

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

**Date: Monday, March 23, 2026**

**Executive Meeting No. 3**

The meeting was held on March 23, 2026. The meeting was called to order at 6:33 PM by the Basileus Soror Stephanie L. Ivey. Anti-Grammateus, Soror Tondalaya Lloyd was present. The meditation was presented by Soror Telia Chilton. A quorum was established (X) yes ( ) no. There were 25 members present. See attached attendance list.

I. The agenda was adopted by general consensus with one correction. Standards was moved to the first order of business under Committee Reports and given by Soror Brittany Wilson

II. The minutes were approved by general consensus

**III. Officers Reports**

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

- Happy Women's History Month!
- Reminders as we prepare for CRC
  - Voting on CRC Central Regional Director Candidates at March Chapter Meeting.
    - International Chairman of Sisterly Relations, Soror Tresa Dunbar Garrett
    - International Nominating Committee Chairman, Soror Nichole Wilson
- Voting on Boule Delegates. Reach out to the Anti-Grammateus, Soror Tondalaya Lloyd to check eligibility.
- Kudos to TRO's best and brightest
  - Britany Wilson as a Chicago Defender Award Recipient.
  - Shatina Edwards was highlighted by Michelle Obama for her Mean Girls organization.
  - Stephanie Ivey first department accommodation award from the Chicago Police Department
- Thanks to Soror June Cold Boulware, Imani Crenshaw, and Carolyn Levystein
- **Membership Experience**
  - TRO may potentially bring 11 potential new members.
  - Gave thanks to the committee and chair
- Founders' Day celebration to be held after March Chapter Meeting
  - Pink and Green Business Attire, so pants are permitted

- The Basileus met with the soror to address her concern and possible solutions
  - These recommendations may be implemented as early as Chapter Retreat.

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

- “If you can January and February, you can March”
- Encouraged all Sorors to live by our standards, follow code of conduct and must exemplify what we are expecting from our candidates.
- Encouraged Sorors to do a self assessment and look within to ensure you will be a good example and living AKA

**C. Pecunious Grammateus Report** - Soror Kamela Fulbright presented the report. For the months of February, 2026 the chapter collected \$795.00. 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 February, 2026: Operations account balance \$36,928.92; Program account balance \$46,248.09; Contingency account balance remains unchanged at \$3,202.90. The Tamiouchos Report will be filed for audit and placed online in the Members Only section of the TRO website.

**E. Epistoleus** - Soror LaShelle Royster presented the Epistoleus report.

- TRO received five campaign flyers for Sorors running for international positions.
- There are 14 candidates for our Candidate Night.
  - TRO will host three candidate nights to accommodate them all.

**F. Hodegos Report** - Soror Danielle Hill presented the report.

- Birthdays, initiations and anniversaries for the month of March were shared and celebrated with applause.

#### **IV. Committee Reports**

**A. Standards Report** - Soror Brittany Wilson presented the report

- Chapter Retreat update.

- Survey to be sent out during Chapter Meeting to get updated data.
- Plan to hold retreat in August
  - Save the date: August 28-29, 2026

**B. AKApE Committee** - Soror Fabienne Williams Neimann presented the report

- Provided updates on the supports provided to Sorors in their time of need
- 9 greeting cards, 15 texts, 5 phone calls, and 1 gift given
- Needed Supplies: stamps and greeting cards
- Reminded Sorors regarding prayer mailbox and committee email for prayer requests.

**C. AKA Connections and Advocate for Social Justice** - Soror Tondalaya Lloyd presented the report

- Updates:
  - 5/12 judges who participated in the Judicial Forum won their races.
  - Next focus on voter education and mobilization for the November election and planned activities leading up to the election.
  - AKA Day at the Capital: May 5-6, 2026, Springfield, IL
  - Nia Odeoti Hassan nominees to be solicited at Chapter Meeting.

