



PSI PEARLS



Volume 32, Issue 14

December 2023

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



President Soror Beverly Moore

Season's Greetings Sorors!

The holiday season is finally here and the way we prepare for Christmas has changed throughout the years. However, one thing has always remained the same for my family, we've always kept Christ at the center of Christmas. Let's embrace the holiday spirit and make all gatherings memorable. Remembering the true meaning of Christmas brings joy and warmth to all of our celebrations.

Psi Chapter continues to do the programs and projects of our Sorority. Iota roses to Soror Tann Guillory-Garder for receiving the 2023 Delia Mae Jones Theatre's Courage Award. We are so proud of you!

Iota roses to Chair Stevette Bauman and the Adopt a school/Tutorial Committee for honoring educators at our two schools during American Education Week. Psi Educators were also honored at our business meeting.

Iota Roses to the FIL Chair Joyce Hodges and the FIL Committee for the November meeting featuring Psi Chapter's 2023 Youth Entrepreneur, Dallas Wise. The event was educational and well attended by youth and Sorors.

Iota Roses to Soror Wonda Traylor and the Feast of Sharing Committee for helping to serve the homeless community a delicious Thanksgiving meal. Hundreds of meals were served, and Psi volunteers showed up and showed out.

Iota Roses to Soror Deloris James and the Sorors who volunteered to serve at the Gala for the Bands of Hope, one of Psi's community service projects. Psi Sorors are always serving in the community.

Iota Roses to Soror Collette Jones, Juanda Wallace, and the Sorors that participated in the "drive-by" car parade to visit Psi's sick and shut-in Sorors during the Thanksgiving holidays. We were so happy to visit with Sorors Talmadge Jacques, Rosa Henderson, and Newtonia Hemphill.

Thank you Sorors, MOI, Pelatis, and FIL for supporting Iota's programs and projects this year. I look forward to the impact that we will make in 2024. Love you always!



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Soror Beverly Moore
Psi Chapter President

TABLE OF CONTENTS

- Pg. 1- President's Message
- Table of Contents
- Pg. 2- Health & Wellness
- Pg. 3- What Does Robert Say?
- Pg. 4- Feast of Sharing/ Honoring Our Veterans
- Pg. 5- American Education Week
- Pg. 6- Bands of Hope Gala
- Pg. 7- Future Iota Leaders(FIL)/Save the Date
- Pg. 8- Soror Spotlight
- Pg. 9- December Birthdays/Note for the Journalist
- Pg. 10- December's Calendar of Events
- Pg.11- Southwestern Regional and National News
- Pg 12- Psi Chapter Contact Information



PSI Health & Wellness
Submitted by: Soror Dr. Pamela J. Randolph, PhD, MSPH, LCDC



GOOD HEALTH WINS™
NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN, INC.

PSI HEALTH & WELLNESS: NATIONAL HANDWASHING MONTH

National Handwashing Month is observed in the month of December. This annual celebration is celebrated December 5-11, 2023. As we prepare to spend time with family and friends for the holidays it is essential to remember safety measures to ensure no one becomes ill on our watch. We should monitor ourselves accordingly when preparing food dishes for others as cross-contamination can easily occur in the kitchen.

Germs can easily be transmitted from the restroom to other places in the home with a simple touch. Allowing children to participate in cooking activities is one of the most natural and beautiful family activities such as making cookies for Santa, however, these little hands should also be monitored for safe handwashing to prevent illness.

Germs can be transmitted to other places by the following:

- Touch your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands
- Prepare or eat food and drinks with unwashed hands
- Touch surfaces or objects that have germs on them
- Blow your nose, cough, or sneeze into hands and then touch other people's hands or common objects

Washing hands should be done before and after the following events:

- Before, during, and after preparing food
- Before and after eating food
- Before and after caring for someone at home who is sick with vomiting or diarrhea
- Before and after treating a cut or wound
- After using the toilet
- After changing diapers or cleaning up a child who has used the toilet
- After blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing
- After touching an animal, animal feed, or animal waste
- After handling pet food or pet treats
- After touching garbage

Handwashing is always the best regiment to use over hand sanitizer because:

Sanitizers can quickly reduce the number of germs on hands in many situations. However,

- Sanitizers do not get rid of all types of germs.
- Hand sanitizers may not be as effective when hands are visibly dirty or greasy.
- Hand sanitizers might not remove harmful chemicals like pesticides from hands.

