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# Psi Pearls



**Psi Chapter Monthly Newsletter** 

Dallas, Texas



President Beverly Moore

2024-2026 Southwestern Region Outstanding Chapter



Chapter Theme: "Business and Professional Women Empowering Others by Reflecting on Our Accomplishments, Upholding Our Legacy, and Celebrating What Is To Come!"

### Message from the President

Greetings, Glorious Sorors!

Wow! Is it already June? As our Sorority year draws to a close, our hearts are full—and our planning for an exciting new chapter year has already begun! We've proudly elected and will install Psi's 2025–2026 officers in the June meeting, and we'll soon gather to celebrate one another at our Soror Recognition program later this month. Let the laughter ring, the connections deepen, and the victories continue to be ours as we celebrate each other!

lota Roses and thanks to Soror Marilyn Figaro and Collette Jones, our fabulous Founder's Day Chairs, and the DFW Founder's Day Committee for hosting an unforgettable Founder's Day joint celebration. The room radiated love and unity, especially with the presence of National President Charlotte Berry. The toast, dinner and fellowship that followed, was truly unforgettable. What a beautiful way to reflect on 96 incredible years of sisterhood, love, and lasting bonds.

lota Roses to Soror Wonda Traylor and her committee for organizing the impactful Buckner Shoes for Orphan Souls Community Service Project. What a remarkable turnout—from Sorors, MOI, Pelati, and FIL alike! Thanks to your efforts, hundreds of underprivileged children around the world will receive not just shoes and clothes, but hope, love, and a reason to smile.

lota Roses to Soror Judy Jenkins and her committee for volunteering at Minnie's Food Pantry, another one of Psi Chapter's Community Service Projects. Great Job!

lota Roses and congratulations to Soror Tann Gardner on your Grand opening of TruCare Funeral Services, LLC in FT Worth, Texas. The community will truly benefit from your business and caring heart.

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To my fellow Sorors, thank you for your trust and support in re-electing me as your President. It is an honor I hold close to my heart. I'm excited to welcome our new Executive Committee members and extend my deepest gratitude to those who are transitioning out—you've helped shape this chapter with your dedication, leadership and grace.

Sorors, we are a force—and together, we can make Psi Chapter legendary! It's not just about striving to be the best; it's about lifting each other up, honoring our individual gifts, and cultivating a space of unwavering love and support. Are you ready for an extraordinary 2025–2026 Sorority year? Let's start by attending the National Convention for new ideas, fuel and lots of sisterhood. Let's do this—bring it on!

In Sisterhood & Service, Soror Beverly Moore, Psi Chapter President 2024 SWR Outstanding Chapter President



51st Annual Business Month Award Luncheon Submitted by: Soror E. Johnson

#### **Psi Chapter Visiting Black Owned Restaurants**

In April, three members of the Psi Chapter-Sorors Etheleen Lengyon, Annelda Crawford, and Marilyn Figaro—supported Business Month by patronizing Black-owned restaurants in the Dallas area. They also presented the owners with Certificates of Recognition. Their visits not only provided a boost to local entrepreneurs but also fostered a sense of community and solidarity. By acknowledging the hard work and dedication of these business owners, Psi Chapter reinforced the importance of supporting diverse enterprises and inspiring economic empowerment. The initiative was met with enthusiasm and gratitude from the restaurant owners, who appreciated the recognition and encouragement to continue their contributions to the vibrant cultural tapestry of the city.

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#### 51st Annual Business Month Education and Scholarship Award Luncheon Continuation





































## Inta Phi Cambda Sorority, Inc. PSI PEARLS

Buckner Children's Home Shoes for Orphan Souls Submitted by: Soror W. Traylor



### Buckner Children's Home Shoes for Orphan Souls



Members of Iota Phi Lambda Sorority Inc., Psi Chapter of Dallas, Texas convened on Saturday May 10, 2025 to fulfill one of their annual community service projects, embodying the transformative power of collective action and compassion.

For the past 15 years, Psi Chapter members and auxiliaries have selflessly devoted their time and talents to making a profound difference in the community and abroad by volunteering at their Annual Community Service Outreach Project at Buckner Children's Home Shoes for Orphan Souls, where they meticulously sorted and packaged clothing items to be shipped to underprivileged children and families worldwide, exemplifying the boundless potential of united efforts.

With over twenty-five registered volunteers comprising chapter members, MOI, Pelatis and FIL, Psi Chapter continues to give back to the community and make a lasting impact on communities around the world.

A special thanks to the members of Psi Chapter for their continued support.