**D. Communications** - Soror LaShalle Royster gave the report.

- Encouraged all sorors to follow TRO on all social media platforms
- Created one flyer for the Community Cleanup to be held on April 4, 2026..

**E. Founders Day** - Soror Vanessa Vavasseur presented the report

- Founders Day Activities held during March, 2026
- Will show a video and play a match game and announce winners!

**F. Fundraising** - Soror Kamela Fulbright presented the report

- Pink Summer Soiree - June 28, 2026, Center for Performing Arts In Munster, Indiana.
- DJ returning from last year, along with the photobooth
- Looking for live entertainment
- Looking for vendor participation such as the Cigar bar
- General admission tickets start at \$100 and will increase to \$110, after June 1. 2026.

- VIP tickets/tables: \$480 includes one drink ticket per guest
- Sponsorship packages forthcoming

**Motion:** Soror Kamela Fulbright moved and was properly second by Soror Brittany Wilson to assign a Chapter assessment of \$300 per Soror for the Pink Summer Soiree. The ayes have it, The motion carries.

- Tickets are \$100 each.
- Sorors must purchase three tickets (\$300)

**G. Membership** - Soror Jackie Brown and Marsha Carthan presented the report,

**Membership Experience**

- Reminders regarding Sponsor and Co-Sponsor attendance during ME.
- Save the Date and the attire has been sent out via the chapter newsletter
- Candidates cannot be a part of the upcoming chapter events

**Activities for Membership**

- April, 2026 - Pearl Soror celebration(Jacqueline Heath Parker)

**H. NPO Ad Hoc Committee** - Soror Brittany Wilson presented the report

- A new process to submit for NPO is underway

**I. NPHC** - Soror Danielle Hill/Stephanie L. Ivey presented the report

- Reminder for White Sox night for the NPHC.
- Event will be done in collaboration with Sisterly Relations

**J. Protocol** - Soror Gabriella Hayes presented the report

- The Committee would like to go over the new attire guidelines for various events

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

- Will identify, manage and monitor reputational risks
- Jeopardy game at Chapter meeting

**L. Scholarship** - Soror Telia Chilton presented the report

- Received 14 applications
- Interviews scheduled for April 26
- Candidates will be chosen based on a blind voting process
- Process is detailed in the Operations Manual if any questions

**V. Program Reports**

**A. Enhance our Environment** - Soror Dawn Davis presented the report

- Homewood Flossmoor Clean up Day
- Sign up is underway

**B. Uplift our Community** - Soror Carolyn Levystein presented the report

- Partnership with the schools in District 152 for GEMS
- Possible dates May 9 and May 16

**VI. Unfinished Business: None.**

**IV. New Business: None.**

**V. Announcements:**

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

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Soror Stephanie L. Ivey, Basileus

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Soror Tondalaya Lloyd, Anti-Grammateus

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

**Attendance: March 23, 2026**

Sorors:	Present:
Alexis LeNoir	Y
Amanda Mitchell	Y
Andrea Sanders	Y
Bridget Lynch Alderson	N
Brittany Wilson	Y

Carolyn Levystein	Y
Chanay Mackey	Y
Danielle Brasfield	N
Danielle Hill	Y
Dawn Davis	Y
Diane Robinson	Y
Fabienne Williams Neiman	Y
Gabriella Hayes	Y
Gloria Pleasant	Y
Imani Crenshaw	Y
Jacqueline Brown	Y
Jean Rogers Yates	Y
June Cole Boulware	Y
Kamela Fulbright	Y
LaKisha Hillard	N
LaShelle Royster	Y
Marsha Carthan	Y
Monica Guthrie Purchase	N
Renita Craig	N
Rhonda Taylor	N
Rose Lee	N
Shatina Edwards	Y

Stacy Johnson	Y
Stephanie L. Ivey	Y
Telia Chilton	Y
Tondalaya Lloyd	Y
Vanessa Vavasseur	Y



