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President Napier Speaks Brenda Napier, Psi Chapter President

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Psi Chapter thank you for hitting the ground running with lota's programs, projects and community service.

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I had the pleasure to volunteer and attend, at the request of State Senator Royce West, the 2018 African American Leadership Institute Fall Policy Summit on Saturday, September 8, 2018. Iota Roses to the following Sorors who also volunteered and attended one or more of the workshops, Dwala Brown, Linda Cole, Beverly Moore, Judy Reeves, Martha Richmond, Vicki Sellers, Letitia Speed and Juanda Wallace.

Psi Chapter Educational Fund was one of 2,518 non-profit recipients on North Texas Giving Day. North Texas giving Day is Communities Foundation of Texas' (CFT) annual 18-hour online giving extravaganza for North Texas.

Iota Roses to SWR Director Vahnita Loud and the SWR officers for the second SWR Digital Planning meeting. The Planning meeting was informative and inspiring, all in attendance received very detailed information. I know that the Southwestern Region will reach new heights once the information received has been executed.

A dozen *lota Roses* to Dean of Intake Soror Linda Cole and the Membership committee, for an outstanding and beautiful Chat and Chew on Saturday 9/29/2018.

Turtle Hugs and Kisses to the President's Workshop committee for all their help in bringing my vision alive. #PsiConnects in Sisterhood, Accountability and Commitment. Thanks to Ms. Tera McFarland,

Licensed Professional Counselor and Chaplain for her dynamic presentation on "Love Your Sister (Soror) as Yourself".

Iota Roses to Soror Nona Fisher for her informative presentation on Protocol and Turtle Hugs to all Psi Chapter Sorors in attendance for their love and support during the workshop.

Sorors let us be mindful of the many observations celebrated in October two that are very dear to my heart is Breast Cancer and Domestic Violence Awareness. Let us do our part by giving a donation, volunteering and/or participating

in a breast cancer race and encouraging our sisters to do self-breast exams and schedule a mammogram. Sorors I challenge you to learn the facts on domestic violence, we can all do our part by abandoning false beliefs, embracing a culture of safety, and supporting the victims we know.

Sorors we are living in a time where it is crucial that we educate our young adults on how important it is for them to sign up to vote and for us to bind together as sisters to take as many people as we can to the polls to vote. Sorors I quote President Obama "Yes We Can" and Sorors we need to take it to another level "Yes We Will".



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AFRICAN AMERICAN LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE **FALL POLICY SUMMIT**

On September 8, 2018 Psi Chapter Sorors volunteered and attended one or more workshops at the African American Leadership Institute Fall Policy Summit at Paul Quinn College in Dallas, Texas. The workshop topics were:



Keynote Conversation



U. Renee Hall Chief of Police, City of Dallas



Dallas Police Chief Renee Hall and Senator Royce West listen to people ask questions regarding Botham Shem Jean shooting, on September 6, 2018.

Community Involvement

Psi Chapter Sorors Serving The Community

Registration Duty



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Registration Duty





CHAT-N-CHEW

By Soror Beverly Moore

Psi Chapter's Chat and Chew was held on Saturday, September 29, 2018 at the Polk Wisdom Library at 2 PM Three guests, thirty Psi Chapter members, the SWR Director, Soror Vahnita Loud and one of our Regional Officers, Soror Wonda Traylor were in attendance.

Our guests, Ms. Vicky Brown Johnson, Ms. Suzanne Cole-Lyons and Ms. Tangulon Guillory Gardner, received a warm welcome and were informed about Psi Chapter's history, purpose and civic involvement. They also received a gift of a beautiful white rose with green fern decorated with a green and white ribbon. Soror Linda Cole, Dean of Intake, explained the intake process and answered the guest's questions.

We enjoyed refreshments and had a wonderful time fellowshipping and getting to know our guests.

Kudos to our new Dean, Soror Linda Cole on your first event! Soror Cole and the Membership Committee worked tirelessly and did an OUTSTANDING job! We look forward to the Pinning Ceremony which is

scheduled for next month.



Seated Guest: Tangulon Gardner, Vicky Johnson and Suzanne Lyons

Standing: Sorors Dean of Intake Linda Cole, SWR Treasurer Wonda Traylor, President Brenda Napier, SWR Director Vahnita Loud, 1st VP Judy Reeves and 2nd VP Dr. Vicki Sellers



SCHOLARSHIP WECIPIENT GOLLEGE WOUND



Congratulations!! Tyana Mabors

Monday, September 17th was an exciting and busy day for Tyana Nabors. Sorors Dorothy Glover and Joyce Hodges met with our scholarship recipient at the Financial Aid Office of University of North Texas. After paying her Fall scholarship, they took her on a shopping spree for college dorm items.

