

Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc.-Alpha Kappa Chapter

# ALPHA KAPPA CHATS



## President's Message



### 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 Gallery Furniture's Store Annual Thanksgiving Feast 2019.... Alpha Kappa Chapter helped serve over 1,000 Thanksgiving dinners to the Houston community. Mattress Mack and the Gallery Furniture family brought meals to the community by local food trucks. I am proud we had seven sorors to participate on such an amazing day of unity and community with a live DJ and fun for everyone! This was indeed a rich and rewarding experience.

The Outreach committee delivered apples and water to our own Soror Dr. Valencia Hall, Vice Principal at B.T. Washington High School for her service as an educator, others sorors donated toiletries to Ezekiel W. Cullen Middle School for their students and a FIL basket was given to a needed family. It is always good to



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help others. This Thanksgiving season I suggest that we each continue to lend a helping hand through our community service projects and donations. For those who need our assistance whom we are unable to reach, let us assist them through our prayers. We can start by praying for our own Sorors, MOI, Pelati and FIL in addition to those in need. I am so thankful to the Membership committee for hosting a lovely Pinning Ceremony. **KUDOS!!** to Soror Lillian Parker (Dean) and her committee on executing a beautiful affair. **KUDOS!!** to Soror Dr. Ethel Bell and the AEW committee for their notable program which following represent the AEW theme: **"Reach, Educate, Inspire"** **KUDOS!!!** soror Connie Anglin (FIL Chair) for spearheading the workshops before the AEW program staying focus on our National theme: **"Establishing Means Of Generating Generational Wealth"** Sorors we are off to an excellent start for this sorority year. I definitely see us **Moving on Up!!** **May you each have a wonderful and safe Thanksgiving and Christmas!.**

*In the spirit of Iota  
 Soror Carolyn Jones  
 Alpha Kappa Chapter President*

***Moving on Up!***

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# AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK

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## *Journalist Linda Cannon's Hints...*

Congratulations to all Houston Metropolitan Area Chapters for their commitment to highlight National Make a Difference Day on October 26th. The Walk and Program was successful. Sorors of Alpha Kappa are being reminded that patrons lists and pledges are still being accepted.

Turtle Banks will be turned in at our December 21st meeting. Our goal was \$31.00. Contents of the bank should be submitted to the Financial Secretary.

Green Pals will be exchanging gifts during our December 21st Meeting. We will also draw new pals for the New Year and you will no longer have the same Green Pal. This time, you will have a Secret Green Pal for 2020. So impress your 2019 Green Pal with your gift exchange.

Our December Meeting will be held at the Crowe's Nest, the home of our Honorary Soror, Soror Sucelia Crowe. Stay tuned for directions and other pertinent information.





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# Community Outreach & FIL



The Outreach committee (Soror DeRouesselle & President Soror Jones) delivered apples and water (basket) to ....**PRINCIPAL CARLOS PHILLIPS II AND VICE PRINCIPAL DR. VALENCIA HALL (REGIONAL JOURNALIST) @ BOOKER T. WASHINGTON HS. FOR AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK.**



## ALPHA KAPPA CHAPTER SERVES THE COMMUNITY WITH MATTRESS MACK!



THANKS for GIVING back! Iota Phi Lambda Sorority Inc. Alpha Kappa Chapter Community Outreach Committee volunteering on such a beautiful Thanksgiving morning Thursday November 28, 2019 at Gallery Furniture I/45 North sponsored the generous Mattress MACK! ... serving thousands of people with food and drinks and gracing the crowd with his presence , the legendary Robert Reid (former Houston Rockets player). Thanks Mattress Mack for giving Alpha Kappa an opportunity to serve and providing the volunteers with t-shirts and hoodies to keep us warm ☐



## TIMOTHY PROJECT: YOUTH MENTORING YOUTH MATHEMATICS PROJECT!

Man of Iota Lewis Crockett and Soror Annie Crockett are served as mathematics tutors at Timothy Project: Youth Mentoring Youth on the second through fourth Thursdays of each month. The sessions are held at the new Inspire Church (formerly Christian Tabernacle) on North Beltway 8. This the final meeting in 2019. Awards will be given on 12/22/2019 at Pappadeaux Restaurant. All participants received attendance awards.





GOOD NEWS! Soror Christi Russell received 2 Certificates of Recognition for her service to the Houston Park and Recreation Department Line Dance Program: Signed by Sylvester Turner, Mayor of the City of Houston and State of Texas, Harris County Precinct One in Recognition of Outstanding Service to the Houston Parks and Recreation Department 10th Annual Line Dance Showcase. Signed by Rodney Ellis Commissioner.



“Moving On Up”

## What’s Coming Locally?

See Journalist Hints on page 2.

**BIRTHDAYS** - November 12, Daisy Hall; November 14, Seandra Naborne; November 25, Carolyn Jones; December 17, Bertha Woods,; December 30, Ethel Bell!

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!**

## What’s Coming Regionally?

□ 73rd. Southwestern Regional Conference Houston City Place Marriott at Springwood Village, 1200 Lake Plaza Drive, Spring, Texas , March 26-29, 2020. Host-Epsilon Phi Iota Nuts and Bolts.



“Affirming the Legacy, Bonding in Sisterhood, Committing to Business and Developing Leaders”

## What’s Coming Nationally?

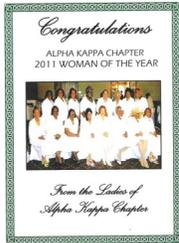
□ The **2019 National Affiliate Assembly of the National Council of Negro Women (NCNW)** will be held Thursday, November 21, 2019, at the Washington Hilton Hotel, Washington, DC, 1919 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20009



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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.

## THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT



IOTA PHI LAMBDA SORORITY, INC.

**Dorothy M. White**  
**23rd National President**

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN BUILDING THE FOUNDATION FOR GENERATIONAL FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT

& 2019 to 2021 National Executive Board Wishes You

*Happy Thanksgiving!*