



2014-2018

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
 Rho Kappa Omega and Tau Sigma Chapters
 Joint General Body Meeting Agenda May 16, 2015 @ 10am
 New Jersey City University GSUB Multi-Purpose Room B 2nd Floor
 Rho Kappa Omega Basileus Cimeron Bryant, Presiding

<u>Time</u>	<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Responsible Soror</u>
10:00	Meditation	Soror Tynesha Banks, Chaplain (PKQ)
10:02	Adoption of Agenda	Soror Cimeron Bryant, Basileus (PKQ)
10:04	Approval of Minutes	Soror Sonia M. Pleasant, Grammateus (PKQ) Sorors Elisheva M.R., Grammateus (TS)
	Officers' Reports	
10:10	Basileus	Soror Cimeron Bryant (PKQ) Soror Kendra Lee (TS)
10:20	Epistoleus	Soror Vanessa Jean-Louis (PKQ) Soror Kendra Lee (TS)
10:25	Pecunious Grammateus	Soror Tonia Slay-Daniels (PKQ) Soror Elisheva M.R.(TS)
10:35	Tamiouchos	Soror Sobande F. Afolabi (PKQ) Soror Miraclea Adams (TS)
10:45	Hodegos	Soror Vaidra Boston (TS)
10:50	Custodian	Soror Tanya Ginn Brown (TS)
	Committee Reports	
10:55	Program, Courtesy and Protocol, Graduate Advisory, Auditing, EAF, Fundraising, Leadership Development, Membership, Sisterly Relations (PKQ and TS Committee Chairmen)	
	Special Committees	
11:15	2015 NARC Welcome Committee	Soror Corinne E. Rivers, Chairman
11:20	2015 NARC Evaluation Committee	Soror Tiffany M. Riddick, Chairman
	New Business	
11:25	Action Item	Soror Cimeron Bryant, Basileus (PKQ)
11:30	2015 Delegate Reports	Delegates (PKQ and TS)
11:45	Joint Sisterly Relations Activities	Soror Shevon Armstrong (PKQ) Chapter Sorors (TS)
12:15	Philacter Report	Soror Andrea Wright, Philacter (PKQ) Soror Miraclea Adams, Philacter (TS)
12:20	Announcements	General Body (PKQ and TS)
12:25	International Hymn & Pledge	General Body (PKQ and TS)
12:30	Adjournment	Soror Cimeron Bryant, Basileus



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Sisterly Greetings from the Basileus

Greetings Sorors!

Happy Mother's Day to our Rho Kappa Omega's mothers, grandmothers, mothers-to-be and aunts. It takes a village to raise a child.

May is "Celebrating Legacies" Month. We pay tribute to our **Mother/Daughter Sorors**: Sorors Janet Chavis and Jahari Jacobs; Sorors Tonia Slay-Daniels and Maya Daniels; Sorors Angela Mason and Andrea Mason; Sorors Trudy Miles and Altamease Drummond; and Sorors Sabrina M. Riley and Renada Williams. **Sibling Sorors**: Sorors Pat Bryant and Karin Bryant; Sorors Ashley Minns-McIntyre and Morgan Minns; and Sorors Charlotte Rogers-Brown and Soror Ashley Rogers.

Sorors, we are a few weeks away from our **Pink Pearl Pizzazz Jazz and Scholarship Luncheon** to honor our 2015 scholarship recipients. Please try and sell as many tickets and ads as possible so we can reach our goal. Thank you!

Do you have a **pink** and **green** thumb? On May 16th, immediately following chapter meeting, we will host our **AKA 1908 Playgrounds Mobilization Day** where we will help restore, refresh and renew Leonard Gordon Park in Jersey City. Please come out; your assistance is needed.

Lastly, June 21st is **The Longest Day program** in partnership with the Alzheimer's Association. If you have not already done so, please join team Rho Kappa Omega Chapter by signing up at www.act.alz.org. Let's make this program another successful community impact day.

Sisterly,
Soror Cimeron

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Basileus Itinerary for May

May 9th: Jersey City Meet the Greeks Event

May 11th: Executive Board Meeting

May 16th: General Body Meeting and AKA 1908 Playground Project

May 20th: Basilei Council Meeting

May 30th: Rho Kappa Omega's Pink Pearl Pizzazz Jazz and Scholarship Luncheon

2015 Officers

BASILEUS
Cimeron Bryant

ANTI-BASILEUS
Natalie D. Russell

GRAMMATEUS
Sonia M. Pleasant

ANTI-GRAMMATEUS
Samantha Hinton

PECUNIOUS GRAMMATEUS
Tonia Slay-Daniels

TAMIOUCHOS
Sobandé F. Afolabi, Esq.

EPISTOLEUS
Vanessa Jean-Louis

HODEGOS
Vaidra Boston

PHILACTER
Andrea Wright

PARLIAMENTARIAN
Darcell Medley-Stokes

IVY LEAF REPORTER
Lyndsay Christian

CUSTODIAN
Tanya Ginn Brown

HISTORIAN
Heather Spencer

GRADUATE ADVISOR
Corinne E. Rivers, Esq.

CHAPLAIN
Tynesha Banks

In the News



Cluster IV Updates:

Sorors can still purchase NJ AKA license plates. For more information, please see Basileus Bryant.

Leadership Seminar:

July 16-19, 2015 in Chicago, IL. Registration fee is \$275. The deadline is May 18, 2015. Visit www.aka1908.com for more information.

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, October 10, 2015 - Cluster IV Leadership Conference, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ

Other Updates:

Revised Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. documents are available for purchase on the corporate office website at www.aka1908.com.

AKA-lades

Soror Natalie Russell has been accepted into the law program at St. Johns University School of Law and will begin her studies in August 2015.

Soror Maya Daniels received a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from Hampton University. She will continue her studies at HU and receive a Masters of Business Administration in May 2016.

Soror Jahari Jacobs received a Masters of Arts in Educational Administration from Kean University.

Soror Ashley Rogers received a Masters of Law with a concentration in Business Management from Regent University.

Soror Janice T. Watson received her Graduate Advisor Level II Certification Training at NARC.

Soror Natalie D. Russell received her Graduate Advisor Level I Certification Training at NARC.

Soror Sobande F. Afolabi became a Certified Chapter Financial Officer at NARC.

Basileus Cimeron Bryant and Soror Darcell Medley-Stokes passed the National Association of Parliamentarian Exam Level I, and are now members of the National Association of Parliamentarians.

New Jersey City University - Tau Sigma Chapter

Soror Miraclea Adams received a Bachelor of Science degree in National Security.

Soror Barbara Etheredge received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology.

Soror Kiyasia Whetstone received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Special Education.

To be featured in the monthly newsletter for promotions, births, marriages, engagements, etc., please contact Basileus Bryant at pkqbasileus7@gmail.com. We would love to acknowledge your accomplishments!

Please keep Soror Dolores L.A. Curtis' husband, Honey Do Mr. Curtis, Soror Tiffany Riddick and Soror Pat and Karin Bryant's mother in prayer as they all recover. Please also continue to pray for Soror Darcell Medley-Stokes and her family as they mourn the loss of their loved one.

Monthly Calendar of Chapter Events

May 9th: Jersey City Meet the Greeks Event

May 16th: General Body Meeting & AKA 1908 Playground Project

May 30th: Pink Pearl Pizzazz Jazz and Scholarship Luncheon



May Birthdays

11th - Soror Tiffany Riddick

25th - Soror Gwen Anthony

29th - Soror Janice T. Watson

NARC 2015 Highlights

NARC Attendance

- NARC registered chapter Sorors - 36
- 6 out of 7 newly initiated Sorors (June 2014) registered for NARC
- NARC Chapter Delegates - Soror Charlotte Rogers-Brown, Basileus Cimeron Bryant, Soror Sabrina Riley, Soror Corinne E. Rivers and Soror Vanetha Wood-Stradford / NARC Alternate Delegates - Soror Tanya Ginn Brown and Soror Andrea Kwakyeh
- NARC Grammateus - Soror Sobande F. Afolabi
- NARC Welcome Committee - Chairman Soror Corinne E. Rivers / Co Chairman Soror Jazmin Gooding
- NARC Evaluation Committee - Chairman Soror Tiffany Riddick / Co Chairman Soror Tanya Ginn Brown

Chapter Participation at NARC

- 12 Chapter Sorors participated in the Welcome video
- 9 Chapter Sorors participated in the Welcome Stroll
- Soror Janet Chavis and Soror Jahari Jacobs participated in the Legacy Parade at the start of the Third Plenary Session
- Soror Sallie Brown served as the region's escort for **Soror Autumn Kyles, Second Supreme Anti-Basileus and Soror Karrie S. Hargrave, Undergraduate Member-At-Large**
- Soror Tamra Sanchez volunteered to be the chapter's hostess at the Diamond Golden Silver Soror Luncheon
- Soror Natalie D. Russell volunteered to be the chapter's hostess at the NARC Awards Gala
- 13 Sorors volunteered to assist Diamond and Golden Sorors with completing evaluations
- Soror Tonia Slay-Daniels donated the huge evaluation sign posted in the Diamond & Golden Cafe'
- Soror Sallie Brown allowed the region to use her pink and green chair covers and tie backs for the Very Special Guests (VSG) tables at the NARC Awards Gala
- Sorors donated 9 backpacks with school supplies for the *One Million Backpacks* program
- 14 Sorors attended the Diamond Golden Silver Soror luncheon to honor Soror Sallie Brown
- 21 Sorors attended the chapter luncheon at Applebee's organized by the Membership Committee
- 32 Sorors attended Basileus Cimeron Bryant's reception for light refreshments in her hotel room. When leaving, each soror received a "Welcome to NARC" snack pack with water, chips, a breakfast bar and green and white mints.

