



Alpha Kappa Chats...

President's Message



Greetings Sorors,

During the month of March we celebrate Women's History Month and honor the courageous women in our history who have marched, organized, and advanced the promise of equality, including such giants as **Susan B. Anthony, Lucretia Mott, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Ida B. Wells, Lola M. Parker** and others who are forgotten in the suffragist movement that helped win the fight for women's right to vote.

We have sorors in Alpha Kappa and our Sisters Chapters that are fighting to make progress in their communities. There are many steps that need to be taken to expand the economic opportunities available to America's women. We will continue to make this a priority by showing young girls and women that they deserve to be placed anywhere they desire, especially in the **STEM** (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) field. According to CNN **2018 WILL BE THE YEAR OF WOMEN**. Women everywhere are rising up, taking the women's movement into the mainstream.

In the spirit of Iota,

Carolyn Jones

President-Alpha Kappa Chapter

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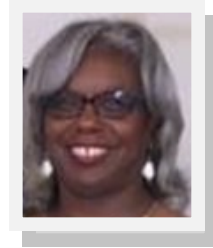
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Alpha Kappa Celebrates Women History Month!



Iota Phi Lambda Sorority's Historical Women



Lola Mercedes Parker
Iota Phi Lambda, Sorority, Inc.
President Emeritus, 1929



Lillian Faye Parker
Iota Phi Lambda, Sorority, Inc.
18th National President, 1999

Stephanie Dilworth
Iota Phi Lambda, Sorority, Inc.
Current National President

Alpha Kappa Celebrates Iota Phi Lambda's Women!



Vahnita Loud,
current SWR Re-
gional Director



Rosetta Davis,
current Assistant
Director of the
Southwestern Re-
gion



Linda Cannon.
National Award
Winning Regional
Director



Carolyn Jones,
National Award-
winning Chapter
President and enthusi-
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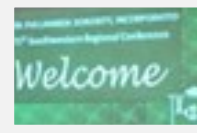
Alpha Kappa's Selfie Queen!



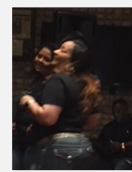
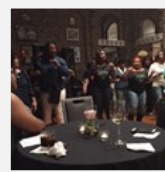
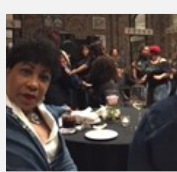


Southwestern Regional Conference

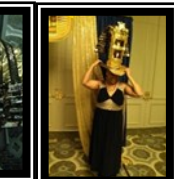
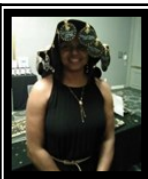
Many professional businesswomen convened to carry out the aims and ideals of the Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc. The SWR officials and host chapter Epsilon Sigma held a very enjoyable and memorable conference! ALL are historical women!



Fun Night Featuring Comedian Jennifer Germany and the Rockeela Lyons Line Dancers, WHAT A GREAT PRESENTATION!!



Educational Luncheon/Awards Night



Alpha Kappa won numerous awards! Including Crazy Hat!





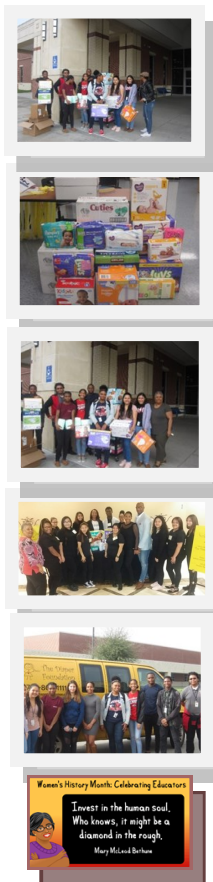
The Diaper Foundation Experience

On Wednesday, January 31, 2018 the Davis High School TAFE group whose sponsor is Soror Joanna Lockridge of IOTA Alpha Kappa Chapter of Houston, Texas served as hostess for the Diaper Foundation 1st annual meeting at the Bayou City Event Center. The students greeted, registered and served guests. The meeting was well attended with political representatives, business owners, and representatives from the Star of Hope, board members of the Diaper Foundation along with parents, friends and community members. Davis TAFE group has been an integral supporter of the foundation for six years. The first Davis High School TAFE president Martha Alvarez found this organization and felt in love with the foundation's vision and the rest is history.