Let's shake on it: Finally, we love National Handwashing Awareness Week because it reminds everybody else – especially doctors and those who prepare the food we eat – to take cleanliness and hygiene seriously.

Happy Holidays and Merry Christmas from the Health Wellness Committee



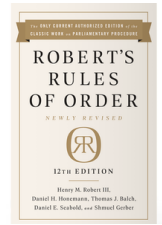
Sources:

<https://nationaltoday.com/national-handwashing-awareness-week/>

<https://www.cdc.gov/handwashing/when-how-handwashing.html>



What Does Robert Say?
Submitted by: Soror Nona Fisher, PRP



ADVENTURES IN PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE: WHAT SHOULD MEMBERS KNOW AND BE ABLE TO DO?

For Motions:

Members should have the knowledge and skills to use common motions during a meeting.

A member should know:

- The purpose and effect of the following motions: amend, refer, postpone, limit, and extend the limits of debate, previous question, request for information, reconsider, and rescind or amend something previously adopted.
 - Common forms of amendment, including the motions to add, to insert, to strike out, and to strike out and insert words.
 - The distinction between primary and secondary amendments.
 - The distinction between standing and special committees.
 - Common methods of appointing or electing committees.
 - Basic committee procedure, including the role of the chairman, rules of debate in committees, and the manner in which a committee reports.
 - Limitations on renewing a motion at the same meeting.
 - The purpose and effect of giving previous notice of a motion.

A member should be able to:

- Draft a primary amendment that is germane to a main motion.
- Move, in proper form, the motions to amend, refer, postpone, limit and extend the limits of debate, previous question, request for information, reconsider, and rescind or amend something previously adopted.
- State, for each motion listed above, whether it is debatable, and the vote required for its adoption.
- Given two ranking motions from those listed above, determine which takes precedence over the other.
- Present a committee report containing a recommendation.

*NAP Body of Knowledge, National Association of Parliamentarians

Consult Iota's parliamentary authority, *Roberts Rules of Order Newly Revised (12th ed.)* or the companion booklet, *Roberts Rules of Order Newly Revised in Brief* (3rd ed.) to enhance your knowledge and skills.



Feast of Sharing-Community Service Project
Submitted by: Soror Wonda Traylor

2023 FEAST OF SHARING - KICKED OFF THE HOLIDAY SEASON



On November 11, 2023, members of Iota Phi Lambda Sorority Inc., Psi Chapter kicked off the holiday season by volunteering at the 17th Annual Feast of Sharing, in Dallas, Texas held at the Automobile Building, at Fair Park.

Members of Psi Chapter have volunteered for this event sponsored by HEB Central Market for the past 15 years. As one of our annual community service projects, this event is supported by our Sorors, Pelati, MOI(Men Of Iota), FIL(Future Iota Leaders), and invited guests.

This festive gathering provides **health screenings and vaccinations** along with holiday meals, spirited music and good cheer to families in the Dallas Metroplex. Sorors served meals to guests throughout the afternoon as well as volunteered in the Kid Zone “Arts and Crafts”. A special thanks to all the volunteers who participated and made this year's event a success.



