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### Executive Committee

#### **BASILEUS**

Jennifer Woods

#### **ANTI-BASILEUS**

Rhonda Williams

#### **GRAMMATEUS**

Natia Davis

#### **ANTI-**

#### **GRAMMATEUS**

Janna Dallis

#### **EPISTOLEUS**

Michelle  
Caldwell

#### **TAMIOUCHOS**

Mary Cameron

#### **PECUNIOUS**

#### **GRAMMATEUS**

Dedra Partridge

#### **PHILACTER**

Bethany Gardner

#### **HODEGOS**

Latricia  
"Vonnie" Stone

#### **PARLIAMEN- TARIAN**

Juliette Thornton

#### **IVY LEAF**

#### **REPORTER**

BettyeLynn  
Smith

#### **GRADUATE AD- VISORS**

Rena Walton  
Dedra Partridge

## *Celebrating with our Sisters*

Greetings Sorors,

The theme for the month of December is "Celebrating with our Sisters" . As this year comes to a close, it is a tradition to look back over the things one has accomplished during the year. So it is with Pi Omega. We have had many changes this year. We have definitely grown in membership . Many sorors have transferred and reactivated with our Sisterhood. As a chapter we've celebrated weddings and births, graduations and relocations of members. Some of our sisters have moved away to other cities and some have joined us from other cities. Many of you have shared the love of our sisterhood with our sick and shut in sorors and given support and assistance to our sisters who are caregivers. You have been shoulders to lean on when sickness occurred, during grief you wiped away tears as you delivered food and comfort, and celebrated successes and accomplishments with our sisters when goals were obtained and promotions were received.

Our International Targets and Standing Committees have contributed many new ideas, items and offered support to local elected officials and our fellow citizens. We have donated clothing, food , backpacks, school supplies, developed and maintained community gardens and green spaces throughout the city, attended community events that focused on improving the health and quality of life in the community, introduced high school students to the reality of college life, contributed to HBCU's, attended and hosted cultural events and got deeply involved with the entire community. Sorors, we have indeed been a service this year. Relax and celebrate for this is the season that we celebrate being a Service to Others. Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays.

Sincerely,

Soror Jennifer



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### *Let's Continue Grow Our Chapter Membership !!!!*

If you missed the Membership Brunch on December 2, 2017, you absolutely missed a treat!!!! The meal was awesome, the atmosphere enjoyable, and 10 Sorors reactivated!!! Pictures of the event are included in the newsletter.

### *End of the Year Wrap Up Information*

I am asking all Target Committee Chairman to bring a copy of your yearly activities to me at the December Sorority Meeting. (You will be adding your latest activities to the report that you gave at Fall Workshop). The following Standing Committees: Connections, Archives, Membership, and Standards, please have your report in the 1908 website by December 20th. Finance has a separate date to have their report in the system. Thank you for helping Pi Omega get their yearend reports turned in on time. We are asking that the 2016 committee chairs assist in preparing the report by sharing last year's report

### *Committee Assignments and Calendar Information 2018*

We are quickly approaching the end of the year. It will soon be time for chapter data sheets to be filled out for 2018. Sorors, it is imperative that the information on the data sheets be filled out with the correct email address, telephone number and home address. This information is used in multiple ways beyond being placed in the chapter calendar and directory. There maybe times when information comes from the Regional director and/or Corporate Office and we are asked to disseminate information to various committee chairs and members. We use this information to keep you informed, so please fill out the data sheets and return them

### *Connection Committee Corner*

Connections "Did You Know" Corner – As we near the end of 2017, let's prepare our minds for the key dates for the 2018 election cycle.

Do you need a quick way to contact your elected representatives? There's an "app" for that; **Stance**, available on I phone and Android, is the most impactful way to contact your elected official. You can record a voice message anytime, anywhere and **Stance** will send it directly to your representative's phone. Download **Stance** today and make your voice heard. #TakeAStance #BeTheVoice



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## *Founders' Day*

Pi Omega Chapter will celebrate our annual Founders' Day on Saturday, February 10, 2018 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at the residence Inn 2340 Center Street, Chattanooga, Tennessee. The cost is \$15.00 per soror. The attire is uninterrupted black with pearls. No hats or pants. The last day for payment is January 12, 2018.

