COMMITTEE REPORT

Name of Committee: 80th Anniversary Celebration
Date: September 22, 2008
Chairman: Soror Karen Grays
Time: 6:30 PM
Co-Chairmen: Soror Melba Henry, Soror Mary Williams
Place: The Power Center

Members in Attendance: Melba Henry, Staci Taylor Fullmight, Susan Bynam, LaDonna Harris, Jo-Carolyn Goode, Beverly Maddox, Andrea Bonner, Karen Grays, Regina Carrington, Cheryl Cash, Etta Hill, Angela Price, Lydia Brew, Terrie Tillman

Goals: To plan and execute the chapter's 80th Anniversary Celebration. We will honor and highlight chapter Founders and past leadership of Alpha Kappa Omega and other Pan Hellenic and community service organizations. In addition, to obtain 100% support of this historical event by all members of Alpha Kappa Omega chapter.

Objectives:

✓ Implemented a community service component—Eradicate • Stop • Prevent Sickle Cell—benefitting local sickle cell research efforts
✓ Received major commitment from Optimum Personal Care, Inc.
✓ Negotiating proposed sponsorship from Lancome Cosmetics
✓ Conducted onsite tour with Historical Exhibit Committee
✓ Received bids from exhibit and graphic design vendors
✓ Received bids from photography and videography vendors
✓ Received approval to solicit donations from Alpha Kappa Alpha chapters
✓ Distributed correspondence requesting corporate sponsorships and souvenir journal advertising
✓ Extended formal invitation to Supreme Basileus Barbara A. McKinzie
✓ Distributed survey to obtain consensus regarding transportation requirements
✓ Electronic distribution of initial press releases and save-the-date notice
✓ Contacted Marriott corporate staff regarding additional amenities

Call to Action:

• Hostess and Corporate Sponsors Committees are requesting additional members to serve
• Commit today to host/purchase a table and souvenir journal ads
• Solicit personal contacts to obtain corporate sponsorships
• Every Soror Participate by purchasing at least one (1) event ticket today!!

Recommendations:

• Consideration and approval of this report.

Next Meeting: TBD
Location: TBD
Report submitted by: Soror Karen Y. Grays
Date: September 27, 2008
June 21, 2008 - The Audit Committee has had two meetings since last presenting a Committee Report in Sorority Meeting.

2007 Financial Statement Audit (Internal Review)

Internal Review Procedures include but are not limited to:

1) Review expense reimbursements vouchers for adequate support
2) Review monthly details for agreement with voucher support
3) Review monies report to ensure both Pecunious Grammateus and Tamiouchous have signed off on the amounts
4) Trace back balance per the monthly financial report to the bank statement
5) Ensure disbursement ledgers for monthly expenditures are included in the financial files

The Audit Committee met at the home of Chairman Monica G. Matlock on May 31, 2008, charged with the purpose of reviewing the full 12 months of 2007 financial statements. The Committee randomly selected six months of financial records to review for reasonableness and completeness. Of the six months selected, the following findings and suggestions were made, communicated to the Tamiochous and Pecunious Grammateus are in the process of being remediated where necessary:

1) Finding: Check #7749 included only the signature of the Basileus. All checks must be signed by both the Basileus and the Tamiochous
2) Finding: Commingling of Ticketron and Chapter funds. At least one soror was allowed to submit a check to the Ticketron Committee for funds unrelated to ticketed events (i.e. funds for both chapter dues and Founder’s Day activities)
3) Finding: Voucher for Check #7947 did not have adequate supporting documentation. Completed voucher form and receipts are required to be maintained as a part of chapter financial records

Suggestions for improved record keeping:

1) Perform monthly and year-to-date reconciliations of self-sustaining fund as is performed related to the Chapter’s primary operating account.
2) Include voided check numbers on the monthly Outstanding checklist in the month that it is voided for improved recordkeeping and check reconciliation.
3) Document in financial records procedures executed and resolution reached regarding stale dated checks greater than $25

2006 Financial Statement Audit (External Review)

External Review Opinion:
The External Review performed by Billy R. Wooten, CPA reported that the 2006 financial statements of Alpha Kappa Alpha, Sorority Inc. Alpha Kappa Omega Chapter were presented fairly on the basis of the cash receipts and disbursements basis of accounting.

External Review Suggestion:
Mr. Wooten suggested that as Quick Books is our preferred financial reporting software tool, that we utilize more of the functionality within Quick Books, specifically the bank account reconciliation feature. The use of this feature would make the monthly bank account reconciliations easier to perform and review. The audit committee has shared the comments with the chapter’s financial officers.
ALPHA KA PPA ALPHA SORORITY, INC.
ALPHA KAPPA OMEGA CHAPTER

COMMITTEE REPORT
C - O- N-N-E-C-T-I-O-N COMMITTEE

Date:            Septepber 23, 2009
Chairman:        Carole A. Pinkett
Co-Chairman:     Soror Mary Shockley
Mode:            Via Email

Members of the Committee: Mary Shockley, Shelly Davis, Dawn Randle, Vickie Windham, Veniecia Williams, Christin Sanders, Cheryl Mitchell, Terrie Tillman, Patricia Roberts, Felicia Taylor, Tamara Cubit, Maudie Reece, Pamela Lazard, Shirley Howard, Delores Smith,

Current Activities:

1. The Connection Committee has partnered with the Health Committee to assist as necessary in their Mental Health Forum to be held Saturday 9/27.  
   * We had initially committee $100 towards the activity.

2. Joint chapter members will have an opportunity to be deputized by the Harris County representative at the 9/27 chapter meeting. Thsi will take place at 1:30 PM.  
   October 4th is the deadline for voter registration. Additional voter educational materials will be disbursed.

3. 100 yard signs will be distributed to chapter members at the 9/27 meeting for a cost of $1.00 each, to help defray costs. The signs cost $359.00 and the committee only has a total of $343.69 in its budget.  
   *The overage will cover almost the amount for the desginated for the Health Committee - if they need it.

4. Habitat for Humanity activity is tentatively scheduled October 4th. Due to hurricane damage to some of their buildings, it is unclear if that date is still good for AKO.  
   (As an aside - Steve James who helped us out during the last outing is now the Regional Representative for Congresswomen Sheila Jackson Lee.)

5. No other activities are planned by this committee.
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
Alpha Kappa Omega Chapter

Celebrating
100 years of Sisterhood & Service

Delegates Report
Centennial Boule

July 11-18, 2008
Washington, D.C.
My Dearest Sorors,

Our 100th Anniversary Celebration was a tribute to the legacy of AKA sisterhood & supreme service.

I cannot thank you enough for the phenomenal opportunity to be an active participant as history was made. You have afforded me the great pleasure to serve as your Basileus and with that the honor to serve as a centennial delegate to our 2008 Boule’.

I salute South Central’s own Supreme Basileus, Soror Barbara Ann McKenzie, our Executive Director, Soror Betty James, the entire Boule’ hostess committee and Washington D.C. for their dedication, commitment and perseverance to ensure a spectacular and glorious week for the members of Alpha Kappa Alpha and our guests.

My report on the Boule’ is as follows:

Friday, July 11, 2008
• I arrived at the hotel picked up my registration materials and was certified as a delegate

Saturday, July 12, 2008
• Visited the vendors

Sunday, July 13, 2008
• Centennial Ecumenical Service
• Hostess for the 50th Years Celebration for New Golden Soror Marva Adams

Monday, July 14, 2008 “Salmon Pink & Apple Green Day”
• EAF Annual Meeting
• First & Second Preliminary Sessions
• Candidates Forum
• Special Invitation to ESP Leadership celebration at the Renaissance Washington Hotel
Tuesday, July 15, 2008 (White Ceremonial Day)

- Voting
- Third Plenary Session
- Ivy Beyond the Wall Ceremony
- Honorary Member Induction
- Fourth Plenary Session
- Invited to attend a spectacular affair chaired by Soror Polly Turner for past Directorate Members

Wednesday, July 16, 2008

- Fifth Plenary Session
- South Central Regional Luncheon served as a Committee member & assisted with sorors gifts
- Sixth Plenary Session
- Special Invitation to the Supreme Basileus Dinner and Celebration Fireworks Extravaganza

Thursday, July 17, 2008

- Unity March
- Centennial Formal Celebration

Friday, July 18, 2008 “Centennial Finale Day”

- Seventh Plenary Session
- Invitation to 2010 Boule’ in St. Louis, MO

The 2008 Boule’ was a funderful experience. The parties, the fireworks, the Barbie doll, the Ecumenical Service, the Bible, and the unity March down Pennsylvania Ave. was a testament to the 1st Greek letter sorority founded by Ethel Hedgeman Lyle continues to be an amazing organization of Enthusiastic, Energy, Service & Sisterhood, Power & Pride.

News media across the country captured us at our finest moment in celebration, recognition and honor of 100 years of Supreme Service to all mankind.....and I was blessed to be there with over 200 other AKΩ Sorors. Again, thank you for the opportunity and may God bless each and every one of you beyond the centennial.

Love,

Soror Regina
TO: Alpha Kappa Omega Sorors
FROM: Soror Tamara Cubit, Anti-Basileus
RE: Delegate Report to the 63rd Centennial Boule
July 11-18, 2008, Washington, D.C.

