



# Alpha Kappa Chats...

## President's Message



### Happy Holidays,

Christmas is often a time for celebrations, family gathering and all around Christmas Cheer! But what is easy to forget is it is also a time of reflection, especially for the year that just passed. It is very easy to get wrapped up in the whirlwind and not take time to think about all that has happened within our lives, families and friends, new additions and those that have left our lives for whatever reasons. You are duly invited to join us to our Christmas Celebrations **“LET” S JINGLE and Mingle!** Saturday, December 16, 2017 in the lovely home of our White Rose Queen Soror Lillian Parker. We will conduct **Iota** business first and the Christmas festivities will begin shortly after the meeting. Sorors just come to fellowship, relax, and take a break from all of your hard work that you have done for the past year.

We will soon be receiving new additions to the Alpha Kappa family. We had our pinning ceremony on December 14, 2017. Our Dean of Intake, Soror Lillian Parker, and her membership committee are bringing in the sheaves! “Bringing in the sheaves, “Bringing in the sheaves” We shall come rejoicing bringing in the sheaves!

Our Outreach Committee is traditionally sowing seeds of kindness with donations of toys and Snuggles for the young, toiletries for the aged, scarves for the homeless, goodies for FIL. Alpha Kappa is getting on **“BOARD”** ! Let us not forget our sorors who was affected by the storm. Those affected continue to recover despite the holidays being here, and good Iota Samaritans (AK, National, Regional, and individual Sorors) are making this Christmas a little brighter for them. A lady in the country once told me that “you strengthen your sisterhood by listening and trusting.” We all can strengthen our sisterhood by learning to listen to each other with both our minds and our hearts and by trusting others and by being trustworthy. In these two ways, we all can begin to enjoy the kind of unity exemplified by many of our sisters in the organization. The lady in the country also said **“Remember: You Came from Royalty.”**

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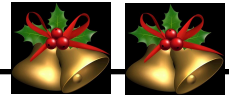
### Happy Holidays,

*Carolyn Jones, AK Chapter President*

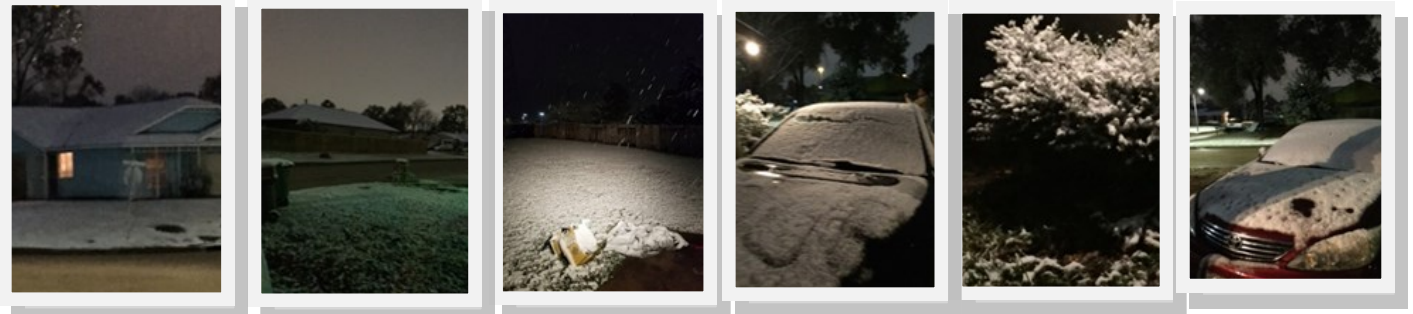


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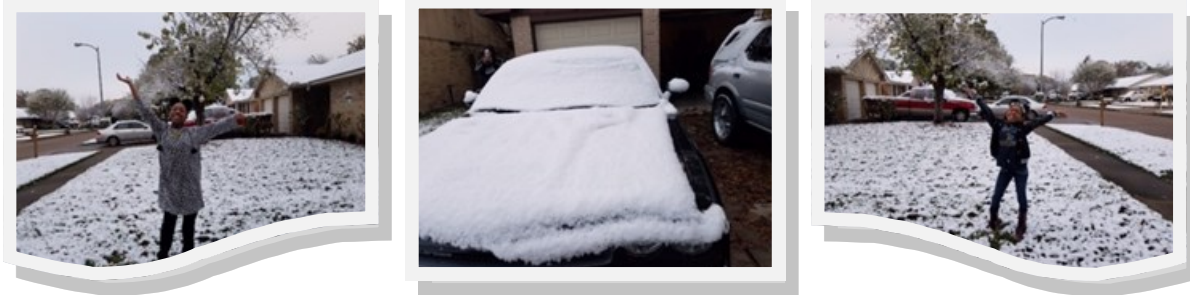
# Let it Snow...FIL in Action...Snow in Houston!!



