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Message from the President

reetings Sorors!

This sorority year kicks off with excitement and enthusiasm, with the anticipation of a lot of zoom meetings and plenty of work ahead. The Meditation Team set the tone in the first chapter meeting with an amazing theme, "New Beginning and New Day of Work," using as a background Scripture, "I must work the works of him who sent me while it is day: the night cometh no man can work (John 9:4). It was awesome. Many thanks to the Meditation Committee and National President-Elect Soror Charlotte Berry for their participation.

Psi Chapter hosted its first in-person/zoom meeting simultaneously. This was an extraordinary meeting for all the sorors to stay connected, those at home and others in person, at the same time. Psi Pearls to Soror Wonda Traylor for taking leadership in this effort with the support of President Reeves, Vice President Moore, and the entire Executive Committee. This was just the beginning; there is much more to come.

The Membership Committee is off to a great start. Psi Pearls to Soror Collette Jones-Chair and her entire Membership Committee for planning the first Informational Session and delivering an informative program.

"Chat and Chew" and "The Soror of the Year Celebration" is nearby. Let's get involved. Support these events and continue Building on a Solid Foundation, Empowering and Strengthening Sisterhood in Business.

As you know, October is National

Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Let's spread the word on taking steps to detect breast cancer through annual mammograms and self-examinations.

Also, remember those affected by domestic violence. Continue to encourage them to seek help through counseling, support groups, shelters, and other resources.

Sisterly

Soror Judy Reeves Psi Chapter President



Sorors, our calendar is filling up. The "President's Workshop,"

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

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2021-85TH ANNIVERSARY FUNDRAISER BY SOROR RITA POWELL

PEARLS



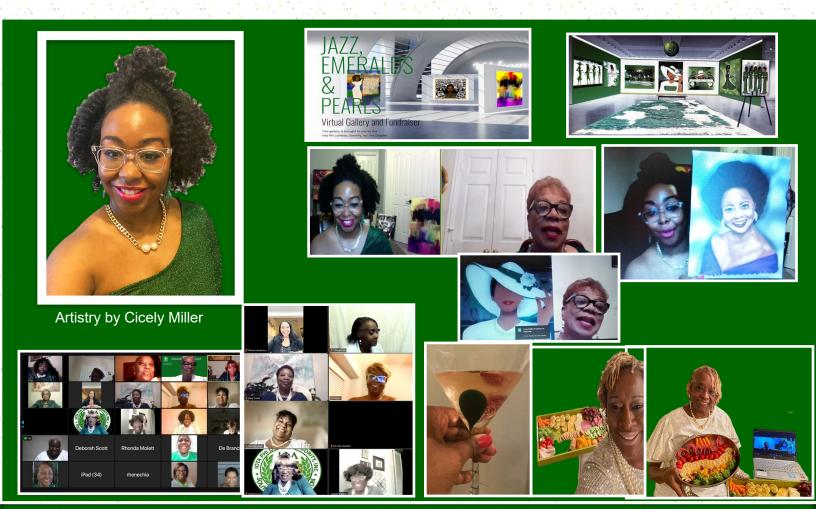
Jazz, Emeralds and Pearls 3D Virtual Art Gallery and Fundraiser

On October 2nd, lota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc. Psi Chapter held an exciting virtual fundraiser event "Jazz, Emeralds & Pearls-Opening Night at the Gallery". This fabulous event featured a phenomenal young artist, Ms. Cicely Miller of Cicely Jazzy's Art and the launch of her beautiful virtual 3-D Art Gallery Exhibition. Psi Chapter Sorors helped set the tone for the "Opening Night" by dressing up in their beautiful after five attire and displaying their beautiful emeralds and pearls. Attendees also had a chance to enjoy some relaxing jazz music provided by Soror Daphne Hornbuckle. Soror Beverly Moore added to the ambience for the evening by sharing the recipe and making a favorite Psi cocktail "The TurtItini". Sorors Joyce Hodges and Collette Jones displayed their beautiful and unique charcuterie boards.