NARC 2015 Highlights (Continued)

Certifications at NARC

- Soror Janice T. Watson - Graduate Advisor Certification Training Level II
- Soror Natalie D. Russell - Graduate Advisor Certification Training Level I
- Soror Sobande F. Afolabi – Chapter Financial Officer Certification
- Soror Darcell Medley Stokes and Basileus Cimeron Bryant - passed The National Association for Parliamentarian Exam Level I

Recognition at NARC

- Rho Kappa Omega was recognized by Educational Advancement Foundation, Inc (EAF) at Silver Level.
- Rho Kappa Omega received a Certificate of Achievement for participation in the Launching New Dimensions of Service program pre-launch activities.
- Soror Natalie D. Russell received the Sister to Sister Pearl Award at the Sister to Sister Luncheon.
- Soror Sallie Brown received a Certificate of Appreciation for the position of Sisterly Relations Chairman at the Sister to Sister Luncheon.
- Soror Sallie Brown was recognized as a Silver Star Soror at the Diamond Golden Silver Soror Luncheon.

NARC Awards

- The Awards Committee submitted for Basileus of the Year (2014), Chapter of the Year (2014) and Launching New Dimension of Service *One Million Backpacks Award*. Unfortunately, the chapter did not win any awards.
- Rho Kappa Omega submitted all reports to corporate office and Madame Regional Director by the December 31, 2014 and February 1, 2015 deadlines; however since the chapter did not have **60%** participation in the Standards End of the Year report, we were not eligible to receive the STAR award.

Thank you Sorors for your hard work and dedication to this great sisterhood.



Rho Kappa Omega

May's Correspondence Report

- From: **Trumell J. Lamb**
What: Check for \$100 from vendor: Lady Elegant for Scholarship Luncheon
Notes: Check date: 4/8/2015
- From: **Alpha Kappa Alpha/ Corporate Office**
What: Spring 2015 Chapter Mailing
Notes: The following was enclosed: MIP Checklist with Timeline, General Information for College Bound Teenage Women and Their Parents, Launching New Dimensions of Service Archives, Launching New Dimensions of Service Mentoring, The Official Guide to Alpha Kappa Alpha Protocol and Launching New Dimensions of Communications.
- From: **AKA/ Educational Advancement Foundation, Inc.**
What: Confirmation letter for \$100.00 contribution.
- From: **Renee Dixon**
What: Money Gram Money Order for \$40.00, dated: 3/27/15
Notes: Enclosed was a note that read: Please accept my sincere apologies, if circumstances have been otherwise, it would have been my honor to be present at your "Pink Goes Red" event. This is a small donation for the American Cancer Association as I would like to have some participation. Great thanks and much appreciation.
- From: **American Cancer Society**
What: Support Card Enclosed
- From: **Aleessa Akenam**
What: Check for \$65.00 for Jazz Luncheon
Notes: Check date: 4/27/2015 (Name on check: Gerome S. Jordan)
- From: Soror Sharday Johnson
What: Greek Basketball Tournament for the LoveMikeNia Foundation
When: May 16th and May 17th
Where: JFK Rec. Center, Newark, NJ
Notes: The 2 day tournament starts Saturday from 11am-7pm and ends Sunday from 2pm-7pm. There will be vendors, sponsors, step exhibitions, videographers and several

other media outlets. They will be issuing 2 scholarships to NJIT and TCNJ on behalf of Michael Muchoki and Nia Haqq who was murdered in 2010 in Jersey City.

Respectfully Submitted,
Soror Vanessa Jean-Louis
Epistoleus

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	Pecunious Grammatheus Report April 1-April 30, 2015								
1									
2	Account	Name	Amount	Check #/Cash	Receipt #	Date received	Date Submitted	Purpose	Notes
3	Operating Account	Soror Jazmin Gooding	\$60.00	cash	931169	4/11/2015	4/11/2015	Chapter Retreat	Paid in full includes fee for Soror Tynasha Banks
4	Operating Account	Soror Sallie Brown	\$30.00	cash	931170	4/11/2015	4/11/2015	Chapter Retreat	Paid in full
5	Operating Account	Soror Janell Taylor	\$30.00	cash	931171	4/11/2015	4/11/2015	Chapter Retreat	Paid in full
6	Operating Account	Soror Tonia Slay-Daniels	\$30.00	cash	931172	4/11/2015	4/11/2015	Chapter Retreat	Paid in full
7	Operating Account	Soror Heather Spencer	\$30.00	cash	931173	4/11/2015	4/11/2015	Chapter Retreat	Paid in full
8	Operating Account	Soror Shevon Armstrong	\$30.00	cash	931174	4/11/2015	4/11/2015	Chapter Retreat	Paid in full
9	Operating Account	Soror Janet Chavis	\$30.00	cash	931175	4/11/2015	4/11/2015	Chapter Retreat	Paid in full
10	Operating Account	Soror Corinne Rivers	\$30.00	cash	931176	4/11/2015	4/11/2015	Chapter Retreat	Paid in full
11	Operating Account	Soror Vanessa Jean-Louis	\$30.00	cash	931177	4/11/2015	4/11/2015	Chapter Retreat	Paid in full
12	Operating Account	Soror Shannelle Hunte	\$30.00	cash	931178	4/11/2015	4/11/2015	Chapter Retreat	Paid in full
13	Operating Account	Soror Sobande Afolabi	\$30.00	671	931179	4/11/2015	4/11/2015	Chapter Retreat	Paid in full
14	Operating Account	Soror Darcell Medley Stokes	\$30.00	144	931180	4/11/2015	4/11/2015	Chapter Retreat	Paid in full
15	Operating Account	Soror Natalie Russell	\$30.00	cash	931181	4/11/2015	4/11/2015	Chapter Retreat	Paid in full
16	Operating Account	Soror Jahari Jacobs	\$30.00	cash	931182	4/11/2015	4/11/2015	Chapter Retreat	Paid in full
17	Operating Account	Soror Sobande Afolabi	\$20.00	672	931183	4/12/2015	4/15/2015	NARC T-Shirt	Paid in full
18	Operating Account	Soror Sallie Brown	\$5.00	cash	931184	4/12/2015	4/15/2015	table reservation	NARC Gala
19	Operating Account	Soror Shevon Armstrong	\$2.78	cash	931185	4/12/2015	4/15/2015	table reservation	NARC DGS Luncheon
20	Operating Account	Soror Natalie Russell	\$7.78	291	931186	4/12/2015	4/15/2015	table reservations	NARC Gala & DGS Luncheon

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2	Account	Name	Amount	Check #/Cash	Receipt #	Date received	Date Submitted	Purpose	Notes
21	Operating Account	Soror Heather Spencer	\$20.00	cash	931187	4/12/2015	4/15/2015	NARC T-Shirt	Paid in full
22	Operating Account	Soror Cimeron Bryant	\$7.78	5447	931188	4/18/2015	4/28/2015	table reservations	NARC Gala & DGS Luncheon
23	Operating Account	Soror Sabrina Riley	\$22.78	cash	931189	4/18/2015	4/28/2015	NARC T-shirt, table reservation	NARC DGS Luncheon
24	Operating Account	Soror Rasheeda Green	\$22.78	1723	931190	4/18/2015	4/28/2015	NARC T-Shirt, table reservation	NARC DGS Luncheon
25	Operating Account	Soror Doris Taylor	\$7.78	cash	931191	4/18/2015	4/28/2015	table reservations	NARC Gala & DGS Luncheon
26	Operating Account	Soror Gloria Felder	\$7.78	cash	931192	4/18/2015	4/28/2015	table reservations	NARC Gala & DGS Luncheon
27	Operating Account	Soror Shevon Armstrong	\$40.00	cash	931193	4/18/2015	4/28/2015	NARC T-Shirt, 2016 Dues	\$20 Partial Payment toward 2016 Dues
28	Operating Account	Soror Alamease Drummond	\$17.67	cash	931194	4/18/2015	4/28/2015	balance for 2015 Dues	Paid in Full
29	Operating Account	Soror Tanya Ginn-Brown	\$7.78	cash	931195	4/18/2015	4/28/2015	table reservations	NARC Gala & DGS Luncheon
30	Operating Account	Soror Janice Watcon	\$8.00	cash	931196	4/18/2015	4/28/2015	table reservations & .22 Donation	NARC Gala & DGS Luncheon
31	Operating Account	Soror Andrea Kwakyeh	\$60.00	cash/5448	725201	4/18/2015	4/28/2015	Internal Fundraiser	raffle
32	Operating Account	Soror Andrea Kwakyeh	\$2.78	cash	725202	4/18/2015	4/28/2015	table reservation	NARC DGS Luncheon
33	Operating Account	Soror Charlotte Rogers Brown	\$22.78	cash	725203	4/18/2015	4/28/2015	NARC T-Shirt, table reservation	NARC DGS Luncheon
34	Operating Account	Soror Tynasha Banks	\$23.00	cash	725204	4/18/2015	4/28/2015	NARC T-Shirt, table reservation, .22 Donation	NARC DGS Luncheon
35	Operating Account	Soror Darcell Medley Stokes	\$5.00	cash	725205	4/18/2015	4/28/2015	table reservation	NARC Gala
36	Operating Account	Soror Andrea Wright	\$28.00	cash	725206	4/18/2015	4/28/2015	Philaacter Fines	collected for April