Honoring Our Veterans
Submitted by: Soror Dr. LeTitia Speed-Williams



Dr. LeTitia Speed-Williams, celebrating Veterans Day on November 11, 2023. (right)

Dr. LeTitia Speed-Williams is presently serving as the Southwestern Regional Treasurer. Dr. Williams is a Veteran who served two years in the United States Army, 101st Airborne Division, (known formerly as Green Berets/Special Forces) in Ft. Campbell, Kentucky. She owns a private business as a mental health counselor, and consultant, and a nonprofit organization for women veterans' resources and assistance.

www.ladyvet18.org
<https://exemplarycounseling.com>

National President-Man Of Iota(MOI), Gregory E. Williams (left), celebrating Veterans Day! MOI Williams, presently serving as the National MOI President, is a veteran of two branches of Service; The US Air Force and the US Army in the 82nd Airborne Division, of Ft. Bragg, North Carolina. He held the rank of Staff Sergeant, serving as a Senior JumpMaster upon retirement.



American Education Week-National Program
Submitted by Stevette Bauman

**American Education Week
Adopt-A-School
2023 Apple for the Teacher Award**

On November 17, 2023, PSI Chapter visited our two adopted schools. Mr. Ron Anthony, the Principal at **Stults Road Elementary School** recommended Yvette Crips, a 3rd Grade Teacher and Charrell Patterson, a 5th Grade teacher for the 2023 Apple for the Teacher Award. Soror Carmen Morris, the principal of **Christa McAuliffe Learning Center**, recommended Dr. Ronnecia McCain a Junior High Educator, and Amber McBride a 5th and 6th grade teacher.

Each teacher named was awarded a \$50.00 gift card along with Psi Chapter Certificate of Appreciation. A beautiful cake was presented to both schools for the teachers' lounge. The committee included Sorors Stevette Bauman-Chair, Linda Brown-co-chair, Lisa Clemmons, Brenda Napier, Shelia Fadipe, Wonda Traylor, Nadia Robinson and Annelda Crawford.

Thank you to 1st Vice President, Soror Dr. Mary Nickson, and 2nd Vice President, Soror Eddie Johnson for their support to present the awards to the teachers.



Psi Educators

Saturday, November 18, 2023, Psi Chapter celebrated outstanding past and present Educators from Psi Chapter. Thank you for making a difference and being a great educator. Congratulations, Sorors!



SOROR DR. MARY NICKSON(LEFT)
DR. LETITIA SPEED-WILLIAMS(RIGHT)



LEFT TO RIGHT
SOROR BRENDA NAPIER
SOROR JUANDA WALLACE
SOROR DR. PAMELA
RANDOLPH
SOROR SUZANNE LYONS
SOROR DWALA BROWN

Education is our passport to the future, for tomorrow
belongs to the people who prepare for it today. - Malcolm X



Bands Of Hope Gala-Community Service Project
Submitted by : Soror Deloris James, RN



Bands of Hope Gala

On November 18, 2023, Psi Chapter was once again in full force volunteering in support of the "Bands of Hope 10th Annual Charity Gala". Psi Chapter's mission is to support Bands of Hope, in their 2023 Annual Charity Gala. This year, Bands of Hope has two recipients.

1. The JV McRae Foundation, a 501 (c) (3) organization that actively serves the community by providing resources to support education, health, financial, and family stability initiatives. Founded by Velena L. McRae as a way to honor her late husband Jesse C. McRae, III who was an advocate of education and lifelong learning.

2. The Bowtie Boys, a 501 (c) (3) organization founded in 2007, by Bryant Pearson. At that time few men wore bowties, and he thought the young men needed a distinctive proprietary look, therefore, wearing bowties with black suits became that distinction. The Bowtie Boys have worked with underprivileged males in which 90% are being raised by single mothers that are doing everything to keep them fed and a roof over their heads.

Psi Chapter's volunteers included Sorors Rhonda Jones, Satina B. Jackson, daughter Soror Deloris James, SW Regional Treasurer, Rev. LeTitia Speed-Williams and Shelia Mathis Fadipe.

Along with having a wonderful time the volunteers greeted guests, served as escorts to guests locating their table, were responsible for coordination and handing out Auction items, door and raffle prizes. Everyone dined, enjoyed music, dancing, and the Center Stage Band.