The Scholarship Committee thanks all sorors for their monetary gifts donated at dance and has aspirations to own a

our last meeting. She has furnished her room with a small microwave and refrigerator. There was still extra money to give to the recipient. With the car packed, we returned to her dorm where one of her friends helped carry the items to her third floor room.

Tyana is studying to be a nurse and/or a bio chemical engineer. She loves to

dance studio in her neighborhood and give back to her community.

Turtle hugs and kisses to my sisters





L to R Soror Dorothy Glover, Tyana Nabors, and Soror Joyce Hodges



Friends helping friends

PRESIDENT'S WORKSHOP

Sisterhood > Accountability > Commitment

Soror Brenda Napier,

Psi Chapter President

Psi Chapter's President's Workshop was held on October 6, 2018 with the theme: #PsiConnects, Sisterhood, Accountability and Commitment. The program started with a welcome by President Brenda Napier and prayer by Chaplain LeTitia speed.

The icebreaker by Sorors Beverly Moore and Martha Richmond had all the Sorors putting on their thinking caps. Ms. Tera McFarland, Licensed Professional Counselor and Chaplain presentation on Love Your Sister (Soror) as Yourself" was professional and motivating.

After a delicious lunch prepared by Soror Deloris James and the Social Committee we started the second half of the President's Workshop.

Soror Nona Fisher gave a very informative presentation title "Protocol" and President Napier gave a presentation on "Strategies for Effective Committees"

Psi's 1st and 2nd Presidents, Sorors Judy Reeves and Vicki Sellers presented the 2018-2019 goals and Community list. The goals were created to provide purpose, challenge and meaning in bringing Psi's visions alive and the many agents selected on Psi's community volunteer list exemplified Psi Chapter's Sorors love for serving in our communities.

The 2018 President's Workshop was an inspiring and productive workshop that allowed the Sorors to connect in a special way.

Pictures from the President's Workshop can be viewed on Psi's Twitter account



Presenter: Soror Nona Fisher Topic: Protocol

Below: Guest Presenter Tera McFarland Topic: Love Your Sister (Soror) as Yourself







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Presenter: President Brenda Napier Topic: Strategies for Effective Committees



Award Presentation

L to R: President Napier, Guest Speaker, Tera McFarland, 1st VP Judy Reeves and 2nd VP Dr. Vicki Sellers



PSI CHAPTER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DATE	NAME OF EVENT	TIME	LOCATION
SATURDAY, 10.6.18	PRESIDENT'S WORKSHOP	10AM-2PM	POLK-WISDOM LIBRARY, 7151 LIBRARY LANE
SATURDAY, 10.13.18	PELATI MEETING	10AM	HIGHLAND HILLS LIBRARY, BONNIE VIEW RD
SUNDAY, 10.14.18	FIL MEETING	4PM	ТВА
SATURDAY, 10.20.18	PSI BUSINESS MEETING	10AM	MC CENTER, 2900 LIVE OAK





NAME OF SOROR	BIRTHDAY
VEE M. JORDAN	10/3
ANGELENE (ANN) ALLEN	10/4
EDDIE JOHNSON	10/14
TERESA HENDERSON	10/15
NEWTONIA HEMPHILL	10/18
ERNESTINE CHERRY	10/20
JOYCE HODGES	10/24





DID YOU KNOW IN PSI WISTORY??



In March 1985, Sorors Dwala L. Brown, Joyce Marie Jones, Alma I. Mackey, and Alvernon K. Tripp wrote and published the first **Psi Chapter History**.





WE WRESORVIVORS AND VICTORIOUS



By Soror Daphne Hornbuckle

nosed with breast cancer in her lifetime. Psi Chapter knows this all too well, having several breast cancer survivors in her membership.

Many would look at a breast cancer diagnosis as a death sentence and that held true for Soror Daphne Hornbuckle. Upon receiving her diagnosis, she immediately began writing her last will and testament. "I felt like my life was over and was ready to give up, but after the fourth opinion, I was determined to fight back." She conquered and won her first battle only to find herself fighting once again 12 years later. "During my second bout with cancer I prayed to God and asked Him to see me through this journey, and He was with me every step of the way" says this 27-year survivor.

Trusting and leaning on God's word is what gave our SWR Director, Soror Vahnita Loud, comfort and peace throughout her many years of surgeries, treatment, and adjuvant therapy. "When you have God's favor upon you and you profess those promises as they are written, you know you are going to be victorious" states Soror Loud. 23 years later, she truly is victorious.

Soror Martha Richmond, a 15-year survivor, believes it was an early diagnosis that saved her. She wants others to know that we should not let fear grip us to the point that we do nothing. "It's important that we open up and share what we are going through. Someone else may be able to help you through it, provide referrals, and/or offer good information" says Soror Richmond.

