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## THE DELTA BOOKMARK SPRING/SUMMER 2013

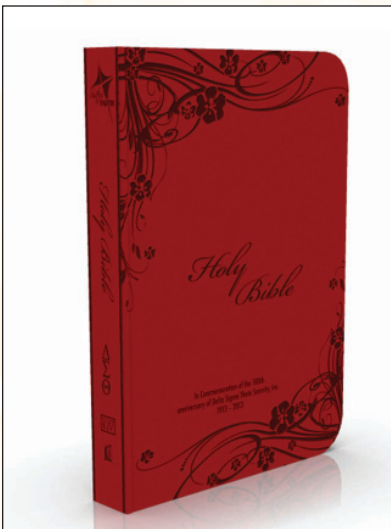
It's springtime and the living has been easy for Deltas all across the Grand Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. as we've celebrated, and continue to celebrate, our 100th anniversary. This time of celebration has reminded us all that we are a part of an organization that is making a difference in the world, as we "transform lives and impact communities."

In order to remain able to give more of ourselves, it is important that we stay uplifted. Staying encouraged and empowered is essential and is food to the soul as we continue to inspire our chapters, communities and families. To help you maintain that peaceful center, we have selected the Delta's commemorative King James Bible, celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Sorority, as our featured selection. This commemorative Bible provides the best way to stand tall and be strong by staying in His word.

Also, the Commission on Arts and Letters asks you to join us in celebrating 40 years of championing the arts. Over those 40 years, the Sorority has truly raised awareness of the arts and their importance in our lives. If you haven't gone to see the Red Carpet film, "42," please do. In addition to the Delta Red Carpet and the Delta Bookmark, we are adding the Delta Studio to our initiatives that will highlight additional genres of art and entertainment.

We hope that the titles below are a breath of fresh air like the wind blowing in springtime, and will warm your soul like the heat of summer. Have a blessed spring, and we can't wait to see you this summer at the National Convention, where the Commission on Arts and Letters will have the pleasure of welcoming you to the Artists' Pavilion, Gospel Concert, Literary Café, and Centennial Gala. Until then, breezy and easy reading to you, dear sister!

## Delta Featured Selection



### **Delta Bible** BY SISTERS IN FAITH HOLY BIBLE

This custom edition of the Bible was created to commemorate the 100th anniversary of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority and to aid sorors in seeking God's daily guidance. The Sisters in Faith edition exists to encourage and empower African-American women with God's truth.

In addition to being the King James Version, the Bible addresses the needs and concerns of African-American women. There are 24 bonus pages; which include letters from the National President, Cynthia M.A. Butler-McIntyre; Chair of the Centennial Celebration Committee, 22nd National President Rev. Gwendolyn E. Boyd and the National Chaplain, Bishop Vashti Murphy McKenzie. Special features include

the history of the Sorority and uplifting prayers from chaplains representing various chapters throughout the Sorority's seven regions.



## Delta Spotlight Author

### Dear Success Seeker: Wisdom from Outstanding Women

BY MICHELE R. WRIGHT PH.D., FOREWORD BY CAMILLE O. COSBY, ED.D.  
EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW WITH GAYLE KING

*Dear Success Seeker* is a dazzling array of award-winning advice and wisdom given to you from remarkably successful women from the worlds of entertainment, the arts, business, sports, medicine, science, politics, religion and academia.

In these original pieces, the 85 contributors – all bringing a diverse range of age, background, and experience – share intimate stories of the challenges and triumphs, adventures and mishaps they faced that marked the road to their achievements.

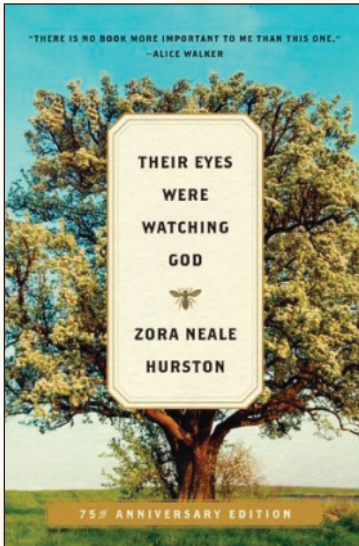
Author and success expert Michele R. Wright has overcome many challenges in her own life to become successful – including an extensive learning disability which made her unable to speak until the age of five. Through love and guidance, she was able to become Dr. Wright and has made it her mission to inspire and motivate others to pursue their life-long dreams.

