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Message from the President



Greetings Sorors!

As we approach the holiday season, let us not forget Thanksgiving is a time of giving, volunteering through community food drives, and hosting free dinners for the less fortunate. Let us do our part in sharing with others. It is also a time for many people to give thanks for what they have.

We have had some exciting events this past month beginning with the President's Workshop. The theme was Vision and Voices in Leadership/Back to the Basics. The focus was on the chapter's operation and growth. The four presenters were very knowledgeable of their topics: Soror Dwala Brown presented The Role of a Committee Chair and How to Write a Committee Report. Soror Judy Reeves presented Tips on Recording the Minutes; Soror Wonda Traylor presented How to Complete a

Voucher and Soror Teresa Henderson presented an Overview of How to Use Zelle. Iota Roses to all presenters and program participants for hosting a dynamic workshop.

Psi Chapter attended another exciting event Sunday October 17, at Glen Oak United Methodist Church's celebration of 65 years in the ministry. featuring Mrs. Opal Lee, the grandmother of the Juneteenth National Holiday, as guest speaker. Mrs. Lee's presentation "Why I Walked for Juneteenth" was phenomenal.

Psi Chapter extended words of congratulations to Mrs. Lee during this momentous occasion, and well wishes to Glen Oaks United Methodist Church for 65 years in the ministry.

Congratulations Soror Vee!

The month was topped off with the Soror of the Year Celebration honoring Soror Vivian Jordan as the Outstanding 2021-2022 SOTY. This was an exciting event and was carefully planned and carried out. Iota Roses to Soror Wonda Traylor, Chair, for a job well done, assisted by Soror Daphne Hornbuckle, Co-Chair and Soror Beverly Moore.

Soror Judy Reeves
Psi Chapter President

"Building on a Solid Foundation, Empowering and Strengthening Sisterhood in Business".

PSI CHAPTER OFFICERS	
President	Judy Reeves
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Financial Secretary.....	Judy Jenkins
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Journalist	Vee M. Jordan
Dean of Intake.....	Collette Jones

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2021 Virtual President's Workshop
Submitted by Sorors Judy Reeves



2021 Virtual President's Workshop

Theme:
"Vision & Voices In Leadership"
Back to the Basics

The President's Workshop was phenomenal, with four excellent presenters focusing on the operation of Psi Chapter and the function of Committee Chairs. The program was held Saturday October 9, 2021, and was designed to help Sorors perform their duties more effectively, efficiently, and timely.

The theme was "**Vision and Voices in Leadership/Back to the Basics.**" Soror Dwala Brown presented information on the Role of a Committee Chair & How to Write a Committee Report. Soror Judy Reeves presented information on Tips of Recording the Minutes; Soror Wonda Traylor presented How to Complete a Voucher; and Soror Teresa Henderson presented an Overview of How to Use Zelle. Each presenter was very knowledgeable, professional and did an excellent job.

Speakers for the 2021 President's Workshop

Soror Dwala Brown

The Role of a Committee Chair



Committees in IΦΛ

- Committee: A group of Sorors, volunteers /or appointed, for a specific function
- Types of committees in Iota:
 - National and Regional Committees
 - Cataloging Iota Women, Executive Committee, etc.
 - Chapter Committees
 - Chapter President – ex officio member
 - Standing – 5 Listed in Bylaws
 - Internal/Goal-oriented
 - Ad Hoc

Soror Judy Reeves

How to Write a Committee Report & Effective Meeting Minutes



Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc., Psi Chapter
How to Write Effective Meeting Minutes
PRESENTER:
President, Judy Reeves
Saturday, October 9, 2021

National Theme: "BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN: BUILDING THE FOUNDATION FOR GENERATIONAL FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT"
Southwestern Region Theme: "Empowered Women Together We Achieve the Extraordinary"
Psi Chapter Theme: "Building on a Solid Foundation, Empowering and Strengthening Sisterhood in Business"
"Upward and Onward in Efficient Service"

