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November 2018 Issue



President Jones Speaks

Greetings Sorors,

Welcome to the season of Thanksgiving. It is a time to gather around loved ones, to be grateful for all the things for which we have so abundantly been blessed and to also reflect on those not so fortunate. It is a season of giving and a reason to share. This is the season to be thankful for the many blessings and lessons in our lives. Last month and this month we have been diligently working within our community to assist and help others. **KUDOS!!!** To those sorors who participated at the Mattress Mack host Thanksgiving Day Feast at Gallery Furniture. In the spirit of **"THANKSGIVING"** Mattress Mack hosted a free community lunch at Gallery Furniture's flagship store in North Houston Thursday afternoon. This is the second year in a row Gallery Furniture has hosted a community-wide Thanksgiving Day Feast. According to Mattress Mack, the store used to do this years ago but they decided to bring it back last year to help out families devastated by Hurricane Harvey. I am pleased that Alpha Kappa participated last year and this year as volunteers.

With music blasting and lines wrapped around the parking lot, more than 5,000 people, with eight different food trucks to choose from, enjoyed turkey, potatoes and tacos—the Houston community feasted well and were able to share a warm Thanksgiving feast with their family. With six sorors to participate, this was indeed a rich and rewarding experience. It is always good to help others. This Thanksgiving season I suggest that we each continue to lend a helping hand through our community service projects and donations. I am so thankful for our FILS who **REACH OUT** and donated a Thanksgiving Basket to one of the ladies in the Scott Terrace Association along with a gift card. **KUDOS!!!** to the Outreach Committee for giving out Thanksgiving baskets, fruit baskets and gift cards to the community at the American Education Program. Sorors we are off to an excellent start for this Sorority year. We are on Board and **"STANDING 4 "IOTA!"**

In the spirit of "IOTA"

Carolyn Jones/Alpha Kappa Chapter

President

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Soror Sharon Durosellee
volunteered at the Harris County
Democratic Party Rally on
November 6, 2018.



"This is my 10th year as a Precinct Judge in Southside Place/West University Houston, Texas. In the late 80s, I had the privilege of meeting Ms. Rosa Parks while in Chicago with my mother at an NAACP convention. My question to her was "what made you sit, and did you know the effects of that occurrence would result in such a movement". Because she Sit, I will Stand! This year I am training an Alternate Judge and sitting in as a clerk. In at 5am out by 11pm. My greatest reward has been to know that on Election Day, I am still in Service to the Electoral Process. It is an honor to make sure that every vote in the Precinct I serve Count. I no longer provide RIDES TO THE POLES FOR THE SENIORS" most are deceased now, but I continue to block walk and phone bank. I continue to honor our ancestors by voting because she and others sit and sacrificed; I will serve."

Sincerely,
Soror Alma



MORE DCHP.....CHEF AND WIFE, SOROR SHARON DEROUESSELLE, AND STATE REPRESSENTIVE JARVIS JOHNSON AND HIS SON.

#Great Fundraiser!

Organized by Fundraiser Committee with Chairperson Ann Moore...we had a wonderful time on the November Casino Bus Trip!



THANKS to Beta Pi Chapter and friends for your support!



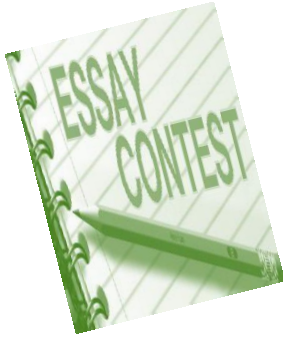
American Education Week **2018**
November 12-16

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Honorees @ American Education Week Program held Saturday November 17, 2018 at South Early College High School





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In line with Iota Phi Lambda’s Evelyn D. Wilkey National Youth Essay Contest, Alpha Kappa sent out invitations in September 2018 and presented the participants and winners at Alpha Kappa’s American Education Week Observance program on November 17, 2018 at South Early College HS. The invitations went out to 3rd grade through 12th grade students. The essay topics were:

Elementary (3rd – 5th grades)- “How Does Technology Help Me at School?”

Middle/High School (6th – 12th grades) – “In recent years, cyberbullying has become a national problem. What are some forms of cyberbullying that you are familiar with and how would you address the problem?”

Twenty-Five Participants

Elementary – Silza Khan; Damaris J. Barba; Kyra Thomas; Cameron Williams; Lanae Robinson, Jaden Rodriguez; Cynthia Vital; Da’Leah Burks; Annyah Lenzy; Aiden Rhone; Carryne Moore; Jalaiya Lockett; Jeannine Ellis; and Jazlene Locander.

Middle School- Lamar Jackson and Desmond Starks.

High School – Kennedy Bosie; Nia Lauren Burch; Jetaury Davis; Schterra Davis; Zion Ferrell; Kennedi Gallow; Kalen Gholston; Mackenzie Johnson; and Majorlon Rhodes, Jr.