With clever advice from Susan Taylor like “discontent can be divine intervention,” to the most uplifting words from tennis champion Billie Jean King such as, “Use your talents to win, not only for yourself but for generations to come,” the letters in *Dear Success Seeker* will motivate the hearts and minds of success seekers from all walks of life to dream big.





## Delta Pick Me Up Again Classic



### **Their Eyes Were Watching God** BY ZORA NEALE HURSTON

"A deeply soulful novel that comprehends love and cruelty, and separates the big people from the small of heart, without ever losing sympathy for those unfortunates who don't know how to live properly." —Zadie Smith

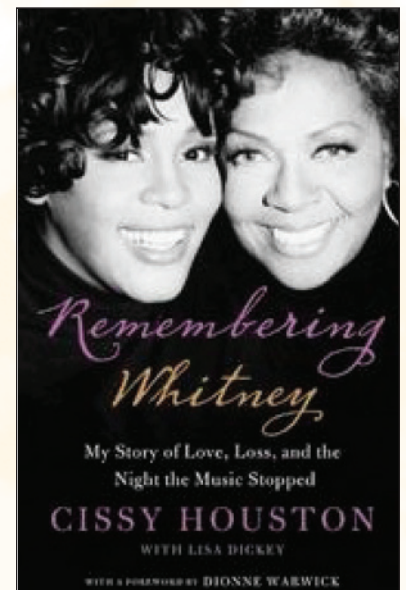
One of the most important and enduring books of the 20th century, *Their Eyes Were Watching God* brings to life a Southern love story with the wit and pathos found only in the writing of Zora Neale Hurston. Out of print for almost 30 years – due largely to initial audiences' rejection of its strong black female protagonist – Hurston's classic has, since its 1978 reissue, become perhaps the most widely read and highly acclaimed novel in the canon of African-American literature.

## Delta Inspirational Title

### **Remembering Whitney (Hardcover)**

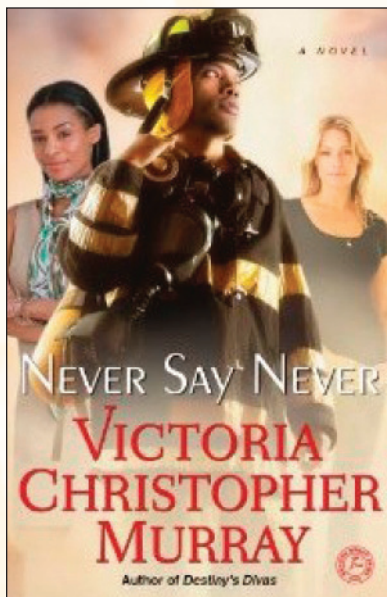
BY CISSY HOUSTON

In the months since her tragic death, the life of Whitney Houston has been the subject of several good books. But *Remembering Whitney* is written by the one person who unquestionably knew her best: her mother. A music legend in her own right, Cissy Houston shares the intimate story of her angelic-voiced daughter. And, though every line is laced with love, Cissy doesn't shrink from describing the darkness as well as the light. In addition to motherly insights into her daughter's childhood and rise to fame, Cissy dispels the lies, reveals her desperate attempts to help Whitney, and relives her grief when the unthinkable became reality. Appearing at the one-year anniversary of Whitney's passing, this touching book keeps her legend alive.





## Delta Fiction Find



### **Never Say Never** BY VICTORIA CHRISTOPHER MURRAY

In this emotionally charged and inspiring novel about a love triangle, secrets between best friends threaten to blow up friendships and a marriage and change lives forever.

When Miriam's fireman husband, Chauncey, dies while rescuing students from a school fire, Miriam feels like her life is over. How is she going to raise her three children all by herself? How will she survive without the love of her life? Luckily, Miriam's sister-friend Emily and Emily's husband, Jamal, are there to comfort her. Jamal and Chauncey grew up together and were best friends; Jamal and Emily know they will do all they can to support Miriam through her grief. Jamal steps in and helps Miriam with the funeral arrangements and with her children, plus he gives her hope that she has a future. But all the time that they spend together – grieving, sharing, and reminiscing – brings the two closer in ways they never planned. . .