The highlight of the evening was the interview of our featured artist, Ms. Cicely Miller by Soror Judy Dossman Jenkins. During the interview, Ms. Miller shared the inspiration behind some of her beautiful art pieces. She also provided a detailed tour of her 3 D Art Gallery which included an lota Phi Lambda Room, a Divine Nine Room, Freedom Room, and an HBCU Room.

Special thanks to approximately 60 attendees and to those who have made purchases already. We are especially appreciative of the support of the "Divine 9 Sororities" and our out-of-town guests who attended virtually.

If you were not able to attend, we are inviting you to support Ms. Cicely Miller and Psi Chapter through your purchases at <u>www.cjagallery.com</u>. Psi Chapter's "Jazz, Emeralds, & Pearls Gallery" will be open through the end of the month (October 31st). With the holidays fastly approaching, this is a wonderful opportunity to purchase that unique and custom gift for that someone special. Looking forward to seeing you in "Our Gallery".

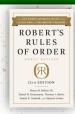




Roberts's Rules Of Order By Soror Nona Fisher, PRP

What Does Robert Say?

P.R.N. – Parliamentary Rules Noted The Parliamentarians of Psi



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The Role of the Presiding Officer

The presiding officer of an assembly (i.e., chair or president) should be chosen principally for the ability to preside. This person should be well versed in parliamentary law and should be thoroughly familiar with the bylaws and other rules of the organization.

It is the duty of the presiding officer of an assembly:

- 1. To open the meeting at the appointed time by taking the chair and calling the meeting to order after determining that a quorum is present.
- 2. To announce in proper sequence the business that comes before the assembly.
- 3. To recognize members who are entitled to the floor.
- 4. To state and to put to vote all questions that legitimately come before the assembly as motions.
- 5. To protect the assembly from obviously dilatory motions by refusing to recognize them.
- 6. To enforce the rules relating to debate and those relating to order and decorum within the assembly.
- 7. To expedite business in every way compatible with the rights of members.
- 8. To decide all questions of order, subject to appeal, unless submitted to the assembly for decision.
- 9. To respond to inquiries of members relating to parliamentary procedure or factual information.
- 10. To authenticate by his or her signature, when necessary, all acts, orders, and proceedings of the assembly.
- 11. To declare the meeting adjourned when the assembly so votes or at the time prescribed in the program or when an emergency warrants.

Reference: RONR (12th ed.) 47:6-7

"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 Health Fair By Soror Rhonda Jones



OCTOBER IS BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

Parkland Mammogram Bus Joins Salem for a Community Health Fair

Salem Institutional Baptist Church hosted a phenomenal health fair on Saturday, October 2, 2021, which featured the Parkland Mammogram Bus. The community was welcomed by Salem with a continental breakfast and delicious hot dogs for lunch grilled by the deacons and men's ministries of Salem.

The inaugural event was held on Saturday October 9, 2021 at Salem Institutional Baptist Church located at 3918 Crozier St., Dallas, Texas, 75215 and is pastored by Reverend Todd Atkins. Soror, Rhonda Jones and Pelatis Esther Louise Williams who are faithful members were excited to assist in hosting this community event.

Parkland Memorial Hospital is located at 5201 Harry Hines Blvd., Dallas, TX. The hospital is Dallas County's only public hospital and one of the country's largest.

There were free health screenings as well as flu shots available. The men were also represented with a booth on male awareness.

Several informational tables with valuable community resources could also be found at the event.

Parkland Hospital was very well represented with knowledge staff as they were there to let the community know that the best detection is early detection.

Photo Gallery –Soror Rhonda Jones serving our Community



Soror Rhonda Jones of Psi Chapter working with the Parkland Mobile Mammography Unit and staff out in the community..











