



National Sorority of
Phi Delta Kappa, Incorporated



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Purpose

- To stimulate professional growth among teachers
- To foster a true spirit of sisterhood
- To promote the highest ideals of the teaching profession
- To encourage the development of the potential of our youth

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Job Well Done!

At last Sorors, Summer is finally here and we have successfully completed Alpha Chapter's Y.E.S. Program for the sororal year 2017-2018.

The month of April was quite a busy month with sorors preparing for and attending the Eastern Regional Conference in Durham, North Carolina. This conference was a wonderful gathering for Alpha Chapter Sorors as we renewed and celebrated friend-ships. We attended workshops, reviewed the new Manual of Policies and Procedures, listened to the words of inspiration from Supreme Basileus, Dr. Etta Carter and the Eastern Regional Director, Noreen Little.

We had a magnificent Founders' Day celebration on Sunday, May 20 at St. James A.M.E. Church in New-ark, NJ with sorors from Delta Pi, Epsilon Chi, and Theta Chapters joining us. Rev. Ronald Slaughter's sermon was inspiring and uplifting. His focal point was related to "Making Disciples, Building Families and Meeting

Needs." After his message, Rev. Slaughter introduced the sorority and the Basilei from Alpha and Delta Pi Chapters intro-duced their chapter members, made comments and presented donations to the church's education fund.

Following the worship service, sorors traveled to King's Family Restaurant for the Ritualistic Service, lunch, and a Program which consisted of the Founders Day Litany, "We Speak Your Name." A soror from each chapter in attendance spoke on what the sorority has meant to them. Our Eastern Region Member-at-Large reviewed the meaning of the "Pearls" and the history of our organization.

Our Nutrition Program has expanded to serving 4,000 meals a day with the addition of two new sites. Our Xinos and Kudos will be adding new youth members in July.

Thank you to our Hub Parents and Anthropos for their continuous support to the chapter in fundraising

and scholarships. Your dedication is truly appreciated.

This month is our scheduled Planning Meeting for Sororal Year 2018-2019. It is my hope that everyone will continue to support the components of our Y.E.S. Program and keep in mind the purpose of the sorority as we Stimulate Professional Growth, Foster a Spirit of True Sisterhood, and support our youth. Thanks to the TEAM of workers who made 2017-2018 quite a successful year. Remember that Alpha Chapter needs all of its members to work together for us to be successful. Sorors, we are fully committed and will be ready to serve for another successful, productive year.



Sisterly,
Gwendolyn Jackson, Basileus

Women's Health and Brain Health Sorors F. Harold and M. English

On May 5, Soror Frances Harold, chair of the Health, Hypertension and Nutrition Committee attended the Annual Women's Health Day sponsored by Beth Israel Hospital at the Marriott Hotel. The theme was, "Women Empowering Women to Better Health." The program consisted of a panel of doctors speaking about their specific field followed by a question/answer period. The panel included a Cardiologist, Podiatrist, Gynecologist, a specialist on Weight Loss Surgery, a financial advisor and the Health Outreach Educator.

Soror Mildred English, a member of the Community Advisory Board of the African American Brain Health Initiative (AABHI) attended their "Go Seniors Go!" event. Alpha Sorors Frances Harold, Marilyn Jones and her mother and Sorors Gwendolyn Watts and Hattie Solomon of Delta Pi Chapter were her guests. The affair was held at Rutgers University in Newark, NJ. The day began with a healthy breakfast followed by

greetings from Diane Hill, Assistant Chancellor and Mildred Crump, President of the Newark, NJ City Council.

Dr Mark Gluck, Professor of Neuro-science presented information on the importance of having a healthy brain pointing out that African Americans are at high risk of developing Alzheimer's Disease, yet they receive 40% less treatment that is available. He mentioned some ways to improve the life style of African Americans: Quit smoking, Exercise to help grow brain cells, Sleep at least eight to ten hours per night, Focus on counting your blessings daily.