Sorors thank you allowing me to serve as a delegate to the Centennial Boule: Celebrating 100 years of Sisterhood & Service. It was a once in a lifetime experience and all activities were well planned and executed. The Convention Center was decorated with several Dias and big screens so Sorors could view each Plenary Session. In the foyer of the Convention Center each Region had a museum of memorabilia and South Central's section was decorated nicely. Before each Plenary Session we were treated to the Centennial Musical Prelude. Soror Barbara McKinzie, Centennial Supreme Basileus presided over all Plenary Sessions. The following are the highlights of the week long celebration. Daily themes: Sunday, Leadership Day; Monday, Salmon Pink /Apple Green Day; Tuesday, Ceremonial Day All White Day; Wednesday, Region Day (Black and White) Day; Thursday, Unity Day; and Friday, Centennial Finale Day. On Thursday the Unity March included: Sorors, members of eight other Pan-Hellenic organizations, families and friends. We made the six-block march down Pennsylvania Avenue to the U.S. Capitol to display our concerns for the need to take action in the areas of health, education, environment, economics and politics. I enjoyed the speculation fireworks displayed with thousand of Sorors on the waterfront. The Grand Hyatt was the host hotel for the South Central Regions’ Gathering, Luncheon and a satellite hotel for the Centennial Gala.

Sorors I have no formal report on the Candidates Forum/Reception. Both were cancelled because, Sorors Dorothy Wilson, Supreme Grammateus, Glenda Glover, Supreme Tamiouchos, Melanie Jones, Second Supreme Anti-Basileus and Shayla Johnson, Undergraduate Member-At-Large had no opponents.

I attended the Special Society forum entitled: Handling My Affairs. The panelists discussed how important it is to have wills (regular and living), insurance and keeping your credit intact. I also attended: The Seven Plenary Sessions, Regional Luncheon, Regional Gathering, Centennial Banquet, Voting, The Unity March, Ivies Beyond the Wall, Rededication, Honorary Members Induction, ESP Workouts and the EAF Annual Meeting.

Respectfully submitted

Tamara Cubit
TO: Alpha Kappa Omega Sorors
FROM: Soror Gwendolyn J. Brinkley
23rd South Central Regional Director
RE: Delegate Report of the 63rd Centennial Boule

The highlight of the 63rd Centennial Boule held in Washington, D.C. was me being installed as the 23rd South Central Regional Director by Soror Carolyn House Stewart, at the Seventh Plenary Session held on Friday, July 18, 2008.

**Centennial Formal July, 17, 2008**

The centennial formal was the end of a week-long celebration of events. It was held in the Washington, D.C. Convention Center and satellite hotels. I attended the formal event in the Grand Hyatt Hotel (South Central’s Host Hotel for Boule). Soror Barbara A. McKinzie (Centennial President) presided over the gala. The rooms were well decorated nicely in pink and green. The speaker was Adrin Robinson, Undergraduate Member-At-Large. She discussed the history of our great sorority and the many contributions that our organization has made and is poised to make in the future. A musical tribute was played of the nine former International Presidents’ favorite songs. It was a nice affair and I enjoyed it.

I attended the following activities and events:
* All Plenary Sessions
* Ivy Beyond the Wall
* Redication
* South Central Regional Luncheon
* South Central Regional Gathering
* Unity March
* Voting
* Special Society Forum (Emotional Empowerment)
* Centennial Gala

A million thanks to the Sorors of Alpha Kappa Omega Chapter for allowing me to serve as a delegate to the 63rd Centennial Boule; I truly enjoyed the experience. I am ready and willing to serve as your 23rd South Central Regional Director. **Sorors, you and me make a powerful we!**

Sisterly yours,

Soror Gwendolyn J. Brinkley
23rd South Central Regional Director
Centennial Public Meeting: July 13, 2008

The convention center quickly filled for the Public Meeting with men; women; children and it didn’t take long for the hostess committee to say “sorry, you have to go the overflow room”. Our illustrious, Centennial International President, Dr. Barbara A. McKinzie presided for the afternoon. The room went quiet as the color guards marched in the room to present the presentation of Colors, followed by the Presentation of the Dias, by our International First Vice President, Carolyn House Stewart. The Centennial Boule’ Chairman, Cheryl Parker gave a warm invocation, that awarded a roar of applause from the audience and the dais. The energy in the room was that of excitement by all waiting what the week had in store for the state of Washington, D.C. Greetings, were given by Ruby Batt Archie, Mid-Atlantic Regional Director; Evelyn Sample Oates, North Atlantic Regional Director; Darryl Matthews, SR., Chairman, Council of Presidents, National Pan-Hellenic Council; The Honorable Nancy Pelosi, Speaker of U.S. House of Representatives; The Honorable Harry Reid, Majority Leader of U.S. Senate; Adrian Fenty, Mayor of Washington, D.C. and Tim Kaine, Governor of Virginia. The excellent, Centennial Boule Choir, along with the Orchestra and Audience song the National Negro Anthem. A video showed on four screens throughout the convention center and the overflow hotels, it was titled “Alpha Kappa Alpha: Sisterhood and Service- the First Century”. The Award presentations were presented by Mae Carr, the International Achievement Awards were: Dr. Wangar Maathai; Senator Barack Obama; Dr. Condoleezza Rice; Loann Honesty King; Danielle Gunter-Ward; Dr. Norma Solomon White; Terry Bellamy; Senator Frederic Wilson and Lucinda Todd (1903-1996). The benediction was given by Senior Pastor, Ray of Hope Christian Church, and Reverend Cynthia Hale. The Centennial Boule Orchestra, postlude played while guess exited the room with looks of anticipation for what the week would hold.
Unity Day March: July 17, 2008

Theme: Economics Service Partnerships

Part I: NCNW Headquarters, Indiana Plaza at Pennsylvania Avenue, NW.

Dr. Barbara A. McKinzie, Centennial International President presided. The invocation was given by Janice Talley Melvin of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. followed by the beautiful sounds of “Lift Every Voice and Sing” from the crowd lead by Milyada Williams. The greetings were given by Dr. Dorothy Height, the Chairman/President emeriti for the National Council of Negro Women, Inc. The honorable Vincent Gray, the chairman for Council of the District of Columbia and Honorable Eleanor Norton, both gave the crowd words of wisdom and encouragement. The remarks were given by Frank Fahrenkope, JR. Chairman for the Commission of Presidential Debates, followed by Reverend Nan Arrington Peete who gave the blessing of the march. Pennsylvania Avenue, quickly filled with a sea of salmon pink and apple green for miles, as Sorors young and seasoned begin to march to the capitol. The view from the top of the stairs at the capitol was unbelievable and brought tears to the eyes of many. Sorors marched with umbrellas; water bottles; chapter banners; hand held fans; strollers while chanting “I love my “A”, I love my “K”, I love my “A”, I love my AKA.

Part II: U.S. Capitol, West Front

The Unity Greek Choir was lead by the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. song a hearth felt selection that engaged the Sorors and invited guest. The greeting, was done by our own, Dr. Barbara A. Mckinzie, followed by the Presentation of Resolution by the President of Alpha Phi Alpha, Fraternity, Inc. Mr. Darryl Matthews, SR. Each speaker excited the crowd with their enthusiasm and vision to encourage the crowd to unify as a team. Everyone rose to their feet as Speak of the US House of Representatives, the Honorable Nance Pelosi came to the podium, and she gave the response. The Memorial Remembrance was done by a team that consists of Honorable Sheila Jackson Lee; Honorable Eddie Bernice Johnson and Honorable Diana Watson. The presentation was outstanding; breath taking and picture perfect as all cameras were aimed and ready. The waters that were cold became hot and the seasoned Sorors became tired, the program started coming to an end with the challenge by Grand Polemarch, Dwayne Murray, Esq. of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. The Call to Action, given by International President of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. Mr. Paul Griffin, Jr. and the closing done by the Greek Unity Choir. As Sorors, walked back to the many of buses waiting, each talked of the stronger since of pride they felt after the Unity March. The pictures, don’t tell half the story, to know that this was the second time in history that Pennsylvania Avenue was closed and who else to shut it down but our own, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Thanks for allowing me to be part of the Centennial Celebration

Respectfully Submitted by: Soror Mary Smith Johnson, Centennial Graduate Advisor
Gamma Psi Chapter, Texas Southern University
Sorors of Alpha Kappa Omega, I truly want to thank you for the honor and privilege of serving as a delegate to our 2008 Centennial Boule. My report on the Boule is as follows:

**Activities Attended:**
- EAF Annual Meeting
- All Plenary Sessions
- Unity March

**Report of First Plenary – Monday, July 14, 2008 9am**
Sorors, the first plenary session of the Centennial Boule was truly a spectacular event! Monday July 14th was “Salmon Pink & Apple Green Day” at the conference and it was thrilling to see so many sorors of Alpha Kappa Alpha assembled and enthusiastic about our great sorority! Soror Barbara A. McKinzie, Centennial Supreme Basileus presided over the session and I offer the following highlights:

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Our very own Soror Mattelia delivered an extraordinary address challenging each soror present to acknowledge our debt to future generations, to re-examine our ideals and those of our founders, to rethink individual responsibilities that go along with membership, and to shift our thinking and recognize that extraordinary talent comes with a price. Soror Mattelia challenged each soror to search within and help Alpha Kappa Alpha succeed another 100 years!