Snow on Soror Crockett's street!



FIL Gabrielle Davis and Kamyllie Davis are celebrating the rare opportunity to dance in the snow!



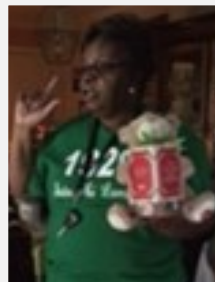
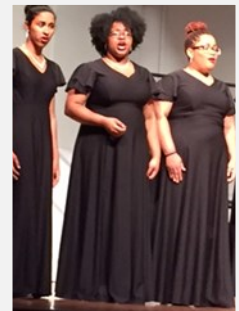
## FIL Christmas



Winter Tour participants of Shotwell MS where FIL Gabrielle Davis is a Varsity member donated toiletries and sang carols to seniors at Winchester Wednesday, December 20 (choir instructor did not send any pictures)... FIL Gabrielle and Kamyllie Davis narrated "Christ is Born" on Sunday morning December 24th Christmas Eve



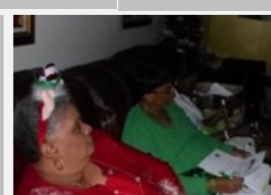
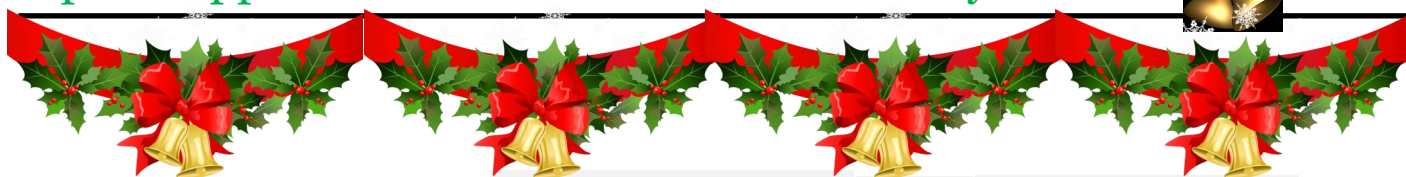
FIL sisters both performed Christmas solos with their respective choirs. FIL Kaylor Crawford performed as soloist on Hallelujah at Anthony Aguirre Junior High School and Alpha Kappa's National FIL scholarship winner Kourtney Raven led the Prairie View A&M University Chamber Choir in Silent Night!



Featuring...Proud Grandparents!  
Rosetta Davis and the Crocketts!



# Alpha Kappa Christmas—Sister to Sister Party



## From President's the Desk Nov. 27, 2017

Greetings Sorors, Jingle Jingle Let's Mingle: Join us for AK Holiday Party on Saturday, December 16, 2017

At the Lovely Home of Soror Lillian Parker, 3919 Luca St., Houston, TX. 77021

Time: 10:00 a.m./Meeting/Festivities

Christmas is one of the happiest holidays. During this season people often more generous. Families gather to help neighbors; donations are made to people in need. The practice of giving is not a recent innovation it began on the first Christmas when Jesus was born. Everyone in the story had something to give.

Christmas is a time for giving. The Outreach Committee is asking for each soror to donate the following items:

Toiletries –For San Jacinto Healthcare Center, 1405m Holland Street, Houston, Texas 77029

Unwrapped toys for "Cherrie On the Top Youth Center" This center is a place for teen kids. Their mission: We infuse youth to be strong steadfast professionals; specializing diverse life-skills and positive influence through active programs!

## Alpha Kappa Christmas - LOMEPAS

Alpha Kappa Chapter had their Lomepas Pinning, Thursday, December 14, 2017 @ The Business Development Center; 5330 Griggs Rd. Houston, TX. 77021 Candidates are Alma Banks Brown; Sharon DeRoueselle -Legacy of Soror Carolyn Jones; and Shondra Taylor Hope Wiley - Legacy of Soror Pam Denmon .



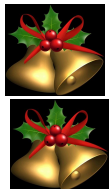
# Alpha Kappa Christmas—Snuggles



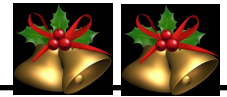
It's TIME to spread GOOD CHEER Sunday, December 17th @ South Union MBC located at 3550 Lydia. Sunday Service is 10:45 a.m. and our attire will be black w/green flower.

This year we will have *Snuggles the Bear* carrying a total of 35 (\$5 gift card from McDonalds) to be presented by Madam President to South Union MBC. ...Looking forward to seeing you there.