Community Service Activity Submitted by Rhonda Jones





20TH ANNUAL SISTER TO SISTER FITNESS FESTIVAL 202



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Breast cancer is one of the leading cancer killers of African American women. One out of eight women at some point in their lifetime are likely to get breast cancer. The latest statistics from the American Cancer Society state that African American women have a 46% higher mortality rate from breast cancer than any other ethnic group. We want to help make a difference in these statistics.

On October 2, 2021, Soror Brenda Napier joined in the fight against breast cancer by walking the 5K in the 20th year anniversary Sister to Sister Fitness Festival. The activities took place at the Alan E. Sims Cedar Hill Recreation Center, 310 E. Parkerville Road, Cedar Hill, Texas 75104. This year's event was both onsite and virtual to allow participants to run or walk anywhere. The race was hosted by the Celebrating Life Foundation, a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization. This organization's mission is to make breast cancer powerless by educating, encouraging, and empowering those most impacted by the disease. She was able to complete the race by keeping in her head the race theme "One Step at a Time". Studies have shown that walking can help you maintain a healthy body weight. For women, walking lowers hormone levels that increase the risk for breast and endometrial cancers.



Donna White, Soror Brenda Napier and Past Business Month Honoree Debbie Scott. Join Soror Napier in the 20th Sister to Sister Fitness Festival



Soror Brenda Napier making a difference



20th Year Medal





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2021 Soror of the Year Program Submitted by Soror Traylor



An Evening Of Excellence Celebrating 2021 Soror of the Year

It's a celebration.....Come on!

Members of lota Phi Lamba Sorority Inc., Psi Chapter will host their 2021-2022 Soror of the Year Celebration honoring Soror Vivian "Vee" Jordan on Saturday, October 23, 2021, at the Sheraton Market Center, Dallas, Texas.

The theme for this year's event is "An Evening of Excellence". Soror Jordan was inducted in 2016 and has worked on various committees on the local and regional levels. Her work has been on display for the past two years at the 90th National Convention in Shreveport, Louisiana and at our 92nd Virtual National Convention in 2021 for her unique designs and layout as a graphic artist. She is a native of Dallas, Texas and is now a retired employee of the Dallas County Community College District, now Dallas Colleges, after 44 years of service.



2021-2022 Soror of the Year Ms. Wee M. Jordan



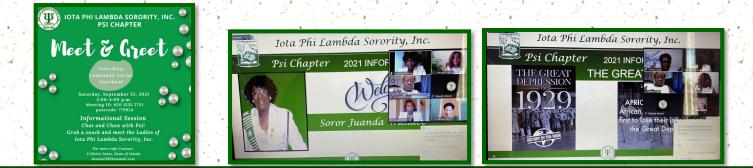
2021 Fall Informational Session Submitted by Collette Jones

2021 Fall Informational Session

On Saturday September 25,2021 PSI Chapter held our first virtual Informational Session. Attending were 4 Potential Candidates and 20 Sorors. The Session began with Kind Greetings from PSI Officers and National President-Elect Charlotte Berry. Sorors presented information on the history of lota and PSI Chapter as well as Projects and Auxiliaries.

The guest had an opportunity to share information about themselves.

We are so super excited about the 4 Potential candidates as we continue to work and not shriek. Lastly, be on the look out for information on the coming RUSH.





2021 ASSESSMENT INFORMATION SUBMITTED BY SOROR JUDY JENKINS



Finance Team Announcement

It's Assessment Time!

Assessments are due to the Finance Team by Friday, November 5th. Payments can be made by Cash, Check, Money Order, Zelle, or Pay Pal. For questions, please reach out to:

> Soror Judy Dossman-Jenkins Psi Chapter Finance Secretary Jdjenkins1972@gmail.com 214 232-7169

Soror Teresa Henderson **Psi Chapter Treasurer**

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If you need to mail your payments, please sent to Soror Judy Dossman-Jenkins

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SPOTLIGHTING MOI JESSE HORNBUCKLE SUBMITTED BY SOROR HORNBUCKLE







Jesse Hornbuckle is the talented owner of Hornbuckle Photography He is a seasoned, freelance photographer specializing in professional photography for attorneys and law firms, judges, corporate counsel, CEOs and business leaders. Jesse's talent and creative approach have garnered him many accolades and awards, including being nominated for the prestigious Pulitzer Prize and winning the Entrepreneur's Award, and Quest for Success.