Representatives from the American Heart Association spoke about Heart Health being Brain Health; protect your heart, protect your brain. They informed the group that meals should include less sugar and salt, more fruits and vegetables and drinking plenty of water to stay hydrated. Following the program the attendees were treated to a healthy lunch and a special performance by the Silver Steppers of East Orange, NJ.



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Contributors:

Basileus Gwendolyn Jackson, Sorors Doreen Bryant, Frances Harold, Mildred English, Donna Scott-Motley, Perry Jackson, Bernadette Robinson, Rhonda Baskerville

Literacy Through Poetry Soror Donna Scott-Motley

At the April 14 Chapter meeting, Soror Donna Scott-Motley, chair and Sorors Audra Fields-Chisolm and Tamika Pollins, Literacy Committee members presented poems. **Phenomenal Woman** by Maya Angelo was dramatized and Sisters and Best Friends by Angelica Machado, was read by Soror Pollins. Additionally, in recognition of Autism Awareness Month, a tri-fold and related information were distributed. Soror Audra Fields-Chisolm dressed differently than the other sorors to provide a subtle, but noticeable sign of the condition.



Sisters and Best Friends:

by Angelica Machado
 God sent us to be sisters
 So we can be best of friends,
 To be there for one another
 Even when there is pain.
 I thank the Lord for sending my

sisters to me,
 For whom I truly love and care.
 We shared so many things together,
 Like laughter and some scares.
 It's funny how we sometimes argue.
 I guess it's normal in this world,
 But having you as my sister
 Means more to me, more than you'll ever know.
 I wouldn't trade you for anything.
 I will never let go.
 As our friendship continues to grow,
 So will my love for you.
 Just remember you can talk to me,
 I'll be the best friend you ever knew.



Soror Jones Honored Soror Perry Jackson

March 23, 2018 was the date that Mayor Ted R. Green, the First Ward Councilwoman Amy Lewis and the East Orange Division of Senior Services celebrated Women's History Month. Soror Marilynn Jones was among the women presented with special acknowledgements by her community. Little did her sorors know how much Soror Jones has contributed to her community as a willing worker in the vineyard. A reading of her contributions indicated such services as working on her board of elections, and distributing food to the homeless on a quarterly basis; she works with the homeless at St. John's Homeless Shelter.

Marilynn's mother, Mrs. Van Dross, Sorors, Perry Jackson, Anona Huntley, Hazel Williams, Adrienne Lofton, Jessie Wilkerson and Basileus Gwendolyn Jackson were in attendance to witness the celebration. Basileus Jackson presented a lovely bouquet of flowers to Soror Jones. She certainly gave truth to the title of the event: **"Nevertheless, She Persisted!"** Congratulations, Soror Marilynn.



Soror Jones was presented flowers from Basileus Jackson after being recognized for her community service. She posed for photos with her mother and sorors of Alpha Chapter.



Gifts and Good Will Soror Adrienne Lofton



Summer Birthdays include the following: July: Sorors Tynetta Harris, 7/3, Diana Ondande, 7/27, Tamika Pollins, 7/15, Francenia Britton-Sheppert, 7/15. August: Sorors Anna Burch, 8/3, Rhonda Baskerville, 8/10, Bernadette Robinson, 8/31

Please send condolences to Zeta Chapter on the passing of Soror Margie Newman, to Pi Chapter on the passing of Soror Sadie Tony, and to Alpha Soror Verna Sims on the passing of her uncle.

Memorial Services were held for Past Supreme Basilei Sorors E. Lucille Minor (1986-1989) and Marguerite McClelland (1989-1993) in May.

Remember to send messages of encouragement and Get Well Wishes to Soror Bernadette Robinson who had surgery and our Red and Gold Sorors June Day, Edith Phillips, Dorcia Berry, and Mildred Dorsey.

Wishing All a Safe, Enjoyable Summer Respite

REMINDER

NAT'L SORORITY OF PHI DELTA KAPPA, INC.