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



**Executive Committee Meeting Agenda**  
*April 20, 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      |
| Parliamentarian                | Soror June Cole Boulware |
| Historian                      | Soror Imani Crenshaw     |
| Ivy Leaf Reporter              | Soror Amanda Mitchell    |



## VI. Committee Reports

AKApe	Soror Fabienne Williams Neiman
AKA Connections	Soror Tondalaya Lloyd
Archives	Soror Stacy Johnson
Bylaws	Soror June Cole Boulware
Communications	Soror LaShelle Royster
Founders' Day	Soror Vanessa Vavasseur
Fundraising	Soror Kamela Fulbright
Generation Next	Sorors Amanda Mitchell/Alexis Lenoir
Leadership	Soror Jacqueline Brown
Logistics	Soror June Cole Boulware
Membership	Soror Jacqueline Brown
Nominating	Soror Brittany N. Wilson
Panhellenic Council	Soror Shatina Edwards
Protocol	Soror Gabrielle Hayes
Risk Management	Soror Chanay Mackey
Rituals	Soror Andrea Sanders
Scholarship	Soror Telia Chilton
Sisterly Relations	Soror Bridget Lynch Alderson
Standards	Soror Gloria Pleasant
Technology	Soror Vanessa Vavasseur

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

Strengthen our Sisterhood	Soror Bridget Lynch Alderson
Empower our Families	Soror LaShelle Royster
Build our Economic Wealth	Soror Renita Craig
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	Soror LaShelle Royster
Adjournment	Soror Stephanie L. Ivey





Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®

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Officer/Committee Report

Soror: Carolyn Levystein

Date: April 20, 2026

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

### **Updates:**

Welcome home Sorors. CRC is over. I hope all of you are refreshed and ready to get back to work. Our Programs are busy at work, fulfilling the mission of service to our community. On Saturday, April 4th Enhance Our Environment partnered with the villages of Homewood and Flossmoor to participate in their Community Clean Up. The event began with breakfast at Wiley's Grill at the Coyote Run golf course in Flossmoor. Theta Rho Omega turned out in great numbers to participate. Even though the event rained out, the breakfast was a great time for sisterly relations and meeting members of the park district and community. The event will be rescheduled and TRO is committed to participating again. At CRC members of TRO enthusiastically participated in the regional service project to pack maternal care kits. TRO shipped our donation of baby wipes to Cluster VIII prior to CRC.

Strengthening Our Sisterhood/Sisterly Relations is planning an ice cream social supporting a local Black owned business. The event is planned to take place at the Culvers restaurant on Cicero in Matteson. The program chairman is making arrangements for this event and will give us a date when details are finalized. This activity will also include the Build Our Economic Wealth initiative.

May is mental health awareness month. Empower Our Families is planning a workshop to address stressors that can affect mental well being. A session of Mindful Pilates will also be included. We are looking forward to this much needed session. Date and time will be announced.

Advocate for Social Justice is looking forward to upcoming elections and developing strategies to increase voter registration and voting among our youth. ASJ will continue supporting voters in verifying voter registration, polling place addresses, and knowing the importance of early voting. ASJ was seeking nominees from TRO for the Nia Odeoti-Hassan award. Nominees must be active in the chapter for 24 months and demonstrate community service beyond chapter service events. Soror Shatina Edwards has demonstrated her vast community activities and she is our nominee. We are also looking forward to AKA Day at the Capitol. Registration will open soon. I encourage all sorors to participate in this event. Make your voices heard with our legislators.

