



**Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®**  
**Theta Rho Omega Chapter**



**Chapter Meeting Agenda**  
**March 28, 2026**

**B.A.D.D.I.E.**

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| <b>I. Call to Order</b>        | Soror Stephanie L. Ivey |
| <b>II. Meditation</b>          | Soror Jean Rogers-Yates |
| <b>III. Adoption of Agenda</b> |                         |
| <b>IV. Minutes</b>             | Soror Renita Craig      |
| <b>V. Officer Reports</b>      |                         |
| Basileus                       | Soror Stephanie L. Ivey |
| Anti-Basileus                  | Soror Carolyn Levystein |
| Pecunious Grammateus           | Soror Kamela Fulbright  |
| Tamiouchos                     | Soror Vanessa Vavasseur |
| Epistoleus                     | Soror LaShelle Royster  |
| Hodegos                        | Soror Danielle Hill     |



## **VI. Committee Reports**

Standards

Soror Brittany N. Wilson

AKApe

Soror Fabienne Williams Neiman

AKA Connections

Soror Tondalaya Lloyd

Communications

Soror LaShelle Royster

Founders' Day

Soror Vanessa Vavasseur

Fundraising

Soror Kamela Fulbright

Membership

Soror Jacqueline Brown

NPO

Soror Brittany N. Wilson

## **VII. Program Reports** *(Boldly Accepting Duties Designed to Implement Excellence)*

Enhance our Environment

Soror Diane Robinson

Advocate for Social Justice

Soror Tondalaya Lloyd

Uplift our Local Community

Soror Danielle Brasfield

Unfinished Business

New Business

Announcements

Adjournment

Soror LaShelle Royster

Soror Stephanie L. Ivey



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# BADDIE UPDATE

REPORT/NEWSLETTER

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## Basileus Message

THIS WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH,  
WE HONOR THE STRENGTH,  
RESILIENCE, AND BRILLIANCE OF  
WOMEN WHO CAME BEFORE US—  
AND CELEBRATE THE POWER  
WITHIN EACH OF US TODAY.

ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY,  
INCORPORATED.® IS A  
SISTERHOOD, WE ARE MORE THAN  
AN ORGANIZATION—WE ARE  
LEADERS, CHANGE MAKERS, AND  
HISTORY IN THE MAKING. LET'S  
CONTINUE TO UPLIFT, SUPPORT,  
AND INSPIRE ONE ANOTHER AS WE  
WALK BOLDLY IN OUR PURPOSE.

HERE'S TO THE WOMEN WHO PAVED  
THE WAY—AND TO US, AS WE  
CONTINUE THE JOURNEY.  
#WOMENSHISTORYMONTH  
#SISTERHOODSTRONG!

STEPHANIE L. IVEY  
BASILEUS



# BADDIE UPDATE

## NEWSLETTER

### Chapter Updates

MEMBERSHIP EXPERIENCE WE ARE MOVING FORWARD!!!

ALL CANDIDATES HAVE SUBMITTED THEIR BACK GROUND CHECKS AND WE ARE WAITING ON CORPORATE OFFICE AGAIN FOR AN UPDATE WE WILL BE WELCOMING 11 NEW MEMBERS INTO OUR SISTERHOOD.

IT IS OFFICIALLY CAMPAIGN SEASON PLEASE SEE THE BADDIE FOR THE SCHEDULED CAMPAIGN VIRTUAL NIGHTS.

#### CONGRATULATIONS

**SOROR BRITTANY PUBLIC DEFENDER WOMEN OF EXCELLENCE AWARDEE 2026.**

**SOROR SHATINA EDWARDS AND M.E.A.N GIRLS WAS RECOGNIZED BY MICHELLE OBAMA**

CONGRATULATIONS TO SOROR STEPHANIE LIVEY ON BEING AWARDED A DEPARTMENT ACCOMMODATION AWARD FROM THE CHICAGO POLICE DEPARTMENT.

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE JUNE 28, 2026 THE PINK SUMMER SOIRÉE WILL TAKE PLACE. THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENT AMOUNT IS \$300.00 OR 3 TICKETS AT \$100.00 PER TICKET.

FOUNDERS' DAY RECOGNITION 2026

Save the Dates:  
NPHC of Chicago  
2026 Greek  
Weekend - June 12-14, 2026



#### CHAPTER ATTENDANCE

PLEASE MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO BE ON TIME FOR CHAPTER MEETINGS. THE SIGN-IN LIST WILL BE PULLED AT 10:30 A.M. THIS ENSURES THAT ATTENDANCE IS CALCULATED FAIRLY EVERY MONTH AND THE BUSINESS OF AKA/TRO IS COMMUNICATED TO ALL MEMBERS TIMELY

**\*\*THERE'S AN APP FOR THAT\*\* WILD APRICOT HAS AN APP!**

WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO MOVE TO A VIRTUAL ATTENDANCE PLATFORM METHOD STAY TUNED!