Davis TAFE group has contributed over 6,000 disposal diapers to the foundation in years pass. This year the Davis TAFE group donated approximately 2,400 disposal diapers.

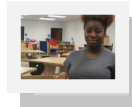
Ms. Joanna Lockridge the Davis High School TAFE group are honored to be affiliated with such a great cause. In addition to supplying disposal diapers, The Diaper Foundation also provide encouragement and counseling services for new mothers, while providing referrals for other sources of aid and classes.

Historical Woman—Joanna Lockridge



IMAP

Aiyanna Lawrence is a 10th grader at B.O. Davis High School. She has a 2 week baby girl by the name of A'Riyah. Soror Joanna Lockridge has been her mentor for the last 2 months and is working with Aiyanna to insure that she meets all her successful goals. Aiyanna is an honor student and her career goal is complete high school and become a FBI agent.



Soror Lockridge meets with the Davis PEP (Teen Prevention Education Program) once a month and presents an educational awareness lesson with our teen mothers. We have an average of 10 young ladies each session. Currently, the young ladies are developing an online vision board based on the poem The Road Not Taken by Edgar Robert Frost. Soror Lockridge read the poem to the students and allowed them to vocalize how this poem applied to their lives. She shared with them that we all have choices and often times there are diversion, however those diversions does not necessarily define our Destiney. The young ladies are in the process of developing their boards in planning their future. She encourage the young lady to choose which road they would take and make life happen, the road we choose can make the big difference in our lives.

FIL in Action!



Historical Woman—Rosetta Davis

On your mark, get set,,,,go!



TRACK MEET

FIL Gabryelle Davis is sprinter on her track team! Go Gabby!

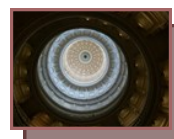


TRACK MEET

FIL Kaylor Crawford is a Jr. Olymoic Shot-putter at Aguirre Middle School. She is also a guard on the Aguirre basketball team!



MOI Damien Davis and FIL students visited the capitol on March 14, 2018 during Spring Break.



BUS TRAGEDY

Best wishes to the students in the Channelview HS band after their tragic bus wreck in Louisiana.



IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN!

Girl Scout FIL Cydney Fleeks message.

It's **Girl Scout Cookie Time** Ready to order your favorite cookies and power unique and amazin experiences for my troop and me all year long?...