Soror Wonda Traylor

How to Complete a Voucher & Disbursement of Funds



IOTA Phi Lambda Sorority Inc., Psi Chapter Finances
Presenter
Soror Wonda Kay Traylor
Saturday, October 9, 2021
Disbursement of funds
"Upward and Onward in Efficient Service"

Soror Teresa Henderson

Payment Option-Zelle



Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc., Psi Chapter
Payment Options for 2021-2022
Presented by Soror Teresa Henderson, MBA
Psi Chapter Treasurer
Saturday, October 16, 2021

National Theme: "BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN: BUILDING THE FOUNDATION FOR GENERATIONAL FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT"
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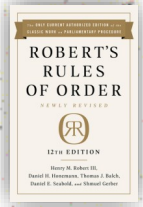
ROBERTS'S RULES OF ORDER
SUBMITTED BY
SOROR NONA FISHER, PRP



What Does Robert Say?

P.R.N. – Parliamentary Rules Noted

The Parliamentarians of Psi



The Role of the Recording Secretary

The secretary is the recording officer of the assembly and the custodian of its records, except those specifically assigned to others, such as the treasurer's books. The minimum essential officers for the conduct of business in any deliberative assembly are a presiding officer and a secretary.

The duties of the recording secretary are:

- To keep a record of all the proceedings of the organization – usually called the minutes.
- To keep on file all committee reports.
- To keep the organization's official membership roll.
- To make the *minutes* and records available to members upon request.
- To have on hand at each meeting a list of all existing committees and their members.
- To furnish delegates with their credentials.
- To sign all certified copies of acts of the society.
- To maintain record book(s) in which the bylaws, special rules of order, standing rules, and minutes are entered, with any amendments to those documents properly recorded, and to have the current record book(s) on hand in every meeting.
- To send out to the membership any required notice of each meeting, known as *call* of the meeting, and to conduct the general correspondence of the organization (that is not a function of the Corresponding Secretary or committees).
- To prepare, prior to each meeting, an order of business for use by the presiding officer, showing in their exact order, under the correct headings, all matters known in advance that are due to come up and – *if applicable* – the times for which they are set. (This item is handled by the President in Psi).
- In the absence of the president and vice-president, to call the meeting to order and preside until the immediate election of a chairman pro tem.

Reference: RONR (12th ed.) 47:1, 32-33

"The Sounding Block Unit"

Psi Chapter has a history of effective parliamentarians including those who are currently members of the National Association of Parliamentarians (NAP), an organization whose mission states: "NAP is dedicated to educating leaders throughout the world in effective meeting management through the use of parliamentary procedure."

Members of a local unit of NAP, "The Sounding Block Unit"



Soror Nona Fisher
Registered Parliamentarian



Soror Dr. Mary Nickson
Psi Chapter Parliamentarian &
Southwestern Region



Soror Daphne Hornbuckle



Soror Joyce Hodges



Let everything be done decently and in order.

1 Corinthians 14:40

2021 Community Service Project
Submitted By Soror Reeves



Glen Oaks United Methodist Church
Celebrating



“Continuing the Faith Journey, By Faith We Stand”

Sunday October 17, 2021, sorors participated in Glen Oaks United Methodist Church's celebration of 65 years in the ministry. The highlight of this celebration was the guest speaker, Mrs. Opal Lee, educator, activist, and advocate for Juneteenth as a National United States Holiday. Mrs. Opal Lee received her bachelor's degree from Wiley College and her master's from North Texas State University.

At the age of ninety-four, Mrs. Lee is still working on two major projects, the Annual Fort Worth Juneteenth Celebration, and the Urban Farming Project. She is the oldest living board member of the National Juneteenth Observance Foundation. For over 45 years she has ensured commemoration of a "Day of Freedom" happened in Fort Worth.