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55			Pecunious Grammatheus Report April 1-April 30, 2015						
56	Account	Name	Amount	Check #/Cash	Receipt #	Date received	Date Submitted	Purpose	Notes
57	Scholarship Account								
58		Total	\$0.00						
59		Scholarship							



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Tamiouchos Report
Operating Account
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Beginning Balance			\$ 20,288.57
		<u>Income:</u>	
Rec'd	Deposit		
4/3/15	4/9/15	K. Coleman (\$303.33) prorated 2015 Chapter Dues and Reactivation Fee; S. Brown (\$20) NARC Tshirt	\$ 323.33
4/11/15	4/20/15	J. Gooding (\$60) Fee for Chapter Retreat for J. Gooding and T. Banks; S. Brown (\$30) Fee for Chapter Retreat; J. Taylor (\$30) Fee for Chapter Retreat; T. Slay-Daniels (\$30) Fee for Chapter Retreat; H. Spencer (\$30) Fee for Chapter Retreat; S. Armstrong (\$30) Fee for Chapter Retreat; J. Chavis (\$30) Fee for Chapter Retreat; C. Rivers (\$30) Fee for Chapter Retreat; V. Jean-Louis (\$30) Fee for Chapter Retreat; S. Hunte (\$30) Fee for Chapter Retreat; S. Afolabi (\$30) Fee for Chapter Retreat; D. Medley-Stokes (\$30) Fee for Chapter Retreat; N. Russell (\$30) Fee for Chapter Retreat; J. Jacobs (\$30) Fee for Chapter Retreat	\$ 450.00
4/15/15	4/20/15	S. Afolabi (\$20) NARC T-shirt; S. Brown (\$5) NARC Awards Gala Table Reservation; S. Armstrong (\$2.78) Diamond, Golden, Silver Star Luncheon Table Reservations at NARC; N. Russell (\$7.78) Diamond, Golden, Silver Star Luncheon and Awards Gala Table Reservations; H. Spencer (\$20) NARC T-shirt	\$ 55.56
4/28/15	*PENDING	C. Bryant (\$25) NARC T-shirt and Awards Gala Table Reservation for G. Anthony; T. Sanchez (\$2.78) Diamond, Golden, Silver Star Luncheon Table Reservation; V. Wood-Stradford (\$2.78) Diamond, Golden, Silver Star Luncheon Table Reservation; G. Felder (\$225) 2015 NARC Registration and Diamond, Golden, Silver Star Luncheon Table Reservation	\$ 255.56



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4/28/15 *PENDING

C. Bryant (\$7.78) Awards Gala and Diamond, Golden, Silver Star Luncheon Table Reservations; S. Riley (\$22.78) NARC T-shirt and DGS Star Luncheon Table Reservation; R. Green (\$22.78) NARC T-shirt and DGS Star Luncheon Table Reservation; D. Taylor (\$7.78) Awards Gala and DGS Star Luncheon Table Reservations; G. Felder (\$7.78) Awards Gala and DGS Star Luncheon Table Reservations; S. Armstrong (\$40) \$20 towards 2016 Chapter Dues which is RESTRICTED and \$20 for NARC T-shirt; A. Drummond (\$17.67) balance due for 2015 Chapter Dues; T. Ginn Brown (\$7.78) Awards Gala and DGS Star Luncheon Table Reservations; J. Watson (\$8) \$7.78 for Awards Gala and DGS Star Luncheon Table Reservations and \$.22 donation to chapter; A. Kwaykeh (\$60) Raffle ticket money collected for internal fundraiser; A. Kwakyeh (\$2.78) DGS Star Luncheon Table Reservation; C. Rogers Brown (\$22.78) NARC T-shirt and DGS Star Luncheon Table Reservation; T. Banks (\$23) NARC T-shirt, DGS Star Luncheon Table Reservation and \$.22 donation to chapter; D. Medley-Stokes (\$5) Awards Gala Table Reservation; A. Wright (\$28) Philacter Fees collected at April 2015 Chapter Meeting; J. Cadet (\$23) NARC T-shirt, DGS Star Luncheon Table Reservation and \$.22 donation to chapter

\$ 306.91

Total Income

\$ 1,391.36



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<u>Disbursements:</u>				
Date	Posted			
4/7/15	4/15/15	1804	Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc.: Corporate Dues and Reactivation Fees for Sharday Johnson, Kelle Coleman and Altamease Drummond	\$ 360.00
4/11/15	4/16/15	1805	Tonia Slay-Daniels: Reimbursement for Receipt Books	\$ 44.90
4/11/15		1806	Vaidra Boston: Reimbursement for food at March 2015 Chapter Meeting	\$ 59.53
4/11/15	4/21/15	1807	Cimeron Bryant: Reimbursement for Cluster IV Founders' Day Luncheon ticket (\$65); Unsung Military Sheroes Lucheon ticket honoring T. Ginn Brown (\$55); Scholarship Awards Breakfast ticket honoring J. Chavis (\$45); Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority documents (\$112); National Association of Parliamentarian testing fee and dues (\$95)	\$ 372.00
4/11/15	4/16/15	1808	Tonia Slay-Daniels: Reimbursement for Food at Chapter Retreat	\$ 15.22
4/11/15	4/14/15	1809	Old York Cellars: Balance of Chapter Retreat expenses/ room rental	\$ 449.40
4/12/15	4/22/15	1810	Shevon Armstrong: Reimbursement for food and decorations at chapter retreat	\$ 116.15
4/18/15	4/21/15	1811	Cimeron Bryant: Reimbursement for mailing Awards Binders	\$ 97.96
4/18/15		1812	Cimeron Bryant: Reimbursement for room rental for April 2015 Chapter Meeting	\$ 187.25
4/18/15	4/21/15	1813	Cimeron Bryant: Reimbursement for Ivy Leaf Submission	\$ 151.25
4/18/15	4/23/15	1814	Sabrina Riley: Reimbursement for food at April 2015 Chapter Meeting	\$ 21.97
4/18/15	4/27/15	1815	Tanya Ginn Brown: Reimbursement for NARC T-shirt not purchased	\$ 20.00
Total Disbursements				\$ 1,895.63



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SUMMARY

Beginning Balance		\$ 20,288.57
Total Income		\$ 1,391.36
Total Disbursements		\$ (1,895.63)
Total Balance to be carried forward		\$ 19,784.30
Carry Over Balance		\$ 19,784.30
Outstanding Items	1714/\$100, 1752/\$150, 1755/\$60, 1776/\$50, 1806/\$59.53, 1812/\$187.25	\$ 606.78
OUTSTANDING DEPOSIT		\$ (562.47)
Bank Balance		\$ 19,828.61



Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
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Fundraising Account
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Beginning Balance		\$ 14,214.19
<u>Income:</u>		
Rec'd	Deposit	
4/3/15	4/8/15	Paypal Transfer for 10 Lyle Love Affair tickets sold online
		\$ 201.80
4/3/15	4/9/15	3 tickets for Lyle Love Affair
		\$ 60.00
4/3/15	4/9/15	85 tickets for Lyle Love Affair (\$1700); Funds collected at door at Lyle Love Affair (\$663)
		\$ 2,363.00
4/15/15	4/20/15	2 tickets for Lyle Love Affair
		\$ 40.00
4/28/15	*PENDING	R. Green's donation/participation towards program portion of Jazz Luncheon
		\$ 10.00
Total Income		\$ 2,674.80
<u>Disbursements:</u>		
Date	Posted	
4/11/15		1467 Sobande Afolabi: Reimbursement for refreshments for NAMI Program
		\$ 3.54
4/11/15	4/13/15	1468 Jahari Jacobs: Reimbursement for refreshments for NAMI Program
		\$ 48.75
4/11/15	4/13/15	1469 Jahari Jacobs: Reimbursement for refreshments for Go Red Program
		\$ 27.03
4/11/15	4/16/15	1470 Natalie Russell: Reimbursement for decoration and gift for bootcamp instructor
		\$ 88.05
4/12/15		1471 Africare: Chapter Donation
		\$ 300.00
4/12/15		1472 American Heart Association: Chapter Donation
		\$ 100.00
Total Disbursements		\$ 567.37



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Beginning Balance		\$ 14,214.19
Total Income		\$ 2,674.80
Total Disbursements		\$ (567.37)
Total Balance to be carried forward		\$ 16,321.62
Carry Over Balance		\$ 16,321.62
Outstanding Items	1467/\$3.54, 1471/\$300, 1472/\$100	\$ 403.54
OUTSTANDING DEPOSIT		\$ (10.00)
Bank Balance		\$ 16,715.16



Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
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Scholarship Account
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	Beginning Balance		\$ 1,847.26
	<u>Income:</u>		
Rec'd	Deposit		
	Total Income		\$0.00
	<u>Disbursements:</u>		
Date	Posted		
4/18/15	1011	Janet Chavis: Replacement Check for Speaker Honorarium for 2014 Scholarship Reception	\$ 33.07
	Total Disbursements		\$33.07

SUMMARY

Beginning Balance	\$ 1,847.26
Total Income	\$0.00
Total Disbursements	\$ (33.07)
Total Balance to be carried forward	\$ 1,814.19
Carry Over Balance	\$ 1,814.19
Outstanding Items 1011/\$33.07	\$ 33.07
 OUTSTANDING DEPOSIT	 \$0.00
Bank Balance	\$ 1,847.26