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The Boule welcome included sorors from the 14 hostess chapters and featured an exciting musical presentation to “Dream Girls” while highlighting all the past Boule held in Washington, DC. The welcome was great fun as we sang Happy Birthday (Stevie Wonder version) with more than 20,000 sorors!

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Eastern 1723, South Central 2283, South Atlantic 3850, Mid Western 401, Mid Atlantic 2389, International 138
Graduate 18,751; Undergraduate 879; Diamond 15; Golden 223, Honorary 5; Guest 1089, Children 213, Youth 140. TOTAL REGISTERED as of 7/13 = 21,315
Delegates 2239; Alternates 304

- Seating of Delegates
  - Soror Evelyn Sample-Oates, North Atlantic Regional Director

- Adoption of the Agenda
  - Soror Barbara McKinzie, Centennial Supreme Basileus

- Report of the Rules Committee
  - Soror Rita Cloman, Chairman

Official password for 2008 – 2010: Psi Iota Omega

- Presentation of 2006 Boule Minutes
  - Soror Dorothy Buchanan Wilson, Supreme Grammateus

- Appointment of Boule Officers & Ratification of Committee Appointments
  - Soror Barbara McKinzie, Centennial Supreme Basileus

- Official Presentation of Boule Reports
  - Soror Carolyn House Stewart, First Supreme Anti-Basileus

- Report of Archives Committee
  - Soror Earnestine G. McNealey, Chairman

Each soror present received a free iTunes music card (for download of music) featuring AKA songs, a real treat!

- Report of the Nominating Committee
  - Soror Gisele Casanova, Chairman

Information on each candidate was provided to the sorors of the Boule. It was noted that one of the sorors certified for Undergraduate Member-At-Large had withdrawn as our bylaws provide that no chapter can have more than 2 members on the Directorate. The soror was from Alpha Chapter. Nominations from the floor were taken regarding the Undergraduate Member-At-Large position. A total of eleven (11) names were nominated. All candidates that ran unopposed were elected by acclamation of the Boule delegates. Soror Stacy Groomes was appointed chairman of the International Nominating Committee.

- Announcements
  - Soror Tanya Coats, Centennial Hodegos

Sorors, the first plenary session of the Boule was both fun and informative. Important sorority business was our focus. While at the Boule I had the opportunity to spend time with Epsilon Lambda’s delegates and was energized by their enthusiasm. It was their 1st Boule! I thank you again for the opportunity to serve both as a delegate, and as a Graduate Advisor!

Respectfully Submitted: Soror Glenniece Stewart, Graduate Advisor – Epsilon Lambda
My Dear Sorors,

I sincerely appreciate the opportunity of serving as delegate to the 63rd Boule held in beautiful downtown Washington DC. My assignments were to report on the Centennial Gala and the 7th Plenary Session.

♦ **The Centennial Gala** provided us with both enjoyment and entertainment. Each Region held their gala at a specific hotel. South Central’s was held at the Grand Hyatt on Sunday night. A jazz band performed throughout the night; we were served hors d’oeuvres, danced, relaxed and enjoyed the music.

♦ **The 7th Plenary Session** opened with Soror Barbara McKinzie acknowledging our Boule Sponsors and their contributions. Soror Norma White narrated a beautiful musical finale in which, The Way We Were and Amazing Grace were both performed by a choir of flutes. Soror Barbara returned to the podium with a sadly alarming announcement. Two of our beloved sorors had just become ivies beyond the wall here at Boule. They were Soror Chrystal Shepard, Basileus of her chapter in North Carolina and golden soror Bertha Underwood of Montgomery, Alabama. It is an amazing and a sincere demonstration of sisterhood when without hesitation our sorors donated a total of $22,000.00 and still climbing, all of which were given to the two deceased sorors families. Soror Pamela Bates Porch the Central Regional Director’s meditation was beautiful, heartwarming and uplifting after hearing the tragic news of our two beloved sorors. The Rededication was facilitated eloquently by our own Soror Matelia B. Grays and Soror Faye B. Bryant. Soror Sharon Worthy spoke about the Resolutions received on March 11th. Six Resolutions referred to the International Programs. They were about HIV, Prison Re-Entry, STD’s, Domestic Violence, Violence and Offensive Behavior and High School Drop Outs. The last resolution read was to rise and applaud the Host Chapters and Leadership for organizing and extending a warm welcome to over 25,000 sorors attending. Soror Carolyn House Stewart performed the Installation of Officers. Alpha Kappa Omega sorors beamed with pride when our “pearl,” Soror Gwendolyn Brinkley was installed as the 23rd South Central Regional Director. Completing the 7th Plenary Session was the Invitation to 2010 Boule in St. Louis, Missouri home of our founder Soror Ethel Hedgeman Lyle. During the invitation Howard Hewitt walked down the isle under a parade of umbrellas. He performed all his hits and we all cheered and screamed with excitement.

The Unity March was one of the highpoints at Boule. It was a beautiful sight to see so many beautiful women marching to the Capitol. Washington DC welcomed us with open arms and the pink and green fireworks were truly a blast. It gave me great pride and pleasure to represent Alpha Kappa Omega at the 63rd Centennial Boule. Thank you very much, sorors!!!

Sisterly,

*Soror Edwina Johnson*
Thanks one hundred times to the Sorors of Alpha Kappa Omega for allowing me to represent the chapter as a Delegate to the national conference. I am grateful for the opportunity to serve. I was assigned to report on the Induction of Honorary Members, and the fifth Plenary Session.

Four Centennial Boule honorary members were inducted. They were:

Zoanne Clark, M.D. - A physician and a medical consultant for the hit TV show, "Grey's Anatomy". Her journey to greatness began while growing up in Missouri City, Texas. She briefly majored in Radio/TV/Film at Northwestern University but later pursued a medical degree, which she earned from UT Southwestern in Dallas, Texas. She went to Atlanta, Ga. for residency in Emergency Medicine at Emory University. Dr. Clark went on to spend a year with the Center for Disease Control and Prevention doing International Emergency Medicine.

Deborah Stewart-Parker - President and CEO/Consultant - International Business Solutions, Inc, launched her career at General Motors in 1977 as a member of an elite team of "non-Technical graduates" assigned to learn the automotive business from the ground up. This training led her to a position at General Motors where she served for ten years in key planning and supervisory roles before joining Ford Motor Company Under her leadership at Ford's Dearborn and Chicago plants, Ms. Stewart-Parker's production team garnered a number of Best in Ford awards in quality and cost savings in quality and cost savings because of key process capability improvements introduced by her.

C. Vivian Springer - Rutgers University Women's Head Basketball coach has conquered on and off the court. She began her coaching career at Cheyney State University where she volunteered to coach the women's basketball team. She eventually put the women's basketball program there on the map where it was dubbed the "marquee team. Strings' record at Cheyney State, 251-51 includes the groundbreaking accomplishment of a finals appearance in the first-ever NCAA tournament for women.

Carol H. Williams - Founder, CEO, President and Chief Creative Officer of the Carol H. Williams Advertising Agency inspired to be a doctor until she discovered her love of writing. She delighted in writing advertising copy and, eventually, she interned in advertising. By the time she'd completed her internship, her reputation was known within the industry and mega firms vied for her to join their companies. After graduation from college, she joined the prestigious Leo Burnett Company in Chicago where she eventually became the first African American Director and Vice President.

Michelle Obama - A graduate of Princeton University, and Harvard Law School, A Founding Executive Director, Public Allies, a youth leadership development organization, and Vice President of Community and External Affairs, University of Chicago Medical Center. She is the wife of a candidate to become the first African American president of the United States of America. She was not present however she accepted the invitation.
Program Presentation: Soror Lorn Honesty King, Chairman. The committee worked diligently to ensure that each Soror and chapter has the tools and support needed to carry out the five platforms of the ESP vision. Several programmatic firsts were initiated by the committee including the enhancement of the online Sorority program site with the addition of downloading ESP resource materials for each platform and direct web for participating program partners that can be accessed by all financial sorors. New sorority partnerships were established, including JP Morgan Chase to close the home ownership gap, points of Light Foundation Grant to initiate a First Responders Disaster Training Program for Young Disadvantage Black Males.

Investment Presentation: Soror Berna Greer, Chairman. An initial major priority of the committee was to review the asset allocation. Previously, the investment allocation consisted of 60% certificates of deposits and 40% stocks and bonds. To provide a mix in the investments to achieve long-term growth the asset allocation is 45% cash and cash equivalent. Two new managers—the Profit Fund and Lasalle Ban—joined Smith Barney as investments managers. The Investment Committee is committed to our mission, which is to manage and grow the investments of the Sorority on a long-term basis and to assist each Administration as they add to the investment base.

Leadership Presentation: Soror Bernice Ripley, Chairman. The leadership development and candidate certification process continues to grow in momentum as it relates to soror participation. Sorors have taken advantage of every opportunity to begin the certification process by identifying one of four tracks available, which includes a track specifically tailored to undergraduates. Most important, every sitting Regional Director, new-elected Regional Director and credentialed candidates for undergraduate offices completed the required certification process approved by the Directorate in 2007. The goal is to insure we have a cadre of sorors with the vision and leadership to provide a second century of exemplary service.

