



Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®  
Eta Chi Omega Chapter  
Lafayette, LA  
Chapter Business Meeting Agenda  
Sunday, October 19, 2025  
2:00 p.m.  
SLCC Lafayette Campus - Devalcourt Auditorium  
320 Devalcourt Street, Lafayette, LA 70506

*“Leading with Purpose...Serving with Passion”*

Call to order / Time _____	Soror Tracey Biagas-Hill, Basileus, Presiding
Adopt Agenda	
Meditation	Soror Thailund Porter-Green
Minutes	Soror Deborah Garrett
Correspondence	Soror Niccola Ledet-McNair
<b>Officer Reports</b>	
Basileus	Soror Tracey Biagas-Hill
Anti-Basileus	Soror Tynese Breaux, First & Soror Lisa Lazard, Second
Tamiouchos	Soror Desiree Lemelle
Pecunious Grammateus	Soror Anitra Ford-Scott
Graduate Advisor	Soror Tanya Sias
Historian (No Report)	Soror Chloée Bello
Hodegos	Soror Monica Kincade
Ivy Leaf Reporter (No Report)	Soror Breannie Charles
Parliamentarian (No Report)	Soror Chastity Wilson
Philacter (No Report)	Soror Suzanne Foster
<b>Committee Reports</b>	
Program	Soror Tynese Breaux & Soror Lisa Lazard
Subcommittee Reports: Empowering Our Families	Soror Lisa Lazard
Audit	Soror Sandy Alexander
Budget/Finance	Soror Desiree Lemelle
Debutante	Soror Sharon Pierre & Soror Suzanne Foster
EAF	Soror Verna Calais & Soror Gwen Hollinger
Membership	Soror Cassandra Pillette

NPHC  
Scholarship  
Sisterly Relations

Soror Elizabeth Reaux  
Soror LaKeshia Reed  
Soror Monica Kincaide

### **Unfinished Business**

### **New Business**

Joint Meeting with Epsilon Beta – Sunday, October 26, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. (Epsilon Beta Presiding)

### **Sisterly Moments**

#### **Announcements**

- Executive Committee Meeting- Wednesday, November 5, 2025 - 6:00 p.m. – Virtual via Zoom
- Chapter Business Meeting – Saturday, November 15, 2025 – 10:00 a.m. – Location: SLCC-Lafayette Campus Devalcourt Auditorium located at 320 Devalcourt Street in Lafayette, LA 70506
- Executive Committee Meeting – Wednesday, December 3, 2025 – 6:00 p.m. – Virtual via Zoom
- 2025 South Louisiana Cluster - December 5-6, 2025, New Orleans, LA
- Chapter Business Meeting - Saturday, December 13, 2025 - 10:00 a.m. - Progressive Community Center, Lafayette, LA
- 94<sup>th</sup> SCRC 2026 - Host: Northeast Louisiana Cluster, March 25-29, 2025, Shreveport, LA
- Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® Boule 2026 - Las Vegas, Nevada, Dates: TBD
- 95<sup>th</sup> SCRC 2027 - Hosts: West Texas/New Mexico Clusters, Location/Dates: TBD
- 96<sup>th</sup> SCRC 2028 - Host: Southeast Texas Cluster, Location/Dates: TBD
- 97<sup>th</sup> SCRC 2029 - Host: Northeast Texas Cluster, Location/Dates: TBD

Adjournment/Time \_\_\_\_\_

**Hymn/Pledge**



Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®  
Eta Chi Omega Chapter  
Business Meeting Minutes  
Lafayette, LA

**Date: September 20, 2025**

**Regular Meeting Number: 07 of 10**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was held at the South Regional Lafayette Parish Public Library, 6101 Johnston Street, Lafayette, LA 70503. The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by Soror Tracey Biagas-Hill, Basileus.

**Adopt Agenda**

It was moved by Soror Tynese Breaux and properly seconded to adopt the September 2025 business meeting agenda as presented with flexibility, and with the addition of the discussion of the recommendation from the Enhance Our Environment Committee under New Business.

All were in favor. The motion carried.

**Quorum** was established. (X) Yes () No

There were 71 sorors in attendance, including Soror Connie Y. Butler (excused).