Future Iota Leaders (FIL)
Submitted by: Soror Wonda Traylor

Future Iota Leaders(FIL) Future Iota Leaders Special Guest “Dallas Wise” Tells His Story

Psi Chapter’s Future Iota Leaders November meeting was held on Sunday, November 19, 2023, at the South Central Police Station located at 1999 W. Camp Wisdom Rd, in Dallas, Texas. The meeting was called to order and members reviewed essay submittals for the Evelyn D. Wilkey Essay Contest, followed by the installation of the Officers.

Future Iota Leaders(FIL) 2023-2024 officers are FIL President Brandon Young, FIL Vice President Ariel Smith, FIL Secretary Dawn Barrett, FIL Treasurer Ethan Young, and FIL Historian Demond Barrett. Immediately following the order of business, FIL President Brandon Young introduced their guest speaker, Dallas Wise.

Dallas Wise, the owner of Dallas Sized Cookies is the recipient of Psi Chapter’s 2023 Sharon R. Thomas Smith Youth Entrepreneur Award as well as the recipient of Iota Phi Lambda Sorority Inc., National Signature Award, the Lillian F. Parker Youth Entrepreneur Award. His topic included: How to get a DBA(Doing Business As); your logo, and identifying your target market. Our FIL were engaged and enjoyed food snacks and cookie treats provided by Dallas Sized Cookies. Special thanks to Dallas and Shanay Wise and all the Sorors and FIL who supported this event.



SAVE THE DATE



Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc. Psi Chapter
Present:
Career Exploration Virtual Event
Theme:
“Don’t Be Busy, Be Productive”
January 6, 2024
11:00 AM- 12:30 PM





Soror Spotlight
Submitted by: Soror Vee Jordan

DELIA MAE JONES THEATRE AWARD

Congratulations! To our Soror, the recipient
of the 2023 Delia Mae Jones Theatre
“COURAGE AWARD”

Soror Tann Guillory Gardner

Saturday, November 18, 2023



The Delia Mae Jones Theatre Award was created by her daughter Evelyn Jones Reed to honor Delia Mae Jones and to recognize and celebrate the quality of faith, courage, selflessness, and community service Delia possessed.

The Delia Mae Jones Theatre Awards inspires excellence by honoring the underrecognized individuals who demonstrate their significant accomplishments through tremendous impact on the lives of others, who have exhibited exceptional dedication, courage to overcome a difficult situation, and selflessness in their service to the community.

SOROR SPOTLIGHT-DAPHNE HORNBUCKLE

Soror Daphne Hornbuckle was nominated for a Board seat on Hofstra University’s Fred DeMatteis School of Engineering and Applied Science by Alan Kelly, Hofstra University’s Vice President. In April 2023, Soror Hornbuckle was elected by unanimous vote as a new Board Member. Soror Hornbuckle’s goal is to develop a pipeline for young girls interested in STEM from Dallas to New York.

In Sept 2023, Soror Hornbuckle was invited to attend the grand opening of the new Science & Innovation Center, home to new engineering and computer science labs.

Soror Hornbuckle also serves as an Advisory Board Member for Hofstra University’s Women in Leadership. In Oct 2023, she shared her extensive journey into Information Technology (IT) as part of the Women in Leadership - Tell All Series. The students were engaged and asked many questions of Soror Hornbuckle.



Sorors December Birthdays



Soror Dwala Brown
12/16

Soror Rita Heath-Powell
12/17

Soror Jennifer Ferrell
12/23

Soror Rita White Ross
12/26



We would like to wish all our Sorors a very Happy Birthday and thank you for your contributions to Psi Chapter. We wish you peace, love, and blessing on your special day and more birthdays to come!

Soror Rhonda Jones
12/26

Soror Rosa Henderson
12/31



Reminder A Note from the Journalist



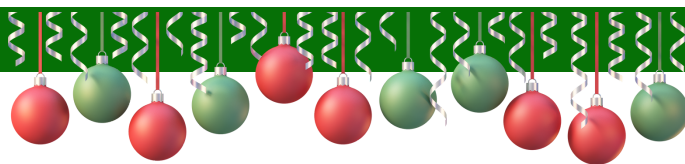
All news articles are due to the journalist by the 25th of each month.
Email all written news articles and pictures to: psijournalist87@gmail.com

Hope you enjoyed another great edition of the Psi Pearls Newsletter.