ALPHA CHAPTER
 Presents

2018 ANNUAL TEACH-A-RAMA

Saturday, September 15, 2018
 10:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.
 Registration will begin at 9:30

Hudson County Schools of Technology
 525 Montgomery Street
 Jersey City, New Jersey

Theme:
Healthy Bodies and Healthy Minds
 Cost: \$15.00
 Contact 267-304-3682 or 201-407-8205

78th Eastern Regional Conference

The 78th Eastern Regional Conference was held at the Sheraton Imperial Hotel and Convention Center, Durham, NC April 19-22, 2018 with Beta Zeta Chapter hosting. The theme; "Education Through Diversity," was carried out in all aspects of the conference. The weekend was filled with much meaningful information. The Leadership Institute, Travelers' Hospitality, the Basilei Institute, and the Rap Dinner were terrific. The Professional Development Workshops, the Literacy Luncheon, and the Vital Issues Breakfast were all significant as was the Awards Banquet.



Beginning the weekend at Cracker Barrel Restaurant with Beta Omicron Sorors.



Thursday evening Leadership Institute involved the unveiling of the NSPDK, Inc. Manual of Policies and Procedures by Supreme Executive Advisor Charlotte Williams.



Alpha Chapter Basileus Gwendolyn Jackson, Alpha Sorors and Member-At-Large Anona Huntley are ready for the review of our new document.



Beta Zeta Chapter Basileus Kelli Armwood welcomed all with her beautiful greetings.



Sorors attending Friday's Professional Development workshop where numerous topics of interest were presented.



Sorors Kathy Allen, Registration Chair and Doretha Walker, were super efficient.



The Literacy Luncheon included performances by an African Drummer and dance group with students from the R. N. Harris Elementary School, Durham, NC participating.



Several children's books were donated by Eastern Region chapters as well as funds from other chapters to purchase additional books.



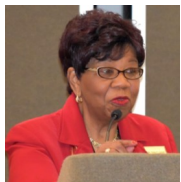
Soror Sandra Webster was an outstanding facilitator for the Rap Dinner which centered around the "Pros and Cons" of Merit Pay for teachers.



Soror Noreen Little, Eastern Region Director carried out the agenda of the conference proficiently. The Eastern Region Executive Committee members were efficient in carrying out their duties, as were our Committee Chairs.



Basileus Jackson entered the room as the roll was called for The First Plenary Session.



Supreme Basileus Dr. Etta F. Carter brought greetings and provided information on several significant topics.



Past Supreme Basileus Ann Black was our 'Guest Past Supreme.'



1st Supreme Anti-Basileus Margarette Galloway joined the Eastern Region chorus



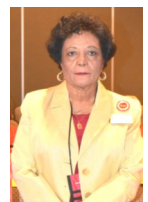
Supreme Grammateus Marjorie McDaniel



Supreme Epistoleus Janice Mason



Supreme Tamiouchos Debra Wade



Nat'l Director of Public Relations Queen Malone

Several current National Officers were in attendance as well as Past National Officers from the Eastern Region.



**Eastern Region
Member-At-Large
Anona Huntley**



**Supreme
Executive Advisor
Charlotte Williams**



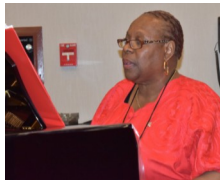
**Past
Supreme Basileus
Margaret Nelson**



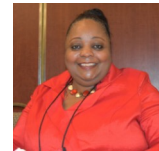
**Supreme Basileus presents \$10,000
check for Meharry Comprehensive
Sickle Cell, our National Project to
Soror Black who will present it for
NSPDK, Inc.**



**Several Alpha sorors attended the conference; three
were first time attendees. We were delighted to take a
group photo with Supreme Basileus Carter.**



**Soror Doris McNeil directed the Eastern Region Chorus with Soror Kathy Allen accompanying
her on the piano. Three Alpha sorors participated in the chorus and lifted their voices in song at
the Vital Issues Breakfast and the Awards Banquet.**



