



Alpha Kappa Chats



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PRESIDENT'S GREETING

Greetings Sorors, the long-awaited day has come. We've anticipated it for two years as the last two programs were held virtually. We've talked about it with a vision in mind. We planned for it and finally experienced an auspicious occasion with over one hundred fifty guests. April in Iotaland is Business Month, the pinnacle of all of Iota's programs and projects. Throughout the month of April, Alpha Kappa chapter placed emphasis on our National President Dorothy White's theme: Building the Foundation of Generational Financial Empowerment. That is why we chose to present several phenomenal businesswomen, a humanitarian who shared the same vision and enthusiasm about building generational wealth and making a difference in the community. The honorees were Yonce' Wilson, Brittany Ellis-Kennedy, Tamala H. Austin, and Businesswoman Humanitarian, Ruth Traylor- Bason. We honored our Soror of the Year, Dr. Raechelle Anglin-Kay, for her dedicated commitment and outstanding work on the aims and ideas set forth by the organization's mission and purpose. We commended and rewarded our LFP Awardee, Gabrielle Davis with the Lillian F. Parker scholarship for her business acumen; our Generational Wealth Recipients, and our Future Intellectual / Iota leaders for their academic, athletic, and personal excellence. As Toni, Toni, Toni, sang, "DO YOU KNOW what TODAY IS? It was the 2023 AKC Business Month Scholarship Brunch. Thank you Business Month Committee, Linda Cannon, Business Month Chair, Colemra Ellis, Dr. Raechelle Anglin-Kay, Vicki Davis-Littleton, Tabitha Washington, and JoAnna Lockridge Sisterly,
Connie/AKC



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OBSERVING "I" SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Future Intellectual Leader (FIL) Gabrielle Davis, was awarded the AK Chapter Scholarship in the amount of \$2,500, the LFP Entrepreneur Award in the amount of \$500, and the President's Book Scholarship in the amount of \$200 for her academic excellence and business acumen during our Business Month Scholarship and Awards Brunch. The LFP award is named for our very own White Rose Queen and 18th Past National President, Lillian F. Parker. Congratulations on your awards Gabby! We are so proud of you and wish you all the best in your future endeavors!



SOROR ACCOLADES

Congratulations to Soror Donna Mitchell on her recent election and installation as the President of the Texas State Association of Parliamentarians where she will oversee 21 units throughout the state of Texas and a 16 member board. There are over 400 members in Texas who study parliamentary law and partake in educational sessions either virtually or in person. There is currently one youth unit slated to be chartered with others on the horizon. We wish Soror Mitchell the best in her endeavors as she elevates Texas and increases the visibility of parliamentary procedure with her 2023-2024 theme of "Dream. Believe. Achieve".



AK HEALTH AWARENESS



In May we celebrate international Nurses Week. The theme for this year is "Nursing the World to Health".

Historically, as well as today, nurses are at the forefront of fighting epidemics and pandemics - providing high quality and respectful treatment and care. They are often the first and sometimes the only health professional that people see and the quality of their initial assessment, care and treatment is vital.

Nurses account for more than half of all the world's health workers, yet there is an urgent shortage of nurses worldwide with 5.9 million more nurses still needed, especially in low- and middle-income countries.

The Covid-19 pandemic is a stark reminder of the vital role nurses play. So in the month of May don't forget to thank a nurse.

International
Nurses
Day

AK'S BUSINESS MONTH ACTIVITIES

1929 POBOY Kitchen

Alpha Kappa Chapter makes a point to support local black businesses during Iota's Business Month and of course, we love to eat! This year was no exception as we kicked off the month on April 1st by visiting a local black-owned restaurant, 1929 Poboy Kitchen.



AK'S BUSINESS MONTH ACTIVITIES

The Business Networking Lunch

And on April 26th, AK Chapter supported another local black-owned restaurant as we lunched at Wing Quarter Daquiris and Creole Kitchen



AK'S BUSINESS MONTH ACTIVITIES

Business 102 White Coat Edition

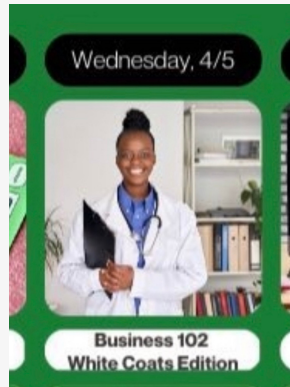
In honor of Business Month Financial Literacy, AK Chapter toured the Nuclear MedicL Technology Program at Coleman College for Health Science along with students from Ross S. Sterling High School. Always about our business, The tour entailed the students and Sorors visiting multiple programs throughout Coleman College such as Nuclear Medicine Technology, Radiography, Sonography, and Surgical Technology. Students and Sorors received information on the duties of the profession, steps for admission, and acceptance into the program, registry pass rates, and job placement rates. This literacy will assist these students in making informed decisions on not only their future careers but will also aid them in their financial future because students are able to receive an affordable degree and earn a good living without attending a four-year institution and graduating owing thousands of dollars in student loans.



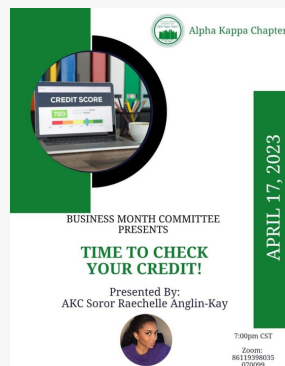
AK'S BUSINESS MONTH ACTIVITIES

Business 102 White Coat Edition cont'd

Alpha Kappa Chapter hosted several professional speakers via Zoom webinars during Business Month. On April 5th we hosted Business 102, White Coat Edition, Financial Wellness/Financial Literacy with Physicians Dr. Lauren Collins and Dr. Latasha Irving



On April 17th, our own Soror Dr. Raechelle Anglin Kay gave us an informative presentation followed by a Q&A session entitled, "It's Time to Check Your Credit" Then on Tuesday, April 18th, with Investment and Financial Professional, Chilonda Cleborne, who spoke and asked the question, "Do You Know The Rules of Money?"