Tracey Biagas-Hill, Sandy Alexander, Janis Alston, Gloria Angus, Carlita Babineaux  
Chloee Bello, Nicole Bernard, Cynthia Bernard, Tynese Breaux, Andrea Brew-Harrison, Connie Y. Buttler (excused), Jamilla Bynog-Barnes, Verna Calais, Gabrielle Chapman, Breannie Charles, Louelle Cook, Francheska Cormier, Shirley Cormier, Dolores Cormier-Zenon, Chastity Craven, Yolanda Dauterive, Brenda Dugas, Donna Duhon, Jasmine Fitzpatrick, Terry Fontnette, Sylvia Fordice, Anitra Ford-Scott, Suzanne Foster, Patricia Frank-Senegal, Deborah Garrett, Kenya Goode, Sonja Harrison, Gwen Hollinger, Alonda Houston, Keena Jean Louis, Kaya Jones, Blair Joseph, LaQuata Kennison, Monica Kincade, Crystal Ledet, Niccola Ledet-McNair, Desiree Lemelle, Jameka McKinley, Jamillia McKinley, Anastasia McZeal, Jamiya Mitchell, Yvonne Narcisse, Joann Nixon, Joelle Nixon, Cassandra Pillette, Thailund Porter-Green, Andretta Porter-Williams, Lakeshia Reed, Monica Rodgers-Murray, Jeneva Ruffin, Calvary Sampson, Dorothy Scott, Tanya Sias, Ariana Sims, Christele Strowder, Marvel Swain, Mary Elizabeth Thibeaux-Clay, Danielle Cole Thomas, Kyla Thomas, Patricia Thompson, Alfreda Thompson-Jackson, Quinta Thompson-Credeur, Angela Trahan, Natasha Washington, Chastity Wilson, and Sharron Wiltz.

**Meditation**, Soror Thailand Porter-Green, CHAPLAIN

Meditation was delivered by Soror Porter-Green with the main focus from Psalm 23.

**Minutes**, Soror Deborah Garrett, GRAMMATEUS

It was moved by Soror Garrett and seconded by Soror Tynese Breaux to accept the minutes from the August 2025 business meeting, as presented.

All were in favor in accepting the minutes with no corrections. The motion carried.

**Correspondence**, Soror Niccola Ledet-McNair, EPISTOLEUS,

See report for details of correspondence received.

<b>OTHER OFFICERS' REPORTS</b>	
<b>BASILEUS</b> <b>Soror Tracey Biagas-Hill</b>	Attached report as printed and presented. Highlights included:  <u>ECO Business</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• ECO Process Changes: In an effort to reduce the amount of e-mails being sent out to the chapter, a change is being made to the e-mail/notification process. See report for details.</li><li>• ECO has received approval from MRD and corporate to move forward with the Membership Experience. Remember: Only Sorors who attended one of the Chapter Orientation Workshops are allowed to attend the activities during ME. Sorors who have not attended one of the workshops may still attend the final ceremony and luncheon. Additional details regarding same will be shared by the Membership Committee Chairman, Cassandra Pillette, once available.</li></ul> <u>Regional News</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• South Louisiana Cluster in 2025 will be held in New Orleans, Louisiana. Date: December 5-6, 2025.</li><li>• 94<sup>th</sup> SCRC will be held in Shreveport, Louisiana: March 25-29, 2026.</li></ul> <u>Corporate News</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• New branding guidelines regarding Public Flyer/Events: Effective December 2, 2024, approval is now required to use the Sorority trademarked graphics for external public-facing</li></ul>

