



Alpha Kappa Chats...

President's Message



Greetings Sorors.

Welcome to the home of the WORLD SERIES CHAMPS HOUSTON ASTROS! Houston needed this victory. In spite of what city has been through for the past three months. The Houston Astros smashed their way to a World Series title. GO ASTROS!!! During the month of October, you see a lot of pink everywhere including on the baseball field, and you hear the latest facts about the accomplishments of breast cancer warriors. Alpha Kappa again showed their support of the fight on breast cancer. This year everyone dressed in pink apparel and showered our chapter survivors with pink buttons, pink lapel, pink cups, pens, caps, shirts, wristbands, and recognized each breast cancer survivor in our chapter. We had a pink table at Sorority meeting. Sorors also engaged in activities in the community, church, and other organizations; especially our Past Southwestern Regional Director. Linda Cannon. She gets involved tremendously at her church.

In collaboration with Breast Cancer month, we also focused on Hurricane Harvey as our Make a Difference Day. Harvey's long-lived odyssey has ended but its catastrophic impacts of its aftermath last for weeks and months to come. When it hits home is when sisterhood comes into play. Alpha Kappa members gathered their resources and helped the five Chapter members impacted by the storm. Supplies, food, clothes, shoes, water, money and Sister-to-Sister interactions were given to those affected by Harvey. It just did not stop there as help was needed throughout the community, shelters etc. Alpha Kappa also collaborated with UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief). Alpha Kappa Chapter wanted to help not just persons in Texas, but other states and territories affected - Florida, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Each member made at least four hygiene kits and brought them to the October meeting. These kits will be mailed to UMCOR and this organization will mail them all over the world where needed. Alpha Kappa also shared a 'Cup of Comfort' themed: Hope after Harvey with a few of our sorors. Our Past SWR Director Linda Cannon shared a comforting story from Oprah Winfrey..." I know for Sure" and she gave little tokens. After every storm there is a rainbow. Alpha Kappa is continuing its commitment to business. The list just goes on and on in what we are doing. I seek your continuous prayers for ours five sorors who are not back in their homes yet; however, we are working on moving upward and onward in efficient service. Together we can and we are making a difference! In the spirit of Alpha Kappa's 2017 theme: **GET ON BOARD! LET THE ADVENTURE BEGIN!**

*In the spirit of Iota,
Carolyn Jones, Chapter President*

Special points of interest:

- Community Outreach
- Go ASTROS!!
- IPL 13 Symposium

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CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

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**MAKING CANCER
H=I-S=T=O-R-Y!**



Sorors Rosetta Davis, Linda Cannon, and Sucelia Crowe attended various Breast Cancer functions. Trinity Gardens Church of Christ, hosted a Pink Tea Party on 7725 Sandra, Houston, Texas as a guest of Soror Pamela Denmon. An entire month for this program was organized by Pelati Joyce Beal and other Pelati and Sorors. Theme: Black out cancer with pink accessories!

FIL in Action

Performed to Kirk Franklin "Smile"

Kamylle Davis "Makes a Difference" by making and submitting Pampers Packs to be distributed at her school

FIL Kaylor Crawford and Scholarship winner Kourney Raven pack boxes to be distributed at Houston Baptist University.

You will never find time for anything.

If you want time you must make it.

- Charles Buxton

CONDOLENCES



Sorors,
It is with great sadness that I advise you of the passing of our beloved Soror Mary Bryan of Epsilon Sigma Chapter on yesterday. Soror Bryan was a member of Alpha Kappa Chapter 1991-2011 and she were one of my line sisters. She serves as a Journalist, Vice President and was Chair of the AEW Committee.

Please lift up her daughter and our soror Jacqueline Bryan-Guillory as well as the Epsilon Sigma Chapter in your prayers. Arrangements are pending...I will let you know as soon as I know. President

Rest in Peace Soror Mary



Your Houston Sorors

Alpha Kappa -This is It!