### *Regional Registration is now open*

Registration for the 86th Regional Conference is now open. Please visit the Regional Conference Registration and Awards Booklets for information on events and workshops being offered during this regional. If you are interested in becoming more knowledgeable about the operations of our sisterhood or wish to be certified as either a financial officer, Basileus, or Graduate Advisor you must register for the certification courses offered. Please do so before January 25, 2018.

COMING TOGETHER IS  
THE BEGINNING; KEEPING  
TOGETHER IS A  
PROCESS; WORKING  
TOGETHER IS SUCCESS.  
HENRY FORD

### *Proposed Recommendation Change to Manual of Standard Procedures*

During the November meeting we were reminded of a recommendation to change an item in the current Manual of Standard Procedures. E will discuss the recommendation and vote on it during the December meeting. Copies of the recommendation will be made available for every soror to have on hand during the discussion. Please familiarize yourselves with Bylaw article III Sections 8-18 on page 18 under Officer Election (Section 9).

## *WELCOME BACK REACTIVATED SORORS*

Welcome back to sorors who reactivated to our chapter in the recent weeks and months!!!! Pi Omega's membership just keeps growing and we are ecstatic to have you rejoin us. If you have any questions, concerns or just need help navigating the waters of our sisterhood because of the way things may have changed since your last connection with Alpha Kappa Alpha please do not hesitate to ask questions, get help or seek out a soror to help you feel more comfortable as you get acquainted with us. The chairman of our Sisterly Relations Committee is Soror Janna Dallis. She is more than willing to assist you with any need you may have to make you feel comfortable. She can be reached 423-903-0565 or call Jennifer Woods (chapter Basileus) at 423-499-5577/423-400-1061. Welcome back!!!!!!



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### *Did You Know This About Our Sisterhood ?????*

The fourteenth Supreme Basileus, Soror Arnetta G. Wallace was born and raised in Knoxville, Tennessee. She graduated from Knoxville College and completed graduate work at Tennessee A and I ( now Tennessee State University). In addition to being a leader in our sisterhood, Soror Wallace was also the president of the Tennessee Education Congress ( the equivalent to the Tennessee Education Association for Black teachers prior to integration) and National Chairman of the National Pan Hellenic Council. Soror Wallace was also very active in the Civil Rights Movement in 1962. She encouraged young workers in schools in Mississippi to register to vote and was involved in organizing voter registration drive throughout the state. During Soror Wallace's administration our sisterhood experienced tremendous growth which led to the chartering of the first international chapter in Liberia.

### *CONGRATULATIONS SORORS !!!!*

Congratulations to Sorors Carol McKenzie and Macquanetta Robinson for being recognized for the outstanding work they do for the community by Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity on Sunday December 3, 2017.

Congratulations to Soror Syletta Broadnax– Edwards on her sons acceptance to Cornell University.

Congratulations to Soror Adara Holland and Jasmine Buckley on receiving their Masters' Degrees this weekend.

Congratulations to Soror Celeste Walton– Mc Kenzie on her recent nuptial to Mr. Eric McKenzie.

Congratulations to Soror Elenora Woods for presenting the first Seminar and Panel Discussion of Improving Race Relations in Hamilton County and bringing Martin Luther King, III to the city to speak on improving race relations in the city to Chattanooga.

### *Let's remember our sick and shut in and bereaved Sorors*

Please keep our sick and shut in sorors in our prayers. Please visit and call them to let them know we miss them and care about them.

Soror Carolyn Gilliam room 125 Life Care of Red Bank

Soror Gwen Moore who is recovering from surgery is requesting prayers.

Sorors Renee Stephens and Barbara Marshall on the recent loss of their relative( Soror Stephens father)

Soror Nikki Boaz on the loss of her mother Mrs. Earnestine Boaz and Soror Minerva Parks (Mrs. Boaz was her sister)

Soror Jenika Mincey on the loss of her aunt Mrs. Delores Featherstone.

Soror Marjorie Washington at Morning Point Assisted Living on Shallowford Road.