Technology Presentation: Soror Brenda Ladipo, Chairman. The committee has strived to raise the bar for our Sorority’s usage of technology. They added news articles, events information, calls to action, a new program reporting system, conference registration, international committee documents, connection initiatives, and information from all standing and special committees. Updated the messages from the Supreme Basileus and Second Supreme Anti-Basileus. Created a comprehensive document for ongoing maintenance of the web sites. The following technology-related documents are now available on the Members’ only side of the ESP Web Site (aka 1908.com) in the Document Archive: Alpha Kappa Alpha Web Site Guidelines (revised); Alpha Kappa Alpha Web Site Evaluation Form (new); Regional Technology Committee Roles and Responsibilities (revised); Alpha Kappa Alpha Blog and Third Party Chat Room Policy (new); Alpha Kappa Alpha Blog Guidelines (new); Alpha Kappa Alpha A to Z guide to Design Development Testing and Maintenance of Web Sites (new).

Respectfully submitted,

Soror Dorothy J. Booker
Sorors, I do not know where to begin to express my deep appreciation for my experience at the 100th Centennial Celebration of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority. Even the trip to Washington DC was an enlighten experience.

I arrived at the Grand Hyatt Hotel on **Friday, July 11, 2008**, along with lots of other sorors. I hugged and kissed all of them as if we had known each other for years.

I completed the Boule Registration and Delegate Certification Process on **Saturday, July 12, 2008**. I also attended the Beta Psi Alumni Centennial Celebration Dinner Party.

**Sunday, July 13, 2008** - More than 20,000 members, families and friends filled with enthusiasm packed Hall E of the Convention Center for the Public Meeting on Sunday. Guest included Adrian Fentry, Mayor of the District of Columbia; Dr. Dorothy Height, President Emeritus of the National Council of Negro Women; author Hill Harper, Prince George’s County Executive Jack Johnson and many other distinguished individuals. Alpha Kappa Alpha’s own Florida State Senator Frederica Wilson along with Secretary of State, Dr. Condelezza Rice and Senator Barack Obama were honored. We took a look back at the past 100 years with the presentation of the film “Alpha Kappa Alpha: Sisterhood and Service – The First Century.” The Centennial Boule Choir graced us with a number of excellent selections. It was really moving to hear thousands of voices sing our International Hymn accompanied by the big band sounds. I was moved to tears. My visit to The Centennial Museum that featured an abundance of Alpha Kappa Alpha history since 1908 was breathtaking.

It was announced at the public meeting that our Future First Lady Michelle Obama would be inducted into our sisterhood and our own Barbie doll was unveiled in recognition of our accomplishments.

“Service is our birthright, but sisterhood is our legacy,” were the words spoken by the Centennial International President, Soror Barbara A. McKenzie, at the **First Plenary Session** and Official opening of the Centennial Boule on Monday, July 14, 2008. She added to her opening statement by presenting some statistics that the 63rd Boule celebration will equal over $100 million and will have a lasting impact on the city of Washington, DC. The Centennial Charge given by our very own Soror Mattelia B. Grays was another highlight of the opening session. It ended with a final challenge of a renewed focus on caring, respect, responsibility, and unity. We were all attired in salmon pink and apple green during the **Second Plenary Session** which began with the meditation from Soror Janice Hale Baker, daughter of Soror Larzette Hale-Wilson.

**Tuesday Morning’s Plenary Session** acknowledged members who have passed away during the Ivies Beyond the Wall Ceremony. Nearly 2,000 names were called from each region by their
perspective regional director, as members from those regions stood to pay tribute to their memories. Soror Betty James gave the executive director’s report during the Third Plenary Session. She reported that Alpha Kappa Alpha has the highest active membership in its history. As of December 2007, the active membership is 55,992 sorors. Highlights from the other reports are summarized below:

- The Constitution committee presented two constitutional amendments; both were voted upon by the delegates. The first measure to restructure the Archive Committee passed. The second measure to raise the GPA requirement from membership eligibility to a 3.0 failed.
- The Nominating Committee presented the candidates for election. The Second Supreme Basileus and Undergraduate Members at Large had only one candidate each, Melanie C. Jones and Shayla Johnson. Both of sorors from Alpha Chapter, Howard University. These candidates were deemed elected by acclamation. Soror Barbara McKenzie made an historical second appointment, by appointing Soror Noel M. Niles, Sigma Zeta Chapter, Aiboin College (Michigan), as the Second Undergraduate member at large.

On Wednesday, July 16, 2008, I attended the 2008 Centennial Breakfast Celebration for Alumni and Sorors of Beta Psi Chapter, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. at Southern University, in Baton Rouge, LA. As always, the South Central Regional Boule Luncheon gave me a chance to visit with other South Central sorors. The International Program, Investment, Technology and Leadership Certification were the highlight of the Fifth Plenary Session.

Pink and green flooded Pennsylvania Ave on Thursday, July 17, 2008 for our Historic Unity March.

I returned to Houston, Texas on Friday, July 18, 2008.

Respectfully,

Soror Lucy J. Bremond
To Basileus Regina Carrington and the members of Alpha Kappa Omega Chapter, it is my pleasure to report on my involvement as a delegate to the Centennial International Boule, at the Convention Center in Washington, D.C. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve our magnificent organization. It was an honor to represent you and participate in an extraordinary and historical celebration our unique sisterhood.

My involvement consisted of the following:
* Boule Registration and Certification
* Attended Seven Plenary Sessions
* Served as a member of the Boule Evaluation Committee
* Attended the Centennial Anniversary Luncheon
* Attended the Centennial Public Meeting
* Participated in Voting Process
* Attended the Undergraduate Luncheon
* Attended the Centennial Concert featuring Patti LaBelle
* Attended the South Central Regional Luncheon
* Attended the Centennial South Central Regional Gathering
* Visited the spectacular '100 Years of Living History' museum
* Participated in the Unity Day March
* Participated as a volunteer on the Medical Response Team at the Unity Day March
* Checked on some of our Golden Alpha Kappa Omega sorors
* Attended the Spectacular Celebration in honor of Soror Marva Adams achieving 50 years of service as an Alpha Kappa Alpha soror and her 70th Birthday
* Attended the Beta Psi (Southern University) Centennial Reunion Celebration Dinner Party
* Attended the Beta Psi Chapter Reunion Breakfast
* Attended the Centennial Formal Celebration

**Friday, July 11, 2008** – Arrived at the Grand Hyatt Hotel and was warmly greeted by sorors and the hotel staff. The hotel accommodations and courtesy of the staff were commendable. The Boule Registration and Delegate Certification process was easy, swift and without any difficulty.

**Saturday, July 12, 2008** – Attended scheduled tours, the ESP Leadership Academy Ribbon Cutting and the Beta Psi Alumni Centennial Celebration Dinner Party.

**Sunday, July 13, 2008** – Attended Centennial Anniversary Luncheon. The Centennial Anniversary Luncheon honored and celebrated our 1st time Diamond, Golden and Silver sorors.
Attended the Centennial Public Meeting which focused on the recognition of award recipients in the following categories: International Service Award, The Anna Eleanor Roosevelt Medallion of Honor, The Founders’ Graduate Award, The Ethel Hedgman-Lyle Undergraduate Service Award, The Carrey B. Preston Leadership Award, Septima Poinsette Clark Award, The Rosa Parks-Coretta Scott King Award and the Civil Rights Humanitarian Posthumous Award.

**Monday, July 14, 2008 – (Salmon Pink & Apple Green or Black Day)**
Attended The First and Second Plenary Sessions. The Centennial Supreme Basileus, Soror Barbara A. McKinzie presided. Our own Soror Mattelia B. Grays presented “The Centennial Charge” to kickoff the official opening of the First Plenary Session. The 2008 Hostess Chapters warmly welcomed all sorors, the report of Registration, the 2006 Boule Minutes and several committee reports were presented. Also, the Delegates were seated.

**Tuesday, July 15, 2008 – (All White Day and Delegate Voting)**
The highlight of the Third Plenary Session was the Ivies Beyond the Wall Ceremony and Honorary Member Induction. The Ivy Beyond the Wall Ceremony was conducted with sisterly love by Soror Juanita Doty, South Eastern Regional Director and Soror Mae Carr conducted the Honorary Member Induction. Our new Honorary Members are Dr. Zoanne Clack, Deborah Stewart-Parker, C. Vivian Stringer and Carol H. Williams. In addition, it was reported that Michelle Obama accepted Honorary Membership, but she was not inducted at the Boule. The main focus of the Forth Plenary Session was the Undergraduate Activities Presentation.

Attended the Centennial Undergraduate Luncheon and Soror Ranika Chaney, Second Supreme Anti-Basileus, presided. The theme was “Expounding on the Service of the Past: Looking Back in Order to Move Forward.” The keynote speaker was Soror Mae C. Jemison, MD, and as usual she captivated the audience.

The voting procedures and sample ballot were surprisingly understandable and easy to use. I recommend that we continue to use this procedure for future elections.

**Wednesday, July 16, 2008 – (Black & White Day)**
Attended the Fifth and Sixth Plenary Sessions. The Fifth Plenary Session consisted of presentations on the following topics: Program, Investment, Leadership Certification and Technology. The Sixth Plenary Session consisted of presentations on the following topics: Directorate Recommendations, Teller/Constitution and Bylaws and Tellers/Election of Officers. The highlight of the Sixth Plenary Session was Soror Barbara McKinze’s presentation on the State of the Sorority, “A Day in the Duties of the Directorate.”