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Remember, you get a mega buck for attending All chapter event. So rack it up!



Soror Dr. Marion Godine spearheaded the UMCOR Project to assist citizens in devastated areas that includes Texas, Florida, Puerto Rico and the U. S. Virgin Islands.

“UMCOR—United Methodist Committee on Relief is grateful for your relentless prayers and support.”

Alpa Kappa members made the kits according to UMCOR specifications and submitted a total of 60 kits!

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Thank You!



“Leadership and learning are indispensable to each other.”

- John F. Kennedy

Community Outreach

Jump Start’s Read For The Record 2017 "QUACKERS" October 19, 2017

Jump Start is celebrating the 12th. Anniversary of its annual campaign, which gathers over 2 million people together around the world to read the same book on the same day. Read for the Record brings much needed attention to inequities in early childhood education, inspires adults to read with children, spurs policymakers and organizations to take action towards transformative change in early education, and put books in the hands of children across country. Iota Phi Lambda Sorority members from two chapters were instrumental in getting the message out to the community. Madeline Crawford (Librarian), and President of Epsilon Sigma Chapter needed volunteers to read to the children @ her school Fonwood Early Childhood Center.

Soror Carolyn Jones (Alpha Kappa Chapter’s president) and Dr. Marion Godine from Alpha Kappa Chapter along with ladies from other organizations signed up to read to the children's. Our own CBS KHOU11 Len Cannon Anchor/Reporter was there to participate as well



POSTAL WORKERS...

Alpha Kappa Sorors attended the Postal Workers Southern Region Awards banquet. Iota Phi Lambda Sorority was honored for outstanding community work and Soror Leana Taylor received an award for Outstanding Community Service. Sorors Lillian Parker and Rosetta Davis represented national and regional officers.

Soror Crockett also attended in support of Epsilon Sigma.



HAABSE’s 7th Annual Retiree Luncheon

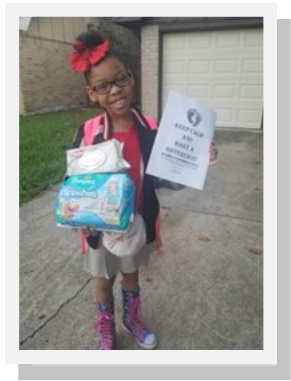


Tuesday, October 10, 2017 @ 12:00 PM
This scrumptious luncheon was attended by Sorors Dr. Elaine Bailey, Annie Crockett, and Dr. Marion Godine

Community Outreach

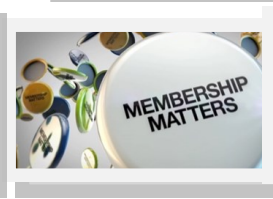
FUTURE IOTA LEADER

FIL Kamyille Davis taking in Pampers of all sizes and wipes to her school at Carmichael Elementary. On "Make a Difference Day"



NATIONAL NIGHT OUT!

National Night Out and Southeast Houston Community Breakfast were hosted by Iota Phi Lambda Sorority's 18th Past Terrace Association, anions on the Move Lillian Parker. Jolanda Jones, HISD school board member is also in attendance.



Regional/National News – IPL 13 "Toys You Can't Return" Symposium

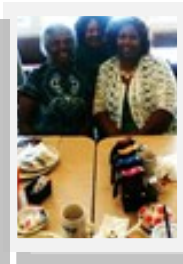


Iota's in the House!!

Cup of Comfort— Sister to Sister

A CUP OF COMFORT

Place:
IHOP 6888 Gulf Frwy
(Houston, TX. 77087)
713-847-9908
Time: 9:30 a.m.