And don't forget about our sorors who are caregivers. A word of encouragement is always appropriate.



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**Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc. - Pi Omega Chapter**  
**November 10, 2017**  
**Second Baptist Church**  
**2305 E. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Chattanooga, TN 37404**

Meditation/Grace/Repat – Hostess Committee

Pledge

**Meeting called to Order at 7:13pm**

### **Adoption of the Agenda**

Additions/Changes to agenda Budget, archives, then Founder's Day

Moved Terryl James

Seconded Mattie Mc Kenzie

### **Adoption of October Minutes**

Moved: Gloria Mc Keldin

Seconded: Patricia Shackleford Gray

### **Correspondence**

Thank you card for flowers from Soror Gwen Moore

Graduation Announcement Master's of education-Jasmine Buckley

Thank you note from Walk to End Alzheimer's Save the Date for next year: September 15, 2018

### **Officers Reports:**

#### **Basileus**

Executive Board met on Tuesday November 7, 2017 and would like the body to vote on the following submission for Regional Awards

Health and Environmental Ownership will be nominate for awards as well as Michele Cochran for Act of Kindness

Golden Soror of Year: Mattie McKenzie

Entrepreneurship: Dorteia Johnson, Mary Patterson, Dee Crews for

Humanitarian: Pat Gray, Henrietta Morris

New Soror of the Year: Bethany Gardner, Mary Cameron

Connections Committee

Moved to accept: Latrice Curry

Seconded: Dee Crews

Unanimous vote

Awards Committee: Michelle Caldwell, Sumer and Mary Patterson, others will be called and asked to help

#### **Anti Basileus**

Thank you Pi Omega and Zeta Kappa for an awesome UN Day! The guest speakers, Judge Mc Clarty and Police Lt. Shawn Hickey, spoke on "I Stand for Justice." They were awesome as well. Zeta Kappa created a game to play with our ASCEND Students. Thank you again; for making Pi Omega look great at another AKA Impact Day!



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I am asking all Target Committee Chairpersons to give me a paper copy of all your activities for the year, to the December Sorority meeting, which is December 10<sup>th</sup>. This will give me time to get all your reports in the system by December 20<sup>th</sup>. I am asking the following Standing Chairpersons: Achieves, Connections, Membership, and Standards to have your report done by December 20<sup>th</sup>. You must go into the 1908 website to complete your report. This will allow all of us to enjoy the holiday without worrying about meeting a deadline. Finance and EAF have a different date to have their report completed in the system. Thanks you all for making Pi Omega look as great as she is!

### **Tamiouchos-Mary Cameron**

**Beginning Balance:** \$18,167.33

**Total Expenditures:** \$1,781.97

**Available Income:** \$18,167.33

### **Graduate Advisor- Rena Walton**

Zeta Kappa weekend-Nov.3-5 , Heart Health Walk with American Heart Association

Please reach out to your Zeta Kappa Mentee

### **Committee Reports:**

#### **Nominations-**

**Anti Grammateus-** Brittany Commons

Moved: Vernice White

Seconded: Sandra Nelson

unanimous vote

**Epistoleus-** Jasmine Horton

Moved: Rene Merrell

Seconded: Barbara Roberts

unanimous vote

#### **Graduate Advisor-**

(Discussion)

Moved: Rosemary Heard

Seconded: Sandra Nelson

unanimous vote

**Ivy Leaf Reporter-** Leah Leeper

Moved: Shelia Ross

Seconded: Vernice white

unanimous vote

**Philacter-** Bethany Gardner

Moved: Terryl James

Seconded: Donna Stone

unanimous vote





**Tamiouchos-** Candace Brown  
(Appointed by Basileus)

**Votes:**

**55**

**56**

**54**

**56**

**Appointed**

### **Budget Committee**

(Discussion)

Vanasia Parks moved to accept Budget A with a change to increase beginning balance of \$1,200 and instead of having \$58 it will give us \$1,258

Seconded: Terryl James

Mattie Mc Kenzie moved to close discussion

Felicia Freeman Seconded

Unanimous vote

### **Founders' Day**

Date: Saturday Feb 10, 2018

Location: Residence Inn and conference Center

Time: 11 am-2pm

Attire: Uninterrupted black with pearls- will be presented pink or green corsage upon arrival. NO PANTS

Theme: Celebrating 110 Years of AKA "Advancement Knowledge and Acts of Kindness"- this theme will be carried out in very specific ways throughout the program.

