

# Presidential Greeting

Greetings Sorors,

Black History Month is here!

Black History Month provides us with an excellent opportunity to give reverence to our ancestors for their struggles, prayers and their faith that bought us this far. As I reflect on Carter G. Woodson who set the foundation for what would become today's National Black History Month, I have to reflect on our Founder. Soror Lola Mercedes Parker set the foundation for what would become today's Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc., with a group of Sorors who realize that the struggle for many in our African American community is real and who continues to strive to make a difference.

The theme for Black History Month in 2018, "African Americans in Times of War", Sorors as we prepare to implement our Black History Programs, let us honor our Sorors and Men of Iota who served our country. Our Black History Month Chair Soror Juanda Wallace and committee have been working diligently on the details for the activities planned for this month. Sorors, I invite you to come out and participate in these events Psi Chapter's Pinning Ceremony was held on Saturday January 13, 2018. It was a wonderful program, which was well attended and supported by Psi Chapter Sorors and the SWR Director, Soror Vahnita Loud. The following candidates were pinned by their Big Sisters and became Psi Chapter's 2018 Lomepa Club: Tonya Cooper, Collette Jones, Marilyn Kendrick and Carla Mass. The Lomepa Community Service Project was held on Friday, January 26, 2018 at the Ronald McDonald House in Dallas. Participating in arts and crafts with the children was a fun time for all who attended. Psi Chapter Sorors enjoyed a blessed time on Sunday January 28, 2018 as we attended service at Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church with the Lomepas. Psi Chapter Brunch with Psi's President, hosted by the Lomepas, at the Olive Garden Restaurant was a grand affair and well attended by Sorors and MOI. Thank you Lomepa Club of 2018 for a memorable Sunday. A dozen White Roses to Soror Beverly Moore, Chair. The 71st Southwest Regional Conference is fast approaching. Our Psi Chapter family (Sorors, Pelati, MOI and FIL) will be attending the conference in great numbers. I am excited that we will be there once again to support our SW Regional Director, Soror Vahnita Loud and our Assistant SW Regional Director, Soror Rosetta Davis, as well as our SWR Treasurer, Soror Wonda Traylor.

Blessings,  
President Brenda Napier

*Empowered, Engaged, and Equipped.*

*To Enable The Power of Women And Youth in Entrepreneurship.*



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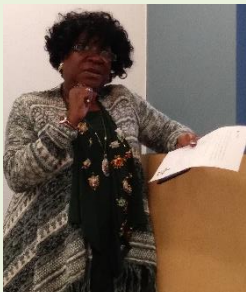
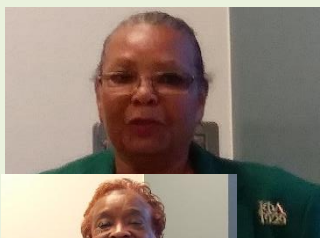
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# PSI Chapter 2018 Pinning Ceremony

## Psi Chapter is Growing Welcome Little Sisters! Mighty Fabulous "4"



On Saturday, January 13, 2018 Psi Chapter held their pinning ceremony for, Spring 2018. The "Might Fabulous 4" recited their Lomepa pledge and was introduce to their Big Sisters and Psi Chapter family. L-R Lomepa Carla Mass, Lomepa Marilyn Kendrick, Lomepa Collette Jones and Tanya Cooper. The pinning ceremony was wonderful **CONGRATULATION LADIES!!**



### Pinning Ceremony Speakers

Pictured above: Sorors Dr. Vicki Sellers, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP, Letitia Speed, Chaplain, Soror Lisa Clemons; Joyce Hodges, Judy Jenkins, Juanda Wallace. Pictured Below: SWR Director Soror Vahnita Loud and SWR Treasure Wonda Traylor; Psi Chapter Sorors enjoying the program. Soror Linda Cole sharing information about beloved mascot, the Iota Turtle. Article by Soror Vivian Jordan. Soror Deloris James provided refreshments. (Photo credit: Soror Newtonia Hemphill, Journalist.)