Attended the 2008 Centennial Breakfast Celebration for Alumni and Sorors of Beta Psi Chapter, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. at Southern University, in Baton Rouge, LA.
Attended the South Central Regional Boule Luncheon and as always, it was great to meet with our other South Central sorors. The entertainment Sorors who participated on the program were entertaining and very enjoyable. They dressed in costumes that were in style during the various decades when they were initiated and performed accordingly.

Attended the South Central Centennial Regional Gathering and at 10:08 PM witnessed the colorful Pink and Green fireworks display on the Potomac River.

**Thursday, July 17, 2008 – (Unity Day)**
I proudly participated in the “Never to Be Duplicated Unity Day March” and program. It was a sight to behold. The beauty of thousands of Alpha Kappa Alpha sorors and other Greek organizations marching together down Pennsylvania Avenue will forever be etched in the memory of all who witnessed this impressive and magnificent event.

**Friday, July 18, 2008 – (Centennial Finale Day)**
Attended The Seventh Plenary Session. Our own Soror Mattelia B.Grays and Soror Faye B. Bryant conducted the Rededication. Also, we were proud to witness the installation of our own Soror Gwendolyn Gaston Brinkley as the 23rd South Central Regional Director by Soror Carolyn House Stewart, First Supreme Anti-Basileus.

The report of the Time and Place committee was as follows: 2010 – St. Louis, MO, 2012 – San Francisco, CA, 2014 – Charlotte, North Carolina, 2016 – Atlanta, GA. After the invitation to the 2010 Boule in St. Louis was presented, Soror Barbara McKinzie officially closed the 63rd Boule of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

**Saturday, July 19, 2008** – Returned to Houston, TX!!!

Respectfully submitted,

_Elnora J. Flewelen_
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated
Alpha Kappa Omega Chapter

Delegate Report

Wednesday, July 19, 2008

**Sixth Plenary Session**

Soror Barbara A. McKenzie presented the U.N.C.F President with a check for $350,000.00 which was collected over a two year time period. The donation to the U.N.C.F surpassed the administration’s goal of $250,000.00 in a five year period.

Soror Dorothy Wilson presented the following directorate recommendations:

**North Atlantic Region**
Suspension of thirty-three sorors
Expulsion of two sorors

**Mid Atlantic Region**
Suspension of nineteen sorors

**South Atlantic Region**
Suspension of twenty-three sorors
Expulsion of three sorors

**Great Lakes Region**
Suspension of thirty-seven sorors
Expulsion of one soror

**South Eastern Region**
Suspension of one hundred and thirteen sorors
Expulsion of twelve sorors
Dissolution of the Gamma Eta Chapter in Knoxville, TN, the chapter has had less than eight members for more than three years and the university has lost its accreditation.

**South Central Region**
Suspension of twelve sorors
Suspension of five sorors

**Central Region**
Suspension of six sorors
Expulsion of one soror

**Mid Western Region**
Suspension of thirty-five sorors
Far Western Region
Suspension of twenty-five sorors
Expulsion of eleven sorors
Dissolution of Upsilon Gamma Omega Chapter in Eugene, OR, all the members have transferred. Also the dissolution of Nu Mu Omega chapter in Concord, CA, all of the members have transferred to other chapters in the area. Finally, dissolution of Mu Nu chapter in Stockton, CA the chapter has been inactive for over three years and has had fewer than eight members, and no graduate chapter is interested in supervising the chapter.

It was noted that a detailed list of the sorors and the reasons they have been expelled and suspended is available at www aka1908.com in the members only section.

Tellers Constitution and Bylaws Report was presented by
The votes cast 3,057
Two-third votes required was 2038

Amendment 1- Archive Committee Having a Representative from each Region
In Favor-2,886 Against-168
The amendment passed

Amendment 2- Changing the GPA for membership from a C+ average to a B average
In favor-1176 Against-1878
The amendment failed

The tellers Election Report
All elected officers and regional directors were ratified

Alpha Kappa Alpha the next 100 years video was presented, the video chronicled Alpha Kappa Alpha from an idea one generation removed from slavery to beyond the twenty-first century.

Johnson Publishing presented a check for $5,000.00 to Alpha Kappa Alpha for being the highest ticket selling host organization for the Ebony Fashion Fair Show. South Central Region was recognized for being the region with the highest ticket sales.

It was my distinct pleasure to serve Alpha Kappa Omega as a delegate to the Centennial Boule in Washington, DC. I was truly Energized, Stretched, and Prepared to continue the legacy of Alpha Kappa Alpha for its second centennial.

Respectfully Submitted,

Staci Taylor Fullmigher
Thank you for the opportunity to represent Alpha Kappa Omega Chapter at the Centennial Boule celebrating 100 years of sisterhood and service. The Boule functioned like clockwork and I attended most of the activities and every plenary session. We were indeed a “pink and green spectacle”.

Arrival, Sunday, July 13. Because of a hotel glitch, we could not get into our hotel room for hours. I roomed with Sorors Hazel and Marianne and they didn’t have the special-needs room available. Consequently, we missed the opening public meeting. However, all comments were very positive and complimentary and the Boule was off to a grand start.

Monday, Second Plenary Session opened with the remarkable music of the Centennial Choir. These dedicated Sorors worked daily to provide upbeat as well as inspirational songs. This was a great way to start each day. And, the inspirational music probably helped to alleviate “words” over the prime front row seats. It was announced that there would be “no seat holding”. But, you know how we are. We can spread jackets, tote bags, planners, eyeglasses, etc., over at least five seats until we get a curtly, “Excuse me Soror, but...”. However, this was a great way to meet new sorors.

The Centennial Supreme Basileus convened the session at 3:00 p.m. Followed by meditation presented by Soror Janice Hale Baker for Soror Larzette Hale Wilson, 17th Supreme Basileus, who had been ill. Her meditation centered on Ecclesiasts 8, “a time for everything...”. It was very thoughtful.

The International Nominating Committee announced that there was one candidate for the 2nd Supreme Anti-Basileus. However, there was only one undergraduate candidate for the two Undergraduate Member at Large positions on the Directorate. Nominations were taken from the floor, and of the eleven nominees, none could be certified. The Centennial Supreme Basileus appointed an undergraduate to the second position.

It was announced that none of the candidates on the ballot would need to officially speak at this session. But, the two undergraduate candidates would give their campaign speeches. It was ironic that both candidates were students at Howard University. They both gave outstanding speeches. They were Soror Shayla Johnson, Undergraduate Member at Large; and Soror Melanie Johnson, 2nd Supreme Anti-Basileus.
Jacqueline Watson, Chairman, Tellers Committee gave voting instructions. The voting process was excellent and the planning was apparent.

Soror Freddie Groommes-McLendon, Chairman, International Constitution Committee, reviewed the two bylaw amendments that met the guidelines. The first, regarding archives, passed: Yes, 2,886; No, 156. The second, regarding raising the GPA, failed: Yes, 1,176; No, 1,878.

Soror Norma S. White, 25th Supreme Basileus, Chairman, Centennial Commission, announced that over $100,000 was raised from Soror gifts ($19.08, $190.08, $1900.80, etc.).

We all sang Happy Birthday to our beloved Sisterhood.

It was announced that the Candidates Forum was eliminated.

The Tuesday highlights were the Ivy Beyond the Wall ceremony and the Honorary Member Induction. The Executive Director described major headquarters renovations and the improved maintenance program. The Membership Chairman announced we have 60,000 active members. There was also an impressive report of real estate owned by various chapters.

Wednesday’s Investment Report by our own Soror Berna Greer was excellent. She announced we have a 15.8 million dollar funds balance with investment income of 5% rate of return. Soror Linda Burkley sang, “Never Would Have Made It” after the report. The Directorate’s Report included a long list of suspensions and expelled sorors/chapters. I think South Central had 12 suspensions and 5 expelled. The Wednesday night Fireworks on the Harbor were awesome in pink and green.

Thursday was the BIG PARADE. I got up early, dressed in pink and green, grabbed my inhaler and was off to the parade. It was exciting.

Friday’s Invitation to the 2010 Boule (July 9-16, 2010) by the St. Louis Chapter started off rather dry. But, who’s this? Howard Hewlett in the flesh and looking good and sounding even better. He had us all dancing in the aisles and ready for Boule 2010! (2012, San Francisco; 2014, Charlotte; 2016, Atlanta).

During the Boule, we had two Sorors to pass, one from the Mid Atlantic Region and one from the South Eastern Region. We collected $25,236 to be given to their families. What a Sisterhood!

Again, thank you Sorors for this opportunity! Soror Etta Hill
Committee Report

Name of Committee: Nominating  Date: September 27, 2008
Chairman: Soror Elnora Flewellen  Time: 6:30 PM
Co-Chairman: Soror Vivian Harrison  Place: Blue Triangle Community Center
Number of Committee Members: 9  Number of Members Present: 9

Members in Attendance: Soror Elnora Flewellen, Soror Vivian Harrison, Soror Lillie Lacy, Soror Beverly Maddox, Soror Betty Narcisse, Soror Anitra Provost, Soror Rita Roberts, Soror Idaena Wade and Soror Angela Williams

Goals: This committee shall be responsible for preparing and presenting written election guidelines and a ballot for chapter elections in support of Article XI Voting as stated in the By-Laws of Alpha Kappa Omega Chapter.