**Soror Doretta Walker, Mistress of Ceremonies of the Vital
Issues Breakfast introduced the Honorable Patricia Evans,
District Court Judge of Durham, NC who spoke on the State
of Emergency for Black Males. In doing so, she asked the
audience, "What value do you place on the black male?"**

"Alpha Chapter: It's a Family Affair; Sororal sisters, Line sisters, Biological sisters, Mother / Daughter, Cousins, Aunts / Nieces. It's NSPDK all the way Every Day." Awards Banquet: wearing beautiful attire and smiles galore (Soror Doreen Bryant)



**Soror Webster received 1st Place award for our Chapter Activity Book. Soror
Valeria Edwards, Beta Lambda Chapter, Winston Salem, NC received the 2018
Eastern Region Achievement Award and the Rev. Dr. Dennis Bishop also of
Winston Salem, NC was the Citation Honoree. CONGRATULATIONS to all.**

**Sorors Ross and Ennon,
niece and aunt were among
the Perpetual Scholarship
Raffle winners.**

**Eastern Region Anthropos,
the Men in Our Lives serenaded the guests.**

Sunday Morning Worship Service



**Praise and Worship, was provided by the
Mt. Olive Praise Team.**



**A beautiful, thought provoking message
was brought to the worshipers by the
Rev. Deborah Long Burroughs, member
of Beta Zeta Chapter. The title of her
message was, "Are You Building Up, or
Are You Tearing Down?"**



Sorors pose for a photo after the worship services

95th Anniversary Founders' Day

On Sunday, May 20 several sorors of Alpha Chapter joined sorors of Delta Pi, Theta and Epsilon Chi Chapters at St. James A. M. E. Church, Newark, NJ to worship together in celebration of our Founders' Day. Rev. Ronald Slaughter delivered an inspiring message on the theme, "Making Disciples, Building Families and Meeting Needs." Following his sermon titled, "A Promise Keeper," Rev. Slaughter introduced the sorority. The Basilei from Alpha and Delta Pi Chapters introduced their chapter members. They made comments and presented donations to the church's education fund.

At the conclusion of the worship service the group gathered at King's Family Restaurant for Torch Lighting Service, a luncheon and special program prepared by Soror Mildred English and her Committee.



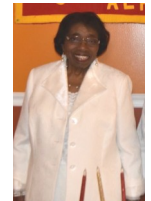
Rev. Ronald Slaughter smiles as he welcomes the sorority and spoke about his short career as a teacher.



Sorors Jackson and Gilmore provided information about the sorority, invited educators to join us, and made donations to the church's education fund.



Basileus Jackson gave greetings and introductions at the luncheon.



Sorors Rhonda Baskerville, Joann Gilmore, Ironda Lynce and Dorothy Murphy spoke on what the sorority has meant to them.



Soror Mildred English, chairperson of the Founders' Day Committee extended the invitation on behalf of Alpha Chapter to chapters in Cluster I to join us in service at her church, St. James A.M.E. Soror Verna Sims was Mistress of Ceremonies for the program.

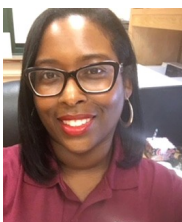


Soror Gwendolyn Watts, Delta Pi Chapter read the Litany, "We Speak Your Name" with selected members providing a Founder's name.

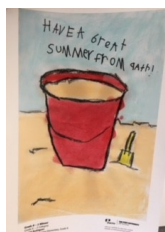


Soror Anona Huntley told the Story of the Pearls and imparted some information on the Sorority's founding history.

Shout-Out to Sorors



Congratulations to **Dr. Tamika Pollins**, Principal of Connors Elementary School, Hoboken, NJ who had two of her students honored and one was the grand prize winner of an art contest. The winning student's artwork will be displayed on the Path Train. Additionally, another one of her student's made the front page of the Hoboken Reporter Newspaper.