On June 17, 2021, Mrs. Lee saw the fulfillment of one of her dreams by being present at the presidential signing of the bill that would make celebrating freedom from slavery a law. She was able to witness President Joe Biden sign the **Juneteenth National Independence Day Act**.

To be in the presence of this icon was just amazing. Listening to her tell her story on "Why I Walked for Juneteenth" was phenomenal. Mrs. Opal Lee is definitely a LEGEND in her own time.

Psi Chapter extended words of congratulations to Mrs. Lee during this momentous occasion, and well wishes to Glen Oaks United Methodist Church for 65 years in the ministry in their souvenir brochure.

Photo Gallery-Psi Chapter Sorors Ready to Serve the Community



Juneteenth **NOW** a Holiday as Opal Lee joins President Biden for signing (Ft. Worth Telegram)

2021 Soror of The Year Celebration
Submitted by Soror Traylor



An Evening Of Excellence

2021-2022 Soror of the Year Celebration

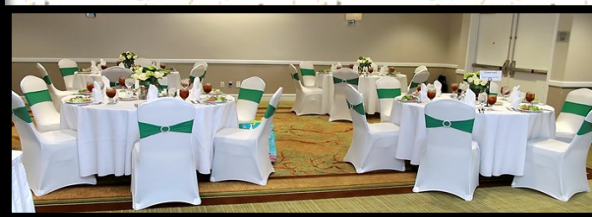
Iota Phi Lambda Sorority Inc., Psi Chapter's 2021-2022 Soror of the Year is Vee M. Jordan. Soror Jordan was inducted into Psi Chapter in December 2016. She is a Legacy of Sorors Shelia Fadipe, Wonda Traylor, Chiquita Malena and Danielle Daniels-Young and the late Brenda Daniels. It's no secret that she was ready to work and has contributed greatly to the success of Psi Chapter. She has served on numerous committees; and her work ethics and talents in graphic design have been displayed throughout Iota land on the local, Regional and National levels. As a result, this award-winning chapter journalist has received numerous awards.

On Saturday, October 23, 2021, Psi Chapter celebrated and honored our 2021-2022 Soror of the Year with "An Evening of Excellence" at the Sheraton Market Center in Dallas, Texas. The program began promptly at 5:00pm with a processional of Psi Chapter's past Sorors of the Year. The processional was led by Soror Dwala Brown followed by Sorors Juanda Wallace, Shirley Pleasant, Vahnita Loud, Nona Fisher, Judy Reeves, Daphne Hornbuckle, Beverly Moore, Brenda Jackson-Napier, Wonda Traylor and concluded with the 1999 National Soror of the Year, Soror Charlotte Berry. These Sorors greeted our members and guests with a graceful strut into the Evening of Excellence. Soror Jordan made her grand entrance with a Queen's wave as she was escorted by her son, Kedric Jordan.

Soror Rita White-Ross captivated us with an amazing praise dance tribute and Sorors Beverly Moore, Vahnita Loud, our National President-Elect, Charlotte Berry, and Soror Jordan's son, Kedric Jordan, also presented special tributes. Soror Jordan was crowned by Soror Wonda Traylor, 2019-2020 Soror of the Year, and was presented with white roses and her award by President Judy Reeves. Soror Jordan's heartfelt acceptance speech moved the audience as they were enthralled by her graciousness and humbleness.

This wonderful event was made possible due to the hard work, dedication, and support of the Soror of the Year committee. The committee members include Sorors Wonda Traylor, Chair; Beverly Moore and Daphne Hornbuckle, Co-chairs; and Sorors Danielle Daniels-Young, Shelia Fadipe, Rosma Newell, Vahnita Loud and LeTitia Speed. Special thanks to Frank Lott, with LP on the Scene Photography, for capturing the memories and for his continued support; and DJ Brian Davis for the great music. Sorors and guests dined on a full course meal, enjoyed friendly conversations, fellowshipped with our sisters, and danced the night away. It was indeed an evening of excellence and elegance, as well as a night to remember.

