



The Bustle

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Beta Sigma Phi—Southwest Houston City Council

President's Message

Dear Sisters,

Sweetheart Ball 2025 was a smashing success! We had more than 70 attendees for the "Jewel of the Nile" soiree at the Hilton Garden Inn on Saturday night. The ballroom was decked out in black, gold, and jewel tones to celebrate our sweethearts. The "In Time" band provided great music for dancing and listening. Everyone looked so beautiful in their party clothes. A big shout-out to the Sweetheart Ball committee for their hard work to make this event so special. A job well done.

Linda Noltz, president of Preceptor Nu, chaired this event and led the talented committee. I also want to call out Michelle Lovelace, who had to step down as co-chair due to an illness in her family. Nevertheless, Michelle was cheering on the committee with encouraging texts and emails. We missed her at the ball, but her spirit was with us. Working on a SWHCC committee is a great way to make new friends in other chapters. Placing chair covers, tying bows, placing centerpieces, and decorating tables can be a bonding experience. Again, my thanks to everyone who worked on the committee or contributed to the success of the ball, teamwork really did make the dream work.

Looking ahead, Founder's Day is just around the corner. Sherry Sweet, ADT, and SWHCC treasurer, is leading the charge for the Founders Day committee. Mark your calendar, April 26th, 11 a.m. at Falcon Point Country Club. This event is one of the most treasured in Beta Sigma Phi. The event marks the end of the sorority year and the beginning of the new year.

Spring is just around the corner, and I am looking forward to it. The last few weeks have been cold, we even had some snow. Mardi Gras has begun, trail riders are heading to Houston for the rodeo, and Spring Break will be here shortly. Bluebonnets will be here soon.

I am thy sister,
Sandra

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This and That.....News from Council

ATTENTION: Sisters of Beta Sigma Phi

To kick-start our Friendly Ventures Committee, we are launching a contest among all Council of Chapters BSP Sisters from now until April 5, 2025.

We will host a special Social Event on April 5, 2025, with details to be announced later. A prestigious prize will be awarded to the Sister who brings the most attendees to this event. This Social aims to introduce prospective members to Beta Sigma Phi and encourage them to join our sisterhood.

Let's work together to make this event a success and grow our community!

Council Meeting



The next council meeting will be Thursday, March 13th. Mark that date on your calendar and make plans to attend. Beta Buzz starts around 5:00 pm with the Council Meeting starting at 6:30 pm.

LOST AND FOUND

Did you lose an earring or a pair of glasses at the Sweetheart Ball. If you did, they have been found. Please contact Sandra Simpson to claim your lost item.

Hostess Schedule 2024 -2025

March 13, 2025—Laureate Iota Tau

April 10, 2025—Xi Alpha Epsilon Omega

May 9, 2025—2025-2026 Executive Board

Editor Notes:

Make sure you check out pictures starting on page 3 from the February SWHCC meeting.

And you won't want to miss pictures starting on page 6 from the Jewel of the Nile Sweetheart Ball.

Enjoy!!

Until next month.....

Jill



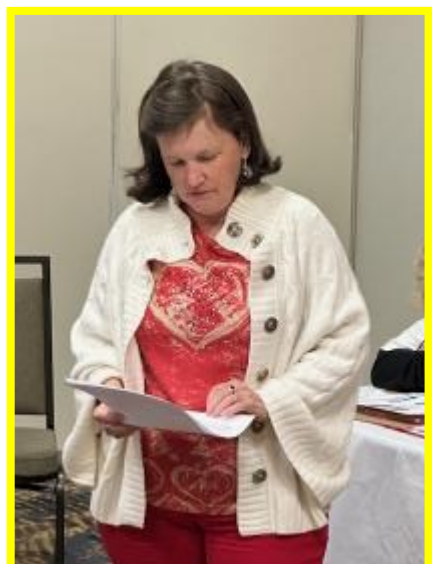
February Southwest Houston City Council Meeting

The February 13th Council Meeting was hosted by Laureate Iota Omega. We enjoyed a program presented by the LIO members on the time the Chapter spends together for a Girls weekend in





ADT sharing
information on
the upcoming
Founder's Day
in April



LIO's trip to Galveston.....