WORDS OF COMFORT

Soror Seandra Naborne went through another surgery on last week. She is now at home recuperating. Let us pray that God will blessed our Soror Seandra Naborne with his loving care, renew her strength, and heal her in his loving name. Amen....
President



OCTOBER BIRTHDAY

Vivian White



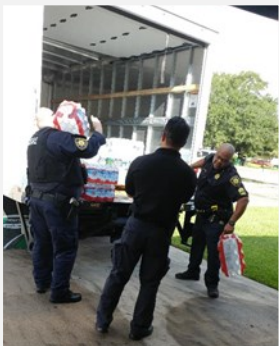
Community Outreach - Harvey's Havoc!

Alpha Kappa members are continuously involved in transporting and delivering goods to persons in need.



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Soror Willie Burton, Alpha Kappa Chapter Past President, won the Fair Deal \$200.00 Christmas award!



MAKE A DIFFERENCE HYGIENE KITS MADE BY ALPHA KAPPA



WE GAVE SIXTY (60) !!!

Hygiene Kit

Value: \$12.00 per kit

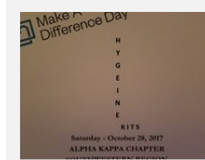
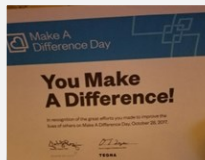
Hygiene Kit Materials

- 1 Hand towel
 - 15 x25 inches to 17 x 27 inches
 - Kitchen, cleaning, and microfiber towels not acceptable
- 1 Washcloth
- 1 Toothbrush
 - Adult size only
 - Do not remove from original packaging
- 6 Adhesive bandages
 - ¾ inch to 1 inch-size
 - Common household Band-Aids
- 1 Bath-size soap
 - 3 oz. and larger sizes only
 - No Ivory or Jergens soap due to moisture content
 - Do not remove from original packaging
- 1 Comb
 - Comb needs to be sturdy and longer than 6 inches long
 - No pocket combs or picks, please
 - Rattail combs and combs without handle are acceptable with a minimum of 6 inches of teeth
- 1 Metal nail file or nail clippers
 - No emery boards, please
- 1 plastic bag
 - One-gallon size sealable bag only
- \$1.00 to purchase toothpaste

Assembly Directions

Set the \$1.00 for toothpaste aside to be included in a separate envelope. Lay out the hand towel flat on a table. Lay the washcloth flat in the center of the hand towel. Place all remaining items on top of the washcloth. Fold over the sides of the hand towel to cover all of the items. Fold over one end of the hand towel so that it covers all of the items. Grasp the bundle of items tightly and

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Sister-to-Sister

Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc. had two members to be recognized and honored at Prairie View A&M University's 2017 Homecoming Celebration that was held on October 28, 2017. The graduating class of 1967 celebrated its 50th anniversary! Iotans Annie Upton Crockett from Alpha Kappa Chapter in Houston and Wanda Loud Wallace from Psi Chapter in Dallas were part of the grand 50 year celebration. They were bused from the hotel in Cypress, Texas to PV for the annual parade. Then the bus took them to the student center for the President's Luncheon and to the football stadium for the game and half-time recognition. After halftime, the buses took them back to the hotel for the banquet where the keynote speaker was the honorable congressman and ex-Kansas City Mayor, Emmanuel Cleaver a who also is a graduate from the class of 1967. We lived to get to wear our old jackets!



What's Coming?- Local

Networking Tea/Saga Rush: November 4, 2017 @ Marriott Spring Suites, 1400 OST, Houston, TX, 77054 @ 10-3:30 p.m.

Voting: November 7, 2017

Executive Committee Meeting: November 10, @ Soror Parker's Home

Alma E. Mackey Essays due: November 11, 2017 to Dr. Godine

Alpha Kappa Chapter Monthly Sorority Meeting: November 18, 2017, @ South Early College High School, 1930 Airport Blvd., Houston, Texas, 10:00 a.m.