Congratulations to our Soror Stacey Abdul-Qawi on her retirement from the Newark Public School System after 32 successful years. She has been a Classroom Teacher, ELA Teacher, Computer Teacher and Technology Coordinator. Also, Soror Stacey has provided Staff Development to Schools and District Personnel and created a Parent/Community Computer Class. Several Alpha Sorors attended her Retirement Party on June 9 in Newark, NJ. Basileus Gwendolyn Jackson presented a gift from the chapter. Best Wishes to our Soror as she embarks on new ventures; Traveling, Resting, Relaxing, and enjoying time with her beautiful granddaughter.



As a Senior Soror, **Helen Brooks** has been a volunteer with her church, Blessed Sacrament St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church Food Pantry in Newark, NJ. The church is part of MEND: Meeting Essential Needs with Dignity. She was recently honored by the Organization with a Plaque and Proclamation from the State of New Jersey for 20 years of Dedicated Service. Soror Brooks is the chair of our chapter's Children and Adults Benefits Program. We Congratulate Soror Helen for her committed service and dedication, not only to Alpha Chapter, but to local community service as well.



Alpha Sorors were in attendance at the service to support and extend Best Wishes to **Soror Tynetta Harris** (3rd from right) as she began the journey in her call to the ministry. Soror Harris delivered her trial sermon on Sunday, June 24, 2016 at Mt. Zion Fire Baptized Holiness Church in Jersey City, NJ. Her message centered around the Gospel of St. Mark, Chapter 5 verses 2, 23, 35-36, and 41-42. She pointed out that "God is always showing up because we get back-up," and "Our Joy comes in Knowing the Lord." We are praying God's blessing for Soror Harris as she answers God's call to her.



End of Sororal Year Celebration!!!!

On Saturday, June 9, Alpha Chapter celebrated the conclusion of another successful year with our youth, Hub Parents and Anthros. In addition, the Chapter's 4-year scholarship recipient was in attendance.

Following a short meeting which included the installation of newly elected officers, the chapter joined the Senior Xinos and Kudos, Hub Parents and our Anthros in the Cafeteria of the Hudson County Vocational High School for lunch and numerous congratulatory presentations and our 2018 Krinon Pledges' raffle drawing.



Eight Senior Xinos are all smiles after receiving gifts from their advisors and a monetary gift from the Chapter.

Hub Parents 2018-2019 Soror P. Jackson

The Hub Parents met at the home of Soror Perry Jackson to plan the 2018-2019 year. The group, led by Mrs. Candace Miller and Tammy Woodson discussed the fundraisers that have been successful. The plans for next year include the sale of TGIF Raffle Booklets containing 10 tickets at \$.99 each. The \$75 prizes will be presented for each Friday in November as cash or a gift card. The Sands Casino will be the bus trip planned for December 1st at a ticket cost of \$40. The supporters will receive money for slot play and food vouchers. Following the trip, the parents have planned to sell carrot cakes and cinnamon buns baked by Hadley Farms at a cost of \$4 each. The goal of the Hub Parents is to provide transportation to the Annual Youth Leadership Conference, which will be held North Carolina, March 15-17, 2019 with Beta Lambda Chapter hosting.



Xinos Alexis Amo-Krah received the Alpha Chapter's Xinos of the Year Award; a Certificate of Academic Excellence and \$100.



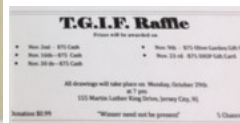
Kudos Trevon Young received the Alpha Chapter's Kudos of the Year Award; a Certificate of Academic Excellence and \$100.



Hub Parents of our graduating seniors received Certificates of Appreciation for their support of the youth, and the Chapter. Each year they conducted fund-raising activities to raise money for transportation to youth conferences.



Adrianna LaFrance Green, Alpha Chapters 1st Place Scholarship recipient will receive four thousand dollars over a four-year period.



