for the second interest meeting at the home of Seleah Wyche Joyner with 14 women in attendance. These members eagerly put out the call for area Deltas to come together to form a charter chapter in Loudoun County and received an overwhelming response. On February 15, 2009, 30 charming women from all over Loudoun County Virginia gathered together at the home of Dawn McKenzie for the final interest meeting. A heartfelt bond of sisterhood filled this meeting and the seed for the charter chapter was planted.

On February 23, 2009, Linda Griffin enthusiastically submitted the charter application, which included the names of 41 dynamic sorority members. South Atlantic Regional Director, Linda Wilson called Linda Griffin on March 31, 2009, to inform her that the charter application to form a Loudoun County Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., was approved by Delta National Headquarters.

The Chartering Ceremony was conducted by Linda Wilson, South Atlantic Regional Director and was held at Ashburn Village Clubhouse in Ashburn, Virginia. Approximately 64 sorority members from Fairfax Alumnae, Northern Virginia Alumnae, West Virginia Alumnae, Prince Georges Alumnae, Federal City Alumnae Fredericksburg Alumnae, and Prince William Alumnae Chapters came out to witness the chapter's induction.

The first Loudoun County Alumnae Chapter meeting was held immediately after the chapter's chartering ceremony and an election of officers took place.