2021 -2022 Soror of the Year Photo Gallery



2021 Soror of The Year Celebration
Submitted by Soror Traylor



An Evening Of Excellence
2021-2022 Soror of the Year Celebration

2021 -2022 Soror of the Year Photo Gallery (continued)

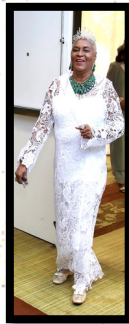
Processional of Psi Chapter's Past Sorors of the Year



Dwala Brown



Juanda Wallace



Shirley Pleasant



Vahnita Loud



Nona Fisher



Judy Reeves



Beverly Moore



Brenda Napier



Daphne Hornbuckle



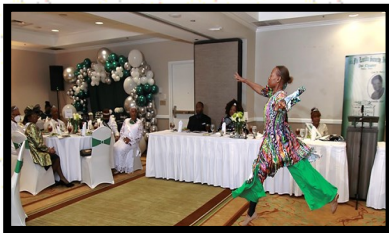
Wonda Traylor



Charlotte Berry



SOTY Vee Jordan &
Son Kedric Jordan



Rita White-Ross
Praise Dance Tribute



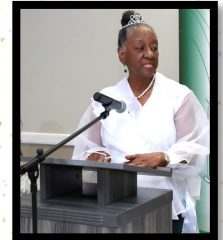
Eddie Johnson
Introduced the Past
SOTY



Rita Heath-Powell
Mistress of Ceremony



Juanda Wallace
Invocation



Dwala Brown-Welcome



Nona Fisher
Occasion



Wonda Traylor
Introduction of the SOTY



Beverly Moore Paid
Tribute to the SOTY



Vahnita Loud Paid
Tribute to the SOTY



Charlotte Berry Paid
Tribute to the SOTY

2021 Soror of The Year Celebration
Submitted by Soror Traylor



An Evening Of Excellence
2021-2022 Soror of the Year Celebration

2021 -2022 Soror of the Year Photo Gallery (continued)



Soror Traylor 2019-2020 Soror of the Year Crowned Soror Jordan 2021-2022 Soror of the Year



President Reeves presented the New Soror of the Year Vee Jordan her award



Cheryl Smith (Texas Metro News) and Soror Charlotte Berry, NPE



SPOTLIGHTING SOROR VEE M. JORDAN
SUBMITTED BY SOROR HORNBUCKLE



*Our Superb Woman October 25, 2021,
is Vee Jordan*



CONGRATULATIONS !!



Vee M. Jordan is considered to have high ethical standards, in addition to being hardworking, compassionate, creative, and supportive. Vee M. Jordan is an award-winning publisher and was recently honored as the Psi Chapter (Iota Phi Lambda Sorority) Outstanding Soror of the Year.

Currently, she serves as chapter journalist and chair of the public relations committee, and she has also represented the sorority on the local, regional, and national levels. Vee, who retired from Dallas County Community College District (now Dallas College) after more than 40 years as a computer specialist, was lauded for her commitment, quality work, and work ethic. She is highly revered and celebrated. Vee attended South Oak Cliff High School, where she played in the band and was Captain of the majorettes for the Golden Bears Marching Band. The Dallas Cowboy fan went on to attend the University of Houston. An only child, she is also the proud mother of a son.



Our Superb Women!

2021 is the "Year of the Woman," especially the Black Woman! We are dedicating this space to uplifting Black women and spreading a message that we need to show love and empower people with love instead of destroying them with hate and disrespect.

We celebrate Black Women and call them SUPERB!

Cheryl Smith, Publisher

**SPOTLIGHTING SOROR VAHNITA LOUD
SUBMITTED BY SOROR HORNBUCKLE**



*Our Superb Woman November 3, 2021
is Vahnita Loud*



Vahnita Loud is a proud member of Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc., who joined in 1985 and is the immediate past National Board Southwestern Regional (SWR) Director. Vahnita Loud served 33 years with Delta Airlines as a Supervisor and Communications Liaison, before retiring in 2005. Hailing from Dallas, she attended El Centro College before earning a B.S. Degree and teaching certificate in Elementary Education and English from East Texas State University (Texas A&M University-Commerce, TX).