Jewels of the Nile

SWHCC Sweetheart Ball 2025



Chapter Sweethearts



**Barbara Meurer
ADT Sweetheart**



**Barbara Hupe
LIO Sweetheart**



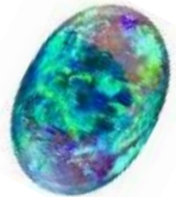
**Carina Hadnot
PN Sweetheart**



Chapter Sweethearts



Congratulations!



Sweetheart Ball Memories

There was plenty of food, fun, music and dancing and of course all the beautiful Sisters!



The People!



The Smiles!



The Fun!



The Music and Dancing!



And Still More Dancing!



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Mary Crochet, Jill Coble, Sherry Sweet, Sandra Simpson, Joan Batts, Barbara Meurer, Winona LaBrant, Jeanne Melton



THE RIGHT PLACE TO BE
BETA SIGMA PHI
94TH ANNUAL FOUNDER'S DAY



THE CLUB AT FALCON POINT
24503 FALCON POINT DRIVE
KATY, TEXAS 77494
SATURDAY, APRIL 26, 2025 11:00AM-2:00PM

FEBRUARY SERVICE/SOCIAL

For our second service project of the year, we decided to combine a social and a service project. On Saturday February 8th the sisters of ADT went to the Sunrise Senior Center in Cinco Ranch where we provided snacks, juice and prizes for their Bingo Bonanza. About 30 residents participated. We served in different capacities. Some of us served snacks and drinks, some helped the residents track their bingo numbers on their cards and still others called out the numbers and passed out the prizes. Everyone had fun and they told us we could come back anytime!



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After serving our seniors, our day wasn't over, we were just getting started. Time for lunch and some more sisterly fun. We had a scrumptious lunch at Southern Dough Baking Co. and shared comical moments about our interactions at the Sunrise Senior Center.

We then embarked on a walkable scavenger hunt via the "Let's Roam" app to find numerous historical treasures scattered throughout the downtown Katy area. We visited iconic landmarks such as Katy City Hall, the Old Post Office located in the Katy Heritage Park, the Stewart-Lott Home and the MKT Railroad Depot among others.



Melinda and Barbara at the Old Post Office



The ADT gang at Katy City Hall



Overall we walked about an hour and a half discovering history about each site and solving clues and completing some funny challenges along our journey. And of course we did a lot of laughing as we found our way around! We completed our victory by creating a big "V" in the center of the Harvest Plaza.

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SWEETHEART BALL 2025

Sweetheart Ball 2025, an amazing night to celebrate with all of our sisters and to honor our ADT Sweetheart Barbara Meurer. Everyone had a great time from dancing to viewing the slide show of all of the sweethearts to the conga line. Even the rainy weather didn't dampen the excitement and the celebrations. The ladies looked amazing in their "jeweled" dresses/outfits and the men were handsome in their formal wear. It was certainly a night to remember. Thanks go to Chairs Linda Noltz and Michelle Lovelace and the entire Sweetheart Ball committee.



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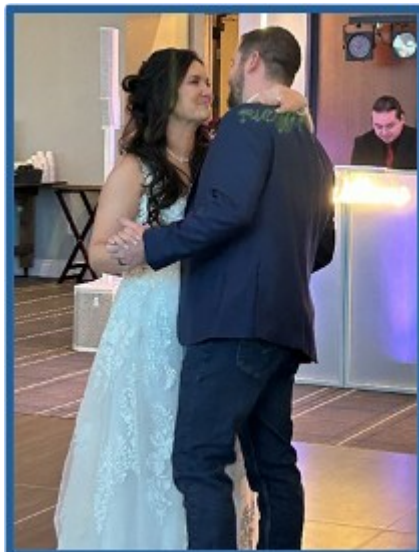


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ON A PERSONAL NOTE

Celebrating with Barbara on a wonderful weekend at Tapatio Springs Hill Country Resort in Boerne, TX attending the wedding of her daughter Emily to Lance Williams. It was a picture perfect, gorgeous day!! Celebrating with all her family, especially the cutest little flower girls made it all the more special!!!