Graduating FIL Submitted by: Soror V. Jordan



Graduating Future Iota Leaders (FIL)









Kelson Gardner, daughter of Tann and Kelton Gardner, is a proud graduate of James Martin High School. During her time there, she was actively involved in several school organizations, including the Chess Club, American Sign Language Club, and the African American Student Union. Her commitment to service was evident through her leadership roles as a Beach Club leader and Vacation Bible School class leader. Kelson has also been a dedicated member of several youth organizations, including Future Iota Leader, Xino, Rhoer Club, and the Girl Scouts. She will continue her academic journey at Tarrant County College, where she plans to major in Child Development with aspirations of becoming an elementary school teacher.



## Iota Phi Cambda Sorority, Inc. PSI PEARLS

State Association of Parliamentarians Submitted by: Soror Dr. M. Nickson



The 70th Annual Texas State Association of **Parliamentarians** 

The Texas State Association of Parliamentarians (TSAP) hosted its 70th Annual Convention from May 2-5, 2025, at the Crown Plaza Hotel in Dallas, TX. The theme of this year's convention was "Texas Strong: Building Excellence through Parliamentary Education."

Dr. Mary Nickson, RP, a past parliamentarian of Psi Chapter, took on the role of Credentials Chair for the 70th TSAP Convention. Additionally, former TSAP President Donna Mitchell, PRP, from the Alpha Kappa Chapter, was present and announced her candidacy for the District 6 Director position with the National Association of Parliamentarians. This organization will hold its National Convention later this summer in Phoenix, AR.

The TSAP Convention offered informative parliamentary workshops and provided recognition to TSAP Units throughout Texas. Dr. Nickson, RP, Beverly Moore, Psi Chapter President, and present Psi Chapter Parliamentarian, Soror Nona Fisher, PRP, are active members of The Sounding Block Unit of the National Association of Parliamentarians in Dallas.





Minnie's Food Pantry Submitted by: Soror J. Jenkins



#### Minnie's Food Pantry

On the early morning of June 7, 2025, nine dedicated Sorors of Psi chapter bravely navigated the highways of the Dallas Metroplex to gather at Minnie's Food Pantry, aiming to make a meaningful difference in the lives of North Texas families in need. The event buzzed with energy, teamwork, and a strong sense of purpose, embodying the true spirit of giving back.

Minnie's Food Pantry, a nationally recognized nonprofit organization dedicated to combating hunger and providing healthy meals to those in need, welcomed a vibrant team of volunteers who rolled up their sleeves and got to work. The women, in green and white, were noticeable busy serving in capacities from greeting customers, handing out food boxes to customers and assisting in organizing the administrative offices. Several of the Sorors also had the pleasure of working in Minnie's Boutique. Sorors greeted and assisted customers, sorted and folded clothing, hung clothing items on the racks, and helped to organize assorted items on the shelves throughout the boutique. The day was filled with meaningful service that brought smiles to both recipients and volunteers.

The collective efforts of the day helped feed hundreds of families, reinforcing Minnie's mission to not only fill stomachs but also to restore dignity and hope. Volunteers gained valuable insights into food insecurity and learned about the ongoing need for support for organizations like Minnie's. In addition to their hands-on service, Psi Chapter members donated \$150 worth of food items and a generous selection of clothing.

A special thanks to all participants: Diana Eichelberger, Alicia Harris, Daphne Hornbuckle, Tonia Harmon Lloyd, Etheleen Lengyon, Deloris James, Stacy Peoples, Deitric Wilson, and Judy Dossman-Jenkins.

Whether it's someone's first time volunteering or a return visit, the experience at Minnie's leaves

a lasting impression.













2025 Joint DFW Founder's Day Honoring Tradition Celebrating Sisterhood Submitted by: Soror V. Jordan



## 2025 Joint DFW Founder's Day Honoring Tradition, Celebrating Sisterhood

June 1, 2025, marked another milestone for Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc., as Sorors nationwide honored the Sorority's 96th Founders Day and paid tribute to our esteemed Founder, Lola M. Parker. In Dallas, Texas, three dynamic DFW Chapters—Psi, Epsilon Omicron, and Zeta Xi united for a grand celebration at the Golf Club of Dallas. The evening commenced with an inspiring private ceremony, where members reflected on the fundamental principles that define our sisterhood: Intelligence, Friendship, Courage, Honesty, Loyalty, Truth, and Work.