Finally, we wrapped up our Zoom Learning series on April 24th, as we discussed ways to build black wealth and reach financial freedom with Charlie R. Kirven who presented a session entitled, Building Black Wealth.

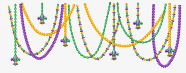


OBSERVING "I" BUSINESS MONTH SCHOLARSHIP BRUNCH

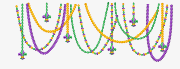


Alpha Kappa Chapter was out in full regalia as we celebrated our first in-person Business Month Scholarship Brunch in 3 years! It was held on April 22, 2023, with a Mardi Gras Theme. We honored three amazing businesswomen, Yonce' Wilson, Mary Fontenot-Robbins, and Brittany Ellis-Kennedy, amplified an awesome humanitarian, Ruth Traylor-Bason, awarded an outstanding Future Intellectual leader, Gabrielle Davis, honored our Chapter's Businesswoman of the Year, Raechelle Anglin-Kay and observing "I" Business Woman of the Year, Tamala H. Austin.





MEET OUR HONOREES




Yoncé Wilson



Owner and creator of Blown Away by Yoncé Balloon



BE Staffing Solutions, LLC



Owner and President Brittany R Ellis-Kennedy

ALPHA KAPPA CHAPTER
Business Month Committee
Presents

**Annual Observing I
Businesswoman Humanitarian**



Ruth Traylor-Bason
April, 22nd | 11:00 AM
Marriott Hotel South I 45

Alpha Kappa Chapter
Business Month Committee
Presents

Jamala H. Austin



Observing I Awardee

Outstanding BusinessWoman of the Year
Tickets Available on Event Brite
April 22nd 11:00am
Marriott Hotel South I 45

Soror of the Year



Dr. Raechelle Anglin-Kay



May

Shondra Taylor - 5/16

Vicki Davis Littleton- 5/17



PRAYER REQUESTS



Bobbie Ammons

Marion Godine

Daisy Hall

Vahnita Loud

Shondra Taylor / Joseph Taylor (MOI)

Connie Anglin

Marlise Armstrong

SORORITY NEWS



Business Month

Members of the Business Month Committee have been working and not shirking as we prepared for Business Month in April. We are excited! Please remember to finalize your guest list and ticket sales for our April 22nd Business Month program, "AK's BUSINESS BRUNCH". It's a chance to honor many of our honorees, scholarship winners, Outstanding Sorors, Outstanding Business Women, and Young Entrepreneurs

Upcoming Chapter Events

- 4/1 1929 PoBoy Restaurant
- 4/5 Zoom - Business 102 White Coat Edition
- 4/17 It's Time to Check Your Credit
- 4/18 Investments/Financial Wealth Zoom Mtg
- 4/20 Visits with AK Scholars
- 4/22 Business Month Scholarship Brunch
- 4/24 Zoom - Building Black Wealth/Legacy

Regional News

Regional Conference

The Alpha Kappa Chapter showed up and showed out at the 76th Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc. Southwestern Regional Conference. We walked away with 7 awards, 2 scholarship winners, and 9 members who received membership recognition. Our very own Soror Rosetta Davis and current SWR Director was endorsed to be put on the slate for the 2023-2025 SWR Director. A special thank you goes to the Epsilon Chi Chapter for graciously hosting and making us feel at home while in Katy, TX.

The Sorors of Alpha Kappa work hard, play hard, and were elated that their efforts were commended with the following awards:

- 1st Place - Business Month
- 1st Place - Technology Award
- 2nd Place - Pelati Award
- 2nd Place - Networking
- 3rd Place - Man of Iota Award

- 3rd Place - Future Iota Leaders Award
- 3rd Place - Community Service

- Alma Mackey Essay Contest Winners
- 3rd Place (High School) - Jayden Robins
- 3rd Place (Middle School)- Lauren Mitchell

- Years of Service Recognition
- 45 yrs - Linda Cannon, Dr. Marion Godine
- 25 yrs - Rosetta Davis, Dr. Ethel Bell, Daisy Hall
- 20 yrs - Donna Mitchell
- 5 yrs - Alma Banks-Brown, Shondra Chatman Taylor, Sharon DeRouesselle

National News



The National Convention Planning Committee is excited to safely and efficiently bring members together for the 94th Anniversary National Convention. Convention registration begins on February 1, 2023, and ends on June 1, 2023. The convention will be held in Detroit, Michigan from July 12th to 16th. The host chapter is Epsilon Lambda. The theme is "Honoring Our Past, As We Step into Our Future".



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WE HOPE YOU ENJOYED OUR NEWS

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Contributors to this month's newsletter: Soror Shondra Taylor, Madame President Connie Anglin, Soror Donna Mitchell, Soror Dr. Raehelle Anglin-Kay, Soror Linda Cannon

Chapter Theme:

"Elevating by Leveling Up: Expanding the Sisterhood, Leadership and Service"

Regional Theme:

" Empowered Women: Together We Achieve the Extraordinary"

National Theme:

"Business and Professional Women Building the Foundation of Generational Financial Empowerment"

National Motto:

" Upward and Onward in Efficient Service"

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