#### PROTOCOL REMINDERS

#### PRETTY UGLY TEA

CHAPTER MEETING ATTIRE IS BUSINESS ATTIRE UNLESS CHANGED BY THE BASILEUS. PLEASE PLAN ACCORDNGLY.

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# BADDIE UPDATE NEWSLETTER

Region/International Updates

## OFFICIAL BOULE DATE 2026

BOULE WILL TAKE PLACE IN LAS VEGAS, NEVADA JULY 18-JULY 24, 2026 Save the Date WAS SENT OUT BY AKA CORPORATE.

COST \$800.00

BOULE DELEGATES

\*\*\* IF you have been notified via email if you are ELIGIBLE and interested to serve as a delegate\*\*\* AT BOULE HAVE NO FEAR VOTING IS NEAR( TODAY) WE WILL VOTE ON OUR DELEGATES FOR BOULE

♥ REGIONAL DIRECTOR FOR CENTRAL REGION WILL BE VOTED ON TODAY (2) CANDIDATES

CRC 2026 registration IS CLOSED! PLEASE SEND YOUR REGISTRATION CONFIRMATION TO OUR ANTI-GRAMMATUS.

Location  
Indianapolis,  
Indiana

Date  
April 9-12, 2026

92<sup>nd</sup> CRC  
BOOKLET IS OUT  
PLEASE  
REFERENCE FOR  
CRC EVENTS AND  
ATTIRE

CRC AWARDS  
WE HAVE  
SUCCESSFULLY  
SUBMITTED 3  
AWARDS

SEE YOU IN INDY !!!



MARCH 2026

# BADDIE UPDATE

## NEWSLETTER

ANNOUNCEMENTS/ EVENTS/CHAPTER PICS



# BADDIE UPDATE

## NEWSLETTER

### Anti Basileus Message

Long ago, I was told that if you can January and February, you sure can March. And we are here, more than half-way through the month of March. We are steeped in our Membership Experience, and we are marching forward to excellence, as we are in the process of bringing in a group of new members. Through this journey, it is the time that we exhibit the highest level of Sisterhood and live in the Soror Code of Ethics. This is the time for us to remember our Pledge and live by our standards. This is the time to remember that we are one and we support the decisions of the whole, even when those decisions are not what we individually may have wanted. This is the time to follow Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated Protocol of conduct and dress. How we comport ourselves and how we look matters. We must exemplify what we are expecting of our candidates. We are looking for the highest character, a willingness to work with other Sorors, a devoted desire to work hard to support all of our committees and programs, knowledge that we must devote time to accomplish our goals, and a deeply rooted love for our sorority. I ask you again, this month to do a self-assessment. Look within, evaluate yourself and ask, "Am I fully an Alpha Kappa Alpha woman? Will I be a good example for our new candidates?" Look inside of yourself and decide if you are living AKA.

Sisterly Submitted  
Soror Carolyn Levystein, Anti-Basileus



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### Chaplain Message

SORORS, AS I WRITE THIS, WE ARE NEARING THE END OF THE LENTEN SEASON ON THE CHRISTIAN CALENDAR. DURING THE PERIOD OF 40 OR 46 DAYS PRECEDING RESURRECTION SUNDAY (DEPENDING ON WHETHER YOU EMBRACE THE PROTESTANT OR CATHOLIC TRADITION), WE HAVE BEEN ENCOURAGED TO FAST AND PRAY. IT IS ALSO A TIME OF REFLECTION, INTROSPECTION AND REDEDICATION TO BEING INTENTIONAL ABOUT PROVIDING SERVICE TO HUMANKIND. WE ARE ALSO NEARING THE END OF WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH.

DURING THE MONTH OF MARCH WE PAY PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO, AND CELEBRATE THE WOMEN WHO HAVE MADE SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ADVANCEMENTS OF WOMEN'S RIGHTS AND THE BETTERMENT OF SOCIETY AS A WHOLE.

IN ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA WE CELEBRATE OUR FOUNDERS ON JANUARY 15. WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH PROVIDES ANOTHER CHANCE FOR REFLECTION, INTROSPECTION AND REDEDICATION TO OUR COMMITMENT TO THE VOWS THAT WE TOOK WHEN WE PLEDGED OUR HEARTS AND MINDS TO SERVICE AND SISTERHOOD.