Many may not realize that breast cancer is the most commonly diagnosed cancer among African-American women. According to the American Cancer Society, an estimated 266,120 new cases of invasive breast

In the U.S., approximately 1 in 8 women will be diag-cancer are expected to be diagnosed in the U.S., in New guidelines propose that all women, especially women of color, be evaluated for breast cancer risk no later than age 30 and have your first mammogram by age 40.

> Early detection is a major key to survival and this continues to be the best weapon when battling breast cancer. This includes:



Performing routine self-breast exams,

Having annual breast exams performed by your medical doctor,

Scheduling annual mammograms,

Examining any breast changes or issues immediately by your medical doctor

As survivors, we may have endured incredible pain and anguish, but we have since been inducted into a life-long sisterhood, unlike any other. A sisterhood that has allowed us to shed a tear, share our testimonies, and provide support for other survivors following in our footsteps; who are fighting for their lives. Our personal cancer journeys have made us stronger and as a result we are victorious!





72^{MD} SOUTHWESTERN REGIONAL DIGITAL PLANNING MEETING

72nd Southwestern Regional digital planning meeting took place on Saturday September 22, 2018. Chapters from Dallas, Houston and Austin Texas along with members from Shreveport, Louisiana were all in attendance for roll call.

By Soror Wonda Traylor

We were graced with a congratulatory greeting from our National President Soror Stephanie Dilworth, followed by greetings from the host Chapter President Soror Michelle Peace, Conference Chair Soror Wendy Jacques and Co-chair Soror Shelia Fisher.

Highlights of the meeting included reports and elaborate presentations by Executive Board members with the conference theme: "The Power of Sisterhood". A Financial update was presented by Soror Wonda Traylor, SWR Treasurer. Conference registration deadlines and conference forms were reviewed by Soror Dianne Lollies, SWR Financial Recording Secretary.

President Elect Soror Dorothy White joined the meeting and made a special presentation on chapter reports and rating sheet changes.

SWR Director Soror Vahnita Loud revealed our SWR seal and shared the online link for hotel registration with a deadline of 2/28/19. She also restated the criteria for judging of the auxiliaries as approved at the 2010 SWR conference.

SWR Webmaster Soror Daphne Hornbuckle reviewed updates to the SWR website and presented the criteria for posting items to the website.

Asst. SWR Director Soror Rosetta Davis gave a detailed overview of the 2019 Leadership Forum, judging of the Scrapbooks and Crazy Hats and the Awards Night criteria.

The SWR Journalist Soror Dr. Valencia Dutton Hall rolled out our new online registration process that will be utilized for the 72nd Regional Conference and gave a detail report regarding the regional newsletter and publication of the sorority year book.

Attendees were enlighten and received valuable information regarding the planning of our next conference to make it the best ever.

After the meeting, all members in the Dallas location were invited to join our SWR Director Vahnita Loud for lunch for a little bonding and to enjoy the "Power of Sisterhood."

Congratulations to the Executive Team for a job well done!



























F2nd Southwestern Regional Conference Host Chapter: Epsilon Tau

"The Power of Sisterhood"

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FEBRUARY 28, 2019



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Jota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc. National HQ News

Celebrating Youth Leadership and Junovation

The deadline to submit ads and patrons is Friday, October 12, 2018, 5:00 P.M. The preferred method of Payment is via PayPal to info@Impfdn.org; attention Stephanie Dilworth.com. If you have any questions, please either Nicole Ford or Stephanie Dilworth.



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Chicago, IL 60638
708-594-5500
October 26-28, 2018









Jota Phi Lambda Sorority, Jnc. Omega





May 22,1948 to September 25,2018

Soror Irma Boyd will be greatly missed. She was my line sister which included Charlotte Berry and Shirley Pleasant . The "Lomepa" line of 1985.

Soror Juanda Wallace was our Dean of Intake. We learned all about Tota in 90 days. We developed a bond of sisterhood that has lasted a lifetime. The smile in her picture was genuine and was the same every time you saw her.



Soron Loud

"Lomepa Line" 1985





FROM THE Editor-in-Chief

t is my pleasure to welcome you to PSI Pearls second edition this 2018-2019 sorority year and introduce to you our editorial staff/Public Relations Committee:



Soror Vee M. Jordan

Soror Wonda Traylor



Soror Rita Powell



Soror Daphne Hornbuckle



Soror Deloris James



Soror Rita Ross



Soror Jewel Hudson



Soror Judy Jenkins



Please enjoy this edition of **PSI Pearls** and many to come, and know it has ultimately been our pleasure to serve you.





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