What a beautifully orchestrated celebration—elegance, sisterhood, and deep reverence for the legacy of lota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc. The Founder's Day Message, the Litany, and the Candlelight Service all reflected the commitment to honoring tradition while continuing to push forward with impactful initiatives. The heartfelt "Ode to Omega" memorial was a touching tribute to beloved Sorors who left an indelible mark on this distinguished sisterhood, Sorors: Gwendolyn Brewer-Cotton, Hellen Allen-Clark and Rhonda Kay Molett.

The imagery of Sorors dressed in uninterrupted white, adorned with fascinators, gloves, and pearls, speaks to the grace and unity that define your bond. A re-dedication toast, capturing portraits, sharing laughter-all the elements of a gathering filled with love and legacy. And, of course, a delicious meal to bring everyone together, strengthening those unbreakable ties. The 24<sup>th</sup> National President, and Chapter Presidents received white roses from the Joint DFW Founder's Day committee members. All members received a white handkerchief with the chapter's seal and "lota Phi Lambda Sorority, DFW Joint Chapters Founder's Day, June 1, 2025' written on it. Thank you, committee members!













Spotlight: TruCare Funeral Services Soror Tann Gardner Submitted by: Soror V. Jordan



#### TruCare Funeral Services Soror Tann Gardner

TruCare is dedicated to honoring your loved ones with care and professionalism. They understand the importance of dignity and respect in these moments.

If the need arises, please consider TruCare Funeral Services, located at 2312 E. Loop 820 S. The owners are Kelton Gardner and Tann Guillory-Gardner.

TruCare Funeral Services Ribbon Cutting Celebration, Saturday, May 31, 2025. Photo slideshow created by Evelyn Jones Reed. <u>www.evelynjonesreed.com</u>. For TruCare Funeral Services Ribbon Cutting Celebration Click Here.



























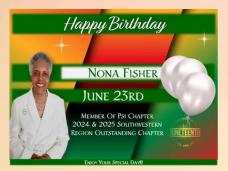




## Iota Phi Cambda Sorority, Inc. PSI PEARLS

June Birthdays













## Happy Birthday Sorors Sorors Enjoy your special Day!!!

## **Upcoming Events**



The Hofstra Alumni Achievement Award honoring Soror Daphne Hornbuckle When: Wednesday, October 15, 2025 Where: Long Island, New York Reception/fundraiser on Saturday, September 6, 2025, more details to come.











Calendar for June				
DATE	NAME OF EVENT	TIME	LOCATION	
Sunday, June 1st	DFW Joint Founder's Day	6 p.m.	Golf Club of Dallas	
Wednesday, June 4th	Budget Committee Meeting	7 p.m.	Zoom	
Thursday, June 5th	Business Month Wrap-up Meeting	7 p.m.	Zoom	
Friday, June 6th	Joint DFW Founder's Day Wrap-up	7 p.m.	Zoom	
Saturday, June 7th	Minnie's Pantry	7:45 - 11:30 a.m.	Minnie's Pantry	
Tuesday, June10th	90th Anniversary Committee Planning Meeting	7 p.m.	Zoom	
Wednesday, June 11th	90th Sponsorship Subcommittee Meeting	6:30 - 7:30 p.m.	Zoom	
Wednesday, June 11th		7:35 - 8:35 p.m.	Zoom	
Thursday June 12th	Membership Meeting	7 p.m.	Zoom	
Saturday June 14th	Pelati Meeting	2 p.m.	Telephone Conference Call	
Sunday, June 15th	Happy Father's Day			
Monday, June 16th	President Workshop Committee Meeting	7 - 8:30 p.m.	Zoom	
Tuesday, June 17th	Executive Committee Meeting	7 - 8:15 p.m.	Zoom	
Thursday, June 19th	JUNETEENTH Clebrating Freedom			
Saturday, June 21st	Sorority Business Meeting	10 – 1 p.m	J. Erik Jonsson Central Library	
Saturday, June 21st	Don't Believe the Hype	6 - 7:30 pm	Plano, TX	
Tuesday, June 24th	Health and Wellness Committee Meeting	7 - 8 p.m.	Zoom	
Thursday June 26th	Workshop Committee Meeting	7:30 -8:30 p.m.	Zoom	
Saturday June 28th	Soror Recognition	11 - 2 pm	Lavishing Lashes Academy	



## From the Journalist...

As we near the close of the Sorority year, I encourage you to continue writing and submitting articles for activities scheduled beyond this current edition. Your contributions help preserve the legacy of our work and ensure our story continues to be told.

Serving as your Chapter Journalist this past year has been a tremendous honor. It has been a true privilege to document the remarkable service, unwavering sisterhood, and impactful initiatives that define Psi Chapter.