She also became a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. After retirement Vahnita worked as a Customer Service Specialist for US Treasury Services and as an administrative assistant for Hornbuckle Photography. In 2019, during the 90th Anniversary National Convention, Vahnita received the Iota National Outstanding Regional Director award. She also served as president of the Psi Chapter. Vahnita is a life-long member of Warren United Methodist Church where she has served as the Church Council Chair, Finance Chair, and Board Member of District Metro Buildings and Relocations.

CONGRATULATION!!



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**SPOTLIGHTING SOROR CHARLOTTE BERRY
SUBMITTED BY SOROR HORNBUCKLE**



*Our Superb Woman November 2, 2021,
is Charlotte Berry*



CONGRATULATIONS !!

Charlotte Berry is the president-elect of Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc., continuing a life of service and leadership.



Charlotte Berry hails from Dallas, TX, where she graduated from Lincoln High School and received a bachelor's degree at the University of North Texas and a Master's Degree in education from the University of Texas at Arlington. A 2005 graduate and former board chair or Leadership Southwest, she is active as a volunteer and serves on several boards in the Dallas and DeSoto areas: including DeSoto Dining & Dialogue, Genesis Women Shelter, Support Alliance Board and DeSoto Food Bank.

Her volunteer commitments also extend to the DeSoto Chamber of Commerce, the Texas Women's Foundation and Texas Senator Royce West's Conrad Leadership Program. She has served Iota Phi Lambda on the local, regional, and national levels of Iota Phi Lambda Sorority. She has the distinguished honor of being selected the 1999 National Soror of the Year, the highest honor bestowed upon a Soror within Iota Phi Lambda.

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Cheryl Smith, Publisher

**COMMUNITY SERVICE SWR
BY SOROR HEMPHILL**



*Southwestern Regional
Make a Difference Day 2021*

The Sorors of PSI Chapter were elated to make donations to the 2021 Southwestern Region Make a Difference Day. PSI Chapter donations were given to Pastor Danielle Ayers on behalf of the Social Justice Ministry and Dr Frederick Douglas Haynes, III, Senior Pastor, at Friendship West Baptist on Sunday, October 31, 2021.

The Social Justice Ministry offers support to families in need on a regular basis, especially during a national crisis or a national disaster. The donation was given to the church to work together with other organizations at the border to support Haitian refugees and other families living down at the border. Pastor Ayers was happy to receive the donations and assured she would send the donations this week. PSI Chapter donated baby diapers, a financial contribution and other baby items. The church is one of the largest proponents of donors to the Hattian refugees around the world. These supplies will assist with helping where the most impactful need is and give PSI a greater outreach in the community.



**2021 MEMBERSHIP FALL RUSH
BY SOROR COLLETTE JONES**

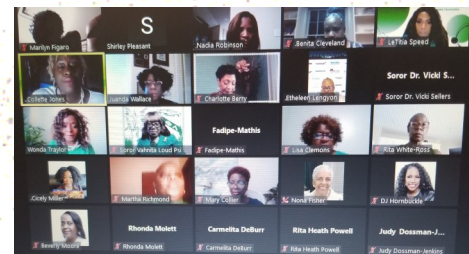
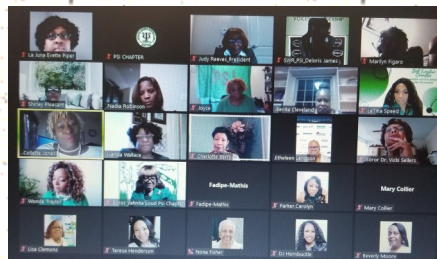


2021 Fall Rush Membership Information

On November 7, 2021, Psi Chapter's Membership Committee hosted their Fall 2021 RUSH Program virtually. The Program began with a welcome by Soror Wonda Traylor, Membership Co-Chair, followed by a very heartfelt prayer by Soror Joyce Hodges. Dean of Intake Soror Collette Jones shared information regarding the Membership Intake Process with important dates of upcoming events for the interviews with Potential Candidates and in-person Pinning and Induction Ceremonies.