Thanks,  
Soror Rosetta Davis



# Alpha Kappa Christmas—Cherrie on Top



Hello Sorors,  
 President (Jones) is playing Mrs. Claus delivery toys to "CHERRIE ON THE TOP YOUTH CENTER" Volunteer Director Mr. Emil Clemons. Their mission is to infuse youth to be strong steadfast professionals; specializing in diverse life skills and positive influence through active programs. They teach youth age 9-15 diverse life skills such as diverse etiquette, sports for life, and insight to the real world through their life skills program.

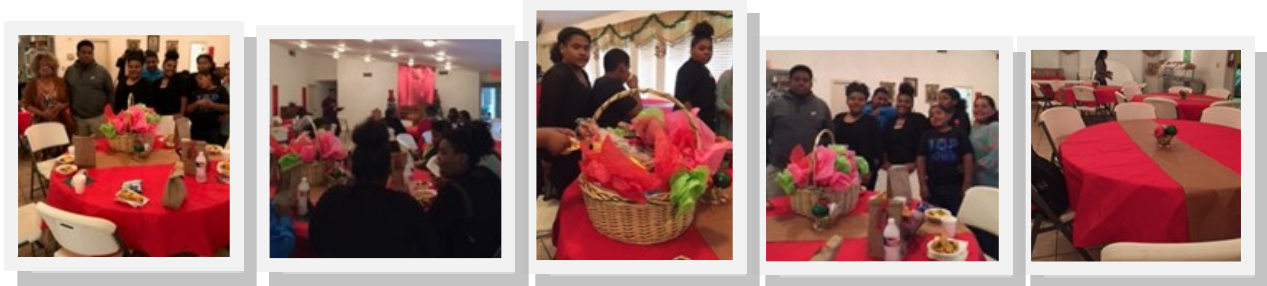


# Alpha Kappa Christmas—Gospel Hill MBC Day with Santa

Gospel Hill Missionary Baptist Church on Hirsch Road in Trinity Gardens, Brought Santa to the neighborhood. Each person received a goody bag, personally prepared by Sister Annie Crockett and Sister Sanders. MOI Lewis Crockett conducted activities.



The Williams family receives the food basket from Alpha Kappa Chapter after the sudden passing of their father and husband, Fitzgerald Williams. The seven children are participants of Alpha Kappa's HAYS and /or FIL. Condolences to the family.



# Alpha Kappa Christmas –Timothy Project Awards



Alpha Kappa's partner Timothy Project: Youth Mentoring Youth held its Annual End-of-Year Celebration on December 9, 2017 at Christian Tabernacle Church on Wallisville Road. Soror Annie Crockett and Man of Iota Lewis Crockett served as presenters during the program. The Timothy Project Choir sang two selections. Dajanae, Malachi, Christian, and Jade competed in the recitation of the 66 books of the bible. Jaleah recited the Old Testament. All children competed and received \$1 for each book of the bible plus \$5 for the 23rd. Psalms. Three of the participants received \$71.00! These activities are part of Timothy's money awareness activities that are initiated by Alpha Kappa at the Annual Kick-off each year in April.

All attendees were treated to a scrumptious menu of ham, hot wings, fajitas, guacamole, spinach salad, mac and cheese, gumbo, soft drinks, red velvet cake and vanilla cake!

# Alpha Kappa Christmas—South Early College HS

## South Early College HS

**SHOUT OUT!**

**"HERE'S TO LIFE WHO'S IN NEED".**

**SPECIAL THANKS TO THOSE** who participated in the successful Blood Drive.

On December 8, 2017 at South Early College High School.

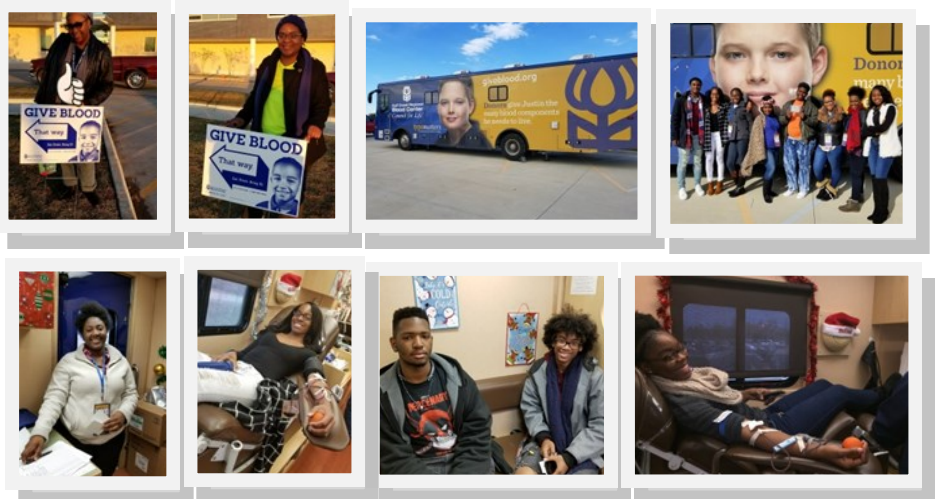
Job Well Done! For all your services.