	<p>printed correspondence, flyers, websites, invitations, etc. Requests for approval are to be emailed by the Basileus only.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chapters cannot fundraise. All fundraising activities are to be moved to the Foundation by December 31, 2025. All references to fundraising are to be removed from chapter documents.</li> </ul>
<p><b>1<sup>st</sup> ANTI-BASILEUS Soror Tynese Breaux and 2<sup>nd</sup> ANTI-BASILEUS, Soror Lisa Lazard</b></p>	<p>Attached report as printed. Report presented by Soror Tynese Breaux. Highlights included:</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> Committee Chairmen were reminded that there will be a 15-minute interval between committee meetings that are scheduled for the same day to allow a smooth transition between meetings.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• September 2025 Program of Work – Activities</li> <li>• September 2025 Program of Work – Action Items</li> </ul>
<p><b>TAMIOUCHOS Soror Desiree Lemelle</b></p>	<p>Report as posted on Members Only site. Summary included:</p> <p><b>Tamiouchos Updates:</b> Corporate office provides the chapter with the tax liability amount each year. The 2024 federal tax liability is \$2,295 and the state tax liability is \$383 totaling \$2,678. Both federal and state liability taxes must be submitted to corporate by 12/31/2025. This amount has been paid from the surplus in the Fundraising account in prior years.</p> <p>The year-end reports require reporting of funds collected from non-members. The total of funds collected from non-members minus expenses related to those funds is called unrelated business income. The chapter is required to pay taxes on the unrelated business income amount each year.</p> <p>Note: Unrelated funds are monies received from non-members, such as debutantes, tea girls, etc.</p> <p><b><u>Operating Account as of 31 Aug 2025</u></b> Beginning Balance: \$ 27,193.62 Total Income: \$ 890.00 Total Expenses: \$ 4,557.20 Ending Balance: \$ 23,526.42</p> <p><b><u>Fundraising Account as of 31 Aug 2025</u></b> Beginning Balance: \$ 30,218.58 Total Income: \$ 2,850.00 Total Expenses: \$ 796.54 Ending Balance: \$ 32,272.04</p>

<p><b>PECUNIOUS GRAMMATEUS</b>  <b>Soror Anitra Ford-Scott</b></p>	<p>Attached report as printed and presented. Highlights included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Active Members: 141                      Quorum: 47</li> <li>• Total Funds Collected for <b>Operating Account</b>:  Month of August: \$890.00  (\$600-2026 Chapter Dues and \$290.00-  Reactivation Fees)</li> <li>• Total Funds Collected for <b>Fundraising Account</b>:  Month of August: \$2,850.00</li> <li>• Approved for Reactivation/Transfer into ECO: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Soror Kyla B. Thomas-Reactivation</li> <li>○ Soror Louella Riggs-Cook-Reactivation</li> <li>○ Soror Jamiya Mitchell-Transfer from Epsilon Beta</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>GRADUATE ADVISOR</b>  <b>Soror Tanya Sias</b></p>	<p>Attached report as printed by Soror Sias and presented by Soror Danielle Cole Thomas. Highlights included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The members of Epsilon Beta participated in the welcoming of students back to campus with a Poppi Drink give away on August 25<sup>th</sup>. They also helped with the freshmen move-in on the weekend of August 15<sup>th</sup> thru 16<sup>th</sup>.</li> <li>• Epsilon Beta chapter retreat is today, September 20, 2025.</li> <li>• Skee Week is scheduled for October 5-11, 2025. The Theme is Love Island.</li> </ul> <p><i>Important Dates</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• September 7, 2025 – CHIPP packing with ECO</li> <li>• September 11, 2025 – Meet the Greeks</li> <li>• September 20, 2025 – EB Standards Retreat – 11:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.</li> </ul>
<p><b>HISTORIAN</b>  <b>Soror Chloe Bello</b></p>	<p>NO REPORT</p>
<p><b>HODEGOS</b>  <b>Soror Monica Kincade</b></p>	<p>Attached report as printed and presented. Highlights included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bereavement courtesy – Soror Chastity Craven and Soror Lisa Lazard</li> <li>• Hospitalization – Soror Connie Y. Butler</li> </ul> <p><b>Introductions of New Members</b></p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Soror Louella Riggs Cook</li> <li>➤ Soror Jamiya Mitchell</li> <li>➤ Soror Kyla Thomas</li> </ul>
<b>IVY LEAF REPORTER</b> Soror Breannie Charles	NO REPORT
<b>PARLIAMENTARIAN</b> Soror Chastity Wilson	NO REPORT
<b>PHILACTER</b> Soror Suzanne Foster	NO REPORT
<b>REPORTS OF EXECUTIVE, STANDING COMMITTEES AND AD HOC COMMITTEES</b>	
Disposition of committee report was: A. Referred back to committee B. Postponed	<b>C. Placed on file</b> <b>D. Adopted in part (explain)</b> <b>E. Adopted in its entirety.</b> <b>F. Referred to another committee (explain)</b>
<b>PROGRAM</b>  <b>Soror Tynese Breaux</b> <b>1<sup>st</sup> Anti-Basileus</b>  <b>Soror Lisa Lazard,</b> <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Anti-Basileus</b>	Disposition of Report <u>E</u> Report Attached (X) Yes ( ) No. Report as printed and presented for acceptance by Soror Tynese Breaux. Highlights included:  <u><b>Upcoming Event</b></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Debutante/Tea Girl Workshop, Saturday, September 27, 2025, 11:00am-1:00pm, Lafayette Public Library Main Branch, 301 W. Congress St. Lafayette, LA 70501</li> <li>• September Reactivation Social, Saturday, September 27, 2025 Time and Location TBA</li> </ul> <u><b>Outstanding Reports</b></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diamond Celebration Honoring Soror Melba Braud- March 8, 2025</li> <li>• Heart Sister Week- March 17, 2025- March 21, 2025</li> <li>• YLI Kick-Off/Orientation- September 13, 2025</li> </ul> <u><b>REMARKS:</b></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter reports are due</li> <li>• 2026 Program of Works committee meeting will be held on October 8, 2025 at 6:00 PM</li> </ul>
<b>PROGRAM SUBCOMMITTEES</b>	
	<b>EMPOWER OUR FAMILIES</b> , Soror Lisa Lazard, Subcommittee Chairman. Report printed by Soror Lazard and presented for acceptance by Soror Tynese Breaux