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Approved Budget
\$23,870.00

<u>A/C#</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Approved Budget</u>	<u>Actual YTD</u>	<u>Remaining in Budget</u>
<u>Officers' Expenditures</u>				
5010	Basileus	\$1,500.00	\$362.00	\$1,138.00
5020	Grammateus	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$150.00
5030	Epistoleus	\$200.00	\$19.60	\$180.40
5040	Tamiouchos	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
5050	Pecunious Grammateus	\$60.00	\$55.76	\$4.24
5060	Graduate Advisor	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
5070	Other Officers' Expenditures	\$140.00	\$10.00	\$130.00 (4) SEE BELOW
<u>Standing Committees' Expenditures</u>				
5200	Standards Committee	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
5210	Membership Committee	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$350.00
5220	Connection Committee	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$150.00
5230	Archives Committee	\$295.00	\$0.00	\$295.00
5240	Leadership Development Team	\$800.00	\$398.27	\$401.73 (5) SEE BELOW
5250	Awards Committee	\$200.00	\$189.96	\$10.04
5260	EAF Committee	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
5270	Publicity	\$1,150.00	\$527.22	\$622.78
5280	Graduate Advisory Committee	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
5290	Courtesies	\$700.00	\$201.14	\$498.86
5300	Sisterly Relations Committee	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$400.00
5310	Other Standing Committees' Expenditures	\$140.00	\$0.00	\$140.00
<u>Other Expenditures</u>				
<u>Administrative Expenditures</u>				
5500	Bank service charges	\$75.00	\$0.00	\$75.00
5510	Monthly Meeting (room rental)	\$2,000.00	\$374.50	\$1,625.50
5520	Officers' Bonding	\$350.00	\$225.00	\$125.00
5530	P.O. Box Medium	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
5540	Storage Facility	\$1,700.00	\$1,693.48	\$6.52
5550	SET Visit	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00
5560	External Audit	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
5570	Pan Hellenic Council Dues	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
<u>Corporate Office Expenditures</u>				
5700	Chapter Tax	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00 (1) SEE BELOW
5710	Per Capita Tax	\$3,870.00	\$2,250.00	\$1,620.00 (2) SEE BELOW
5720	EAF Dues	\$460.00	\$270.00	\$190.00 (2) SEE BELOW
5730	Reactivation Fees	\$545.00	\$80.00	\$465.00
5740	Constitution & Bylaws/ Manual of Standard Procedure	\$500.00	\$560.00	\$ (60.00)
<u>Conference Expenditures</u>				
5900	Regional, Cluster & Boule Assessments	\$100.00	\$75.00	\$25.00
5910	NARC Delegates	\$750.00	\$0.00	\$750.00
5920	Leadership Seminar	\$540.00	\$0.00	\$540.00
5930	Other Conferences (Roundup and Cluster)	\$470.00	\$0.00	\$470.00
<u>Other Expenditures</u>				
6100	Contingency	\$2,325.00	\$396.69	\$1,928.31 (3) SEE BELOW

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Chapter Activities

6300 Founders' Day	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
6310 Membership Intake	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
Total	\$23,870.00	\$7,688.62	\$16,181.38

YTD Philacter Fines collected \$48.00

YTD Chapter Members Only Internal Fundraiser \$0.00

Notes:

- (1) 12/25/14 - Paid Chapter Tax (\$300) and Per Capita and EAF for 17 members for 2015
- (2) 12/31/14 - Paid Per Capita and EAF for 16 members for 2015
- (3) \$136 for Tau Sigma Chapter Tax and 15% Administrative Fee; \$96 PO Box Rental Fee for 6 months for Tau Sigma; \$120.89 for costs related to Tau Sigma (mailing, check fee, replacement of Sorority Documents); \$43.80 to Soror Janet Chavis for travel expenses to NARC awards judging.
- (4) 4/11/15 - Protocol Manual (\$10) was purchased for Philacter.
- (5) 4/11/15 - \$450 was submitted by 15 sorors who attended Chapter Retreat. The funds collected go towards expenses related to room rental, food, supplies and wine tasting. \$450 has been added into LDT Budget. Check Number 1809, dated 4/11/15 to Old York Cellars for \$449.40 was deducted from LDT Budget.

**Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
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Program / Fundraising / Scholarship
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**Approved Budget
\$11,400.00**

<u>A/C#</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Approved Budget</u>	<u>Actual YTD</u>	<u>Remaining in Budget</u>
<u>Chapter Programs</u>				
1100	Back to School Health and Safety Fair	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00
1200	Martin L. King Jr. Day of Service Program	\$300.00	\$259.82	\$40.18
1300	ASCEND Mentoring Program	\$750.00	\$9.63	\$740.37
1400	Rho Kappa Omega Scholarship	\$5,350.00	\$0.00	\$5,350.00
1500	Making Strides Against Breast Cancer	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
1600	Go Red Sunday for Heart Health	\$200.00	\$173.22	\$26.78
1700	Sickle Cell Association of NJ	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
1800	Program Advertising	\$800.00	\$9.30	\$790.70
1900	Africare	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$0.00
2000	Mothers' Day Program	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00
2100	1908 Playgrounds Mobilization	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00
2200	The Longest Day Alzheimer's Support	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00
2300	Mental Health Awareness Day	\$200.00	\$52.29	\$147.71
2400	Childhood Hunger Awareness	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00
2500	Contingency	\$500.00	\$90.00	\$410.00
	Total	\$11,400.00	\$894.26	\$10,505.74

(1) See Below

**Approved Budget
\$8,600.00**

<u>Fundraising Events</u>				
4100	Bowling For AKA	\$1,100.00	\$0.00	\$1,100.00
4200	Jazz Luncheon	\$5,500.00	\$500.00	\$5,000.00
4300	Holiday Party	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00
	Total	\$8,600.00	\$500.00	\$8,100.00

Notes:

(1) 1/2 page congratulatory journal ad for Soror Janet Chavis (\$90)

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CURRENT MONTH ACCOUNT SUMMARY

Account Balance as of April 1, 2015		\$20,288.57
<u>Income</u>		
Income from Chapter Operations	\$1,391.36	
Total Income		\$1,391.36
<u>Expenses</u>		
Expenses for Chapter Operations	\$1,895.63	
Total Expenses		<u>\$1,895.63</u>
Account Balance as of April 30, 2015		<u><u>\$19,784.30</u></u>

Y-T-D ACCOUNT SUMMARY

Account Balance as of January 1, 2015		\$18,803.60
<u>Income</u>		
2015 Income from Chapter Operations	\$11,022.72	
Total Income		\$11,022.72
<u>Expenses</u>		
2015 Expenses for Chapter Operations	\$10,042.02	
Total Expenses		<u>\$10,042.02</u>
Account Balance as of April 30, 2015		<u><u>\$19,784.30</u></u>

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RECONCILIATION TO BANK STATEMENT

Balance per Bank Statement as of April 30, 2015	\$19,828.61
Plus: Deposits in Transit	\$562.47
Less: Outstanding Items	\$606.78
Less: Pending Bank Reconciliation	\$0.00
Adjusted Bank Account Balance as of April 30, 2015	\$19,784.30

OUTSTANDING ITEMS

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Check #</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Jersey City Education Association	1714	7/28/14	\$100.00
North Atlantic Region	1752	12/14/14	\$150.00
Jennie Cadet	1755	12/20/14	\$60.00
AKA North Atlantic Region	1776	1/17/15	\$50.00
Vaidra Boston	1806	4/11/15	\$59.53
Cimeron Bryant	1812	4/18/15	\$187.25
Total Outstanding Items as of April 30, 2015			\$606.78

DEPOSITS IN TRANSIT

Pending Deposit	\$562.47
Pending Deposit (Paypal)	\$0.00
Total Deposits in Transits as of April 30, 2015	\$562.47

STATEMENT OF ASSETS

<u>Type of Account</u>	<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Balance</u>
PNC Bank - Business Checking (Operations)	xxxxxxx841	\$19,828.61
Total Assets as of April 30, 2015		\$19,828.61

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CURRENT MONTH ACCOUNT SUMMARY

Account Balance as of April 1, 2015 **\$14,214.19**

Income

Income from Self-Sustaining Activities	\$2,674.80	
Total Income		\$2,674.80

Expenses

Expenses for Self-Sustaining Activities	\$567.37	
Total Expenses		<u>\$567.37</u>

Account Balance as of April 30, 2015 **\$16,321.62**

Y-T-D ACCOUNT SUMMARY

Account Balance as of January 1, 2015 **\$11,701.76**

Income

2015 Income from Self-Sustaining Activities	\$7,638.72	
Total Income		\$7,638.72

Expenses

2015 Expenses for Self-Sustaining Activities	\$3,018.86	
Total Expenses		<u>\$3,018.86</u>

Account Balance as of April 30, 2015 **\$16,321.62**

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RECONCILIATION TO BANK STATEMENT

Balance per Bank Statement as of April 30, 2015	\$16,715.16
Plus: Deposits in Transit	\$10.00
Less: Outstanding Items	<u>\$403.54</u>
Adjusted Bank Account Balance as of April 30, 2015	<u>\$16,321.62</u>

OUTSTANDING ITEMS

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Check #</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Sobande Afolabi	1467	04/11/15	\$3.54
Africare	1471	04/12/15	\$300.00
American Heart Association	1472	04/12/15	\$100.00
Total Outstanding Items as of April 30, 2015			<u>\$403.54</u>