SANKOFA IS A GHANAIAN ADINKRA SYMBOL THAT REPRESENTS THE CONCEPT OF LOOKING TO THE PAST IN ORDER TO GAIN THE WISDOM WHICH WILL ENABLE US TO MOVE BOLDLY INTO THE FUTURE. THIS IS OUR SEASON OF SANKOFA. WE HAVE MUCH TO GAIN FROM OUR ELDER SORORS AND THEIR TRADITIONS. WE HAVE AN OBLIGATION TO FURTHER THE IDEALS UPON WHICH ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY WAS FOUNDED. THINK ON THESE THINGS.



MARCH 2026

# BADDIE UPDATE

## NEWSLETTER

### 2026 CHAPTER OFFICERS & COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

#### CHAPTER OFFICERS

**Basileus** – Soror Stephanie L. Ivey

**Anti Basileus** – Soror Carolyn Levystein

**Grammateus** – Soror Renita Craig

**Anti Grammateus** – Soror Tondalaya Lloyd

**Tamiouchos** – Soror Vanessa Vavasseur

**Pecunious Grammateus** – Soror Kamela Fulbright

**Epistoleus** – Soror LaShelle Royster

**Hodegos** – Soror Danielle Hill

**Parliamentarian** – Soror June Cole Boulware

**Historian** – Soror Imani Crenshaw

**Ivy Leaf Reporter** – Soror Amanda Mitchell (APPOINTED)

**Chaplain** – Soror Jean Rogers-Yates

**Philacter** – Soror Rose Lee

**TRO DIRECTORY** -  
<https://troaka.wildapricot.org/>

#### STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

**Protocol** – Soror Gabriella Hayes

**AKAPE** – Soror Fabienne Williams Neiman

**Membership** – Soror Jaqueline Brown\*\*\*

**Standards** – Soror Gloria Pleasont

**Bylaws** – Soror June Cole Boulware

**Leadership Development** – Soror Jaqueline Brown

**Connections** – Soror Tondalaya Lloyd

**Generation Next** – Soror Amanda Mitchell /Alexis Lenoir

**Fundraising** – Soror Kamela Fulbright

**Logistics** – Soror June Cole Boulware

**Nominating** – Soror Brittany N. Wilson

**Risk Management** – Soror Chanay Mackey

**Scholarship** – Soror Telia Chilton

**Technology** – Soror Vanessa Vavasseur

**Archives** – Soror Stacy Johnson

**Communications** – Soror LaShelle Royster

**Public Relations** – Soror Amanda Mitchell (APPOINTED)

**NPHC** – Soror Shatina Edwards

#### ADHOC COMMITTEES

NPO  
92<sup>ND</sup> CRC AWARDS

#### PROGRAM/INITIATIVE CHAIRMEN

**Empower Our Families** – Soror LaShelle Royster

**Advocate for Social Justice** – Soror Tondalaya Lloyd

**Build Our Economic Wealth** – Soror Renita Craig

**Enhance Our Environment** – Soror Diane Robinson

**Uplift Our Local Community** – Soror Danielle Brasfield

**Strengthening Our Sisterhood/Sisterly Relations** – Soror Bridget Lynch Alderson

**ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA Sorority, INC.**  
**Theta Rho Omega Chapter**

**Date: Saturday, February 28, 2026**

**Chapter Meeting No. 2**

The meeting was held virtually on February 28, 2026. The meeting was called to order at 10:47 AM by the Basileus Soror Stephanie L. Ivey, Grammateus, Soror Renita Craig was present. The meditation was presented by Soror Jean Rogers Yates. A quorum was established (X) yes ( ) no. There were 60 members present and nine visitors in attendance. See attached attendance list.

I. The agenda was adopted by general consensus.

II. The minutes were adopted by general consensus.

**III. Officers Reports**

**A. Basileus Report - Soror Stephanie L. Ivey presented the report**

- TRO received clearance to proceed with the Membership Experience
- Review the TRO Wild Apricot chapter updates
- TRO will host a Campaign Forum Night Regional and Directorate candidates
  - Details will be in the TRO Bulletin/Wild Apricot
- Code of Ethics will be completed in today's chapter meeting
- Pink Summer Soiree
  - June 28, 2026
- Congratulations to our Chapter Notables who submitted documentation:
  - Soror Lashelle Royster
  - Soror Tondalaya Lloyd
  - Soror Brittany Wilson
- Chapter Audit will be completed in the coming months
- Return any items belonging to TRO to the March, 2026 chapter meeting
- Boule, Las Vegas, July 18 - 24, 2026
- CRC - April 8 - 12, 2026
  - Registration Link is now live
  - Send your registration to Soror Tondalaya Lloyd
  - Review the attire for all events
- Please consider being a delegate for Boule in July
- Celebrating Pearl Soror Jacquelyn Heath Parker for 65 years of service

**B. Anti-Basileus Report**– Soror Carolyn Levystein presented the report.

- Welcome to our visiting Sorors
- Please contribute the CRC Community Service
  - Cluster 8 is responsible for bring post-partum ice packs

**Motion:** Soror Carolyn Leveystein moved and was properly second by Soror Imani Crenshaw to purchase 8 ice wraps - postpartum pads, for \$300 taken from the Program Account. The ayes have it. The motion carries.