An informative Question and Answer Session was held with the Potential Candidates and Active Sorors. The interaction was priceless. The Program ended with National President Elect Charlotte Berry and President Judy Reeves giving kind remarks. Overall, there were 31 in attendance with 4 Potential Candidates: Nadia Robinson, Benita Whitaker, Cicely Miller, and Ethleen Lengyon. A total of 27 members of PSI Chapter were in attendance.

The Membership Committee is so excited about the Candidates and the success of the Program. Thanks to all who participated and attended the event.



**VIRTUAL BREAST CANCER AWARENESS
BY SOROR LOUD**



*Virtual Breast Cancer Awareness
Event Hosted by Beta Pi*

This year, the Beta Pi Chapter, where Soror Casey Preston serves as Chapter President, hosted a virtual Breast Cancer Awareness event.

Soror Vahnita Loud was recently identified as a soldier of the PINK army and as a BREAST CANCER SURVIVOR! The video event was streamed on the Beta Pi Social Media platform on October 19, 2021, @ 6 pm.

The presenters included 3 breast cancer survivors who shared their stories of triumph, survival, lessons learned, and advice to someone who may be currently in the fight.



**2021 COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT
BY SOROR DWALA BROWN**



COMING SOON!!!!

Attitudes and Attire-Community Project

Sorors, now is the time to clean out your closet for a good cause! **World Trade Center (WTC) Attitudes and Attire**, one of our designated Community Projects, needs high-quality professional women’s clothing, shoes, accessories, and new hosiery.

THE WISH LIST	CLOTHING GUIDELINES
<p>Contemporary, interview-appropriate skirt and pant suits Attractive, crisp blouses Beautiful business-casual separates Trousers/dress pants and skirts Blazers/jackets Sharp, stylish jewelry, handbags & scarves Cosmetics and toiletries (New only)</p>	<p>New or nearly new items Any size Workplace appropriate On hangers (no bags or boxes) Cleaned and pressed Free of strong odors (moth balls, smoke, body odor)</p>

At this time, Attitudes and Attire cannot accept used cosmetics, used pantyhose, men’s clothing or children’s clothing. A Friday in December has been chosen as Psi Chapter Donation Day. More information to follow. Sorors Dwala Brown and Rhonda Jones, Co-chairs

CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER 2021

DATE	NAME OF EVENT	TIME	LOCATION
Thursday, November 4th	MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING	7pm	Zoom
Sunday, November 7th	2021 FALL RUSH MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION	4pm to 6pm	Zoom
Tuesday, November 9th	2021 BUSINESS MONTH COMMITTEE MEETING	6:30pm	Zoom
Wednesday, November 10th	2021 Psi PEARL NEWSLETTER DUE	Before 11:59pm	
Thursday, November 11th	VETERANS DAY	All Day	
Friday, November 12th	85TH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE MEETING	7pm	Zoom
Saturday, November 20th	CHAPTER BUSINESS MEETING	10:30am	
Sunday, November 21st	FUTURE IOTA LEADERS MEETING	3pm	Zoom
Thursday, November 25th	HAPPY THANKSGIVING DAY	All Day	



Happy Birthday!



SORORS' NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Suzanne Cole-Lyons 11/2



Stevette Bauman 11/17



Helen Hurd 11/9



Vahnita Loud 11/11



Wonda Traylor 11/26



FROM THE

Journalist



All news articles are due the **25th of each month** or before. Email all written news articles and pictures to: journalistiotapsi@gmail.com

Please enjoy this edition of **Psi Pearls** and many more to come, and know it has ultimately been our pleasure to serve you.