DEPOSITS IN TRANSIT

Pending Deposit	\$10.00
Pending Deposit (PayPal)	<u>\$0.00</u>
Total Deposits in Transits as of April 30, 2015	<u>\$10.00</u>

STATEMENT OF ASSETS

<u>Type of Account</u>	<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Balance</u>
PNC Bank - Business Checking (Fundraising)	xxxxxxx892	\$16,715.16
Total Assets as of April 30, 2015		\$16,715.16

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CURRENT MONTH ACCOUNT SUMMARY

Account Balance as of April 1, 2015		\$1,847.26
<u>Income</u>		
Income for Scholarships	\$0.00	
Total Income		\$0.00
<u>Expenses</u>		
Expenses for Scholarships	\$33.07	
Total Expenses		\$33.07
Account Balance as of April 30, 2015		<u><u>\$1,814.19</u></u>

Y-T-D ACCOUNT SUMMARY

Account Balance as of January 1, 2015		\$1,356.77
<u>Income</u>		
2015 Income for Scholarships	\$533.07	
Total Income		\$533.07
<u>Expenses</u>		
2015 Expenses for Scholarships	\$75.65	
Total Expenses		\$75.65
Account Balance as of April 30, 2015		<u><u>\$1,814.19</u></u>

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RECONCILIATION TO BANK STATEMENT

Balance per Bank Statement as of April 30, 2015	\$1,847.26
Plus: Deposits in Transit	\$0.00
Less: Outstanding Items	\$33.07
Adjusted Bank Account Balance as of April 30, 2015	\$1,814.19

OUTSTANDING ITEMS

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Check #</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Janet Chavis	1011	04/18/15	\$33.07
Total Outstanding Items as of April 30, 2015			\$33.07

DEPOSITS IN TRANSIT

Pending Deposit	\$0.00
Pending Deposit (PayPal)	\$0.00
Total Deposits in Transit as of April 30, 2015	\$0.00

STATEMENT OF ASSETS

<u>Type of Account</u>	<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Balance</u>
PNC Bank - Business Checking (Scholarship)	xxxxxxx497	\$1,847.26
Total Assets as of April 30, 2015		\$1,847.26



Rho Kappa Omega

Soror Cimeron Bryant, Basileus



Keeper of Property/Custodian Report for March & April 2015

Goals

1. To create an inventory list of items in storage.
2. To develop a procedure for chapter members to submit and retrieve items to and from storage.
3. To continue to reorganize items in storage for easy access.

Record of Items Received for Storage

- 2015 Awards Binders (3)
- 2014 Awards Binders (3)
- 2007-2009 Executive Board & General Body Minutes Binders (9)
- 2003, 2007, 2008, 2013- Proclamations & Resolutions Awards
- 2010-2014- Grammateus Binders (6)
- Bag with items used for rituals.

Record of Requested from Storage

- None

Record of Items Remaining At Large

- Chapter Banner

Other Activity

- Discussion with historian regarding our roles and how to improve.
- Attended NARC 2015-Launching New Dimensions of Service: "Keeping our Heritage Reel"- 1. Received information on how to improve our archive collections –using digital archiving and repositories- they advised everyone to longer send artifacts to the Moorland Spingarn Research Center- Library, Washington, D.C. House, as it cannot accommodate the entire organization's artifacts. They recommend sending only Diamond Soror information & the International Office information. It is suggested the region and chapter seek out local repositories.
 2. Witnessed a recording of a taped interview with one of the regions Diamond Gem- to give chapters ideas on preserving and documenting history.
 3. Informed that chapters should have a historian and an archivist.

Action Items

1. As custodian, I recommend that the bylaws committee submit a proposal to change the title of custodian (Curator or keeper of property) to archivist to be in line with the region.
2. Only one key to the storage area exist. I recommend we obtain a second key, and decide who should keep it for use when custodian is not available to access storage.
3. Please submit the chapter banner storage or identify its location if needed for a future event.

Submitted,

Soror Tanya Ginn Brown

Custodian, Rho Kappa Omega Chapter



Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
Rho Kappa Omega Chapter
Program Committee

May 2015 Committee Report

Upcoming Committee Conference Call: Tuesday, June 2, 2015 at 8:30pm (712) 775-7000 Code: 507340#

2015 Program Committee Goals

- ✓ Implement an Economic Empowerment program in 2016.
- ✓ Mentor 40 students over the next four years.
- ✓ Distribute 1,000 book bags over the next four years.
- ✓ Participate in all AKA Community Impact Days (6 per calendar year).

Recent Programs

- Mental Health Awareness Program (April 11th) – The chapter members read and discussed *72 Hour Hold* by BeBe Moore Campbell. We will also donate mental health awareness books to a local library.
- NARC Service Project: The chapter donated 9 bookbags filled with school supplies.

Upcoming Programs

- 1908 Playgrounds Mobilization (May 16th)
 - Location: Leonard Gordon Park, 3305 Kennedy Blvd at the corner of Kennedy & Manhattan
 - Time: 1:30pm
 - Attire: Casual paraphernalia, jeans and sneakers allowed (no stretch pants, sweatpants of yoga pants)
 - We will restore, renew and refresh the park by replanting trees and cleaning the park. If you have your own gardening tools, please bring them along.
- Scholarship (May 30th) – Scholarship recipients (\$1,000 each): Aleesya Akeynan, Rogina Gerges & Justice Baskin. The HBCU scholarship will go to a Morgan State student. The high school students will be honored at the fundraiser brunch on May 30th at La Reggia in Secaucus. Chairmen: Soror Shevon Armstrong and Jazmin Gooding.
 - Alternate Program Participation: Donate \$10 worth of items for the Silent Auction. (This does not replace assessments)
- Longest Day Alzheimer's Support (June 21st): We will partner with Angela CARES to volunteer St. Ann's in Jersey City from 7am – 7pm. Sorors are asked to sign up for at least 1 hour. Sorors should register by May 15 on alz.org, Team Name: Rho Kappa Omega Chapter. Sorors are encouraged to purchase a t-shirt and donate/raise funds.
 - Alternate Participation: Donate minimum of \$10 to the Rho Kappa Omega Chapter Team.



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- Back to School Bookbag Drive, *One Million Backpacks* (August 15th): We will partner with several community service organizations and Congressman Payne for this event, which will be held at St. Peter's University.
- Making Strides Against Breast Cancer (October 18th): Please start raising funds now! Sell some baked goods at your job, candy at church, etc. The walk is at Lincoln Park.
- ASCEND: Applications were sent to all Hudson County high schools. The deadline is June 1st. If you know of any high school student who wishes to apply, please contact Soror Tynesha or Soror Natalie.

NAMI Walk

- May 16 at 9am at Seaside Park in Ocean County. The chapter is not participating in the walk due to the 1908 Playgrounds Mobilization Community Impact Day, this is just an FYI.

Respectfully Submitted,

Soror Natalie Deneen Russell, on behalf of the Program Committee

2015 Programs at a Glance

January 19

MLK Day of Service Blood Drive

Africare Donation

February 7

Pink Goes Red for Heart Health

April 11

Mental Health Awareness

May

1908 Playgrounds Mobilization (16th)

Scholarship (Luncheon 30th)

June 21

Longest Day Alzheimer's Support

August 15

Back to School Bookbag Drive

September

Sickle Cell Association of NJ Donation

October

Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk (18th)

Childhood Hunger Awareness Day

September - December

ASCEND



Courtesy & Protocol Committee Report May 2015

The committee had a conference call on Sunday, May 3, 2015 at 7:00 PM. In attendance were Sorors Cimeron Bryant, Vaidra Boston, and Andrea Wright.

2015 Goals:

- Celebrate Soror milestones at Chapter meetings by distributing gifts or cards
- Have protocol highlights added to Basileus newsletter as friendly reminders to Sorors
- Implement a Protocol workshop for chapter in 2015

Rho Kappa Omega Protocol Workshop:

- Host during Fall of 2015- approval after September chapter meeting
- Committee currently reaching out to region for a representative in the area to host workshop and/ or provide specific Protocol Workshop materials.

Protocol Presentation Questions from April 2015 Chapter Meeting?

- Length of skirt
 - At this time, skirts must be knee length. There is no designated point where the skirt should hit. The regional Protocol representative said the chapter should use their discretion as certain skirts may fit others differently.
 - During the May 3, 2015 committee call, the committee voted on the motion and it was carried by vote:
 - **The length of skirts and/ or dresses must hit the knee while standing for business attire at chapter meetings.**
- Hosiery requirements
 - Required with a skirt or dress
 - Not a requirement with pants
- Suit Jackets required with Dresses
 - Jackets are not a requirement when wearing a dress with sleeves
 - Required if the dress is sleeveless

What is the Courtesy & Protocol Committee doing?

- Recognized Soror birthdays at chapter meeting w/ balloons and cards
- Mailed greeting cards to Sorors who are sick or honored in the community
- Featured in Basileus newsletter for February 2015



**Courtesy & Protocol Committee
Attire Presentation**

The following guidelines may be used to distinguish business and business casual attire for Alpha Kappa Alpha Events.