	<p><u>YLI</u>: YLI Kick off and orientation was held Saturday, September 13, 2025, at Breaux Bridge Public Library. 3 new and 2 returning participants attended.</p> <p><b>Recommendation:</b> Introduced during September 2025 executive committee meeting. It will be presented for ratification under New Business</p> <p><u>SENIORS</u>: No Report</p> <p><u>MENTAL HEALTH</u>: No Report</p> <p><u>CHIPP</u>: Total bags delivered to date: 3,152</p> <p><b>Recommendation #1</b> The committee recommends the chapter approve the purchase of additional CHIPP packing and storage supplies for a budget not to exceed \$250.00 to include at least 2 more moving dollies and 6 storage containers to be taken from the ECO Empower Our Families CHIPP budget .</p> <p>All in favor. Recommendation passes.</p> <p><b>Recommendation #2</b> The committee recommends approval to have CHIPP packing dates on the suggested dates of 09-07-25, 10-05-25, 10-26-25, and 11-30-25, at ULL in collaboration with Epsilon Beta from 3 to 6 pm.</p> <p>All in favor. Recommendation passes.</p>
	<p><b>BUILD OUR ECONOMIC WEALTH</b> No Report</p>
	<p><b>ENHANCE OUR ENVIRONMENT</b> No Report</p>
	<p><b>UPLIFT OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY</b> Soror Andretta Porter Williams, Subcommittee Chairman.</p> <p>Disposition of Report <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Report Attached (X) Yes ( ) No Report as printed and presented for acceptance. Highlights included:</p> <p><b>Events Completed</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Prostate Awareness Event with Alpha Phi Alpha was held at Brown Park on September 13, 2025. The UOLC and Advocate for Social Justice Committee will collaborate to provide Voter Registration and Education information table.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A Sickle Cell Awareness Walk/Run hosted by 100 Black Men of Greater Lafayette took place at 8:30 am and the Health Fair started at 10:00 am.</li> </ul> <p><b>Upcoming Events</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Warm and Cozy Inner and Outer Wear Drive with Lambda Beta Omega Chapter for Gifting Grace, collection will commence at the September chapter business meeting. The committee will collect new or gently used coats, jackets, and sweaters from September to December.</li> <li>• The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Pink F.E.S.T. planned for October 2025. Location TBA</li> </ul>
<b>ARCHIVES</b>	NO REPORT
<b>AUDIT</b>	NO REPORT
<p><b>BUDGET and FINANCE</b></p> <p><b>Soror Desiree Lemelle, Chairman</b></p>	<p>Disposition of Report <u>E</u> Report Attached (X) Yes ( ) No Report as printed and presented for acceptance. Highlights included:</p> <p><b>Recommendation #1: Excess amount from Diamond Celebration Ad Hoc Line Item</b> The committee recommends to move the \$250.00 excess amount from the Diamond Celebration Ad Hoc Line Item to the Melba Braud Scholarship Fund Line Item.</p> <p><u>Rationale:</u> The Diamond Celebration budget included \$250.00 for 10 complimentary tickets. This expense was not actually paid from the chapter’s bank account. Therefore, it is an excess amount that was left over in the Diamond Celebration Ad Hoc Line item.</p> <p>All in favor. Recommendation carried.</p> <p><b>Recommendation #2: Check Received From Debutante was Returned for Non-Sufficient Funds</b> The committee recommends to reduce the Debutante line item by \$9.00 to cover NSF fee in the fundraising bank account.</p> <p><u>Rationale:</u> Akeelah Lebrun’s debutante deposit payment was returned NSF. This 2026 debutante can no longer participate in the program, and a check will not be rewritten. The bank accessed a \$9.00 fee associated with the returned check.</p> <p>All in favor. Recommendation carried.</p> <p><b>Recommendation #3: Delegate Not Requesting Reimbursement</b></p>