He funds scholarships through lota Phi Lambda Sorority Inc. and the DFW/ABC (now Journalists) of which Jesse is a past recipient. Whether you need custom photography for a brochure, print advertising, website, direct mail piece, glamour shot or an editorial feature, Jesse has the innovation and experience to meet your expectations. Schedule your photo shoot at 214 S Tyler St, Dallas, TX 75208,

call (214) 942-6100

CONGRATULATIONS MOI HORN BUCKLE!!



CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER

DATE	NAME OF EVENT	TIME	LOCATION
Saturday, Oct. 2	85th Anniversary Fundraiser	7pm	Virtual
Saturday, Oct. 9	President's Workshop	11am	Virtual
Tuesday, Oct. 12	BUSINESS MONTH COMMITTEE MEETING	6pm	Virtual
Saturday, Oct. 16	Chapter Business Meeting	10:30am	In-Person & Virtual
Saturday, Oct.23	SOROR OF THE YEAR CELEBRATION	5pm	Sheraton Market Center



SORORS' OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Vee M. Jordan 10/3

Eddie Johnson 10/14



Teresa Henderson 10/15





Newtonia Hemphill 10/18





Joyce Hodges 10/24





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

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



Awareness Month

Healthy Lung Month 2021

October is a month set aside for lung awareness. It's National Healthy Lung Month.

In support of <u>Healthy Lung Month</u>, let's raise awareness about the rapid escalation of lung disease in the United States.

The notion that harmful air pollutants exist only outdoors is false. Some pollutants occurring in the home can be more harmful than those commonly encountered outdoors. Modern homes harbor many sources of respiratory irritation, but it's not terribly difficult to lung-proof your home. Some common lung irritants found indoors are lead, formaldehyde, radon, cleaning agent vapors, and fire-retardants. Natural pollutants also make their way into the home, including pet dander, dust mites, and mold. Here are a few simple ways the people, especially those with lung disease, can avoid these lung damaging agents.

• Clean the Air: Buy a vacuum with a HEPA filter to reduce lead, chemical build-up, and allergens such as pet

dander in the home. Follow this step by mopping with a microfiber mop to soak up any leftover particles.

• **Green Your Space:** Fill your place with plants! Indoor plants help purify the air, removing toxins such as formaldehyde, benzene, toluene, and xylene. Spider plants and aloe vera plants are good choices for the home.

• Go Natural: Fragrances in cleaning products, laundry detergents, and air fresheners can all damage the

lungs opt for fragrance-free whenever possible.

Test for Radon: Make sure your home has a radon detector. This colorless, odorless gas is the second leading cause of lung cancer in the United States today.

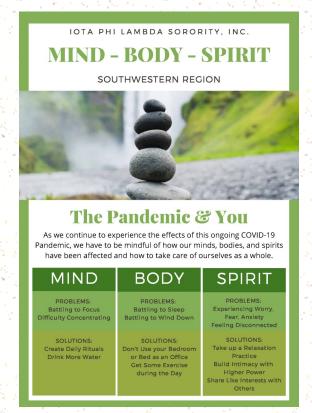
The Lung Health Institute, is here to help those with pulmonary disease maximize their lung health.





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

Upcoming News



Mark your calendars for Thursday, October 21, 2021 at 7:00pm. The SWR Health and Wellness Committee will host a panel discussion on COVID-19 & PTSD: The Pandemic's Silent Trauma. Registration for this event will be sent out in the upcoming weeks.