*Congratulations!*  
*Sorors Beverly Moore and The Membership Committee and Successful Program*



## Lomepa Workshop

### National Events

#### \*Priority Deadlines\*

National Fil scholarship  
Due to National **2/28/18**  
Due to Regional **2/12/18**

Alice P. Allen Scholarship  
Due to Regional **2/12/18**  
Due to National **3/1/18**

Dorethea N. Hornbuckle  
Scholarship  
Due to National **3/1/18**  
Due to  
Regional **2/12/18**

All National Scholarships are to be forwarded to the Nation President Elect, Soror Dorothy White.

#### Psi Chapter Birthdays

Chiquitha R. Malena 2/14  
Gwendolyn Brewer Cotton 2/18  
Charlotte Berry 22/18  
L. Shonny Young 2/23

#### Psi Calendar Events

2.10.18 Pelati Meeting 11:00: AM

Call Pelati Bates for the correct address

2.16.18, Alma I Mackey Scholarship

2/16/18 due to Soror Mary Nickson,

**Friday 2.16.18, Lomepa Fun Night 6:00 PM African American Museum, Fair Park. 3536 Grand Ave, Dallas, TX .**

**2.17.18 Business Meeting 10:00 AM Meadows Conference Center. 2900 Live Oak. Dallas**

2.17.18 Career Exploration Program 1:00 PM Southern Methodist University, Dallas, TX

Sunday, 2.18.18 Induction Ceremony 5pm Polk-Wisdom Branch Library, 7151 Library Lane, Dallas, FIL

Friday 2.28.18 National FIL



**STUDY! STUDY! STUDY!...**The Lomepa's attended their informational workshop at the Polk- Wisdom Library, Saturday, January 20 @2P.M. Our Dean of Intake, Beverly Moore kicked off the workshop with reviews, questions, tips and encouragement. Psi Chapter President Brenda Jackson Napier, welcomed the Lomepas, during the workshop. The Lomepa Club workshop is the time members will have an opportunity to discuss and learn how Iota Phi Lambda, Sorority, Inc. PSI Chapter was founded. Not only will Lomepa members learn about our historical sorority but they will learn key components to our sorority's founding but also our most secret traditions. We take pride in our Lomepa song, sorority pledge, National and Chapter history, etc. The workshop was taught by Lomepa Big Sister's Wonda Traylor, Juanda Wallace, Dr. Vicki Sellers and Dororthy Glover (Lomepa Song) and LeTitia Speed.

**Sorors, Great workshop ladies!** (Article by Soror Vivian Jordan; Edited by Journalist).

### *Business and Professional Women!*

### *Lomepa Club and Big Sisters at Ronald McDonald House*



### *Lomepa Sunday Church Service at Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church*



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### Sisterly Relations... Psi Supports Epsilon Tau's Suicide Awareness

The race in life is not given to swift nor the strong but those who endure until the end (Ecclesiastes 9:11). One of the most horrifying experiences for anyone in life, is the unexpected death of a loved one gone way go soon. Death is unavoidable at the cost of suicide and depression. The program Epsilon Tau hosted for their FILs at Southwest Center Mall was amazing. It was filled with wisdom from Dr. Stacia Henderson Alexander, a professionally trained Clinical Psychologist. She was impactful and gave supportive wisdom to all who were present. She address the conversations she held with her audience prior to the events beginning and recapped during the program. She specifically targeted concerns teenagers are dealing with bullying and depression in relationships. For me, her takeaway was simple this, “don't live your trying to satisfy other people and never experience your own joy. Instead, let go of dead weight and be free”. Soror Newtonia Hemphill



Southwestern Regional Conference  
6 East Greenway Plaza Houston,  
(Parking \$25 Daily)



### PSI Chapter FILs Outing

Psi Chapter Sorors and FILs enjoyed an outing at The Black Academy of Arts and Letters. The Kankouran West African Dance Company filled the house with cultural dance and traditional worship songs. It was refreshing experience (left).



Psi Sorors celebrating with Past WOY Mrs. Floristene Johnson. 50 She was honored as a Golden member AKA (above).

### Southwest Regional Conference

Important Dates: March 8-11, 2018

Information has been distributed by President Brenda Napier. You can book your hotel reservations by clicking on the link in the body of her email, you can also go to the SWR website for all updated information

**Deadline Extended to February 09** – 71<sup>st</sup> SWR Conference Registration

Deadline (Dianna Ollies)