- The executive committee supports this recommendation

**C. Pecunious Grammateus Report** - Soror Kamela Fulbright presented the report. For the months of January, 2026 the chapter collected \$1,278.00. The Pecunious Grammateus Report will be filed for audit and placed online in the Members Only section of the TRO website.

**D. Tamiouchos** - Soror Vanessa Vavasseur presented the Tamiouchos report for the month of January, 2026: Operations account balance \$37,028.72; Program account balance \$47,247.71; Contingency account balance \$3,202.90. The Tamiouchos Report will be filed for audit and placed online in the Members Only section of the TRO website.

- Finance Reports
  - Dues cannot be paid in advance towards 2027
  - Recommendations were made and are available within the meeting packet, in the Monthly Reports for the Finance Committee

**E. Epistoleus Report/Communication** - Soror LaShelle Royster presented the report

Correspondence Received -

- Check received from Soror Mildred Holifield – forwarded to Finance Team
- 1099 from GiveButter – forwarded to Finance Team
- Financial cards – forwarded to Finance Team

- Community Mailers received: Southland College Prep Winter Report; Matteson Public Library Newsletter
- Solicitation from Samaritan's Purse – TRO previously agreed not to support
- Solicitation materials from Deluxe (coupons and special offers)
- Holiday Card from Soror Jacquelyn Heath Parker
- Happy New Year Card from Soror Carrie J. Clark
- Thank You Card regarding the Judicial Forum
- Thank You Letter from Ronald McDonald House
- Campaign materials received for:
  - Soror Mykenzi Davis-Cowart – Candidate for Second Supreme Anti-Basileus
  - Soror Nichole Wilson – Candidate for Central Regional Director
  - Soror Tressa Dunbar Garrett – Candidate for Central Regional Director

**F. Hodegos Report** - Soror Stephanie L. Ivey presented the report.

- Birthdays, initiations and anniversaries for the month of February were shared and celebrated.

## **I. Committee Reports**

**A. Standards Report** - Soror Gloria Pleasont presented the report

- The Soror Code of Ethics were completed during chapter meeting

**B. Fundraising Committee** - Soror Kamela Fulbright presented the report

**Motion:** Soror Kamela Fulbright moved and was properly second to continue the planning of the Summer Soiree without the NPO. The eyes have it. The motion carries.

- Executive Committee supports this recommendation

**C. Membership Committee** - Soror Jacqueline Brown presented the report Graduate Membership Experience (ME)

- March 7, 2026 - Information meeting for candidates and meeting to discuss candidates and voting

**D. Membership Committee** - Soror Marsha Carthan presented the report

- Welcomed three Sorors who have joined TRO
  - Alana Anthony
  - Tanya Yeargain-Lewis
  - Monica Rozelle
- Visiting Sorors;
  - Madison Saunders
  - Kyndall Goss
  - Heather Perkins-Jones
  - Adra Grant
  - Martha Wilkins
  - Dolphine Coleman
  - Sharon Jefferson
  - Gwena Walter
  - Teresa Bates

**E. Risk Management** - Soror Chanay Mackey presented the report

- Reviewed “Discuss Our Why”

**F. Scholarship Committee** - Soror Telia Chilton presented the report

- 2026 Scholarship applications have been submitted to 15 South Suburban High Schools
- Due date for Applications is March 7, 2026
- Committee voted to award a need-based Prairie State College student
- Scholarship Recipient will receive the remainder of scholarship balance: \$387

**Motion:** Soror Telia Chilton moved and was properly second by Soror Jean Rogers Yates for \$9,500 to be taken from the Program Account to fund the 2026 TRO Scholarship. The ayes have it. The motion carries.