LAUREATE IOTA OMEGA

REPORTER: BOBBIE VILES

No report this month.





Isn't she the absolute definition of a "Cutie, Petutie"? She is not a "baby model"; but really should be! Meet Wren, Mickie Wright's youngest great granddaughter.

Happy Birthday
Briar



Mickie's older great-granddaughter, Briar, just turned ONE!



Nance reached a momentous milestone in late January. She has completed all her radiation treatments and was encouraged to ring the bell! Bet you'd like to know what's inscribed beneath the bell?

Congratulations, Nance!

RINGING OUT

Ring this bell
Three times well
Its toll to clearly
say,

My treatment's done
This course is run
And I'm on my way!

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We are truly fragile creatures, each one of us. Suzy wound up breaking her ankle in three (3) places (see picture she's holding up on her cell phone); and thus, spent her birthday, Feb. 21st, in the Rehab facility. She was released Monday and is now recuperating in her own home.

Heal good & fast, Suzy!



THE SWEETEST CHAPTER MEETING EVER!



Our PN Chapter meeting was held at our now customary meeting locale, The Hilton Garden Inn, Sugar Land, TX on February 18th at 6 p.m. Mickie Wright hosted our meeting and bedazzled our meeting area up with everything Galantine and more! The Program Mickie selected to entertain us with was the Origins of Valentine's Day. We all sat spellbound at many of the revelations she shared. There were two (2) prizes. Shawn won the top prize for best costume and Sandra won the drawing. Following our meeting, Mickie entreated us all to a richly adorned with chocolate buttercream and red & yellow icing flowers and lettering, Heart-shaped delicious cake that she had specially made for us.



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PN's 2025
Sweetheart,
Carina Hadnot

Theme: JEWEL OF THE NILE

HOW SWEET IT IS!
PN at The SWEETHEART
BALL

Linda & Randall enjoying the fruits of
her exhausting labors as Chair of the
SH Ball Committee.



The Photo area for groups.
(Many thanks to Toni Laas for
contributing authentic "Nile"
artifacts for the Ball's adorn-
ment)



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PN Girls just wanna have FUN!

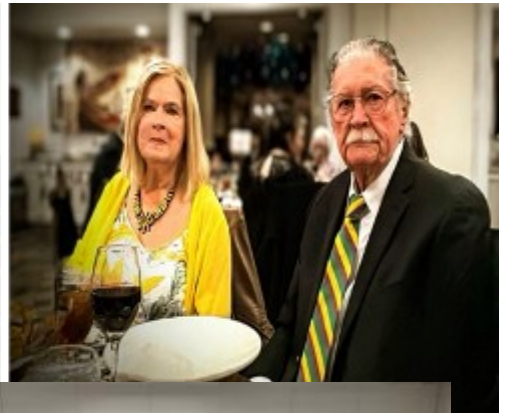


PN's Power Couples



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PN's Power Couples



Many thanks to Joan Batts and Mickie Wright for their amazing creativity and painstaking efforts towards these fabulous table decorations!

I may be a Senior but I don't have to dress like one, right?



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The band selected for the evening's entertainment, "In Line" was a HUGE success! Well done, Jill and Linda!



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2025 SISTERS OF PRECEPTOR NU



Carina, our Sweetheart and I would like to express our appreciation to the Committee for the extra effort put forth to put this event all together, and for such an impressive attendance.

On another note, this earring was found while we were cleaning up. If yours, please contact one of us at PN and we'll see it is returned to you.



