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President's Message





Best wishes for a prosperous new year full of success in your personal and professional lives. The beginning of a new year is a hopeful time. The year 2020 brings with it another 12 months to rejuvenate, refocus, repurpose, regain, and redeem. The start of a new year is a time when you can begin again.

I would like you to reflect on the following questions. What are you doing with your time? Are you really managing and maximizing your time?

Everyone on planet earth has been gifted with time. Time is the only commodity on earth given to every human being. Be thankful for time. However, you control how your time is used.

I would like you to take time and listen to the following motivational speech on how to reboot your life and redeem your time.

Reboot Your Life

Think of time as a currency. You can treat it like money. Time can be squandered and depreciated or it can be invested and appreciate in value. We have made statements about spending our time or investing our time, not realizing the significance of those statements.

During the month of January, I encourage you to reboot your life and commit to redeeming the time you lost through mismanagement.

What are you going to do with the next 12 months in a way that benefits you? You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream.

Here's to a new year full of new possibilities.

In Sisterhood & Service,

Gloria Davis | Epsilon Chi Chapter President

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Calendar of Events



- 5– January 2020 Weatherspoon Scholarship Deadline
- 31 January 2020 —73rd Conference Registration Deadline
- 16 February 2020 Hornbuckle Scholarship Deadline
- 5 March 2020 Hotel Reservation Deadline for Conference
- 8 March 2020 Allen Scholarship Deadline
- 20 March 2020 Sorority Mixer
- 21 March 2020 FILS Community Yard Sale
- 26-29 March 2020 73rd SWR Conference

Chapter Announcements

Epsilon Chi Chapter has a newly appointed Financial Secretary. Soror Trina Moore has accepted the position which was vacated in December by Soror Adria James for personal reasons. We welcome Soror Moore to the office of Financial Secretary and the Executive Committee.

Soror Spotlight

Congratulations to Soror Sheri Marshall who was honored at the NAACP Banquet for Economic Empowerment and Leadership at her company, Umoveit WeCleanit Commercial Janitorial.

Soror Sheri Marshall and husband Dwain shared a photo with Congressman Lloyd Doggett U. S. Representative from Texas Democratic Party at the 31st Ambassador's Ball in Austin.

Congratulations to Soror Eureka Patton on the Pre-launch of her book entitled, ""Excelevated Woman" to be released soon. Sorors LaSandra Collins, Vanessa Hawkins, Redessa Shaw and Katrina Warren were in attendance to support Soror Patton.













Scholarship Spotlight

Ariyanna Young is the Epsilon Chi Chapter's 2019 scholarship recipient. She is a freshman at the University of Southern Arkansas. She is a member of the track & field and cross country teams where she runs the 800m and 1500m. She will be majoring in Sports Management. Congratulations Ariyanna! We wish you all the best in your educational and athletic endeavors.





Kidpreneur Spotlight

Congratulations to Kidpreneur Brice Vallaire's (Vallaire's For Men) and Others on the Pop Up Shop Ribbon Cutting in the Galleria. Sorors Eureka Patton and Redessa Shaw supports last year's Business Month scholarship winner at his Pop Up Shop.







Happy Birthday to MOI **Johnny McKinnies** Enjoy your day!









CHAPTER PARTNERSHIP

Epsilon Chi Chapter is a member of the Federation of Houston Professional Women (FHPW). The FHPW Educational Foundation is accepting scholarship applications through February 29, 2020.

Click the link below for more information.

FHPW Scholarship Information

Soror Birthday

Happy Birthday to Sorors Corrine Copeland 01/08 Eureka Patton 01/08 Miriam Charles 01/10







Help Epsilon Chi wish the McKinnies a Happy 31st
Anniversary on January 14th!
Congratulations,
Soror Wanda and Johnny wishing you many, many
more years of marital bliss!





Acorn To Excellence Foundation





SAVE THE DATE • Saturday, Feb. 15, 2020 WINE TASTING (More details to come)



SAVE THE DATE Saturday, April 4, 2020

YOUTH FORUM (More details to come)



ATEX wishes you a Happy & Prosperous New Year!

ATEX NEWS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Wanda McKinnies President

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Katrina Warren Board Member

Adria James Board Member

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wine Tasting Saturday, Feb. 15, 2020

Youth Forum Saturday, April 4, 2020

MISSION

To empower women and youth interested in a career in science, technology, engineering, mathematics (STEM), business-related careers and entrepreneurship.

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Get To Know Our Soror



Epsilon Chi invites you to get to know Soror Katrina Warren! Soror Warren currently serves as the 2nd Vice President on the Executive Board. We asked Soror Warren:

What makes you who you are?

I am a person of integrity who believes in building relationships that are meaningful and lasting. I believe that God must be the center of every relationship. Knowing who I am and my purpose allows me to be a better wife, mom, and friend. I love to see people grow and accomplish their goals personally and professionally.

What is your greatest achievement?

My greatest achievements have been the raising of my 2 children, being married for over 20 years, achieving accomplishments in my career for over 25 years while pursuing my passion of teaching as an adjunct instructor in sleep medicine.

Name an influential woman you would like to invite over for dinner and conversation?

An influential woman I would invite over for dinner and conversation would be Michelle Obama. She is the perfect example of how a successful woman can be supportive of a successful husband while never losing sight of who she is.

Name one thing you wish someone had told you when you were younger?

When I was younger, I wish someone had told me that it is okay to dream big in order to pursue your career while nurturing your passion.

What do you like to do for fun?

I like to travel, meet new people, and enjoy fellowshipping with family and friends. Just enjoying life.



On December 21, 2029, Sorors LaSandra Collins and Redessa Shaw were guest speakers for the Winter Solstice 2020 Vision Board event.

Soror Collins spoke about being spiritually ready for 2020 and having a mind for purpose. Soror Shaw spoke about being your own doctor and healing yourself.

Additionally, they created their own vision boards for their 2020 visions. Special thanks to Madam President, Soror Gloria Davis for attending this event and supporting our Sorors.





Regional and National News



Sorors, It's time to register! The Southwestern Region 73rd Southwestern Regional Conference will be held March 26 - 29, 2020 in Spring, TX. Click the following link for online registration: Deadline to register is January 31, 2020

Below is the link to book your hotel reservation for the 73rd SWR Conference.

Houston City Place Marriott Hotel at Springwoods Village

2020 Conference Theme: "Committing to Business"
Conference Focus: Iota Nuts and Bolts (Revised)
Conference Challenge: "Each One, Bring One"
Conference Theme Song: (All Aboard the Love Train)

Conference Host Chapter: Epsilon Phi





National News

- lota's Lola Mercedes Parker Foundation for the Economic Empowerment
 of Women (LMPF) is seeking board members. They are seeking qualified
 individuals to serve on the board. Talents and skills in fundraising, grants
 writing, governance are all needed. Visit here for more details: LMPF
 Announcement
- The National Publicity Committee (NPC) <u>Visibility Campaign 2019 to</u>
 2020: One Day at A Time kicked off early September 28, 2019.
- Save the date. LMPF Symposium 2020 is coming. More exciting news forth-coming. Visit http://lmpfdn.org for more details. Did you miss Symposium 2018, no worries check out the video: LOLA Mercedes Parker | Ignite Gala &

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2nd Saturday of Every Month 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

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National Theme:

Business and Professional Women Building the Foundation for Generational Financial Empowerment

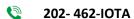
Regional Theme:

Affirming the Legacy, Bonding in Sisterhood and Community to Business and Developing Leaders

Chapter Theme:

Building On Our Legacy

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