<p><i>BUSINESS</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closed toe shoes preferred • Sandals are acceptable • Hosiery • Short or long sleeves • Skirt at knee length • Pants suits 	<p><i>BUSINESS CASUAL</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open- toe shoes or sandals • No hosiery • Sleeveless skirt at knee length • Khakis/ polo shirts • Trousers/ shirts, skirts/ blouses • Slacks/ sweaters
<p><i>RITUALS</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seasonal white sling-back, peep toe, mules, peep-toe with sling-back and pumps are acceptable • Hosiery, white or flesh-tone short or long sleeves • Skirt at knee length to mid-calf dresses or skirted suits with sleeves 	<p><i>SEMI- FORMAL</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Very dressy dresses or suits appropriate for cocktail parties (examples: brocade dinner suite; a plain dress with a fancy jacket or evening shawl; following chiffon pants and velvet trousers)
<p><i>FORMAL</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Long evening dresses and fancy jewelry • White tie long evening gown is the only appropriate choice 	<p>Information obtained from <i>The Official Guide to Alpha Kappa Alpha: Protocol Guide 2014</i></p> <p>**please refer to page 46</p>

*Respectfully Submitted by Soror Vaidra Boston on behalf of the
Courtesy & Protocol Committee*

Did You Know?

When reciting the pledge, there is no “s” on the word strength.

Official Guide to Alpha Kappa Alpha Protocol 2014

2015 COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Soror Vaidra Boston, Chairman
 Soror Natalie Cox, Co- Chairman
 Soror Tynesha Banks
 Soror Delores Curtis
 Soror Andrea Mason
 Soror Sabrina Riley
 Soror Vanetha Wood- Stradford
 Soror Andrea Wright



Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
Rho Kappa Omega Chapter
Graduate Advisory Committee
Tau Sigma Chapter

Graduate Advisory Committee Report May 2015

The Graduate Advisory Committee (GAC) met on May 6, 2015 via conference call. Participants included Sorors Sobande Afolabi, Cimeron Bryant, Nokeima Jones, Corinne E. Rivers and Tonia Slay-Daniels.

2015 GAC Goals

1. To have monthly meetings.
2. To work together as a team.
3. To handle any issues with Tau Sigma Chapter (TS) internally within the GAC while sharing information with Rho Kappa Omega Chapter (PKQ) to promote transparency.
4. To model and teach TS how to work and perform as Alpha Kappa Alpha Women.
5. To serve as role models and mentors to TS.

Graduation

- Sorors Miraclea' Adams, Barbara Jean Etherege and Kiyasia Whetstone graduated from NJCU on May 12, 2015.

Chapter Meetings

- TS will meet jointly with PKQ on May 16, 2015.

GAC Trainings

- May's joint meeting with PKQ will focus on sisterly relations activities and bonding.

Programs

- TS is expected to participate in the 1908 Playgrounds Mobilization Day with PKQ at Leonard Gordon Park, 3305 Kennedy Blvd, Jersey City, NJ on May 16, 2015 at 1:30pm.

NARC

- Sorors Kendra Lee, Elisheva M.R., Miraclea' Adams and Cashonda Pamplin-Grant all attended NARC 2015 in Atlantic City, NJ. Sorors Kendra Lee and Miraclea' Adams served as delegates.
- PKQ Sorors Sallie Brown and Doris Taylor each donated \$85.00 to cover the cost of registration for two TS Sorors.
- All four TS Sorors shared a room at Bally's with PKQ Sorors Vanessa Jean-Louis and Sharmelle Hunt. The room was reserved by Elisheva M.R. at a rate of \$85.00 for Friday and Saturday. Soror Cimeron Bryant donated \$56.00 towards the room, which covered the cost of

the room for Sorors Elisheva M.R., Kendra Lee, Miraclea' Adams and Cashonda Pamplin-Grant. Sorors Vanessa Jean-Louis and Sharmelle Hunt covered the remaining cost.

- PKQ Sorors Janet Chavis, Cimeron Bryant and Siera Robinson assisted with transportation to and from Atlantic City.

Graduate Soror/Undergraduate Soror Interaction

- While the GAC encourages sisterly interaction between graduate and undergraduate sorors, kindly notify the Graduate Advisor of certain interactions including, but not limited to, transporting undergraduate sorors to and from sorority events including Regional Conferences and sharing hotel rooms with undergraduate sorors at sorority events. This is to avoid any liability for PKQ against any claims of improper interaction with undergraduate sorors.

Respectfully submitted,



Soror Corinne E. Rivers
Graduate Advisor

2013 Internal Audit Review and Recommendations

The Audit Committee conducted an audit of the 2013 Pecunious Grammateus and Tamiouchos financial records. The standards set forth in this audit are from the Fiscal Fitness Guide to Chapter Financial Procedures and Rho Kappa Omega Chapter Bylaws. In addition, a review the 2009 Audit Committee's Recommendations, the 2011 and 2012 Financial Audits were considered. The goal of this audit is to determine the adequacy, completeness and accuracy of the financial record maintained by the chapter's financial officers.

Records Reviewed

- Bank Statements (Operating, Fundraising and Scholarship Accounts)
- Pecunious Grammateus Reports (January 2013 – December 2013)
- 2013 Pecunious Grammateus Ledger
- 2013 Pecunious Grammateus Receipt Books
- Tamiouchos Reports (January 2013 – December 2013)
- 2013 Tamiouchos Ledger
- Bond Insurance Document
- 2013 Transmittal Forms from PG to Tamiouchos
- Confirmation Printouts of 2013 Paypal Transfers
- 2013 Check Stubs with voided checks attached
- Voucher Reimbursement Requests

Officers' Internal Controls

The standards set forth in the chapter's governing documents were used to ensure that the financial records are in compliance. The following internal controls were reviewed and used to evaluate completeness and integrity of the chapter's financial records.

Pecunious Grammateus Internal Controls

- All funds collected are recorded and maintained in a Cash Receipt Journal.
 - *Funds collected were recorded in an electronic cash receipt log. At some point the handwritten journal referenced in the 2009 Internal Audit Review was discontinued and an electronic spreadsheet was created and maintained. The 2011 Audit Report and the 2012 Audit Comparison Report did not reference the Cash Receipt Journal.*
- Receipts given for all income received.
 - *This standard is stated in the Fiscal Fitness Guide to Chapter Financial Procedures and recommended in the 2009 Internal Audit Review & Recommendation. After reviewing the receipt book it was determined that most receipts were provided to the payee, some receipts were found in the fundraising receipt book.*
- All transactions were recorded in a triplicate receipt book.
 - *The Chapter Bylaws state that all receipts should be recorded in a triplicate receipt book. The receipt books used during the audit period were triplicate receipt books. One receipt*

was provided to payee, one provided to Tamiouchos and stapled in Tamiouchos binder with transmittal form that correlates with the receipt.

- Pecunious Grammateus transferred all collected funds to Tamiouchos within five (5) to seven (7) days of receipt.
 - *The Pecunious Grammateus reports were analyzed to ensure that all funds collected were transferred to the Tamiouchos within five (5) to seven (7) days of the date received. The documentation showed that funds were transferred within the required timeframe most of the time. At times transmittals were done more than once in a given week.*
- Cash Receipt Journal correspond with receipts.
 - *Electronic Cash Receipt Journals are maintained and were reviewed. Cash receipt journals corresponded with receipts and transmittal forms.*
- Monthly reports submitted to Chapter.
 - *Monthly reports were submitted to the Chapter for review, a copy submitted to Grammateus and filed in Pecunious Grammateus and Tamiouchos Binders.*
- Receipt books and handwritten receipt journals are separated from prior year.
 - *The 2009 the Audit Committee recommended that the receipt book and receipt journals should only reflect the current fiscal year. The 2011 and 2012 internal reviews did not reference this issue. In 2013, the receipt book for operating had 21 receipts written for 2014 calendar year. The receipt journal exclusively listed 2013 activity.*
- Cash Receipt Journal describe the activity that occurred.
 - *The electronic Cash Receipt Journals list a description of the funds collected and activity the funds were collected for.*

Tamiouchos Internal Controls

- Funds received from the Pecunious Grammateus are to be deposited into the bank within five (5) to seven business days of receipt.
 - *Deposits were usually made within five (5) to seven (7) days of receipt.*
- Provide monthly reports to the Chapter.
 - *Monthly reports were provided to the chapter. The monthly reports reflect the total income, disbursements, opening and closing balance on each report.*
- Tamiouchos and Basileus or alternate authorized signer is required to sign all checks
 - *Checks were signed by both officers. Alternate authorized officer signed checks in an emergency if Basileus was not present.*
- Maintain a running list of outstanding disbursements and deposits
 - *The Tamiouchos Reports reflect all outstanding disbursements through footnotes. Replacement checks were noted on stubs and also in notes.*
- All invoices and signed contracts should be attached to a voucher request.
 - *Voucher-Reimbursement Requests were reviewed. Disbursements were accompanied with a voucher. Original receipts were attached to the voucher with the proper approval.*

Overall Assessment

This auditor found that the Pecunious Grammateus and Tamiouchos maintained the Rho Kappa Omega Chapter's financial records well. Funds were collected, receipts were provided to payees, funds were properly recorded, transferred to Tamiouchos, deposited in bank accounts, documented in journals, presented to the chapter monthly. Check books for operating and fundraising accounts were maintained in separate receipt books and presented to auditor for review. Vouchers, receipts and check stubs clearly noted a sound system of reviewing at every level.