Cost- \$15 payable at January meeting

### **Membership Committee- Tara Anderson**

The Membership Committee is having a Reactivation/Re-dedication Brunch on December 2nd from 11am - 2 pm at Hawkinsville Missionary Baptist Church to welcome all Sorors in the area to reactive their membership and join our chapter. The theme is Alice in Wonderland.

### **Pan Hellenic Counsel - Sumer Patterson**

Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>-Omega Psi Phi had their Omega Achievement Week Program at Tucker Baptist Missionary Baptist Church at 6:30pm



Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>- Sigma Gamma Rho will be having their Miss Rhomania Pageant at 6pm at the Family Justice Center. Adult tickets are \$30 and children tickets (ages 6-17) are \$15.

Their Founders' Day is Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>.

Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>- Delta Sigma Theta is sponsoring the 2017 Delta Marketplace at Greater Tucker Baptist Church from 10am-5pm

\$5 for adults and free for children 12 and under

Will have custom jewelry, African Artifacts, Pictures with Black Santa, Custom made goods, Paraphernalia (Greek, Social, & Masonic Orgs.) and other products/services

Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>- Alpha Phi Alpha Founder's Day at First Baptist Church on East 8<sup>th</sup> Street.

Program starts at 4:06 pm. Theme of celebration is "Leading the Urgent Change", 50 years anniversary of Dr. King's Death

Honoring NPHC members who are community leaders, religious leaders, elected officials, government staff, activists, and who are a voice for underrepresented groups.

Asking that no more than 5 members our organization names are submitted for recognition by Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> to Chris Palmer

Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>- Kappa Alpha Psi will be having a New Year's Eve Party at the Walden Club from 8PM-1AM.

Tickets are \$40 for individuals and \$60 for couples. Tickets can be bought on Eventbrite.

### **Standards-Vernice White**

Please complete Assessment form

Any questions see me after meeting

### **Hodegos- Vonnie Stone**

Awards:

Golden Sorors- Delores Crews, Juliette Thornton

Silver Stars- Alma Dotson, Gloria McKeldin, Vonnie Stone

### **Unfinished Business**

**None**

**New Business**

**None**

### **Announcements**

Affordable Health Care open enrollment, only 45 days 211 see Soror Sandra Nelson

Charlotte McKee transferring soror from Knoxville- Grace Ragland

Medicare Seminar- Wednesday Nov. 15 Hurst United Methodist Church 5pm- Terryl James

Diaper Drive at December meeting to support Baby University- Michelle Caldwell

Not too late to sign up for Mayor's Council of Women- Michelle Caldwell

Thank you for everyone who came and participated in Fall Workshop-Jacqueline Brown

We have received a proposal from Nationals we will be voting on the December 8<sup>th</sup> meeting. Please read it was sent via e-mail change to standard procedures

