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Welcome to a New Sorority Year, Sorors,

I'm excited ! The start of a new sorority year is now here and we have the ability to access, reset, reengage, and dream bigger than we ever have before. We have the opportunity to imagine ourselves stronger, faster, wiser, and more successful than we were in 2016-2017.

But first a recap of the time spent between our June newsletter and today. We commemorated our Founder's Day, hosted an awesome Toys U Can't Return workshop, and gathered together to celebrate our work for the year. In July, we headed to the quaint city of Long Beach, California for our 88th Anniversary National Convention. At the convention, Epsilon Tau received two National Awards for its outstanding work in technology and literacy/career exploration programs. Iota also crowned its National Soror of the Year, Epsilon Tau's very own, Wendy B. Jacques! Soror Wendy completed her term as the National Secretary and back to DeSoto, we came. There was no time for rest or break.

On August 4, 2017, the ET family supported our own Soror Dr. Tina Jackson in her first annual "Surviving the Game" conference here in the metroplex. Not only were several ET FIL in attendance, Soror Tiffany gave an excellent presentation on Real Estate. We gathered for fun and fellowship at our Sisterhood Brunch on Saturday, August 5. The food from Kessler Baking Studio was excellent! I received your uniform and school supply donations and we sent them off to Red Oak Faith Fellowship Church for their back to school drive on Saturday, August 11. Whew, and that was all during our off-season!

Just imagine all the great things we can do this year! We need you to bring your ideas and good energy to our first meeting and chapter planning retreat in September.

Seven gavel taps to Soror Wendy B. Jacques and the Toys U Can't Return Committee, all the sorors who attended our National Convention, our Founder's Day Committee, Soror Shelia C. Fisher and the Membership Committee, and Soror Tina Jackson and each soror who assisted with the Surviving the Game Literacy Conference.

This year, Epsilon Tau chapter will continue to support its membership, youth, and local businesswomen. We will be a safe haven for learning new skills, and stretching in our personal growth so that we can continue to build our reach and sisterhood. Epsilon Tau is "Empowering Women for Business." #ETWEAREWHY



Michelle Peace
Epsilon Tau President

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ET NEW OFFICER INDUCTION

On Sunday, June 11, 2017 Epsilon Tau inducted chapter officers for the 2017-2018 year. Epsilon Tau thanks Soror Vahnita Loud, Southwestern Regional Director Elect for conducting our installation of officers. Congratulations to Michelle Peace, President, Tiffany Bryant, Vice President, Mirshish (Shish) Boyd, Recording Secretary, Angelica (Angi) Thomas, Financial Secretary, Ján Harbert, Treasurer, Tonya Sawyer McGee, Journalist, and Vena Thomas, Dean of Intake. Epsilon Tau thanks Sorors Robin Mack, Katrina Stevens, and Shelia Fisher for their exemplary service as Secretary, Financial Secretary, and Dean of Intake to the chapter from 2013-2017.



FOUNDER'S DAY

On June 1, 2017 ET Sorors paid homage to the founders of Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc. Soror Michelle Peace served as chair of this committee. The National President's message was delivered by National Recording Secretary Wendy B. Jacques.



88th ANNIVERSARY NATIONAL CONVENTION 2017



Epsilon Tau wins the Priscilla D. Thomas Literacy Award and the Marcella Morrison Technology Award.



Epsilon Tau's 88th Convention Delegation. Sorors In attendance (clockwise): Katrina Stevens, Jocelyn Dilworth, President Michelle Peace, Shelia Fisher and Wendy Jacques.



ET Soror Wendy B. Jacques was crowned the Mahala S. Evans Outstanding National Soror of the Year and received special recognition from National President Soror Stephanie Dilworth for her service as the National Recording Secretary.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION BY NATIONAL PRESIDENT

EPSILON TAU SUMMER ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

2017 Dallas Wings

SURVIVING THE GAME

August 4th Tipoff 7:00pm
Dallas Wings vs Seattle Storm
at College Park Center

Join Surviving the Game as we educate youth between the ages 12-25 about important lessons relating to financial literacy and well-being.

Agenda for the day:

- Financial Literacy workshops 2i-5:00
- Wings tipoff at 7:00



◆\$15 Tickets
(includes workshop & Wings Ticket, orders are fill or a first-come, first-served basis)

DEADLINE TO ORDER TICKETS July 31st, 2017

To purchase tickets please visit
www.Dallaswings.com/promo
And enter Promo Code:
STGWINGS17



During the summer, ET was on fire with service and educational activities. On August 4, 2017, ET's own Soror Tina Jackson collaborated with the Dallas Wings to host a conference entitled "Surviving the Game." Many ET Sorors and FIL participated in the event and watched the Dallas Wings play.



TOYS U CAN'T RETURN

On June 10, 2017, Epsilon Tau's Toys U Can't Return committee presented a workshop on self-confidence and choices at the George Farrow Recreation Center in Irving, TX.



EPSILON TAU CIVIC OUTREACH



In support of a local family in need of back to school items, Epsilon Tau donated uniforms, backpacks and supplies to five children at the Red Oak Faith Fellowship Church.



ET SUMMER SISTER SOCIAL BRUNCH

On August 5, 2017 ET sorors engaged in a brunch social at Kessler Baking Studio. ET sorors took a little time to gather and catch up with each other.



ET SOROR RECOGNITION

On June 24, 2017 after a long year of working, ET Sorors fellowshiped, relaxed and honored each other for dedicated service to Iota Phi Lambda and Epsilon Tau at our end of year, ET-Spa-tacular.



SMALL BUSINESS TIP

PREPARING FOR CRISIS by Dr. Tonya Sawyer-McGee

When natural disasters can strike, it is vital that businesses plan for recovery. Here are some tips to prepare for rebuilding and sustaining your business after a disaster:

- Contact your insurance as soon as possible;
- Seek assistance from the Small Business Association or other reputable agencies; you may qualify for financial assistance to rebuild;
- If you don't have one develop or create a back up plan; your company should have a business continuity plan in place;
- Keep petty cash on hand; this may vary depending on the size of your business and in the wake of lost electricity or power, ATMs and banks may be inaccessible;
- Stay in communication with customers and/or staff working for you as soon as you are able.

It's vital keep communication going to prevent staff turnover and lost customers who are not aware of your situation.

September 2017 Calendar of Events

September 4, 2017



September 9, 2017

FIL Meeting, Hampton-Illinois Library

September 10, 2017

ETO Board Meeting, Hampton-Illinois Library

September 10, 2017

ET Chapter Meeting, Hampton-Illinois Library

September 16, 2017

Toys U Can't Return Presentation, ROPP-Concord Baptist Church

September 21, 2017

ET Meet and Greet, Green Door Public House

September 23, 2017

SWR Virtual Planning Meeting

September 27, 2017

GSWBCC 6th Annual Women's Conference, Hilton Garden Inn

September 29-30, 2017

Chapter Overnight Planning Retreat, Aubrey, TX

September 30, 2017

Chat & Chew, Aubrey, TX