Winners

	Elementary	Middle School	High School
1st	Jeannine Ellis	Desmond Starks	Nia Lauren Burch
2nd	Jazlene Locander	Lamar Jackson	MacKenzie Johnson
3rd	Cynthia Vital		Zion Ferrell



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A Hands-On Way, to make the Holidays "Happen for your Neighbors:" Thanksgiving Dinner Baskets.

Each year Alpha Kappa Chapter provides a Thanksgiving Basket to a family at our Annual American Education Week Program. This year one of the several baskets was given to Ms. Dennis (family) in the Scott Terrace Community. This basket was from our FIL (Auxiliary) group.



PANEL DISCUSSIONS



Alpha Kappa Fils Cydney Fleeks, Sariah Thomas, Andre and Andrew Taylor are preparing Thanksgiving baskets for the seniors of Scott Terrace.

F.I.L.s IN ACTION!!



American Education Week

American Education Week



Pelatai Birdie Armstrong of Epsilon Phi graced the youth group with her presence and support.



Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc Alpha Kappa Chapter serving the Houston community at the big Thanksgiving Feast @ Gallery Furniture I/45 location with Mattress MACK! on Thanksgiving morning Thursday, November 22, 2018.



African American Museum in Dallas, TX

Thanks for the invite from Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc. Psi Chapter in the sharing of their historical exhibition of 82 years displayed in the African American Museum in Dallas, Texas Saturday December 1, 2018.

Psi Chapter, National President Dilworth, SWR Director Soror Loud, host chapter for the 72nd SWR Conference sorors of Epsilon Tau, Asst. SWR Director Soror Davis, Chapter President Soror Jones, and Outreach Chair Soror DeRouesselle gathered afterwards for the reception and slide presentation.



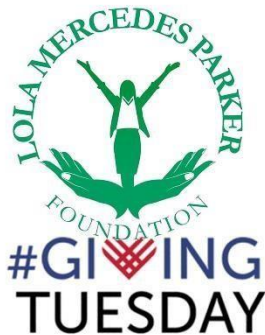
WANT TO SEE THE IOTA WOMEN OF ALPHA KAPPA CHAPTER IN ACTION?

Click on any of the video link below. Enjoy!!

Thanksgiving Community Outreach

<https://www.khou.com/video/features/mattress-mack-feeds-thousands-onthanksgivingday/285-8341390>

**Lil Audrey's Safe Place is currently accepting
donations via Facebook for #GivingTuesdays**



Soror of the Month



Soror Sharon DeRouesselle join the ranks of Alpha Kappa Chapter in January 2018. Soror DeRouesselle is Legacy of Soror Carolyn Jones (Chapter President). Soror DeRouesselle has already had her mind set to become the "IOTA" women that God designed for her to be.

Soror DeRouesselle is a thinker, a quick learner, good listener and she knows what she wants. She serves as Chair of the Outreach Committee and is working it well very. She introduced the Alpha Kappa Chapter to new Community Outreach Foundation Partnerships 'We See Abilities' and 'Normal to Be Fit' and the Alpha Kappa Chapter serves as volunteers and helpers of children and adults with Autism and Unique Abilities throughout the community. Soror Sharon is on the Scholarship Committee and she also now serves on the Business Month Committee. She is loyal and committed to the aims and ideals of IOTA Phi Lambda Sorority. Check out Soror DeRouesselle on Facebook, Alpha Kappa Chats and follow her on Instagram. Soror DeRouesselle is outstanding in Outreach and in her community. Where there is a need she is there!

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Soror Ann Moore

Soror Ethel Bell

Vida Herbert



PRAYER REQUESTS/ SICK AND SHUT IN

Soror Elaine Bailey

Soror Pauletta Hooper





Upcoming Events for December:

*Historical Exhibit Viewing Celebration Psi Chapter:
December 1, 2018 @ African American Museum of Dallas,
TX.

- Executive Committee Meeting- December 14, 2018
- Sorority Meeting- December 22, 2018
- Alpha Kappa Chapter Christmas Party-December 22, 2018
- Christmas Market-December 8, 2018
- Toiletries Donations For San Jacinto Healthcare Facility.

Regional News

- 72nd Southwestern Regional Conference-March 28-31-2019
Hilton Dallas/Rockwall Lakefront
2055 Summer Lee Dr. Rockwall, TX. 75032 Theme: The
Power of Sisterhood
- Essay Contest Due to Regional: November 30, 2018.
- Regional Assessments due November 15, 2018

National News

- Holiday Season-Time For Giving (LMPF Tuesday GIVING)_Nov. 27, 2019
- Show Amazon Smile: November 23, 2018
- 90th National Convention: July 24-28, 2019
Hilton Convention Center
- National Assessments Due- November 15, 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"*