- The executive committee supports this recommendation

## II. Program Reports

**A. Advocate for Social Justice/Connections** - Soror Tondalaya Lloyd presented the report

- Candidate Forum on Tuesday, March 3, 2026
  - Learn who is on your ballot and ways to vote

**B. Build Our Economic Wealth** - Soror Renita Craig presented the report

- March 2026 - Black Dollars
  - Restaurants
  - Services
  - Retail
- TRO Business Spotlight: Soror Sonya Hubbard-Green

III. **Unfinished Business:** None

IV. **New Business:** None

V. **Announcements:** None

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 12:13pm

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Soror Stephanie L. Ivey, Basileus

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Soror Renita Craig, Grammateus

Date Accepted \_\_\_\_\_

**Attendance: February 28, 2026**

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| <b>Alderson, Bridget Lynch</b>     | <b>Y</b> | <b>LeNoir, Alexis</b>          | <b>Y</b> |
| <b>Anthony, Alana</b>              | <b>Y</b> | <b>Levesque, Chasitie</b>      | <b>N</b> |
| <b>Beckham, Jennifer</b>           | <b>Y</b> | <b>Levesque, Shanee</b>        | <b>N</b> |
| <b>Blakemore, Ericka</b>           | <b>Y</b> | <b>Levystein, Carolyn</b>      | <b>Y</b> |
| <b>Brasfield Knight, Danielle</b>  | <b>N</b> | <b>Liggons, Lolita</b>         | <b>Y</b> |
| <b>Breedlove, Leigh</b>            | <b>Y</b> | <b>Lloyd, Tondalaya</b>        | <b>Y</b> |
| <b>Brown, Jacqueline</b>           | <b>Y</b> | <b>Mackey, Chanay</b>          | <b>Y</b> |
| <b>Burks Johnson, Beverly</b>      | <b>N</b> | <b>Macklin, Claudette</b>      | <b>Y</b> |
| <b>Byrd, Danielle</b>              | <b>Y</b> | <b>Madison, Darrah</b>         | <b>Y</b> |
| <b>Carr, Brandi</b>                | <b>Y</b> | <b>McCrary, Tiffany</b>        | <b>Y</b> |
| <b>Carthan, Marsha</b>             | <b>Y</b> | <b>Mitchell, Amanda</b>        | <b>Y</b> |
| <b>Chilton, Telia</b>              | <b>Y</b> | <b>Nichols, Dana</b>           | <b>Y</b> |
| <b>Cole Boulware, June</b>         | <b>N</b> | <b>Parker, Jacquelyn Heath</b> | <b>Y</b> |
| <b>Collins, Rashonda</b>           | <b>Y</b> | <b>Patterson, Julia</b>        | <b>Y</b> |
| <b>Craig, Renita</b>               | <b>Y</b> | <b>Pleasant, Gloria</b>        | <b>Y</b> |
| <b>Crenshaw, Imani</b>             | <b>Y</b> | <b>Richardson, Cheryl</b>      | <b>Y</b> |
| <b>Darey, Amanda</b>               | <b>Y</b> | <b>Robinson, Diane</b>         | <b>Y</b> |
| <b>Davis, Dawn</b>                 | <b>Y</b> | <b>Rogers-Yates, Jean</b>      | <b>Y</b> |
| <b>Doriety, Michelle</b>           | <b>Y</b> | <b>Royster, LaShelle</b>       | <b>N</b> |
| <b>Edwards, Shatina</b>            | <b>Y</b> | <b>Rozelle, Monica</b>         | <b>Y</b> |
| <b>Fulbright, Kamela</b>           | <b>Y</b> | <b>Sanders, Andrea</b>         | <b>Y</b> |
| <b>Garnett, Marie</b>              | <b>Y</b> | <b>Scott, Marilyn</b>          | <b>N</b> |
| <b>Gilbert, Bridgette Lomax</b>    | <b>Y</b> | <b>Senter, Lauren</b>          | <b>N</b> |
| <b>Gill, Teresa Pennix</b>         | <b>N</b> | <b>Shackelford, Cheryl</b>     | <b>N</b> |
| <b>Guthrie Purchase, Monica</b>    | <b>Y</b> | <b>Smith-Thomas, Pamela</b>    | <b>N</b> |
| <b>Hayes, Gabriella</b>            | <b>Y</b> | <b>Smith, Marie</b>            | <b>Y</b> |
| <b>Henderson Frierson, Cynthia</b> | <b>N</b> | <b>Smith, Yolanda</b>          | <b>Y</b> |
| <b>Hill, Danielle</b>              | <b>N</b> | <b>Spears, Kienya</b>          | <b>Y</b> |
| <b>Hillard, Lakisha</b>            | <b>N</b> | <b>Taylor, Rhonda</b>          | <b>N</b> |