Sisterly,

Soror Rosma Newell, M.A.
Psi Chapter Journalist/Public Relations Chair
Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc.





MERRY CHRISTMAS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR DECEMBER



- 12/2: Men of Iota Christmas Party
- 12/4: Health & Wellness Committee Meeting
- 12/6: Membership Monthly Meeting
- 12/9: Pelati Meeting & Initiation Pinning Ceremony
- 12/11: Career Exploration Meeting
- 12/12: Executive Committee Meeting
- 12/14: SWRC Planning
- 12/15: Informational/RUSH (Virtual)
- 12/16: Psi Monthly Meeting/Christmas Party
- 12/17: FIL Meeting
- 12/24: Christmas Eve
- 12/25: Christmas Day
- 12/27: Psi Movie Social(The Color Purple)
- 12/31: New Year's Eve

*Happy
Holidays*





Soror Rosetta Davis
Southwestern Regional Director

Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc. Southwestern Regional News

Southwestern Region Theme:
"Empowered Women: Together We Achieve
the Extraordinary"

<https://iotaswr.org>



Soror Charlotte D. Berry, M. Ed
24th National President



Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc. National News

National Theme:

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

<https://iota1929.org>

Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc.

2023 - 2024 Fellowship Announcement

Iota Fellowship
We believe in the power of education to transform lives. Our fellowship aims to support Sorors in their journey of personal and professional growth.

Award	Application	Deadline
\$2,000.00	www.iota1929.org (Member Login Section)	December 15, 2023

Submit to:
Wendy B. Jacques
National President Elect
wendyb.iota@gmail.com

APPLY NOW

Evelyn D. Wilkey Essay Contest & National Scholarships

Deadline: December 30, 2023

Fredda Witherspoon National Scholarship

Deadline: January 31, 2024

National FIL Scholarship

Deadline: February 28, 2024

Dorethea N. Hornbuckle Memorial Scholarship

Deadline: March 15, 2024

Alice P. Allen Scholarship

Deadline: April 1, 2024

PSI CHAPTER CONTACT INFORMATION

If you would like to email President Soror Beverly Moore,
or Journalist, Soror Rosma Newell,
click on the highlighted links listed below.

Soror Beverly Moore
Psi Chapter President
Email: beverlyj5850@gmail.com
Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc.
P.O. Box 75222-4891



2023-2024 Psi Executive Committee

Soror Beverly Moore- President
Soror Mary Nickson- 1st Vice President
Soror Eddie Johnson- 2nd Vice President
Soror Jewel Hudson- Recording Secretary
Soror Joyce Hodges-Corresponding Secretary
Soror Nadia Robinson- Financial Secretary
Soror Ashanta Tolliver-Treasurer
Soror Rosma Newell- Journalist
Soror Collette Jones-Dean of Intake

Soror Rosma Newell, M.A.
Psi Chapter Journalist
Public Relations Chair
Email: psijournalist87@gmail.com

Chapter Theme:
***“Business and Professional Women
Empowering others by Reflecting on Our
Accomplishments, Upholding Our Legacy,
and Celebrating What Is To Come!”***

STAY CONNECTED WITH US!

FOLLOW US ON OUR SOCIAL MEDIA
NETWORKS

PSI Chapter Website: <https://iota-psi.org>

 <https://facebook.com399587420118>

 <https://twitter.com/psi1936>

 <https://intagram.com//psi1936>

Southwestern Region Information

If you would like to send an email to our Southwestern Regional Director or visit the Southwestern Region websites, click on the highlighted link listed below.

Soror Rosetta Davis
SWR Director
<https://iotaswr.org>

National Information

If you would like to send an email to our National President or visit Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc., national websites, click on the highlighted link listed below.

Soror Charlotte D. Berry, M.Ed
National President
<https://iota1929.org>



Founder: Mrs. Lola M. Parker