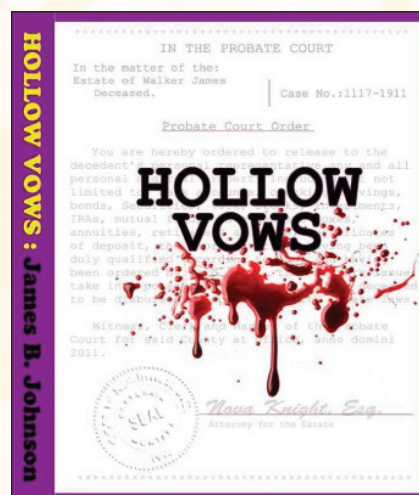
## Delta Mystery Title

### **Hollow Vows** BY JAMES B. JOHNSON

Walker James was living the good life. He was a successful business man, married to his high school sweetheart, a loving son, a cherished member of his fraternity and a valued member of his community.

Unfortunately, someone wanted Walker dead. After observing him for several months, it was clear to them that Walker didn't have any enemies or anyone who hated him enough to want to harm him. But, that couldn't deter them in their quest to kill him, and killing him was easy to do. All it took was some patience and a well-executed plan. After all, Walker's schedule was routine, his activities were predictable and his death was imminent.

In the wake of probating Walker's estate, attorney Nova Knight discovers a shocking secret—Walker's wife, Yasmin, is on the run! Because the same man who had previously seduced her then murdered Walker, is now threatening to kill Yasmin unless she forks over 2.5 million dollars from Walker's estate.





## Delta Self-Help Selection

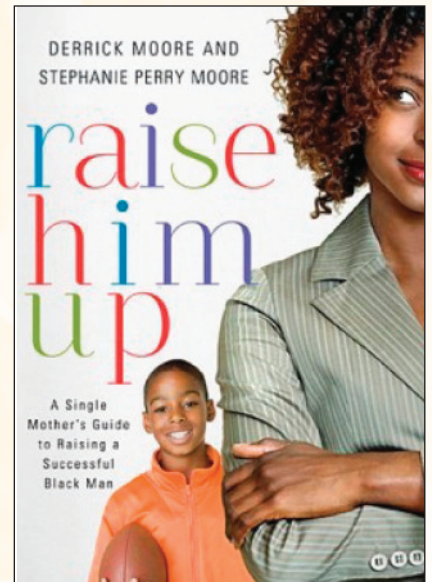
### **Raise Him Up** BY DERRICK MOORE AND STEPHANIE PERRY MOORE

There is no greater hope for single mothers than to watch their sons succeed, and African-American single mothers face more adversity than most. *Raise Him Up* delves into the challenges faced by African-American single moms and offers advice, scriptural support, and helpful prayers. Each chapter relates a spiritual point taken from the book of Acts, a mother's story, and draws parallels to the struggles of the modern day African-American mothers. Chapters also offer stories of African-American athletes who were raised by single moms and, against all odds, succeeded.

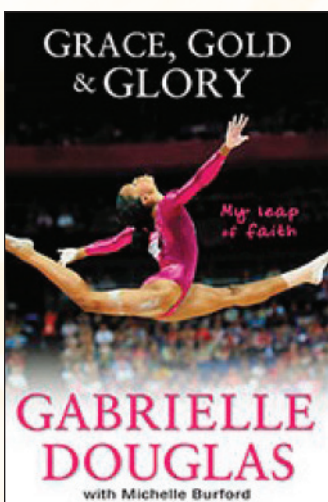
Moms will learn to give encouragement, push their boys to try new things, and keep them out of trouble. *Raise Him Up* is essential reading for single African-American moms who want nothing more than to see their sons grow into happy, successful men.

#### **Features include:**

- Helpful tips and tools for raising successful men;
- Hopeful stories of success in the face of adversity; and
- Scripture from the book of Acts.



## Delta Children's Choice



### **Grace, Gold, & Glory** BY GABRIELLE DOUGLAS

In the 2012 London Olympics, US gymnast Gabrielle Douglas stole hearts and flew high as the All-Around Gold Medal winner, as well as acting as a critical member of the US gold-medal-winning women gymnastics team. In this personal autobiography, Gabrielle tells her story of faith, perseverance, and determination, demonstrating you can reach your dreams if you let yourself soar.