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How much do you know about America’s first ladies and their legacies? Do you know which one took care of wounded soldiers in her husband’s command? Which one was an actress on Broadway? What are these ladies’ legacies? What influence did each have in shaping our great country? Was it in fashion, public opinion, or literacy?

During 2017-2019, you, the sisters of Delta Theta Chi Sorority, can learn about these dedicated women. Please refer to this list of suggestions for your educational programs and see what you learn!

The web has many great articles, pictures, and speeches of some of the first ladies. Maybe choose a first lady that interests your chapter and search for articles and pictures. Maybe one of your chapter members has spent time researching a particular first lady for another project and would be happy to share her information. A wealth of knowledge is available on these very important women in our country’s history.

BOOKS, BOOKS, BOOKS

Florence Harding: The First Lady, The Jazz Age, and the Death of America's Most Scandalous President by Carl Sferrazza Anthony

Our Eleanor: A Scrapbook Look at Eleanor Roosevelt's Remarkable Life by Candace Fleming

Founding Mothers: The Women Who Raised Our Nation by Cokie Roberts

First Ladies: Presidential Historians on the Lives of 45 Iconic American Women by Susan Swain and C-Span

Secret Lives of the First Ladies by Cormac O'Brien and Monika Suteski

First Ladies of the United States of America by Allida Black and Michelle Obama

First Ladies from Martha Washington to Michelle Obama by Betty Caroli

Upstairs at the White House: My Life with the First Ladies by J. B. West and Mary Lynn Katz

Spoken From the Heart by Laura Bush

Mary Lincoln's Flannel Pajamas and Other Stories From the First Ladies' Closet by Feather Schwartz Foster

Michelle Obama: First Lady, American Rhetor by Elizabeth J. Matalie

First Ladies Fact Book: The Stories of the Women of the White House from Martha Washington to Laura Bush by Bill Harris and Laura Ross

Michelle Obama in Her Own Words by Michelle Obama and Lisa Rozak

Eleanor Roosevelt...An Inspiring Life by Elizabeth MacLeod

Eleanor Roosevelt by Kem Knapp Sawyer

First Lady Florence Harding: Behind the Tragedy and Controversy by Katherine A. S. Sibley

A Companion to First Ladies by Katherine A. S. Sibley

Loves, Lies, and Tears: The Lives of America's First Ladies, Vol. 2: Ellen Wilson to Jacqueline Kennedy 1913-1963 by Jacqueline Berger

Eleanor: The Years Alone by Joseph P. Lash

Martha Washington: An American Life by Patricia Brady

Abigail Adams by Woody Holton

First Women: The Grace and Power of America's Modern First Ladies by Kate Anderson Brower

A Perfect Union: Dolley Madison and the Creation of the American Nation by Catherine Allgor

Louisa: The Extraordinary Life of Mrs. Adams by Louisa Thomas

Lady Bird and Lyndon: The Hidden Story of a Marriage That Made a President by Betty Boyd Caroli

The First Wives Club: A History of the Presidents' Wives by Minute Help Press

Christmas With the First Ladies: The White House Decorating Tradition from Jacqueline Kennedy to Michelle Obama by Coleen Christian Burke

The Autobiography of Eleanor Roosevelt by Elliott Roosevelt

Christmas at the White House and Reflections from America's First Ladies by Jennifer B. Pickens and Laura Bush

Hillary Rodham Clinton: On the Couch: Inside the Mind and Life of Hillary Clinton by Alma H. Bond, Ph.D.

Mamie Doud Eisenhower: The General's First Lady by Marilyn Irvin Holt

Lady Bird: A Biography of Mrs. Johnson by Jan Jarboe Russell

Ronnie and Nancy: Their Path to the White House - 1911-1980 by Bob Colacello

Fiction - Murder in the Lincoln Bedroom: An Eleanor Roosevelt Mystery by Elliott Roosevelt

Fiction - Murder at the President's Door: An Eleanor Roosevelt Mystery by Elliott Roosevelt

MUSEUMS

Take a trip to any Presidential Museum. These museums contain a section about that president's first lady.

COLORING BOOK

Fashions of the First Ladies by Leslie Franz - Since adult coloring is a fad right now, maybe give each of your chapter members a page to color and bring back to your next meeting with interesting facts of the first lady's fashion that was colored.

THE WEB

There are many resources concerning speeches, roles, facts, and much more interesting information about our first ladies.

www.whitehouse.gov/1600/first-ladies - At this site you can find a list of all the first ladies in order as well as information of each lady.

www.firstladies.org/firstladiesrole.aspx - This site has information of the role of our first ladies.

OTHER “FIRST LADIES” SUGGESTED

Gabby by Gabby Gifford

Going Rogue by Sarah Palin

Political Women: The Big Little Life of Jeane Kirkpatrick by Peter Collier

Tara Kyle, Wife of American Sniper Chris Kyle by Jeremy King

American Wife Love, War, Faith, and Renewal by Taya Kyle with Jim DeFelice