|                                |          |                                  |          |
|--------------------------------|----------|----------------------------------|----------|
| <b>Holifield, Mildred</b>      | <b>N</b> | <b>Terrell-Perkins, Faye</b>     | <b>Y</b> |
| <b>Holmes, Sheila</b>          | <b>Y</b> | <b>Thomas-Smith, Debbie</b>      | <b>N</b> |
| <b>Hubbard-Green, Sonya</b>    | <b>Y</b> | <b>Torian, Mechelle</b>          | <b>Y</b> |
| <b>Hudson, Stacey</b>          | <b>Y</b> | <b>Vavasseur, Vanessa</b>        | <b>Y</b> |
| <b>Ivey, Stephanie L.</b>      | <b>Y</b> | <b>Walker, Erika</b>             | <b>Y</b> |
| <b>James Lewis, Jacqueline</b> | <b>Y</b> | <b>Warr, Stephanie Falls</b>     | <b>Y</b> |
| <b>Johnson, Jennifer Renee</b> | <b>Y</b> | <b>West Paul, Sherry</b>         | <b>N</b> |
| <b>Johnson, Stacy</b>          | <b>Y</b> | <b>Williams Neiman, Fabienne</b> | <b>N</b> |
| <b>Jones-Barlow, Sheila B.</b> | <b>N</b> | <b>Wilson, Brittany</b>          | <b>Y</b> |
| <b>Jones, Anna</b>             | <b>N</b> | <b>Wright, Leonis</b>            | <b>Y</b> |
| <b>Knight, Annika</b>          | <b>N</b> | <b>Yeargain-Lewis, Tanya</b>     | <b>Y</b> |
| <b>Lee, Michele</b>            | <b>Y</b> |                                  |          |
| <b>Lee, Rose M.</b>            | <b>Y</b> |                                  |          |
|                                |          |                                  |          |
| <b>Guests:</b>                 |          |                                  |          |
| <b>Teresa Bates</b>            |          | <b>Sharon Jefferson</b>          |          |
| <b>Dolphine Coleman</b>        |          | <b>Heather Perkins-Jones</b>     |          |
| <b>Adra Grant</b>              |          | <b>Madison Saunders</b>          |          |
| <b>Kyndall Goss</b>            |          | <b>Gwena Walter</b>              |          |
|                                |          | <b>Martha Wilkins</b>            |          |



Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®

Theta Rho Omega Chapter

Officer/Committee Report

Soror: Carolyn Levystein

Date: March 28, 2026

## Officer/Committee: **Program Anti-Basileus**

### Updates:

The month of March is a busy season for TRO . We are in the midst of our ME process and we are pushing ahead with our program activities. Build our Economic Wealth is again planning an activity at a Black-owned restaurant following the March chapter meeting to support our Black-owned business initiative. The real estate webinar part 2 is being planned. That date is forthcoming. Also there is a seminar on insurance in the planning stages. We are still tracking our Black Dollars for the month of March. All Sorors are encouraged to submit their spending.

Enhance Our Environment is participating in a Community Clean-Up Day with the villages of Homewood and Flossmoor, IL. This event will take place on April 4th, 8 am-12 noon. Participants will meet at Wiley's Grill, 800 Kedzie Avenue, Flossmoor for breakfast and crew assignments. This effort is to get the parks and shared spaces ready for summer.

Advocate for Social Justice is preparing for AKA Day at the Capitol, May 5-6 in Springfield. If you are planning to attend and stay at a hotel overnight, that information is available. Registration for the event is forthcoming. Five candidates that ASJ gave information on won their elections in the primary election on March 17, 2026. ASJ is planning to provide more information on judicial candidates, since there is a need for voters to know more about who is running for judge.

Strengthening Our Sisterhood/Sisterly Relations had a study group on one of our founding Sorors, Anna Easter Brown. They will partner with NPHC to encourage more Sorors to attend "A Night at Sox Park" as a Sisterly Relations event.

Uplift Our Communities is partnering with School District 152 in Harvey, IL to support their initiative G.E.M.S., Girls Empowered & Motivated for Success. TRO will participate in symposiums to motivate the 50-60 8th grade girls who will be participants. Two Sorors have volunteered to be speakers. The symposiums will cover the topics of: self care, healthy relationships, friends and foes, and parent relationships. The target date for our participation is May 9th.

Programs are hitting their targets through our rigorous support of the communities that we serve. Let us continue serving all mankind.

Sisterly Submitted,

Soror Carolyn Levystein, Anti-Basileus

**Officer/Committee: Epistoleus**

Correspondence Received -

- 5 Campaign materials to be shared at chapter meeting
- Membership cards – to be forwarded to the Finance Team

Sisterly Submitted, Soror LaShelle Royster - Epistoleus

**Officer/Committee: Hodegos**

Birthdays

Alexis Lenoir                    2nd  
Rhonda Taylor                10th

Beverly Burks-Johnson    14th  
Roshanda Collins            16th  
June Cole Boulware        26th  
Jacqueline Brown            31st  
Shelia Holmes                31st

AKAversaries

|                          |                 |      |
|--------------------------|-----------------|------|
| Fabienne Williams Neiman | Theta Rho Omega | 2003 |
| June Cole Boulware       | Theta Rho Omega | 2003 |
| Rose M. Lee              | Theta Rho Omega | 2003 |
| Shelia Holmes            | Theta Rho Omega | 2003 |

Wedding

Jacqueline Brown

**Officer/Committee: Standards**

**Updates**

The Standards Committee met March 12, 2026 via Zoom.