NATIONAL PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Soror Dorothy M. White

23RD NATIONAL PRESIDENT

lota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc. Special Election~ CANDIDATES' FORUM

Log on and hear from the candidates vying for National Financial Secretary and National Journalist. Remember these candidates will represent you as members of the National Executive Board. Required for all convention voting delegates, who will receive ballots to vote for these new positions.

When: Saturday, Oct 2, 2021, 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Date of Special Election: October 9, 2021

The delegates elected to serve during the 92nd national convention will serve as members of the electorate for this special election. The poll will go out as a google form to those voting members. The ballot will be sent to all delegates at 10:00 am CST on October 9th and must be returned by 2:00 pm, the same day.

Position Description: National Financial Secretary:

The National Financial Secretary shall receive all funds due to the sorority for assessments, taxes, background screenings, those derived from the sale of sorority pins, chapter fees, membership materials, vendor fees, ordering all lota jewelry, and all sorority materials submitted on the national level. She shall verify and keep all records related to membership, including a current membership list of active and inactive members. She shall work with the treasurer to ensure that monthly reconciliations are completed. She shall make an annual report to the Executive Board and to the National Convention.

Position Description: National Journalist:

It shall be the duty of the National Journalist to receive and edit material for the National Journal, the President's newsletter and serve as a resource person for the Publicity Committee ensuring that lota has a presence on all social media platforms to publicize the programs and projects of the organization. She shall keep a current list of national and online newspapers to ensure coverage of lota's programs. She shall assist the National President with press releases and other notifications of major events. She shall ensure that all lota publications are cataloged and available, in print and online. She shall make an annual report to the Executive Board and to the National Convention.

Dorothy White 23rd National President



Lola Mercedes Parker Foundation Perfecting Your Pandemic Pivot

The Lola Mercedes Parker Foundation for Economic Empowerment of Business and Professional Women (LMPF) is very excited to announce its 2021 Virtual I³ Symposium: Perfecting Your Pandemic Pivot. This phenomenal event (complete with wonderful speakers) is designed to **Inform** women about self-care and family mental health, to **Inspire** women to build wealth and create their own visioning board experience and to **Ignite** women to seek financial resilience and joy in whatever work they choose. Participants will also have the opportunity to network with likeminded women seeking to perfect their own pandemic pivot and of course have fun.

The Symposium is a two- day event: Friday October 15, 2021 1:30pm – 6:00pm Central Standard Time and Saturday, October 16, 2021 10:00am – 3:00pm Central Standard Time. Registration is required. The registration deadline is October 1, 2021. The first 50 registrants will receive a DOORDASH electronic gift card valued at \$15.

All the Best!

Stephanie

Stephanie Dilworth, Chair

Lola Mercedes Parker Foundation for Economic Empowerment of Business and Professional Women









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

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.

<u>ALL</u> essay and scholarship applications <u>MUST</u> be submitted with complete documentation, recommendations and sponsorships from an active chapter in lota 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.



Soror Charlotte Berry National President-Elect



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COVID-19 Guideline Updates

"Business and Professional Women Building the Foundation for Generational Financial Empowerment"

Soror Dorothy M. White

23RD NATIONAL PRESIDENT

Sorors, I want to thank you for adhering to the guidelines set to ensure that lota 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 lota 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 Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc.



Psi Chapter Information

If you would like to email President Judy Reeves, or Journalist Vee M. Jordan click on the highlighted links listed below.

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PSI CHAPTER WEBSITE Undercontruction

Chapter Theme:

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



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Southwestern Region Information

If you would like to send an email to our Southwestern Regional Director, National President or visit the Southwestern Region or National websites. Click on the highlighted links listed below.

Rosetta Davis, Southwestern Regional Director

Southwestern Region Website, <u>http://www.iotaswr.org</u>

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

National Information <u>Dorothy White,</u> National President

National Website, <u>http://www.iota1929.org</u>

National Theme: "Business and Professional Women Building the foundation for generational Financial Empowerment"



Founder: Mrs. Lola M. Parker

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