Alpha Kappa Celebrates Community Spring Blast

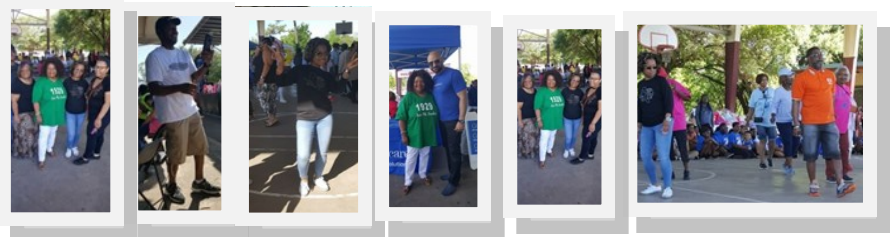


Historical Woman—Elaine Bailey

Historical Woman—Cynthia Bailey

Historical Woman—Shelia Jackson Lee

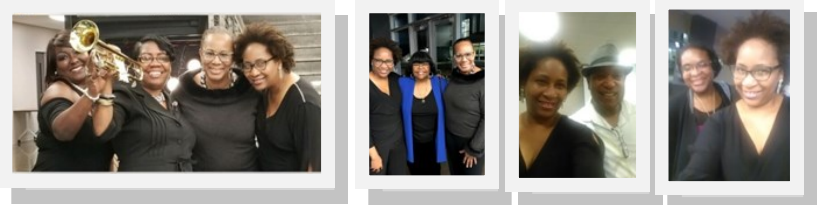
Historical Woman—Carolyn Jones



In the Community

Historical Woman—Linda Taylor

South Early College High School served as the host venue for the Celebrity Waiter's Dinner/Jazz Concert on Saturday, February 10, 2018 where proceeds will benefit the senior classes of South Early College and Worthing High School. Award winner recording artist, Vel Lewis provided the entertainment for the evening while local celebrities served as waiters for the 3-course dinner and Jazz Concert. Waiters included Dr. A. Allen, State Representative, L. A. Allen, Jr., State Board of Education, S. Gourrier, Principal, South Early and Dr. K. Campbell, Principal, Worthing. Tiffany Mouton, Pelati is the senior class sponsor, assisted by Soror Linda Taylor. Also in attendance were Marcel Beroit, Pelati along with other community members, family and friends. A touch of elegance was added when local FILS served as host and hostesses to the guests.



FIL Corner

SUMBC Academic Tutorials & Enrichment held their Black History Festivities on Tuesday, February 27, 2018. Participants were treated to some of the best soul food in H-Town along with tutorial assistance with homework. The highlight of the evening was when Jadon Cooper, 14 years of age, son of William & Bridgette Cooper shared his story about being a MX Motorcross Rider & Member of Team Blomfield MX. During the conversation, Jadon talked about being obedient and discipline. He developed the love of the sport from riding with his dad and decided to take it to another level. Also, present and sharing his story was Damien Davis, Man of Iota that started his own tutoring business (Mr. Homework) to assist the youth of today. Participants were able to view YouTube videos of Jadon's competitions (jadoncooper.com). Soror Linda Raye Taylor and Pelati Agnes Eglin serves as a volunteers. Youth are encouraged to take advantage of the help offered at SUMBC monthly.



Sister-to-Sister “Happy Birthday to You!”

