



## Lambda Eta Sigma Alumnae Chapter of Sigma Gamma Rho Gives Back as part of Head Over Teal

On September 12<sup>th</sup>, the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Head Over Teal event was held at The Preserve in Hoover, benefiting the Laura Crandall Brown Foundation. The ladies of the Lambda Eta Sigma Alumnae Chapter of Sigma Gamma Rho honored the organization's mission by making a special donation prior to the event. Sigma Gamma Rho's members strive to enhance the quality of within the community, and the organization has a proud legacy of providing positive and proactive community leadership and support.



"My maternal grandmother, Mary Lee Brooks, passed away from ovarian cancer on May 25, 2008. Awareness of this is something that I take to heart because I lost someone so special to me," shared Jermeisha Purdie, a member of Lambda Eta Sigma Chapter. Ms. Purdie and Marshae Walker-Black were



*Photo: Marshae Walker-Black, Jim Crandall, Jermeisha Purdie, and Cecilia Crandall*

on site to present the group's generous check to the foundation. "Lambda Eta Sigma reached out to our foundation to share with us their passion for our work," says Jim Crandall, Board President. "We are honored to have them as a partner in our community."

**About the Laura Crandall Brown Foundation:** The organization was founded in 2009 by Jim and Cecilia Crandall in memory of their daughter Laura who passed away at the age of 25 from ovarian cancer. The foundation's three part mission is: offering hope through research for early detection of ovarian cancer, empowering communities through gynecologic cancer awareness, and enriching lives through support. Today the foundation has granted over \$250,000 in early detection research for ovarian cancer. It also reaches thousands every year with awareness messages to increase knowledge of the signs and symptoms of gynecologic cancers.