On Wednesday, September 10, 2008, the Nominating Committee held a meeting at the Blue Triangle Community Center, 3005 McGowan Street, Houston, TX 77004. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss and finalize the written election guidelines and finalize the preparation of the preliminary ballot for the election of officers for presentation at the September meeting. The meeting agenda consisted of the following:

- Review the Election Guidelines and ensure that the current policies and procedures are incorporated.
- Review the names submitted by sorors as possible candidates for office and verify their eligibility to run for office.
- Contact the sorors recommended for office to ascertain their willingness to run for office.
- Prepare the preliminary ballot for the election of the 2009 Officers of Alpha Kappa Omega Chapter and present at the September meeting.
- Prepare a brief overview of the Duties and Powers of the elected Officers for distribution at the September meeting.
- Decide the deadline date for candidates for office to turn in the materials that will be presented for campaign purposes.
- Decide the date the committee will review the candidate’s campaign material that will be presented at the November meeting.

Recommendations:
- None

Next Meeting: October 22, 2008  Location: TBD

Report Submitted by: Soror Elnora Flewellen and Soror Vivian Harrison
Officers to be elected are Basileus, Anti-Basileus, Grammateus, Anti-Grammateus, Epistoleus, Tamiouchos, Pecunious Grammateus, Anti-Pecunious Grammateus, Philactor, Hodegos, Reporter to the Ivy Leaf, Historian, Graduate Advisors and members of the Nominating Committee.

1. Only sorors who have active membership status as defined in Article VIII, Section 2, (p.17) of the By-Laws of Alpha Kappa Omega Chapter, Revised February 2007, are eligible to vote. Article VIII, Section 2, (p. 17) states: An active member is a soror who meets all financial obligations for the current year of both Alpha Kappa Omega Chapter and the international body. Every active member is a member of the international body.

2. A plurality vote shall be required for on all business matters, including the election of officers. Only the vote of sorors present at the meeting shall be counted. (Article XI, Section 2, (p.22))

3. Voting for candidates for office shall be by single secret ballot. (Article XI, Section 3, (p.22))

4. All candidates for the office of Basileus and Anti-Basileus must have been financial with Alpha Kappa Omega Chapter for a period of at least four (4) consecutive years immediately preceding election and shall have attended one of the last two Boules or one of the last two Regional Conferences. (Article VI, Section 4, (p.5))

5. All other candidates for office must have been financial with Alpha Kappa Omega for a minimum of two (2) consecutive years prior to January 1 of the year in which the term of office shall begin. (Article VI, Section 5, (p.5))

6. All candidates for the office of Graduate Advisor to the undergraduate chapter, immediately prior to her election, must be a graduate soror and shall have been a member of the graduate chapter, Alpha Kappa Omega, for two consecutive years and must have attended one of the last two Boules or one of the last two Regional Conferences and must be certified by the Directorate approved Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Graduate Advisor Certification Program within one year of placement in office.

7. A soror holding any office in the chapter or serving as Chairperson of a standing committee is ineligible for membership on the Nominating Committee.

8. Candidates on the ballot may produce a promotional campaign document that describes the candidate’s qualifications and experience in the sorority. This one piece document can be in the form of a fold-out, flyer, vitae, letter, etc. No additional flyers, handouts, etc., may be used. No Electronic campaigning or distribution of campaign material is allowed. No Email is allowed.

9. Campaign speech must not exceed two minutes.

Note: All candidates must submit a draft copy of their campaign document to the Nominating Committee Chairperson, Soror Elnora Flewellen or Co-Chairperson, Soror Vivian Harrison, for review by Thursday, October 30, 2008. After all documents have been reviewed by the Nominating Committee, candidates will be notified. The date for the release of the one piece document shall be Monday, November 10, 2008). Candidates are asked to adhere to the guidelines to ensure that the campaign and election process and procedures are fair and equitable to all candidates.

10. All nominees from the floor must provide the required credentials (proof of attendance at one of the last two Boules or of one of the last two Regional Conferences) if it is a requirement of the office the candidate is seeking.
DUTIES AND POWERS OF OFFICERS
    Brief Overview of Duties

Basileus
    1. The Basileus shall preside at all meetings of the chapter and the Executive Committee.
    2. Perform the duties which are usually executed by the chief officer.
    3. Appoint committee chairpersons, with the approval of the Executive Committee, and may appoint members of all committees. Fill vacancies except as otherwise provided by the bylaws. (See Article V, Section 1, page 6 – 7) of the By-Laws of Alpha Kappa Omega Chapter, Revised February 2007 for additional duties.

Anti-Basileus
    1. Assist the Basileus in the performance of duties and assume the duties in her absence.
    2. Serve as chairperson of the Program Planning Committee. (See Article V, Section 2, page 7) of the By-Laws of Alpha Kappa Omega Chapter, Revised February 2007 for additional duties.

Grammateus
    1. Record the proceedings of all regular and call meetings. Compile proceedings in official record book.
    2. Notify officers, committees and delegates of their election or appointment if they were absent from the meeting at which action was taken. Furnish committees with materials referred to them.
    3. Assist the presiding officer in preparing an agenda or outline of business.

Anti-Grammateus
    2. Assist the Grammateus and Epistoleus in the performance of their duties.
    3. Record the minutes of the Executive Committee meetings and present recommendations of the Executive Committee to the body at regular chapter meetings.

Epistoleus
    1. Send and receive the general correspondence of the chapter as directed by the Basileus.
    2. Send the chapter newsletter and notice of all meetings to each soror of the chapter.

Tamiouchos
    1. Receive all monies of the chapter from the Pecunious Grammatus and deposit in full in the chapter's appropriate accounts not later than seven (7) days following receipt.
    2. Submit a written financial report at each regular meeting and present a written report of the previous fiscal year at the January meeting.
    3. Refer monthly financial reports to the Audit Committee. (See Article V, Section 6, page 9) of the By-Laws of Alpha Kappa Omega Chapter, Revised February 2007 for additional duties.

Pecunious Grammateus
    1. Collect all funds and transmit them to the Tamiouchos. Prepare three (3) copies of the transmittal form, giving one copy to the Tamiouchos, one copy to the Basileus and keeping one copy for her records.
    2. Give receipts and sign all vouchers.
    3. Keep an accurate record of all funds received in accordance with standard accounting procedures.
    4. Keep a current list of financial members of Alpha Kappa Omega Chapter and have the list available at each meeting.
Anti-Pecunious-Grammateus
1. Assist the Pecunious Grammateus with all assigned duties.

Philactor
1. Guard the door and entrances to meetings against unauthorized persons and announce all alarms.
2. Be responsible for keeping order in the business meetings of Alpha Kappa Omega Chapter.

Hodegas
1. Receive and introduce all visitors.
2. Serve as chairperson of the courtesy committee.

Reporter to the Ivy Leaf
1. Compile and edit data regarding noteworthy activities of Alpha Kappa Omega Chapter and inform the sorority’s national organ and local news media about these activities.
2. Serve as chairperson of the Public Relations Committee.

Historian
1. Record contributions, recognitions, achievements, travel and other noteworthy activities of Alpha Kappa Omega Chapter and individual sorors.
2. Keep the history of Alpha Kappa Omega Chapter current.

Graduate Advisor
1. Serve as a liaison between Alpha Kappa Omega Chapter and the undergraduate chapter and between the undergraduate chapter and the regional director.
2. Serve as advisor to the undergraduate chapter in the interpretation and implementation of the program of Alpha Kappa Sorority, Incorporated and its Constitution and Bylaws.
3. Attend all meetings and activities of the undergraduate chapter for which she is the advisor.
4. Work in cooperation with the Undergraduate Liaison Committee and campus advisor.
COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Name of Committee: Health & Human Services Committee
Co-Chairpersons: Soror Felicia Austin-Tolliver, Soror Vada Kyle-Holmes
Date: September 2, 2008
Time: 6:00 PM
Place: Power Center

Number of Committee Members Present: 11
Members in Attendance: Tamara Cubit, Demetria Williams, Beverly Marlin, Regina Carrington, Mary Smith Johnson, Vada Kyle-Holmes, Jimia Baker, Camilla Jackson, Chantay Morris, Felicia Austin-Tolliver, Patricia Sibley

Objectives: To review current programs, introduce new ideas and formulate a plan of action to start organizing activities throughout the year that will fulfill all aspects of Platform V.

