

SOCIAL AND COMMUNITY NEWS

Chatham County Youth Seek to Raise Awareness During National Week of Action



Chatham County Youth participate in gathering during National Week of Action.

Dozens of young people gathered at the Chatham County Old Courthouse as the Chatham County Youth Commission, Youth Futures Authority, Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance at Armstrong Atlantic State University, the Georgia Parents for Responsible Health Education and Planned Parenthood held a

press conference on Friday, September 25, 2009 at 4:30 p.m. during the 2009 National Week of Action focused on sex education the week of September 25 - October 2.

The National Week of Action is aimed at educating our communities and decision makers about the importance of comprehensive sex education in our school systems.

The groups were raising awareness about the Responsible Education About Life Act (the REAL Act), the federal bill that promotes the use of comprehensive sex education programs, will be a core message.

This bill will provide funding to states for medical-ly accurate, age appropriate,

comprehensive sexuality education in the schools that includes information about both abstinence and contraception. Consider the facts:

1. Georgia has the 8th highest teen birth rate in the nation.
2. Over 22,500 teen pregnancies occur each year in our state. That's 62 new teen pregnancies each day -or over 2 teen pregnancies an hour.
3. According to the State Division of Public Health, the teen pregnancy rate in Georgia is over 67 pregnancies per 1,000 girls ages 15 to 19.
4. While the teen birth rate has declined by 30% in Georgia over the past decade, there was a 3 percent increase in Georgia's teen birth rate in 2006...And the facts go on and on.

Delta Sigma Theta Scholarship and CNN's Roland S. Martin... A Perfect Match!



Roland Martin

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority's strong beliefs in education and support of scholarships for our youth have brought Savannah Alumnae Chapter to a great challenge of raising funds for the more than \$9,000.00 it awards in scholarships every year.

This year, in addition to its usual fundraising activities, the chapter has taken a giant step in bringing the nationally-known, award-winning, multifaceted journalist and CNN Political Analyst Roland S. Martin to Savannah for a scholarship luncheon at the Savannah Marriott Riverfront.

The event, "Political Minds in Action," which will feature Martin as the keynote speaker, will be held at the Savannah Marriott Riverfront Ballroom Saturday, October 10, 2009 at 12 Noon.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. is a private, non-profit organization whose purpose is to provide assistance and support through established programs in local communities throughout the world. Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. was founded in 1913 by 22 students at Howard University.

Roland Martin has won more than 20 professional awards for journalistic excellence, including a regional Edward R. Murrow Award from the Radio Television News Directors; several First Place awards from the Dallas-Fort Worth Association of Black Communicators; two citations from the National Associated Press-Managing Editors Conference; the top sports reporting award in 1997 from the National Association of Black

Journalists; and honors from the Houston Press Club.

He is a 1987 graduate of Jack Yates High School-Magnet School of Communications, and a 1991 graduate of Texas A&M University, where he earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in journalism.

In May 2008, Martin received a Master's Degree in Christian Communications from Louisiana Baptist University. Roland Martin is a commentator for TV One Cable Network. He is also a CNN Analyst, appearing on a variety of shows.

Martin is a member of the National Association of Black Journalists, and a life member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

Beta Phi Lambda Chapter - Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., will join the Deltas in this venture by sponsoring a VIP Reception for the press and sponsors who have donated at least \$1000.00 toward this event.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority solicits your support of this very worthwhile event.

Donation is only \$50.00. ALL proceeds will benefit the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. - Savannah Alumnae Chapter Annual Scholarship Fund.

For tickets and additional information, please call (912) 232-6048. No tickets will be available at the door.

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