Audit Recommendations

1. Pecunious Grammateus to ensure all receipts written are given to the payee at all times.
2. The PKQ Bylaws need to be changed to reflect that the handwritten journals are discontinued and replaced with electronic spreadsheets/journals.
3. Pecunious Grammateus to continue maintaining a triplicate receipt book. The original copy is given to the payee. The second copy is given to the Tamiouchos for record keeping and to be used as a receipt of the transfer fund. The third copy remains in the receipt book.
4. The Tamiouchos report should continue to reflect all outstanding deposits with a total noted and the explanation of status of follow up.
5. Tamiouchos and Pecunious Grammateus should continue to list all transactions in chronological order and should group transactions by "event" or "activity" (e.g. "Bowling Night", "Dues", etc.) as currently being done.
6. Timely transfer of funds from Pecunious Grammateus to Tamiouchos within five (5) to seven (7) business days of receipt and from the Tamiouchos to the bank within five (5) to seven (7) business days of receipt should continue as outlined in the current Rho Kappa Omega Chapter Bylaws revised in 2014.
7. Pecunious Grammateus and Tamiouchos to maintain binders inclusive of all monthly reports, and electronic journals. The Tamiouchos binder would include required reports detailed in this audit, copies of transmittal forms, receipts, bank statements, check stubs, etc. The monthly reports maintained in each officer's binder are a backup copy to the financial report submitted to the Grammateus monthly. The Grammateus' copies are bound with other official chapter records.

Respectfully Submitted,

Soror Heather Spencer, Chairman

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The mission of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Educational Advancement Foundation is to promote lifelong learning. This is accomplished by securing charitable contributions, gifts and endowed funds to award scholarships, fellowships and grants.

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

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May Report

The EAF committee is looking to have a new direction with EAF. A goal has been set at \$200. There will be something done each month to raise funds. To date we have collected **\$21.71**.

I. North Atlantic Regional Conference

- EAF Breakfast was Saturday, April 25, 2015
- Plenary Appeal – “Power of the PUMP” –Friday, April 24, 2015 – 2nd Plenary where sorors were asked to donate fund based on their shoe size.
- Rho Kappa Omega EAF captain assisted with placing EAF envelopes onto the seats of sorors at the beginning of the plenary session at NARC.
- Rho Kappa Omega was honorably noted as achieving Silver Level Status for contributing \$100 the Educational Advancement Foundation.

❖ Total donations collected during the plenary session at NARC was not available as of yet. A report will be given at a later date.

II. Leadership Raffle Tickets – 7 tickets per chapter. Due date for monies and stubs- June 29, 2015. There will be a raffle fact sheet coming soon.

- 125 Tickets per Cluster. For cluster IV each chapter will receive 7 tickets initially.
- Tickets were mailed to chapter Basilei and handed over to EAF captain with instructions regarding funds that are collected being sent to EAF Office via a chapter check.
- If anyone is interested in purchasing a ticket see EAF captain.
- Raffle ticket increments: 1 for \$10 for \$50 prize. In addition other prizes are listed on tickets.

Sisterly,
Soror Siiera Robinson, EAF Captain



Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc
 Rho Kappa Omega Chapter
 Fundraising Committee Report
 May 2015

Fundraising Committee 2015 Goals:

- Raise \$6500 from fundraisers (\$5458.00 as of 3/27/15)
- Collaborate with another committee and an outside organization (3/27/15,5/30/15)
- Foster Pan Hellenic Relationships through event collaboration
- Raise \$500 through internal fundraisers (\$99.00 as of 4/18/15)
- Put the Fun back in Fundraising
- Secure Venues for 2016 Fundraisers in 2015

2015 Fundraisers						
Event	Date	Soror Assessment	Sales Goal	Expenses	Profit	Description
Movie Event Selma	January 10	2 @ \$12	120 tickets = \$1440	\$ 763.40 taken out of Ticket sales to purchase movie tickets	\$772.60 <u>+132.00</u> 904.60	Host Movie Premier of Selma Aviation 12 Theater in Linden
Lyle Love Affair	March 27	2@\$ 20	Sales Goal 225 = \$4,500 Actual sales 215 = \$4,300 Door Sales = \$663.00 Paypal Sales = \$166.00 Total = \$5129.00	\$775	\$4354.00 <u>+ 200.00</u> \$ 4554.00	Collaborative Party at The Taste Venue
Pink Pearl Pizzazz Jazz & Scholarship Luncheon	May 30	2 @ \$65	100 tickets = \$6500.00 6 Vendors @ \$100 = \$600 Silent Auction = \$400 Journal Ads = \$2000 Total = \$9500	\$5,500	\$3700	Jazz & Scholarship Luncheon La'Reggia Restaurant Working with the Scholarship Committee
Holiday Soiree	December 4	2 @ \$35	100 tickets = \$3,500	\$2,000	\$1,500	Holiday party with food and music In conjunction with Sisterly Relations Committee
Totals		\$ 264	\$19,569.00	\$8275	\$10,658	

ACTUAL SALES, EXPENSES AND PROFIT IN BOLD

Outstanding Assessments

Selma Movie Event : 6 Sorors with an outstanding assessment (11 tickets = **\$132.00**)

Lyle Love Affair : 5 Sorors with an outstanding assessment (10 tickets = **\$200.00**)

Total Outstanding Assessments Due: \$332.00

Internal Fundraisers – Dates

Relaxation Basket : To be raffled off on 3/21/15 – 1 for \$2 or 3 for \$5 – PROFIT = \$39.00

Wine Basket : To be raffled off on 4/18/15 – 1 for \$5 or 3 for \$10 – PROFIT = 60.00

Shop Till You Drop: To be held 5/16/15 – Please bring in items to donate before meeting starts.

Casual Para Days: 6/20/15 - \$3 – Waiting for E-Board & Membership approval

Silent Auction: 10/17/15

50/50: 9/19/15

Dining to Donate: Tentatively 11/21/15 – If approved by membership

1. Jazz Luncheon

- Theme : Pink Pearl Pizzazz
- Ticket Money is due at Chapter Meeting on 5/16/15
- Sorors who have not received their tickets please see Soror Sabrina
- The following Vendors will be attending our luncheon; Wax Kandy, Unique Art Sanjules, Judy Lynn, Lady Elegance, Angel Hugs and RSI Silent Auction
- We have extended our AD submission deadline until 5/11/15.
- Soror Tamra Sanchez has secured Latia McNeely-Sandiford as our guest speaker
 - Jersey City Native
 - Author of Burdens in my Backpack
 - Known as “adversity expert”
 - Urban League’s Woman of the Year
 - Interested in donating 1000 backpacks
 - Willing to do book signing at event
 - The Honorarium amount of \$150.00 will be paid by the Fundraising & Scholarship Committees at \$75.00 each.
- Soror Lyndsay Christian has agreed to Host this event
- Sorors Andrea K, Heather & Jazmin will be working on Journals & Ads compilation.
- Soror Maya Daniels is working Journal cover
- Sorors Sabrina, Sallie and Andrea K. will be working on décor
- Sorors are needed prior to and after event for set up and cleanup. Please advise Sorors Sabrina or Andrea K if you will be able to assist.
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2. **The recommendation to have a casual para day at June's chapter meeting as an internal fundraiser at a cost of \$3 per soror to participate, was voted on and approved by committee. The motion will be brought to E-Board for approval.**

3. **Holiday Soiree – Venue options**

- Sanai’s - \$775
 - Restaurant located in Jersey City
 - Fee includes room rental & platters
 - If held on Friday DJ is included in fee
 - Parking lot adjacent to venue and street parking
 - Already familiar with this venue
- Brightside Tavern - \$800
 - Restaurant located in Jersey City
 - Fee includes \$300 room rental & \$500 food minimum
 - DJ must use venue’s sound system
 - Street parking
- **We are still looking for other options**

**** We will be having our SHOP till YOU DROP on 5/16. Please bring items to donate before the chapter meeting. Thank You !!!

Sisterly,

Soror Sabrina M. Riley (Chairman), on behalf of the Fundraising Committee



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Rho Kappa Omega**

Leadership Development Committee Report

The Committee meeting was held on May 12, 2015

Committee Chairmen: Soror Shevon Armstrong and Soror Jahari Jacobs

Committee Members: Soror Sobande Afolabi, Soror Andrea Wright, Soror Vernetha Hope Powell, Soror Corinne Rivers, Soror Darcell Medley-Stokes, Soror Andrea Kwakyeh, Soror Ashley Minns, Soror Samantha Hinton, and Soror Sabrina Riley

Reflection on Leadership Information from March/April Chapter Meeting

- Review of Officers (March), Sorors were very receptive to the information and enjoyed playing the game "I have, Who Has", overall learning more about Chapter Officers.
- Review of Chapter Retreat (April), discussion of how effective it was, and information that was presented about Chapter Retreat and Chapter Operations.

Monthly themes

- Soror Samantha will present this month on Committees. Information will be given to Sorors to review during chapter meeting, along with a group activity and a crossword puzzle.

Registration Documentation- Soror Jahari has created a spread sheet to document Sorors that have registered for NARC. An email was sent to Sorors requesting documentation of registration from NARC to send a copy or picture of their badges to Soror Shevon or Soror Jahari.

Update on Sisterly Retreat

- Sorors that attended the retreat enjoyed themselves, and from the feedback just shared comments about having a closer location next time and more time for presented information.

Rho Kappa Omega Workshop

- Committee discussed the Workshop possibly taking place in September when we return from summer break to refresh Sorors with information and refocus on Leadership.
- Discussion of having a workshop for all LDT presented information for the remainder of the year as to alleviate the time during Chapter Meeting. A framework will be put in place for what the workshop may look like, date, time, etc.
- The committee will revisit the workshop idea and information for June's conference call.