Alpha's eight graduating Kudos pose with Basileus Gwendolyn Jackson and their advisors Sorors Francenia Britton-Sheppert and Anona Huntley.

Anthropos Give Scholarships Soror B. Robinson

On June 9, 2018, Alpha Chapter's Anthropos celebrated our youth guidance group, the Kudos. Anthropos President Richard Jackson, Jr. and members: Floyd Huntley, Alvin 'Duke' Sims, Dr. Elnardo Webster, Tariq Baskerville and Cornell Robinson awarded six scholarships to Senior Kudos: Trevon Young (\$500), Rufus Lee Stewart (\$400), David Ondande (\$300), Brandon Williamson (\$300), Marcel Paradise (\$300), and Jaden Monroe (\$300), totaling \$2,100.00. Each of the Awardees was presented a Certificate of Recognition for meeting the necessary requirements.

The Anthropos congratulated these six outstanding young men and wished them well with all their endeavors towards achieving a higher education.



The Anthropos will conduct a **Scholarship Raffle** October 13, 2018, for a 55 inch Smart Television. Tickets may purchased throughout the summer months from any Alpha Chapter Anthropos. Participates in these fundraisers support the Anthropos' continued efforts to benefit the young men of our youth guidance group. The cliché "It takes a Village" is old but stands true today and we have an opportunity to build strong men, good citizens and carry on the intent of our founders.

There are plenty of tickets available to buy and sell. Join the Anthropos and make this another winning year for our youth. Your new Mantra is "More Tickets, More Tickets, and More Tickets!"

Contact Members: Cornell Robinson, Tariq Baskerville, Floyd Huntley, Richard Jackson, Jr., Dr. Elnardo Webster, Kenneth Bryant, and Alvin 'Duke' Sims,

"Our Pride started with their Strives".

Xinos/Kudos End of the Year Barbecue Soror Rhonda Baskerville

On Sunday, June 24, 2018, the Alpha Xinos, Kudos, prospective youth members, Hub Parents, advisors, and guests, met at Liberty State Park in Jersey City for their second annual end of the year barbecue. The sun was shining and the crisp wind was blowing as Kudos Advisor Soror Huntley commanded the grill along with Kudos Senior Brandon Williamson. The young people mixed and mingled around the tables while eating hot dogs, hamburgers, and a selection of salads. They played football in the grass and walked along the trail enjoying each other's company. Hub parents diligently monitored the area and the food to make sure everything was perfect for their children while engaging in great conversation. Xinos Advisor Soror Baskerville memorialized the entire afternoon by taking pictures of everyone. After a delightful day, all continued to agree, that Liberty State Park will be the place to be in June 2019!



Hard working Xinos chair and co-chair Rhonda Baskerville and Shawnte Williams



Hard working Kudos chair and co-chair Francenia Sheppert and Anona Huntley



Sorors Diana Ondande, Hub Parent co-chair and Shawnte Williams, Xinos co-chair



Alpha Chapter's Hard working Hub Parents



Hub Parent chair Perry Jackson



Current and future Xinos



A Beautiful day together



Special time with lovely young ladies



Fire up the grill, Soror Huntley, ER Member-At-Large



An enjoyable afternoon



Good job this school-year, Son



An unforgettable moment



Mom and dad time with son



Sharing a smile on a nice day



An awesome day with my girls



Mom's delight; two sons in college



An afternoon to remember



This is just lovely



A mother's Pride and joy



My sincere Thanks to our youth committee chairs and members, our Hub Parents and their chairs, and the men in our lives for an outstanding year. Congratulations to our graduating Xinos and Kudos. Alpha Chapter wishes you tremendous success as you embark on the next chapter in your education. Enjoy your Summer. Sincerely, Gwendolyn Jackson, Basileus



Anthropos Tariq Baskerville enjoying the afternoon with his beautiful family



"We're joining the Xinos when we're older." "Yeah, and I want to be a Kudos!"