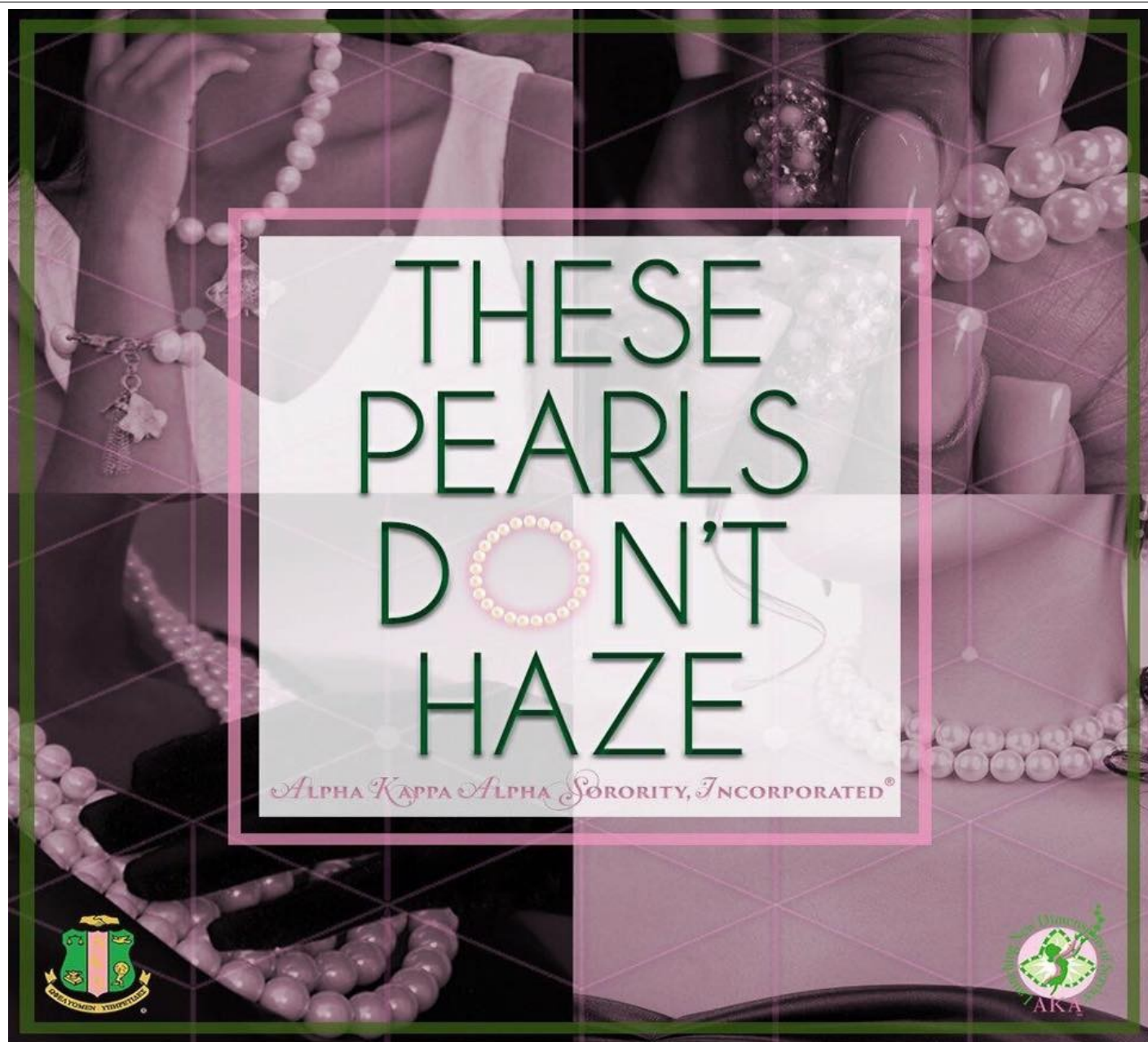
Get bylaws on back table if you haven't already

**Meeting adjourned 8:51pm**



Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated  
Pi Omega Chapter  
2305 East Third Street  
Chattanooga, Tennessee 37404  
December 15, 2017  
Agenda

Meditation/ Repast December Hostess Committee  
Pledge  
Call to Order  
Call for additions to the Agenda  
Adoption of the Agenda  
Approval of November's Minutes  
Correspondence  
Officers' Reports  
Basileus  
Anti- Basileus  
Tamiouchos  
Hodegos  
Graduate Advisor  
Committee Reports  
Membership  
Founders' Day  
Pan Hellenic  
Standards  
Unfinished Business  
Proposed Changes to Manual of Standard Procedures at Boule  
End of the year Reports  
New Business  
Installation of New Officers  
Announcements  
Adjournment



Hazing is a serious offense with serious consequences. Hazing occurs in many forms, including but not limited to financial hazing, physical hazing and social media hazing which includes negative comments made in emails. Lawsuits because of hazing are cost Greek organizations millions of dollars in punitive damages.

Hazing is determined by the victim, not the perpetrator. If it feels like hazing chances are it is. If you SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING. HAZING IS A SERIOUS MATTER .