Sisterly,

SOROR VEE M. JORDAN

PSI CHAPTER JOURNALIST/PUBLIC RELATIONS CHAIR

IOTA PHI LAMBDA SORORITY, INC.



HEALTH TIPS

By Soror Ross, RN



November is National Family Caregivers Month

CAREGIVING IN CRISIS

During National Family Caregivers Month, we address the new realities family caregivers face with their loved ones during these uncertain times.



<p>Video appointments are great, but they come with their own challenges.</p>	<p>It was hard enough to cover dad's added costs and now I'm on unemployment.</p>
<p>I want to keep grandma at home and out of the nursing home.</p>	<p>With COVID, how much risk is too much?</p>
<p>Family caregivers manage health emergencies, juggle priorities, and suffer isolation - and all that was before COVID. The pandemic brings even more challenges as family caregivers handle Caregiving in Crisis.</p>	
<p>It's just so hard not to be with mom and she's worse because of it.</p>	<p>It's just so hard not to be with mom and she's worse because of it.</p>



Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc. Southwestern Regional News

Southwestern Region Theme:

“Empowered Women: Together We Achieve the Extraordinary”

Upcoming News

There will be an overall Chapter winner and 3 individual winners. Participants can use any fitness tracking app or just write it down. Totals will be submitted to ASWRD Soror Wendy Jacques by December 10. This challenge is based on time, not steps.

To compete, Sorors must complete at least 150 minutes per week. Each chapter will designate one person to tally the minutes. The tally can be submitted via excel spreadsheet.

We want as many Sorors that can to participate. We know everyone may not get in 150 minutes, but something is better than nothing.

Sisterly,

Wendy

Wendy B. Jacques, Assistant Director

Southwestern Region

Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc.

214.435.9570



SWR is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting with Stephanie Dilworth, Chairman of LMP Foundation providing the purpose and benefits of “Giving Tuesday” November 30,2021. Please share the zoom link with your membership. All are invited to chime in.

Thanks,

Topic: SWR Helpline Giving Tuesday

Time: Nov 11, 2021 07:30 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83591799701?pwd=a2JXNXBSVTNhdHlmcXkrdThMeklVQT09>

Meeting ID: 835 9179 9701

Passcode: 672361

Rosetta Davis

20th Southwestern Regional Director

Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Incorporated



Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc. National HQ News

Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc., 2021-2022 Essay & Scholarships Procedural Reminders



Soror Charlotte Berry
National President-Elect

Evelyn D. Wilkey National Essay - essays are to be postmarked by **December 30, 2021** sent to the National President-Elect.

Fredda Witherspoon National Scholarship - scholarships are to be postmarked by **January 31, 2022** sent to the National President-Elect.

National FIL Scholarship applications are due postmarked by **February 28, 2022** sent to the National President-Elect.

Dorethea N. Hornbuckle Scholarship applications are due postmarked by **March 15, 2022** sent to the National President-Elect.

Alice P. Allen Scholarship applications are due postmarked by **April 1, 2022** sent to the National President-Elect.

ALL essay and scholarship applications **MUST** be submitted with complete documentation, recommendations and sponsorships from an active chapter in Iota Phi Lambda Sorority to the National President Elect with the designated postmark dates for each essay or scholarship with official postal marking dates.

Please make sure that your chapter and regional websites indicate those scholarships that are specifically awarded by them and not National Scholarships. There is no reason that scholarship applications should be sent from around the country if the information is posted with clear directions. **Again, no National essay and/or scholarship applications are accepted without chapter endorsement and submission.**

2021 American Education Week Theme *"How Social Media Affects Teens"*

NOTE-The National Board has agreed that **NO "test scores"** will be a part of the **2022 Scholarship Evaluation** packet due to continued erratic school interruptions and closures around the country from the **COVID 19 Pandemic**.



Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, National HQ News

**“Business and Professional Women Building the Foundation
for Generational Financial Empowerment”**

Soror Dorothy M. White

23RD NATIONAL PRESIDENT



National President's Message

Sorors,

Thanksgiving is one of the most celebrated holidays on the calendar. The first Thanksgiving in 1621 was a celebration between the first settlers and the Native Americans. It was a three-day celebration held to offer thanks for a successful harvest after a year of hardship for the settlers. Today, we continue that tradition of gathering to give thanks. It is a time when families forget their busy lives and gather for a day of relaxation and thanksgiving. We spend the day relaxing in front of the television watching football games, movies, and parades. Then we gather together to enjoy a huge feast prepared by moms, grandmothers, and sometimes dads. It is also a time to offer thanks to God for all the things He has bestowed upon us and our families.

This year, we especially give thanks for the ones who have survived this horrendous pandemic. We give thanks for the scientists and members of the medical profession, who have toiled throughout these past eighteen months to keep us safe and offer the best medical advice that they have derived from science. We give thanks for the ability to once again gather together, as a family, with caution, to celebrate the lives lived and to pay tribute to the loved ones, we have lost during the past year due to the Corona virus and other illnesses.

During this Thanksgiving season, we give thanks for our founder, Mrs. Lola Mercedes Parker, and our ancestors as they worked to right the wrongs of history and improve the lives of people in our communities. We give thanks for our leaders of today, as they continue the fight for social justice and the right for all to have access to the voting booth, health care, and quality education.

Thanksgiving reminds us that we have been blessed even in the midst of a pandemic. It also reminds us to be kind to each other and to strive to make a difference in this world. Let us all live each day with an "attitude of gratitude."

Have A Blessed and Happy Thanksgiving!

Dorothy M. White
23rd National President



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COVID-19 Guideline Updates

Sorors, I want to thank you for adhering to the guidelines set to ensure that Iota operated in a manner that put the safety of our members in the forefront of everything we do. I know that it has been frustrating and a struggle to not be able to meet as a chapter or to fellowship together. As we said at the beginning of this ordeal, you are expected to follow the CDC guidelines, in addition to the ones set by this organization

Remember, in addition to our national Bylaws and Standing Rules, all sorority members are expected to abide by any guidelines/regulations developed by the National Board for the safety of our members. We will still plan for a September 1 opening, but with an overwhelming need to move ahead with caution to ensure the wellbeing of our members. With the highly contagious Delta Variant circulating throughout the country, we highly recommend that all members get the vaccine and to continue with virtual meetings where the infection rate is exceptionally high. After discussion with the National Executive Board and taking in consideration our diverse membership and the fact that we cannot guarantee that all of our members are vaccinated we are recommending the following:

CHAPTER & AUXILIARIES MEETINGS:

1. Facilities should be large enough to accommodate social distancing and have good circulation of air. Everyone must wear a mask, whether they are vaccinated or not.
2. We will not ask for documentation, but we highly recommend that only vaccinated members attend in-person chapter meetings and activities.
3. If you choose to go in-person, we recommend that you provide call in or login capability for members who are unable to attend the meetings due to compromised immune systems.

CHAPTER & AUXILIARIES ACTIVITIES:

1. Chapter/Auxiliaries may resume social and community gathering with caution. *Recommend the wearing of mask and social distancing for all activities.
2. You may resume participation in community activities wearing Iota gear and a mask. Please practice social distancing for your and your family's safety.
3. May resume **partial in-person membership recruitment** with limited contact; remember everyone has not been vaccinated. We highly recommend virtual informational and study groups. In-person meetings should be limited to outdoor activities. We highly recommend wearing a mask and social distancing during all interaction with prospective members and members of the Lomepa Club.

FUTURE IOTA LEADERS:

1. Because most youth under 18 have not been vaccinated, all FIL meetings will remain virtual.

We will continue to assess the situation and make changes as needed.

Sisterly,

Dorothy M. White

23rd National President
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