XI ALPHA EPSILON OMEGA

REPORTER: JILL COBLE

The month of February found Xi Alpha Epsilon Omega Sisters adventures continuing as we headed to Jeana's house for "Petals and Prosecco" to celebrate Galentine's Day. Arriving, we were greeted with Valentine's decorations and of course, prosecco!! On the menu was a delicious Galentine's lunch prepared by Jeana.



HAPPY
galentine's
DAY



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Following lunch, it then came time to design our Galentine floral arrangement in pretty Valentine vases. We learned the 4 simple steps to help with our flower arranging. Then Beverly taught us how to make a bow to add the final touch. For our first try, our XAEO Galentine arrangements came out pretty good and were beautiful. Thanks to Jeana and Renita, our XAEO Social co-chairs, for a fun Galentine Day.



Galentine's
Day

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Our February Chapter meeting found us traveling to Jonathan's the Rub. Following lunch, we held our business meeting and discussed plans for upcoming events.

Next our travels took us to the Jewel of the Nile Sweetheart Ball. We celebrated our Chapter Sweetheart Jill with a pre-party hosted by Pam and Mark McDuffie. Then off to the ball for more celebrating and dancing. And it didn't stop there, we continued on after the ball with a "post ball" party.



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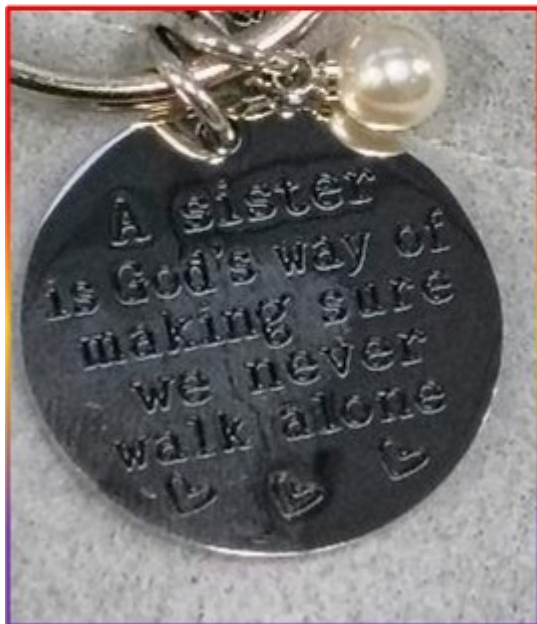
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XI ALPHA ZETA

REPORTER: GIGI KENNEL

XAZ meeting in February was held at Lopez Mexican Restaurant with Lori Bownds as hostess and Diana as Co-hostess. – Mexican food and Margaritas galore! Fabulous food and Scintillating conversation! Lori gifted each of us a silver keychain as a sweet memento.



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We held rituals on February 11th at Jeanne Murray's home – Lori Bownds received the Ritual of Jewels; Miriam and Gigi were presented with the Order of the Rose; last but certainly not least Jeanne Melton was honored with the Torchbearer Degree. We enjoyed a tapas feast as we celebrated our sisterhood!



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MEMBER AT LARGE

REPORTER: JOYCE FRANK

WINONA L, JOYCE C AND JOYCE F ENJOYED THE SWHCC SWEETHEART BALL. THE FRIENDSHIP WAS FLOWING AND IT WAS GOOD TO BE WITH GREAT FRIENDS.



JOYCE HAD A BUSY JANUARY THIS YEAR, WHICH INCLUDED HER GRANDSON'S WEDDING TO KATLYIN, HER BIRTHDAY AND THE HER GRANDDAUGHTER, ANNA'S 25TH BIRTHDAY.

JOYCE'S DAUGHTER, DEANNA TOOK HER OUT ON HER BIRTHDAY. THEY WENT TO FULLBROOK ALE WORKS AND HEARD THE DUELING PIANOS, THEN ENJOYED A BIRTHDAY PARTY AT BINGO.



MEMBER AT LARGE

THEN FAMILY AND FRIENDS CELEBRATED JOYCE'S GRANDDAUGHTER, ANNA'S 25TH BIRTHDAY AT FRIO GRILL IN SPRING.



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