Through this role, I've gained an even deeper appreciation for the power of our collective efforts. I am sincerely grateful for the opportunity to help amplify our chapter's voice and achievements.

I would like to extend special thanks to:

- Soror Jewel Hudson for your steadfast support and dedication, which enhanced the quality of each edition.
- Soror Vee Jordan for being both a dependable resource and a constant encourager. Your late-night help and enthusiasm truly made a difference.
- Soror Wonda Traylor for your keen insight and attention to detail, which greatly elevated the quality of our final presentations.

Thank you all for your trust, collaboration, and support throughout this journey. It has been a joy and a blessing to serve in this capacity.

With heartfelt gratitude and sisterly love, Soror Tina Mitchell Psi Chapter Journalist

### **Click here for** some History of Juneteenth

Presented by Dr. **Shennette Garrett-Scott** at the Allen Public Library.

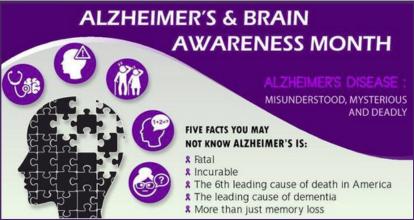


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Awareness Month Submitted by: Soror P. Powell

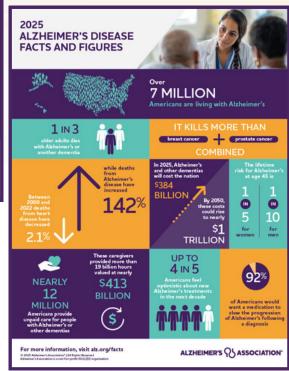
Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month





This information is sourced from the Alzheimer's Association and the Mark Twain Health Care District. To view the full report for additional information please Click Here.







#### MAY MEDIATION

#### **SPENDING TIME WITH GOD ON OUR JOURNEY**



As we enter this last month of service in lota land, I feel the need to offer encouragement to my sisters by restating our founding principles: Jesus Christ, friendship, love, and loyalty.

As we navigate life's winding roads, we find ourselves being pulled in various directions. Moments of reflection and faith can become vital anchors that ground us in times like these. Each step of the journey is an opportunity to deepen our connection with Jesus Christ, seeking wisdom, strength, and tranquility to embrace the challenges and blessings that come our way. My advice to each of us is to look to the hills from whence cometh our help, our help comes from the Lord.

2 Chronicles 20:15 says, "Be you not discouraged. Go out and face tomorrow, for the battle is not yours, but the Lords." My encouragement to each of us is to know that in all of the situations that we find ourselves, we must surrender to His capable hands. Psalm 46:10 says, "Be still and know that I am God."

Did those seven women of 1929 encounter storms? Sure, they did! Will we? Sure, we will. We as lota women must be courageous enough to weather the storms we face in life and lota.

Where is your courage in the eye of the storm?

### Let us go to God in prayer

Dear Heavenly Father, help us not be anxious about what is to come but content in your plans that only you can provide for each of us. God sometimes we lack divine direction, but we know we can depend on you to help us navigate this thing called life. Without you we would be lost dealing with this world of ours. Give us hope, direction and peace. Use us for your good, wherever we are and in all that we do. Help us to remember our trust rest solely in you. Let us carry with us the spirit of unity and resilience that defines our sisterhood. Together, we are stronger, and with faith as our guide, we can overcome any obstacle. May this month be filled with moments of introspection, fellowship, and growth as we continue to serve and uplift one another. Let us cherish the wisdom of our founders and honor their legacy by living with purpose and compassion. Amen

## IOTA PHI LAMBDA SORORITY, INC.

#### SOUTHWESTERN REGIONAL NEWS

**Southwestern Region Theme:** 

"Empowered Women: Together We Achieve the Extraordinary"





Soror Rosetta Davis **Southwestern Regional Director** 



The Psi Chapter extends its heartfelt gratitude as we say farewell to the 20th SWR Director, Rosetta Davis.



Soror Davis takes her final walk...

### IOTA PHI LAMBDA SORORITY, INC. **NATIONAL HQ NEWS**

"Professional Business Women Propelled by Ingenuity: Intentional Purpose" #Designed1929 #Driven2023-2027 #Distinction2029



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National Newsletter June 2025

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**National Convention** July 29, 2025 - August 3, 2025 in Washington, D.C.



Soror Charlotte D. Berry **24TH NATIONAL PRESIDENT** 

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"Business and Professional Women **Empowering Others by Reflecting on Our** Accomplishments, Upholding Our Legacy, and Celebrating What Is To Come! "

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