February Birthdays

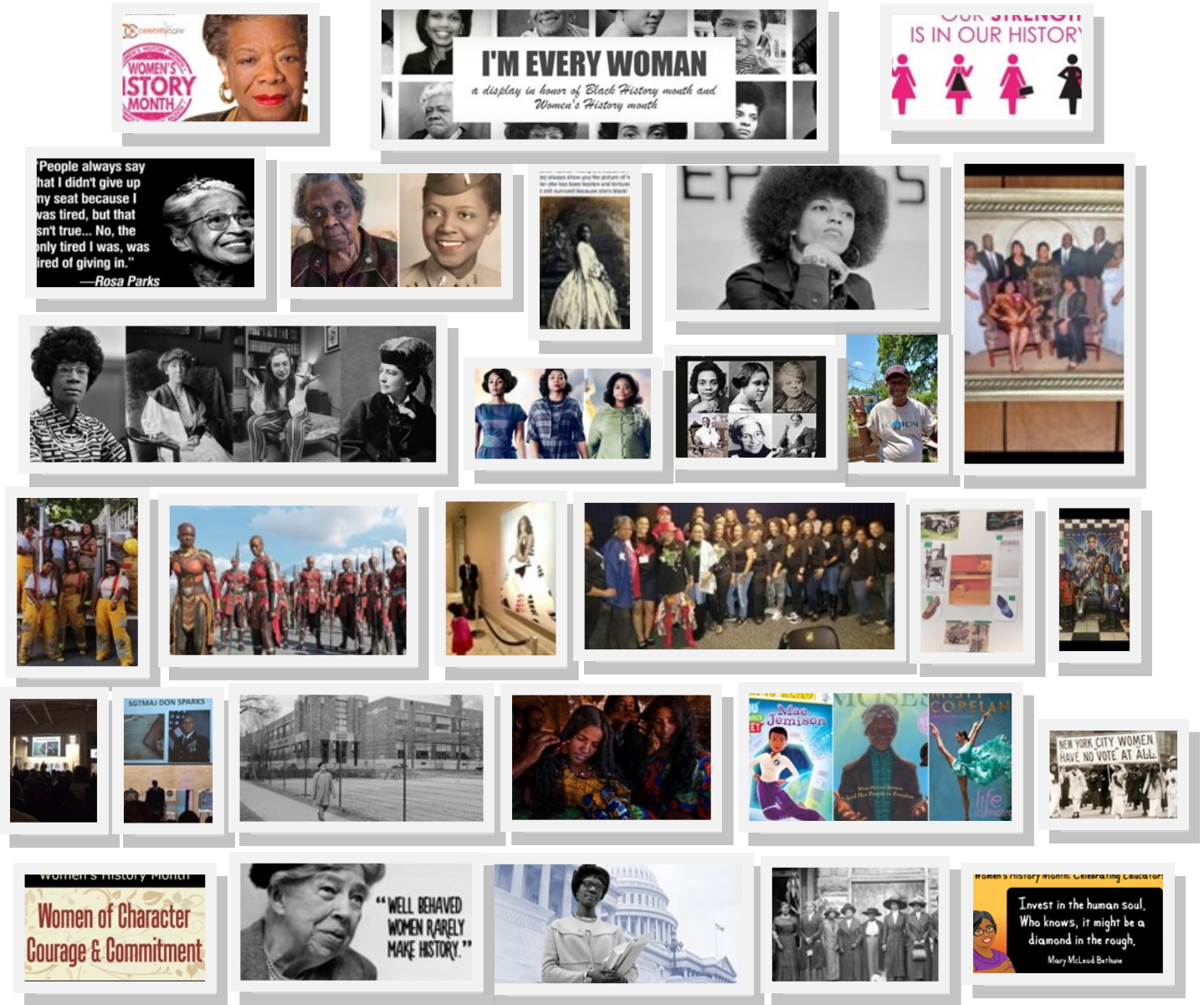
Linda Raye Taylor, 2/14

March Birthdays

Emily Bartley 3/4

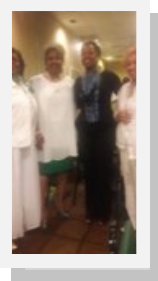
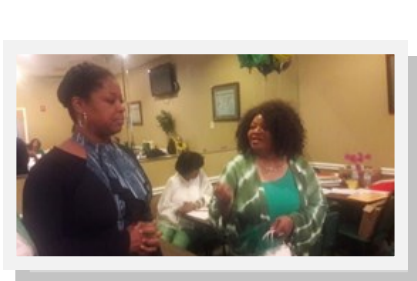
Sylvia Anderson, 3/16





Historical Woman

One historical woman that Alpha Kappa Chapter had the honor of listening to is Vascola Stoney at their March monthly meeting. Ms. Stoney is a member of Women's Ministry at Wheeler Avenue Baptist Church. She's a poetry performer. For one woman, God's grace is pure poetry! Her message was inspirational and encouraging!



WHATS NEXT? Get set, ready, ... GO!



Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc. Alpha Kappa Chapter



April 2018

Friday, March 30, 2018 **SPRING BLAST!** Hobart Taylor Park 8100 Kenton Street, Houston, TX 9a.m.-2p.m.

Digital Drop-In Workshop (Connecting with our Auxiliaries) **Thursday, April 5, 2018**
Houston McKean Library, 5107 Griggs Rd., Houston, TX 77021, 4-6p.m.

Saturday, April 14, 2018, South Early College HS , 1930 Airport Blvd., Houston, TX 77051
9 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Toy's "U" Can't Return ---HS Careers So "U" Want to be an "ENTREPRENEUR"
Vision boards, Cyberbullying, , Investment Banking, **visionboards, investment**

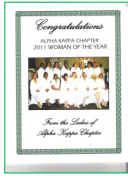
"Sista to Sista" Poetry. Prose, Storytelling & Author **BAYOU PARKLAND**
Saturday, April 21, 2018, 6520 Almeda Rd., Houston, TX 77021, 12 noon - 3:00 p.m., Attire: white

OBSERVING "I" SCHOLARSHIP LUNCHEON, SATURDAY, APRIL 28, 2018
11 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., CROWNE PLAZA HOTEL, 8686 KIRBY DRIVE, HOUSTON, TX 77054

BAM-MING FOR IMAP, SILVER /PAPER 10K WALK, BERTHA ANN MOORE SCHOLARSHIP FUND one dime @ A TIME = \$30.80, Saturday, April 28, 2018



Hello Sorors,
Support our Fundraiser
Founder's Day T-shirts are now available
Place your order online www.iotaza.org/events
Zeta Alpha will like to say Thank You!



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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

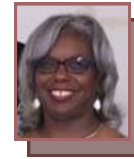
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"Get on Board and join the adventure!"

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

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