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Alpha Kappa Chapter

Monthly Newsletter

September 2018

GREETINGS FROM OUR CHAPTER PRESIDENT



Greetings,

Across the Houston area, Harvey's anniversary is remembered. Victims came together to celebrate the community's unity for one year. Events included a writing workshop and an art display. The weekend of August 25, 2018, one year after Hurricane Harvey inundated our city, the Harvey Healings Days Resiliency Celebration was held, and it was a very memorable event. Unfortunately, another tragedy hit our nation, The Queen of Soul & Cultural Icon...Aretha Franklin, one of music's great pioneers,

passed away. R.I.H. Aretha and thank you for all the love and light you've shared with us.

Alpha Kappa had a great summer! We planned a **2018 AK Retreat: Theme: Reviving the Joy of Sisterhood and Making Connections with Each Other! Along with our Sub-Theme: "NEW ATTITUDE"** We had a brainstorming session for the upcoming Sorority year!

What a way to bond in sisterhood and commit to the business of our sorority. Some of our new sorors volunteered with Samaritan's Feet BB&T/Community Shoe Distribution, which provided new school shoes for students in the area. Alpha Kappa also partnered with Lil Audrey's Safe Place Foundation, along with Home Depot, to donate A/C units for seniors in the Scott Terrace area to keep them

cool through the tough blazing Houston heat. You can check us out on a YouTube

Video: <https://youtube.com/watch?v=cGzf5iA> along with other activities inside this edition. Alpha Kappa is turning the page to make available our time, talent and resources to provide quality programs and community services that enhance chapter visibility, increase membership and continue to build up our networking and partnerships...Like Patti LaBelle says: *We are in control; our worries are few because we got love like we never knew, Oooh oh ooh..... We've got a new "NEW ATTITUDE."*

Blessings,

Carolyn Jones, Chapter President

Get On Board: STANDING 4 "IOTA"

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Alpha Kappa Summer Retreat



Alpha Kappa returned to the basics of Sisterhood...AK 2018 RETREAT!!! We opened with meditation (Song: Put a Little Love in Your Heart), Touchstone Activity, and we took care of the Business of Iota with a brainstorming session. We followed our Regional Director's theme "Bonding in Sisterhood and Committing to Business."

AK Sorors making *BIG MOVES*



This summer...30,000 Lutherans came to Houston to do mission work. Houston was chosen because of the damage from Hurricane Harvey. Dr. Marion Godine's church, Union Memorial United Methodist Church, was chosen to be a part of the mission work through the Emancipation Economic Development Council through their Faith in Action movement.

SUNNY
99.1



LIL AUDREY'S SAFE PLACE FOUNDATION... was chosen 1 of 3 out of thousands of non-profit organizations by iHeart Radio and Digital TV to receive free commercials on Sunny 99.1, from 3pm-7pm, Monday through Sunday for the next month!! They will also be sponsoring all of Lil Audrey's events for the next year!



Soror of the Month



Soror Pamela Denmon is our Soror of the month. Soror Denmon joined the ranks of Alpha Kappa in 1998. She entered as a part of the “Sweet Sixteen” line; that’s right, there were 16 Lomepas!

Pam serves in many capacities of Alpha Kappa Chapter. She is a quiet, meek, and humble person with a lovable spirit. Pam is our Crazy Hat (Chair) which landed us many 1st place awards over the years. She is Chair of the Hospitality Committee and now serving as our Chapter Journalist.

Soror Denmon is committed, dedicated, trustworthy, and ready to take on any challenge that is set upon her.

Kudos to Soror Pamela Denmon!!! Alpha Kappa is proud of you, and you are a great example for new members to follow.

“Happy 70 years Beta Pi”



On Sunday, August 5, 2018 Alpha Kappa Chapter joined Beta Pi with a secured a table of “10” at the Doubletree Hotel located at 8181 Airport Blvd. to celebrate their historical 70 years of service to Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc.



Alpha Kappa Chapter is a spin-off from Beta Pi Chapter in which they were chartered.

WHAT A CELEBRATION!!!!!!



THE PRESIDENT'S WORKSHOP

2018



Alpha Kappa President's Workshop Business Development Center 5330 Griggs Rd. "NEW ATTITUDE"

- Asst. Regional Dir gave greetings,
- Meditation for wholeness recited by all sorors
- Reach Out: Sisterhood Matters "I Just Called To Say I love You" by Stevie Wonder.

Chapter Goals & President's Goals- President's Challenge: **"GET ON BOARD:" STANDING 4 IOTA!!**

Our immediate Past RD (Linda Cannon) and her crew presented us with Christmas in "August" showering us with beautiful gifts. At the end of the workshop, we gave out door prizes, celebrated all of sorors with August birthdays and enjoyed our brunch!



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Mythiquer Pickett, founder of "We See Abilities," a non-profit organization

"We See Abilities" has a mission to give the special needs population a better quality of life through the joys of sports and community. Madame President and Soror Sharon, representing Alpha Kappa Chapter, invited Mr. Pickett to share his mission and discuss future networking opportunities with Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc.

RUSH! RUSH! RUSH! RUSH! RUSH!



Alpha Kappa Chapter held their first RUSH for fall of 2018 on Saturday, September 8th at the Business Center on Griggs Road. There was one potential candidate (insert name) in attendance. It was an opportunity for Madame President, Carolyn Jones, Past Regional President, Linda Cannon, and Vice President, Connie Anglin to speak about and showcase our chapter as well as answer questions for the potential candidate.



SOUTH EARLY COLLEGE H.S. OPEN HOUSE

South Early College HS AK (Partnership) had their Open House on Thursday, September 13, 2018 from 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

Soror Ethel Bell and Soror Linda Taylor set-up an Iota-AK table promoting the AEW Upcoming Program.

Soror Connie Anglin (VP) joined in with them.

What a way to promote our 1st National Program!!



Regional News



Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc. Southwestern Region held its 2nd Digital Planning Meeting on Saturday, September 22, 2018 with 45+ participants. The WebEx Digital Conference had two major location sites. One site was in Dallas, Texas at the Hilton Dallas Rockwall Lakefront and the other was in Houston, Texas at the RockStar Building Business Lounge along with video connections in Shreveport, Austin, Arlington, Minneapolis and Chicago. SWR Director, Soror Vahnita Loud, the Executive Team and host Chapter Epsilon Tau presented the planning procedures and outline for the upcoming 72nd SWR Conference to be held March 29-31, 2019 in Dallas, TX.



Happy Birthday White Rose Queen



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

SHARON DEROUSSELLE 9/14

LILLIAN PARKER 9/17

ANNIE CROCKETT 9/22

ROSETTA DAVIS 9/29



Please keep the following sorors in your prayers:

Soror Renita Royal

Soror Pauletta Hooper

Soror Dr. Marion Godine

UPCOMING EVENTS

Executive Committee Meeting: October 12, 2018

Sorority Meeting: October 27, 2018- National Make A Difference Day/Diaper Drive

Breast Cancer Awareness Month

I 3 Symposium: Inform, Inspire, & Ignite

October 26-28, 2018

Chicago Marriott Midway Hotel

Cost-\$75 adults/ \$50 Youth

AK/Outreach Activity

Early Voting: October 22, 2018-November 2, 2018

Halloween: October 31, 2018



Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc.

You can learn more about Alpha Kappa via our Chapter Website:

<http://www.alphakappachapter.com>

Facebook: @iota-alphakappachapter

Chapter Theme:

GET ON BOARD! STANDING 4 "IOTA"

Regional Theme:

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

<http://www.iotaswr.org>

National Theme:

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