American Education Week Program: November 18, 2017 @ 12:45 following Sorority Meeting

American Education Week: November 13-18, 2017

The Nutcracker Volunteer: November 9-12, 2017 @ NRG Center, Theme: Rockin and Shoppin, 713-535-3231



Carolyn Jones
Chapter President

Remember...

Harvey Relief Fundraiser by Lil' Audrey's Safe Place Foundation was changed to November 19, 2017

IMAP Bottles...as of October 28...you should have \$5.50 in your bottle, don't forget to bring it!

HURRICANE HARVEY RELIEF FUND...\$19.29...SUPPORTING OUR SORORS!

SNUGGLES...giving back to the community. Putting SMILES on little faces and the elders...\$35.00

...and of course...LET'S NOT FORGET OUR DUES...DEADLINE DATE: NOVEMBER 1, 2017

"Get on Board and join the adventure!"

What's Coming?- Regional

Regional Assessments Deadline: November 15, 2017

American Education Week: November 13-18, 2017

Evelyn D. Wilkey National Youth Essay Contest: November 30, 2017

"What Role Does Social Media Have in Today's Educational System."

Toys U Can't Return Application Due: Impfgrants@gmail.com by 12/10/2017



Vahnita Loud
Southwestern Regional Director

"Affirming the Legacy, Bonding in Sisterhood and Committing to Business"

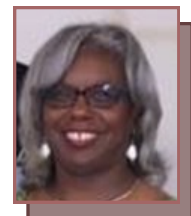
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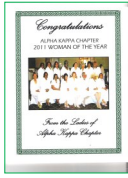
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Stephanie Dillworth
National President

"Business and Professional Women Furthering the Dream of Economic Independence"



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IOTA PHI LAMBDA SORORITY, INC.

Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc. is the first African American Greek-lettered business sorority established by African American business women. There are now more than 100 chapters with membership numbering more than 5,000 in 85 cities and the US Virgin Islands. Iota Phi Lambda is not an NPHC sorority and dual membership within Iota Phi Lambda Sorority and NPHC sororities is allowed.

Motto: "Upward and Onward in Efficient Service"

Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc. was founded in Chicago, Illinois, June 1929 by Lola Mercedes Parker and six other ladies, all of whom were engaged in the field of business. Her vision was to establish an organization which would offset the result caused by the great depression.

PURPOSE

(1) unite a sisterhood qualified business and professional women, (2) promote increased interest in business education among young ladies high school and college through planned programs and scholarships, (3) encourage leadership development through educational opportunities, (4) establish and promote civil and social service activities for youth and adults.

AIM

To make worthwhile contributions to our increasingly global society, promote the pursuit of excellence in all worthy endeavors among youth and adults, and develop leadership expertise among business and professional women.



Founder Lola Mercedes Parker

National President's Message— Fellowships and Grants

MESSAGE FROM THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT

FYI

Educational Funding and Awards

AAUW has a long and distinguished history of advancing educational and professional opportunities for women in the United States and around the globe.



One of the world's largest sources of funding for graduate women, AAUW is providing more than \$3.7 million in funding for fellowships and grants to 250 outstanding women and nonprofit organizations in the 2017-18 academic year. Due to the longstanding, generous contributions of AAUW members, a broader community of women continues to gain access to educational and

economic opportunities — breaking through barriers so that all women have a fair chance.

Fellowship and grant recipients perform research in a wide range of disciplines and work to improve their schools and communities. Their intellect, dedication, imagination, and effort promise to forge new paths in scholarship, improve the quality of life for all, and tackle the educational and social barriers facing women worldwide.

[.Congratulations to AAUW's 2017-18 fellowships and grants awardees!](#)

Our Fellowships and Grants American Fellowships

Who may apply: Women pursuing full-time study to complete dissertations, conducting postdoctoral research full time, or preparing research for publication for eight consecutive weeks.

Funding: \$6,000-\$30,000



2015-16 AAUW International Fellow
Oyenike Balogun-Mwangi

Opens: August 1
Deadline: November 15

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