The Medical Club/Sponsor: Miss Tiffany Mouton/

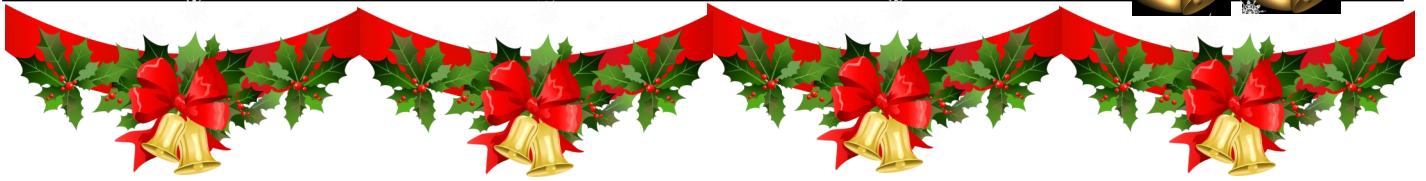
Student Council Members/NHS/Senior Class 2018/ SECHS/

Mr. Steven Gourrier Principal/Administration and Staff.

**THANKS TO ALL DONORS!**



# Alpha Kappa Christmas—Sister-to-Sister



## CONDOLENCES

Soror Vivian White  
Soror Rosetta Davis  
Soror Marion Godine  
Soror Linda Sharpe Family

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

Soror Vida Herbert  
Soror Bertha Ann Moore  
Soror Ethel Bell

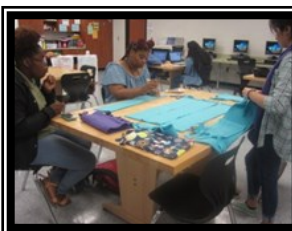
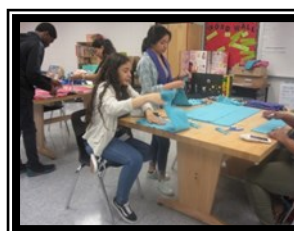
# Alpha Kappa Christmas-FIL in Action



The FIL of Davis High School made 200 scarves for the homeless. The scarves were donated to The Salvation Army on December 16, 2017.



Soror Joanna Lockridge is Education & Training Coordinator Davis High School



## What's Coming?- Local



*Casino Trip 1/192018*

*Do Western Dance, February 9, 2018*

*Lomepa Induction, January 20, 2018*

*The Fredda Witherspoon National Scholarship, Wednesday, January 31, 2018*

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Carolyn Jones  
Chapter President

*"Get on Board and join the adventure!"*

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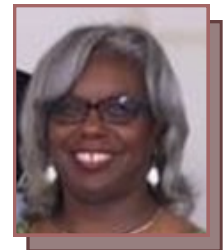


Vahnita Loud  
Southwestern Regional Director

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

## What's Coming?- National

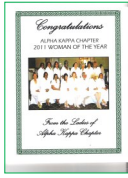
*The Fredda Witherspoon National Scholarship, Wednesday, January 31, 2018*



Stephanie Dillworth  
National President

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





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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—  
Happy Holidays**

**A LETTER FROM THE NATIONAL  
PRESIDENT**

**Iota News Today  
2017 Newsletter**



**December 23, 2017  
Holiday Edition  
Vol.2. No.1**

**Dear Sorors:**

Happy Holidays! As we welcome in a New Year, we must reflect on all of the accomplishments achieved, challenges met, and losses of members that have impacted this great organization, Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc. for decades.

I am proud to release this Holiday Edition of the National newsletter for 2017. It provides a wonderful recap and is full of information for the year to come.

Please click the below link to read the newsletter and see highlights  
Click here: [\\_](#)

**[Iota News Today, Holiday Edition, Volume 2, No. 1.](#)**

Sincerely,

**Stephanie Dilworth**  
**962 Fuller Avenue**  
**St. Paul, MN 55104**  
National President



*All great achievements require time" Maya Angelou.*

Members of Iota are encouraged to take the opportunity during black history month 2018 to remind your communities of our rich local, regional and national history. As your National President, I am charging each chapter and region to celebrate their story. Look in your archives and conduct workshops, share your material with national headquarters, or your local community. Use your local newspapers, websites and social media to celebrate your story...

**IOTA'S HERSTORY!**