Sisterly Submitted,

Soror Carolyn Levystein, Anti-Basileus

**Officer/Committee: Hodegos**

Birthdays

Danielle Brasfield	19th
Sonya Hubbard-Green	20th
Tiffany McCrary	20th
Renita Craig	23rd

AKAversaries

Amanda Coleman-Mitchell	Zeta Iota	2016
Annika Knight	Zeta Eta	2002
Carolyn Levystein	Lambda Tau Omega	1993
Faye Terrell-Perkins	Epsilon Theta	1970
Jacqueline James Lewis	Delta Chi	1970
Jean Rogers-Yates	Lambda Tau Omega	1993
LaShelle Royster	Alpha Theta	1998
Leonis Wright	Theta Gamma	1985
Lolita Liggons	Delta Beta	1984
Sherry West-Paul	Lambda Mu Omega	1991

Wedding Anniversaries

Faye Terrell-Perkins

LaKisha Hillard

Gloria Pleasont

**Officer/Committee: Chanay Mackey Risk Management**

**Updates.**

Tuesday, April 14, 2026 Meeting started: 6:06pm

Meeting Adjourned: 6:36pm

**Attendance:**

**Sorors: Chanay Mackey, Vanessa Vavasseur, Rhonda Taylor, Ericka Blakemor, Leigh Breedlove, Cheryl Richardson, Tiffany McCrary**

**April Meeting Report and BADDIE submission Proposal**

**Directions:**

- For a chance to win prizes, please answer each Jeopardy style question below in the form of a question, just like on the game show. For example, if the answer is "Unsisterly behavior," you would respond with "What is unsisterly behavior?" Helpful hints and additional guidance can be found in the TRO Chapter Risk Management Plan. Three winners with the most correct answers will be awarded prizes. You will have until May 4<sup>th</sup> to submit your answers using this LINK: \_\_\_\_\_ Winners will be announced in the May BADDIE.

**What is Reputational Risk?**

- Reputational risk is the threat or danger to the reputation, good name and legacy of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®, its regions, chapters and members. Reputational risk can occur through the actions or activities of the sorority itself, directly or indirectly through the actions of Sorors and/or individuals in attendance and through the actions of third parties. The reputation of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® is built on more than a 100-year legacy of sisterhood and service. It takes less than five minutes to ruin our sorority with a post on social media such as Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and Snapchat. Every form of social media or internet platform affects our sorority's reputation. In a 24/7 news cycle, it takes but a few minutes for the sorority's brand to be tarnished.
1. Defines how members should uphold the Sorority's reputation and engage with one another?

# Theta Rho Omega Chapter

## Officer/Committee Report

Date: April 20, 2026

2. This reminds us to work diligently to foster the programs of the Sorority and participate fully in meetings and conferences that enhance personal knowledge and improve Sorority effectiveness
3. These examples represent types of risks:
  - Failure to adhere to Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated governing documents
  - Bullying
  - Cyberbullying
  - Unsisterly behavior
  - Inappropriate social media postings, including photographs and videos
4. Not Discussing chapter business, voting results, candidates' names, ME activities outside of the chapter
5. The threat or danger to the reputation, good name and legacy of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, its regions, chapters and members can occur through the actions or activities of the sorority itself, directly through the actions of Sorors and/or individuals in attendance and through the actions of third parties

### **Retreat**

Committee proposes we present a segment at the 2026 Chapter Retreat

### **Annual Review – Chapter Risk Management Plan**

Committee members assigned to review and update RM Plan once Chair forwards an edited and shareable copy. Plan review and updates to be completed by Chapter Retreat.

Sisterly Submitted,

Soror Chanay. Chairman

**Officer/Committee: Rituals**

**Updates**

**Membership Experience Availability**

There will be a zoom meeting of the Rituals Committee on Wednesday, April 29, 2026, at 6:30 P.M. The invitation has already been sent to the 2025 Rituals Team.

Membership Experience requires set up, preparation and inventory management from the Rituals committee and we need to be aware of dates and personal availability.

**Rituals Workshop Central Region Convention**

I attended the Rituals Workshop on Saturday April 11, 2026, at the CRC. The workshop was facilitated by Soror Markea Haywood from Team Ready. It was informative and enjoyable.