Update on Corrective Action Plan

- Soror Sobande is putting together a framework guideline for how the CAP process will be followed in the future, and Soror Shevon will assist her with the outline for the CAP.

Respectfully submitted,

Soror Shevon Armstrong, Chairman on behalf of the Leadership Development Team



Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Incorporated
Rho Kappa Omega Chapter
Membership Committee Report
May 5, 2015

The Membership Committee met via conference call on May 5, 2015 at 8:10pm.
Participants included Sorors Sallie Brown and Ashley Rogers

The Membership Committee presented welcome gifts to our new chapter sorors at May's chapter meeting, as well as recognized Soror Sallie Brown for becoming a silver star.

The Membership Committee also hosted a chapter lunch during NARC at Applebee's in Atlantic City. There were 21 sorors in attendance. Thank you to all the sorors who attended the lunch.

What's Coming Up?

The Membership Committee will be hosting our first New Member class. The date has changed due to our community service. The new date will be before our June general body meeting. This meeting is for Sorors who are new to the chapter and Sorors who are just coming back to the chapter, however, all Sorors are more than welcomed to attend.

The Membership Committee together with the Sisterly Relations Committee will be hosting a chapter picnic this summer. The date, time and place is TBD. However, we will be asking sorors to donate towards the picnic.

Meeting Date and Time

The Membership Committee will meet every 1st Tuesday of the month at 8 pm via conference call.

Sisterly submitted,

Soror Charlotte Rogers-Brown

Chairman, Membership Committee on behalf of the Membership Committee



Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
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Sisterly Relations Committee Report – May 2015

**Chairman - Soror Sallie E. Brown
Co-Chairman - Soror Jahari Jacobs**

The Sisterly Relations Committee Meeting Conference Call was held on May 4, 2015 at 8:06pm.

Sorors that participated on the Committee call were Madame Basileus Cimeron Bryant, Jahari Jacobs, Sabrina Riley, and Vanetha Wood-Stradford.

The Committee Call focus on the goals of the Sisterly Relations Committee which are:

Goals of Sisterly Relations Committee:

- **Sisterly Relations is the positive experience between sorors that fosters and maintains sisterly bonds, effective communication and the management of conflicts, perceptions and emotions.**
- **To bond outside of Chapter Meetings and spearhead Sisterly Outings**
- **To define and enhance Sisterly Relations within Rho Kappa Omega**
- **To encourage Sorors to get to know the members of Rho Kappa Omega**
- **To conduct Sisterly Relations Activities**

Sisterly Relations Committee members will donate Pink and Green Items or AKA Paraphernalia to make a basket for the Jazz and Scholarship Luncheon. All items for the basket will be collected on May 16, 2015.

May's Target:

Theme: Celebrating Legacies:

Honor is defined as giving respect to someone you admire. Our legacy sorors have shown much they honor their legacies, and who they are by following in their footsteps and becoming members of Alpha Kappa Alpha. They have demonstrated their love for Alpha Kappa Alpha and for one another, sharing two common bonds of love. The month of May will be a time to celebrate legacies and honor their contributions to our sisterhood.

Honoring Our Mother and Daughter Sorors:

**Soror Angela Mason and Soror Andrea Mason
Soror Janet T. Chavis and Soror Jahari Jacobs
Soror Sabrina M. Riley and Soror Renada Williams
Soror Tonia Slay-Daniels and Soror Maya Daniels
Soror Trudy Miles and Soror Altamease Drummond**

Honoring Our Sibling Sorors:

**Soror Ashley Minns-McIntyre and Morgan Minns
Soror Charlotte Rogers-Brown and Soror Ashley Rogers
Soror Pat Bryant and Soror Karin Bryant**

What can we do as a Chapter?

- **Invite legacy sorors to participate in a legacy parade during chapter meeting**
- **Honor graduating sorors with a senior-year celebration**
- **Host a legacy tribute, allowing legacy sorors to honor their legacies**
- **Highlight legacy sorors in your chapter newsletter**
- **Have a Chapter scrapbooking session for legacy sorors**

The Sisterly Relations would like to acknowledge our Graduating Sorors and they are as follows:

**Soror Jahari Jacobs
Soror Ashley Rogers
Soror Maya Daniels**

Committee Membership Commitment

Members agreed to make commitment to continue to nurture our new pearls and foster the teachings of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., in a sisterly manner. As a soror we have to

continue to teach our new pearls by exhibiting empathy, care, kindness and respect rather than be uncompassionate. Remember we are our Sister's Keepers!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

For June Chapter Meeting we will bring in the summer with Rho Kappa Omega Luau and we want to make the meeting festive and fun while adhering to the business of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. We welcome any suggestions and ideals to make the meeting a great success because we may see some of our sorors until the next chapter meeting in September.

The Soror Code of Ethics will be re-issued at May's Chapter Meetings.

Also remember to keep in touch with our Seasoned Sorors.

The Sisterly Relations Committee Conference call will be held on 1st Monday of each month and the next meeting is scheduled for June 1, 2015 @ 8:00pm and the conference number is (712)775-7031 PIN Number is 476-587-395#

Sisterly,
Soror Sallie E. Brown, Chairman on behalf of The Sisterly Relations Committee



NARC 2015 Welcome Committee Report

Soror Corinne E. Rivers, Chairman

Soror Jazmin Gooding, Co-Chairman

The NARC 2015 Welcome took place on April 25, 2015 during the first plenary session and included a video and stroll. Overall feedback from Sorors at NARC was very positive. They enjoyed the video immensely and indicated that the committee did an excellent job. Madam Regional Director was especially pleased with the video and was grateful for all of the committee's efforts. The committee will show the video at the May Chapter Meeting to appease Sorors who were not able to attend NARC. This concludes the Welcome Committee's obligations. We thank you for the opportunity to serve.

To Madam Regional Director. It is my pleasure to present to you on behalf of the Evaluation Committee. I am soror Tanya Brown, evaluation committee vice-chair, from Rho Kappa Omega, Hudson County, New Jersey.

The Evaluation Committee had four objectives

1. To review and revise NARC 2011 questions and adapt them to the NARC 2015 conference.
2. To create an evaluation process utilizing survey monkey.
3. To provide a means for our Diamond and Golden Sorors to complete a NARC 2015 evaluation on site.
4. To provide a summary of survey results.

Accomplishments:

As result of several phone conferences and emails the evaluation questions were reviewed, revised and streamlined to reflect the NARC 2015 conference. Questions were submitted to the NARC Technology Committee who facilitated creation of the evaluation on survey monkey. They have advised us that at the conclusion of the conference all sorors in attendance will receive an email link to complete an evaluation via survey monkey.

In an effort to support our National Program Target IV which is Environmental Ownership through Acts of Green Program and in support of our Regional Director's commitment to reducing cost we elected not to provide copies of the evaluation. But instead, offered assistance with completing an onsite electronic evaluation.

We reached out to sorors and received 7 volunteers from Cluster IV. These volunteers offered to help sorors complete an electronic evaluation by bringing their laptops, tablets or iPads to the Diamond and Golden cafe on Saturday night 10-11 pm and Sunday morning 8-11 am. Also, a sign was posted in the Café with the times of such help.

All Sorors are encouraged to provide feedback. Chapter Basili, at May chapter meetings, are encouraged to provide assistance to members in accessing emails and the evaluation survey to ensure everyone has a voice. Our Madam Regional Director wants to hear from you. Our opinions count.

Here is a summary of our efforts. In total there were 7 sorors who assisted 19 Golden and not so tech savvy sorors in completing a conference evaluation survey. There several reasons why the numbers may have been low. One is that Saturday night following the Gala is not a good time, as it is too late and no one wants to stay to do a survey. Two, Sunday morning many are

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Submitted by Soror Tanya Brown, Evaluations Committee, Vice Chair

checking out and those that aren't are too busy (Ivy Beyond the Wall, 4th Plenary etc) to do a survey. Three, many are keeping up with technology and thus have an email. Lastly, not enough publicity was given to the assistance, as it wasn't advertised in advance in registration material, conference guide, email, or phone app. Therefore, the following should be considered for next year:

1. Offer some hard copies of evaluations to be given out at the start of the conference perhaps on check in- offer it to Diamond and Golden Sorors.
2. Advertise assistance information in registration packet, conference guide, and email and phone app.
3. Post a sign, listing assistance information, in the Golden & Diamond Café on day one of conference.
4. Assign volunteers to help with lap tops, iPhones etc and assign volunteers to recruit or bring sorors to the area.
5. Have volunteers available at hotels to assist when sorors are checking out.

Finally, sometime following the conclusion of the evaluation period, which is scheduled to end May 19th, a summary of feedback will be provided to the Regional Director.

I'd like to give a special thank you to the committee members: Soror Tamra Sanchez, Rho Kappa Omega chapter, & Donna Beck, Pi Theta Omega chapter

It has been a pleasure and honor to serve under the leadership of our North Atlantic Regional Director, Meredith L. Henderson.

Sisterly,

Tanya Brown, Evaluation Committee Vice-Chair, Rho Kappa Omega Chapter



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Rho Kappa Omega Chapter

ACTION ITEM
from Executive Board Committee
to be presented at May 16, 2015 General Body Meeting

1. Recommendation that Rho Kappa Omega have Casual Paraphernalia Day at June's chapter meeting as an internal fundraiser at a cost of \$3 per soror.

- END -