The Soror Code of Ethics was read and signed in the January 2026 chapter meeting. So far 64 sorors have signed. Eighteen sorors still need to sign. We will mail the document to those sorors who are ill or handicapped. We need 100% of the chapter to respond.

The committee agreed to use the Chapter Self-Evaluation as a tool to help assign tasks for evaluation of 2024 and 2025 documents. The chairman will assign tasks.

The Chapter Retreat was discussed. Soror Brittany Wilson is chairing the sub-committee. The proposed dates are August 28-29.. Soror June Cole Boulware has not yet located a venue. Soror Brittany will conduct a survey at the March Chapter meeting to see if the sorors want an overnight or one day retreat. Various topics and speakers were discussed.

Sisterly Submitted,

Gloria Pleasont

**Officer/Committee: AKApe**

**Updates:**

- The AKApe' committee met on Monday March 2, 2026 at 6:00 pm via Zoom.
- Intercessory Prayer was made for Sorors, the Chapter Leadership, and others as identified.
- It was agreed that the committee would reach out to Sorors who were known to have been absent from the meeting or ill or in need of emotional/spiritual support. To that end the following actions were taken:
  - Greeting cards mailed-9
  - Text messages sent -15
  - Phone calls made-5
  - Gifts given 1
- It was agreed that the following supplies are needed and will be purchased within the next month: postage stamps and a variety of greeting cards.
- The Chaplain will continue to remind Sorors of the Prayer Mail Box as well as the email address of the committee chair for submission of prayer requests.
- The Committee will meet again on the first Monday after Chapter meeting.

Sisterly Submitted,  
Soror Fabienne Williams Neiman Chairman,  
AKApe' Committee

**Officer/Committee: Advocate for Social Justice/ Connections**

**Updates**

**2026 Judicial Forum**

- We had a great turnout from our Judicial Forum with 5 of our 12 judges winning their elections!
- Next up: Monthly web-based forums or “Did You Know” for November’s
- election.
- Examples: How to check you are registered to vote, how to check your polling place, the importance of voting early.

**Next Event:** AKA Day at the Capitol – May 5 th and 6 th

- Registration is not yet open. Pink Papers are coming this Wednesday.
- Hotels still have some availability
- This year, they are giving out 2 awards: One for the graduate chapters and one for the undergraduate chapters
- Nia Odeoti-Hassan Award
- Nominees must be active in the chapter for 24 months.
- One nominee per chapter
- IL graduate chapter
- Demonstrated community service beyond chapter services
- events.
- Submission due 4/15
- Will ask for submissions during chapter meeting.

Sisterly Submitted, Soror Tondalaya Lloyd

**Officer/Committee: Communications**

Sorors,

- Please be sure all correspondence (flyers, e-blasts, etc.) that needs to be approved and shared, internally or externally, is emailed to Soror LaShelle ([LaShelleR1908@gmail.com](mailto:LaShelleR1908@gmail.com)). To be included in the next B.A.D.D.I.E. Bulletin, email all details by Thursdays.
  
  - Don't forget to document your committee participation for 2026. Please refer to the most recent B.A.D.D.I.E. Bulletin for the link.
  
  - Are you following Theta Rho Omega on social platforms? No. Well, hit the Follow button on both Facebook (Theta Rho Omega Chapter) and Instagram (@troaka).
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- Created and submitted 2 flyers for approval
  - Created 1 Evaluation Survey
  - Created QR Codes for voting

Sisterly Submitted, Soror LaShelle Royster - Epistoleus

**Officer/Committee: Founders' Day**



**Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®**  
*Theta Rho Omega Chapter*



**Theta Rho Omega Chapter**  
**Founders' Day**  
**Recognition**  
**March 28, 2026**  
**Prairie State College**

- Video: Alpha Kappa Alpha: A Legacy of Supreme Service (Chicago 2008)
- Word to phrase match  
AKA History

Sincerely submitted,  
Soror Vanvessa Vavasseur  
Founders Day Chairman

**Officer/Committee:** Fundraising

**Updates**

**Overview**

The Fundraising Committee convened to discuss planning updates and key decisions for the upcoming 2026 Pink Summer Soirée. The event will build upon last year's success with enhancements to entertainment, vendor participation, and overall fundraising strategy.