**Points To Share:**

- Chapters present had budgets for Rituals ranging from \$100 and up depending on chapter size. Uses included storing, replacing, cleaning items, printing and copying.
- Graduate Rituals Chairman should have access to the Rituals.
- The Chapter Basileus should purchase two copies of the current Rituals, One for the Basileus and one for the Chairman to use. For undergraduate chapters the Graduate Advisor may keep rituals and materials.
- All Chapters should have in their collection a Standing Shield.
- Chapters should practice the pledge, and National Hymn annually to review the words.
- Ritual White Attire was discussed at length. Attire is uninterrupted white dress or suit, closed toe shoes with heels, no mules. Small peep toe, or sling back is acceptable. No embellishments. Jewelry should be a single strand of pearls.
- The events which require ritual white are Ivy Beyond the Wall, Chapter Chartering and Membership Experience. Sorors should wear ritual white where white is indicated.

# Theta Rho Omega Chapter

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- Several role plays were acted out which showed the responsibilities of the Philacters at the door.
- Ritual Attire is stated and defined by manual. The Protocol Chairman, Epistoleus and Basileus, will communicate oral reminders to the chapter at meetings and through written correspondence such as newsletter and invitation, what the event attire is. Business attire is conservative. Best Practice is what you would wear to an interview or an office job.
- The **Philacter's** committee is responsible for enforcement of entry. Entry may be denied if the soror does not have the proper credentials. Entry may be denied if Sorors are tardy. Entry may be denied if Sorors are not dressed in the proper attire.
- Some Chapter **Philacters** keep white shawls and flexible white ritual slip- on shoes at the door. They may ask the soror to put large jewelry in a purse.
- They may hold a purse if it is not white. Rationale, some Soror Guests may be elderly or have been inactive for some time who are coming to celebrate their loved ones. These practices are **optional**.
- Chapter Officers, and Ritual Chairman are NOT responsible for enforcement of compliance.

Respectfully,

Andrea Sanders, Rituals Chairman

**Officer/Committee: Fundraising**

**Updates**

The Fundraising Committee met on April 16, 2026, to continue planning efforts for the Pink Summer Soirée. The meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM, followed by a meditation led by Soror Brittany Wilson.

The committee reviewed key updates, including confirmation that a DJ and photobooth have been secured, with a contract pending. The silent auction will return this year, and ticket pricing has been established at \$100, increasing to \$110 after June 1, with VIP tickets starting at \$480. Sponsorship tiers (Tea Rose, Pearl, and Diamond) remain in progress.

Venue-related items are still pending, including confirmation of white chair covers and audiovisual setup. The committee also discussed chapter attire, opting against an all-white look and instead considering coordinated accessories.

Sponsorship planning focused on refining package structure and introducing a digital ad book to support promotion. Incentives for Sorors to drive sponsorships and ticket sales were also discussed.

Vendor planning included confirming the return of the cigar vendor, with outreach underway for additional vendors, including artists. Silent auction planning centered on identifying high-value items and beginning outreach for donations.

Live entertainment options were discussed, with next steps focused on aligning selections with the event budget and continuing outreach efforts.

The committee outlined next steps, including finalizing contracts, confirming venue details, completing sponsorship packages, and initiating outreach for vendors and auction items. Members were also encouraged to begin ticket purchases and promote the event broadly.

Sisterly Submitted,  
Soror Kamela  
Soror Brittany  
*Fundraising Committee*

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

**Updates**

- The committee met on April 15. We submitted Shatina Edwards as our chapter nominee for the Nia Odeoti Hassan Award to be presented at AKA Day at the Capitol.
- We will hold a competition for the chapter to see who can get the most number of people registered to vote amongst their friends and family and they must bring proof.
- Get out the vote efforts will include candidate forums, Voter Squads to help those who cannot make it to the polls to request a mail in ballot and send it in and a “Black Men Vote” event to be held in collaboration with Kappa Alpha Psi
- AKA Day at the Capital registration will be \$65 but not yet open. Not sure of the advocacy topics but looking to make appointments with our legislators now. Past efforts centered around black maternal health and teen suicide prevention.

Sisterly Submitted,

Soror Tondalaya Lloyd