- ESP 1908 Centennial Walk- Soror Demetria reported that the walk was a success and that there were approximately 275 chapter members and guests in attendance. Pictures of the event were passed around for the committee’s viewing.
- ESP 1908 Centennial Walk /Million Pound Challenge-Soror Vada reviewed the tentative plans of concluding this activity. Soror Tamara commented that some sheets were turned in at the June meeting and supplied the name of the additional sorors who had completed tracking sheets for follow-up. The committee will announce the winners of the challenge at the September sorority meeting. Totals of both individual sorors and chapter totals will be posted. The committee also discussed possible gifts for the winner of the challenge and a consensus was reached.
- Mental Health Forum-Soror Patricia Sibley updated the committee on the progress of the event. The Mental Health Forum will take place on September 27, 2008 from 9AM-12PM at Good Hope Baptist Church. The committee discussed the need for strong marketing for the event to be a success. Targets for participation that were discussed included school counselors and principals, nearby churches, greek-letter organizations, and media outlets. Soror Staci stated that she would follow-up with her initial media contacts now that more information was available. Soror Patricia distributed the color flyers for everyone to distribute. The budget was reviewed and it appears as though the entire event will be funded but that limits would have to be placed on the breakfast and printing costs of the program. Soror Patricia informed the committee that monies were donated from the National Alliance for Mental Illness and from Rice University, Co-sponsors with specific requests as it relates to the program. The flow of the program was discussed in debt and concern was raised about the length of the speaker topics and the constraints on time. The consensus of the committee was that it would be necessary to have a moderator and time keepers to keep the program moving along in a timely fashion. Soror Gia agreed to moderate the event. Members of the Connection Committee will serve as timekeepers.
- Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure-This year’s event will take place on October 4, 2008. Sorors can register online at www.komen-houston.org. Once the webpage comes up please click on Race for the Cure and then Join a Team. The team name is Alpha Kappa Omega. Soror Chantay will also be sitting at the table during chapter meeting for those who would like to register using the forms.
- Health, Fun, & Fitness-The new date for the program will be on November 22nd and confirmation has been received from TSU for the use of the facility.
- Program Calendar-The following dates were given for the committee’s meeting schedule:

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Report Submitted by: Soror Felicia Austin-Tolliver
September 3, 2008
Name of Committee: High School Leadership Development (HSLD)  
Name of Chairperson: Kim Topps  
Name of Co-Chairperson: Holly Harris  
Goal: The High School Leadership Development Committee (HSLD) works to enhance the leadership capability of high school students; with a special focus on young males, in support of our International Centennial platform. The committee will work to devise programs and activities where the students are exposed to mentoring, educational and social settings.

Youth Business Plan Competition Seminar – “On Top of the Game”  
Session 4: Writing the Plan Session

Saturday, August 2, 2008 at the Young Library from 10 – 1 PM  
Program Targets: Boys and Girls in the 9th – 12th Grades  
Presenter: Soror Andre` Bonner, Chief Executive Officer of Style on Demand provide tips and mentored our YBPC teams. Soror Kim Topps presented workshop How to Say It – Presenting their Business Plan and Concepts.

Special Thanks to our Presenters, students and parents for their participation

Sorors that were in Attendance: Jimia Baker, Andre` Bonner, Tamara Cubit, Holly Harris, LaDonna Harris, Julia Holland, Kim Topps and Yavaunda White

Next Youth Business Plan Competition Seminar – A Banker Prospective Saturday, November, 22nd, at the TSU Recreational Center from 10 – 1 PM

All Male Workout Day

Saturday, June 7, 2008 at the Bally Total Fitness Center from 10 – 2PM  
Presenter: Mr. Kelvin Rayme  
Topic: Me & My Emotions – Keeping It Healthy and In Balance!

Special Thanks to our Presenter, Students, Mentors and Parents for their participation. Kudos to Soror Pat Sibley for referring our Mr. Rayme, Family Outreach Committee and Demetria Williams for providing the mediation and donating the Foot Locker Gift Card and to Soror Angela Akins for securing the location and workout instructors!!

Sorors that were in Attendance: Angela Akins, Jimia Baker, Aqueelah Brown, Tamara Cubit, Staci Taylor Fullmight, Holly Harris, LaDonna Harris, Mary Smith Johnson, Ashley Kellum, Pat Roberts, Pat Sibley, Cheryl Taylor, Kim Topps, Una Topps, Yavaunda White and Demetria Williams
Back to School High School Leadership Development Retreat

Saturday, August 16 from 8AM to 4PM at the University of Houston – Cullen College of Engineering. In attendance were 85 high school young men and ladies, 16 parents/guardians, our speakers and volunteers. We had students from all of the area school districts in addition to student from Positive Steps, Hope Haven and Bay Oaks Youth homes. The theme was “MANifesting Your Destiny” and we conduct workshops that will prepare our students for issues such as: character development and self-esteem, academic success, healthy relationships, health and wellness, financial readiness, forgiveness and much more! The highlights of this year’s retreat are:

- Parenting Workshops – Lord I Need Help Rearing Purpose Driven Youth! - Part II and Motivating & Inspiring Your Youth for Excellence!
- Brotha 2 Brotha and Sista 2 Sista Open Forum Discussions. This year we added a Brotha 2 Sista session so both groups can discuss issues and develop strategies to interact better.

Special Thanks to:

Speakers: Chris Jackson, Benjamin and Soror Staci Fullmighter, Linda Sherrard, Patricia Travis, Deborah Giles, Jesse Watson, Jr., Dr. Forest Busby, Jr., Charlie Woodson, DJ Gray Face, Jirmar Proctor, Sorors: June Coleman, Holly Harris and Kim Topps

Registration Crew: Bracia Sims (PVAMU Engineering student), Melanie Drake - (UH Pre-Med student) and Brittany Williams - (TSU Pre-Law student)

Sorors for volunteering to assist - Sorors: Sandra Campbell, Regina Carrington, Teal Holden, Valarie McKenzie, Donna Miles, LaDonna Harris, Mary Smith Johnson, Staci Taylor Fullmighter, Una Topps, Jonita Wallace Reynolds and Yavaunda White.

IEACF for funding the retreat, University of Houston PROMES Engineering department for providing our retreat venue, Eugene Jackson for donating the Comet’s tickets and to the HSLD Retreat Planning Team – Sorors: Jimia Baker, Holly Harris, Donna Miles, Kim Topps, Una Topps and Yavaunda White.

Next Male Activity: Community Service Project – Serve Breakfast to the Homeless Saturday, October 11th at St. John’s UMC – Bread of Life, Inc. 1703 Gray Street (@Gray and Crawford) at 7:30 AM. We are asking that everyone bring toiletries

Next Planning Teleconference Thursday, October 9, 2008 at 8:30 PM
Name of Committee: Mid-Program Planning  
Date: September 6, 2008

Meeting
Chairman: Tamara Cubit  
Committee Members Present: 30

Time: 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.  
Meeting Place: Cullen Oaks

Committee Objective/Purpose: This committee shall develop new ideas and establish new trends in program planning for Alpha Kappa Omega Chapter and recommend ways of implementing the program targets outlined by Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

- All committee chairpersons, co-chairs and executive members were invited to attend.
  Reminders of duties, responsibilities and committee finances of chairpersons were discussed by Sorors Regina Carrington, Tamara Cubit and Pamela Lazard.

- A PowerPoint presentation was shown. A review of the past six months of chapter programs was discussed. The Heart of AKA: An Extraordinary Service Program:
  Platform I: The Non-Traditional Entrepreneur
  Platform II: The Economic Keys to Success
  Platform III: The Economic Growth of the Black Family
  Platform IV: Undergraduate Signature Program: Economic Educational Advancement Through Technology
  Platform V: Health Resources Management and Economics

I would like to thank Sorors Sandrian James, Anitra Provost and Ashley Rhodes for their assistance.

Committee members present: Felicia Austin, Sandra Campbell, Regina Carrington, Tamara Cubit, Brenda Davis, Diedra Fontaine, Karen Grays, Kim Harris, LaDonna Harris, Vivian Harrison, Helen Houston, Charlene James, Edwina Johnson, Mae King, Vada Kyle-Holmes, Pamela Lazard, Beverly Marlin, Monica Matlock, Chantay Morris, Taherra Shelton, Mary Shockley, Mary Smith-Johnson, Glenneice Stewart, Cheryl Taylor, Felicia Taylor, Janice Warner, Angela Williams and Demetria Williams.

Submitted by: Soror Tamara Cubit
Name of Committee: Standards  Date: August 26, 2008
Chairperson: Charlene H. James  Co-Chairperson: Douthulia Gardner
Meeting Location: Home of Soror Charlene James
Committee Members Present: Sorors Douthulia Gardner, Mary Baines, Rita Roberts and Shundra Williams. Sorors Regina Carrington, Basileus and Tamara Cubit, Anti-Basileus
Goal: To evaluate the chapter and its programs in accordance with the guidelines of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated.
Objectives:
1. To complete the End of the Year Report with the membership at the November sorority meeting
2. To report on the findings to the chapter of the overall evaluation at the December sorority meeting

The following agenda items were addressed /discussed; recommendations were made as appropriate:

1. The Committee will ensure that the Standards End of the Year Report is completed within the established timeframe and that required supportive documents are a part of the chapter’s file.

2. The Committee reviewed two of the 2007 End of the Year Report comments which indicated that the meetings were too long and the need to reassess the mentoring system. The Basileus and Anti-Basileus are working diligently to shorten the meetings by encouraging agenda participants to limit reporting to two minutes etc. The Basileus also commented on the need for ALL Alpha Kappa Omega Chapter members to reach out to fellow sorors with telephone calls, greetings at meetings and on-going contacts, particularly sorors who have recently activated.