**Event Details**

- Event Name: Pink Summer Soirée
- Date: June 28, 2026
- Location: Center for Performing Arts
- Experience Highlights: DJ (likely returning), Photobooth, Expanded vendors, Silent auction

**Event Highlights & Enhancements**

- DJ and photobooth confirmed; likely returning DJ from last year
- Additional live entertainment being explored
- Returning cigar vendor and expanded vendor participation
- Silent auction returning; outreach for donations and high-end items

**Ticket Pricing Structure**

- General Admission: \$100
- Price increases to \$110 after June 1, 2026
- VIP Tickets: Starting at \$480 (includes one drink ticket per guest)

**Sponsorship Packages**

- Tea Rose
- Pearl
- Diamond

- Additional details forthcoming

**Motion**

In alignment with last year's assessment amount and to maintain consistency in our fundraising efforts, the committee recommends keeping the same assessment structure for the 2026 Pink Summer Soirée.

I move that we accept the assessment of \$300, which represents \$100 per ticket.

Sisterly Submitted,

Soror Kamela

Soror Brittany

*Fundraising Committee*

**Officer/Committee: NPO Adhoc Committee**

**Updates**

The NPO committee resubmitted our application to establish a 501c3 organization, as directed by the Regional Director. There haven't been any updates at this point. The committee will continue preparing documents as we wait to hear more.

Sisterly Submitted,

Soror Brittany N. Wilson

**Officer/Committee: Enhance our Environment**

**Updates**

Enhance Your Environment March 2026 report

Homewood-Flossmoor Clean-Up Day. Their original registration deadline was March 19th to accommodate T-shirt orders with our vendor. However, they're happy to share that they've reopened registration so volunteers can continue to sign up!

Please use the attached Google Form to register. <https://forms.gle/NfGEZWQsgkaGmatz6>

- They did order a limited number of additional T-shirts in select sizes, and TRO is welcome to check availability when you arrive at registration on the day of the event.
- If you are with a large group, (TRO) please ensure you note that when answering the last question. Each person must register so if you are with someone else, please ensure every person even minors register on form individually.

Thank you again for signing up, we're looking forward to a great day of community, connection, and making our neighborhoods a little brighter!

Respectfully,

Chair Soror Diane Robison and Co-chair Soror Dawn Davis

## **Officer/Committee: Uplift our Local Community**

### **Updates**

Notes from Uplift our local community March 2026 meeting

1. **Purpose:** The meeting was held to discuss and plan a new partnership initiative with Harvey School District for a girls empowerment program called GEMS (Girls Empowered and Motivated for Success).

#### **2. Participants:**

- Danielle Brasfield: Meeting organizer and committee chair who led the discussion and coordinated the partnership initiative
- Dana Nichols: Key collaborator who worked behind the scenes to establish the partnership with Harvey School District and provided program details
- Carolyn Levystein: Committee member who participated in decision-making and requested meeting notes for official reporting
- Julia Patterson: Committee member who raised scheduling conflicts and volunteered to present at the event
- Lolita C. Liggons: Committee member and Harvey School District alumna who volunteered to present at the event
- Gabriella Hayes: Committee member who arrived late but received updates on the planned activities
- Annika Knight: Volunteered for being a speaker for the event.
- Marsha Carthan: In agreement with the partnership.

#### **3. Topics:**

- GEMS program partnership with Harvey School District for May 9th symposium
- Scheduling conflicts with ME process dates and AKA Day at the Capitol
- Speaker assignments for four relationship workshop topics (friends/foes, parent relationships, dating, self-care)
- Potential Easter Sunday single-along event at nursing home (postponed to June)

- Update on missed prom dress season initiative
- Plans for "Uplift Our Young Men" program partnership with Dr. Alexander of HF High school TBA.

4. **Summary:** The most significant discussion centered on finalizing the GEMS symposium partnership. The group decided on May 9th after ruling out May 16th due to ME process conflicts. Participants readily volunteered for speaking roles, with Annika taking parent relationships and Lolita choosing friends/foes topics. There was consensus to postpone the Easter Sunday nursing home event to June due to the holiday timing. The committee expressed strong support for the Harvey School District partnership, particularly since it provided full logistical support including venue, food, and students. No major unresolved issues remained, though speaker assignments for dating and self-care topics still needed finalization.

5. **Outstanding Issues:** The meeting objectives were largely met. Outstanding issues included finalizing speakers for the dating and self-care workshop topics, confirming the flyer design and approval process, and scheduling the postponed nursing home single-along event for June (avoiding ME process dates).

6. **Tone:** The meeting maintained a collaborative and enthusiastic tone throughout. Participants were supportive of the partnership opportunity and readily volunteered for responsibilities. The atmosphere was productive and focused, with genuine excitement about the community impact potential of the GEMS program in the Harvey School District.

Respectfully submitted,

Danielle Brasfield

Uplift Our Local Community, Chairman