Committee Recommendation: “Quiz Questions” will be included in the monthly newsletters and/or under separate cover. Door prizes will be given to the first five sorors responding by phone/email with the correct answers. Answers will be displayed at sorority meetings during lunch.
The Gamma In\textit{P}si\textit{der}  
\textit{At Texas Southern University}  
\textit{CENTENNIAL UNDERGRADUATE CHAPTER OF THE YEAR 2008}  

\textit{Soror Mary Smith Johnson, Centennial Graduate Advisor}  

\textbf{MY GRATITUDE}  
To the Sorors of AKΩ chapter, who continue to give unsavorily love and support to the ΓΨ chapter year around. We appreciate you for “All you do”. The chapter sends their gratitude to the following Sorors who presented at the 2008 Undergraduate Retreat on August 23, 2008 held at Texas Southern University. Soror Regina Carrington, Tamara Cubit, Gwendolyn G. Brinkley, 23\textsuperscript{rd} SCRD, LaDonna Harris, Carolene Goffney-Sharpe, Courtney Smith-Brown, Ideana Wade, J anea Dennis, Alana Whitaker, Jackie Columbus, Yavaunda White, Chantay Morris, Staci Taylor Fullmighter, Erica Edmond, Kim Topps, Betty M. Williams and Helen Houston. The 2008 fall semester began on August 25, 2008; the chapter has planned a phenomenal calendar of Educational Service Programs that are sure to be a positive impact on the students at Texas Southern University. We ask for your prayers, as many chapter members and their families were affected by hurricane Ike and are still in the recovery phase. An Extra special thanks to Soror Jackie Columbus for her words of encouragement & faith in my leadership. We will truly miss you on campus, our doors are opened & you’re always welcomed. We would like to welcome on board, Soror Fannie Hawkins as the new campus advisor to the chapter, we look forward to working with you.  
Sisterly Love,  
Soror Mary  

\textbf{Mary’s Mentionable Moments}  
5/08: Congratulations to summer graduates, Sorors Ashley Talbert, Candis Hamilton, Shatara Riley, Stacey Kent, J ada Hickman, Toccara Whitaker and J asmine Vaughn  
6/08: Chapter participated in ESP 1908 walk at Hermann Park  
7/08: Centennial Anniversary Celebration: Sorors Marsha, Tiara, Olivia and Natosha served as delegates  
7/08: Great Job to Soror Marsha Johnson, EAF & Viola M. Butler 2008 scholarship recipient  
8/08: Wedding: Soror Marsha Johnson became Mrs. Marsha Jackson  
9/08: Gamma Psi participated in Inaugural festivities for 11\textsuperscript{th} president Dr. John Rugley at TSU cares, 3\textsuperscript{rd} Ward Community wide clean up  
9/08: Way to go: Soror Shelley Smith traveled to Arlington, VA to attend the Minority Access 9\textsuperscript{th} National Role Models Conference.
A newsletter for the Erudite Ladies of the Epsilon Lambda Chapter at the University of Houston – Central Campus

Exceptional Service

AKA Week Fall 2008
"Runway rEAdy"

Sunday - Reviving the Soul
(10am service @ Fountain of Praise & Lunch)
- Chair Shabreka Walter

Monday - How to Get One & Keep One
(Strengthening relationships with Black men, Platform #3) - Chair Tasha Johnson

Tuesday - Breaking Up the Boys Club
(Effective Resume Writing Workshop, Platform #2) - Chair Alanna Pittard, Co-Chair Chrystal Osborne

Wednesday - Jimmy Choos to Workout Shoes
(Education & Information from personal trainer Todd Tanner on maintaining health and fitness in college and after, features short workout session, Platform #5)
- Chair Cherie Fields, Co-Chair Jodi Houston

Thursday - Super Savvy
(Improving Economics through Technology, tips on getting the best deals on-line and finding more affordable daily goods, Platform #4)
- Chair Krsna Powell

Friday - Girls Just Want to Have Fun
(Bowling @ Dave & Buster's)
- Chair Ashley Agbim

Saturday - Community Service
(Manda Ann Retirement Facility, Platform #4)
- Chair Keshia Garrett

Special Thanks to
Alpha Kappa Omega Sorors for
your Extra Sisterly Participation
in the 2008 Undergraduate Leadership Retreat - August 2008

The Graduate Advisors Soror Mary Smith Johnson, Gamma Psi, Glenniece Stewart, Epsilon Lambda, and Edwina Johnson, Omicron Gamma along with their Graduate Advisors' Councils hosted the 2008 Undergraduate Retreat on August 23, 2008 at Texas Southern University. The retreat featured workshops presented by Alpha Kappa Omega sorors on Chapter Operations, the Role of the Graduate Advisor, Sisterly Relations, Membership and more and included more than 40 undergraduate participants! Soror Gwendolyn Brinkley, 23rd South Central Regional Director also visited with the undergraduates and spoke on the Role of the Graduate Advisor as well as hazing concerns. Alpha Kappa Omega sorors included: Glenniece Stewart, Mary Smith Johnson, Edwina Johnson, Regina Carrington, Tamara Cubit, Gwendolyn Brinkley, Yavaunda White, Alana Whitaker, Jania Dennis, Courtney Smith Brown, Erica Edmonds, Betty Merritte Williams, Chantay Morris, Helen Houston, Kim Topps, LaDonna Harris, Stacy Taylor Fullmighter, Carolene Goffney-Sharpe, Ideana Wade, Jackie Columbus.

Sisterly Wisdom

From the pen of the Graduate Advisor

E—economics,
S—sisterhood,
P—partnerships

Sorors, welcome back! Epsilon Lambda has been very busy planning their Fall 2008 semester programs. The sorors had a much needed break to rest and recharge and are ESpecially excited! The sorors of Epsilon Lambda kicked off the fall semester by participating in the 2008 Undergraduate Leadership Retreat. The sorors then represented Alpha Kappa Alpha well at UH’s NPHC Week activities and the AΦA Welcome Back Park Jam. Now the sorors are “Runway rEAdy” to present programs over 4 of our 5 national platforms. Check out their programs here in the newsletter.

I’d be remiss if I didn’t mention that five of Epsilon Lambda’s members participated in our Centennial Boule celebration! The Boule was executed in grand style and the undergraduate sorors were awed by the experience. They learned a lot, made several new soror friends, and shopped till they dropped! While the conference overall was an enjoyable experience, it provided key learning opportunities about our program, our standards, and our risk management policies.

As we wrap-up our summer and kickoff our fall activities, I want to thank Alpha Kappa Omega again for the opportunity to serve as Graduate Advisor. I am honored and humbled by your confidence and trust in me to mentor and develop our undergraduates in the Alpha Kappa Alpha women we all know that they can be!

Be sure to peruse this month’s news to stay updated on ELAM’s news as of September 2008☺

Pearls of Knowledge

What is a Mentor?
- a trusted counselor or guide
- a wise, loyal advisor or coach

Do you have what it takes to be a mentor?

Contact Soror Glenniece Stewart
glenniece.stewart@sbcglobal.net
Volunteers please call (832) 563-4901

Volume XVI  A tribute to the “Moving Spirit” Soror Ethel Hedgeman Lyle   September 2008

By Merit & Culture

A newsletter for the Erudite Ladies of the Epsilon Lambda Chapter at the University of Houston – Central Campus
OUTSTANDING SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENT
3.0 AND BETTER CUMULATIVE GPA

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SCHOLARSHIP RECEPIPIENT

Courtney Watts – Collins received a $500.00 scholarship from EAF and the $1,000 M. Viola Butler scholarship.

6/28 ESP Walk - The entire chapter participated in the ESP Walk.

7/11-18 Boule – Sorors Victoria Moore and Christy Hogg attended the Centennial Boule.

7/26 Mentor-Mentee Mixer – The chapter held a get acquainted mixer at the home of Soror Margie Taylor. Omicron Gamma sorors in attendance were Victoria Cusic, Victoria Moore, Donna Smither and Dawn White. Thank you Soror Ideana Wade for putting together such fun and exciting activities. Alpha Kappa Omega mentors in attendance were Sorors Betty Merriette-Williams, Faye Phillips, Margie Taylor, Idaena Wade, Angela Williams and Vicky Windom. A Special Thanks to Soror Margie for the use of her beautiful home and pool.

8/23 Undergraduate Retreat – Sorors Amanda Boxie, Kimberley Concepcion, Victoria Cusic, Marcy Jackson, Taiwana Jarmon, Ina Kennedy, Ainka LeBlanc, Victoria Moore, Donna Smither and Courtney Watts-Collins participated in the 2008 Undergraduate Retreat sponsored by Alpha Kappa Omega. Kudos to all the Sorors in Alpha Kappa Omega, who presented, planned and facilitated this successful retreat.

8/25 Welcome Back Bag - Sorors passed out welcome back bags with pens, pencils and note pads to welcome UHD students back.

8/29 Uniform Donations - The chapter donated 25 school uniform shirts to Foerster Elementary School. Sorors Ina Kennedy and Victoria Moore visited with the students and staff as they presented the donation to the school principal.

9/6 Voters Blitz - Sorors Kimberley Concepcion, Victoria Cusic, Marcy Jackson, Taiwana Jarmon, Ina Atoyia Penson, Victoria Moore and Donna Smither registered 17 voters at the Krogers on So. Post Oak for Alpha Kappa Alpha’s national voters blitz drive. It was announced on 97.9 the Box and on the store intercom throughout the day.

9/8-10 UHD Blood Drive - Sorors assisted in the blood drive by passing out cards and donating blood.