The committee recommends to move \$250 from the Delegate to Regional Conference Budget line item to the Contingency line item.

Rationale: A soror who was a delegate notified the Tamiouchos in writing that she will not be requesting reimbursement for South Central Regional Conference registration.

All in favor. Recommendation carried.

**NOTE:** Due to the circumstances surrounding the above recommendation, some members of the chapter stated they would look into assisting and/or sponsoring the debutante. A complete investigation of all expenses required (gown, ads, fees, debutante tickets, etc.) would be reviewed before a final decision is made. More information is forthcoming.

**Recommendation #4: Reallocating the 2025 Budget**

The committee recommends to move \$1,447.50 from 2025 Dues for Reactivations and Transfers line items to the Contingency line item. The remaining \$10 is for a reactivated soror whose chapter foundation dues have not been submitted yet.

Rationale: Sorors who reactivated and transferred into the Eta Chi Omega Chapter paid a total of \$1,457.50 towards chapter dues and the chapter foundation. These funds should be used for chapter operations in 2025.

All in favor. Recommendation carried.

**Recommendation #5: Include an Alternative to Plants or Flowers and Increase Courtesy Amount**

The committee recommends to include a gift card as an alternative option to plants or flowers. The gift card and plant/flower courtesy will not exceed \$60.

Rationale: Courtesies were extended to sorors who had death in their families; however, the current amount for a plant/flower courtesy listed in the financial procedures is not enough to cover extra fees associated with that courtesy. Also, some may want a gift card instead of a plant/flower to cover any other expenses. See the report for details of the current approved courtesies in the table from the chapter's Financial Procedures – Courtesies.

All in favor. Recommendation carried.

**2026 Forthcoming Budget**

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Committee Chairman can start sending in their desired 2026 budget amounts. Please email the Tamiouchos/Anti-Tamiouchos with these amounts. Emails can be sent to <a href="mailto:desireeL.1908@gmail.com">desireeL.1908@gmail.com</a> and <a href="mailto:gabbycc1998@gmail.com">gabbycc1998@gmail.com</a></li> <li>• If you are going to be a silver star in 2026, please email the Tamiouchos/Anti-Tamiouchos so that you can be accounted for in the 2026 budget.</li> <li>• If sorors have any graduating seniors in 2026, please email the Tamiouchos/Anti-Tamiouchos so that they can be accounted for the book stipend in 2026</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Officer/Committee Chairman Budget Template Showcase</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Committee chairmen requested a budget template during the workshop this summer.</li> </ul>
<b>CONNECTIONS</b>	NO REPORT
<b>CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS</b>	NO REPORT
<b>DEBUTANTE</b>	NO REPORT
<b>EAF</b>	NO REPORT
<b>FUNDRAISING</b>	NO REPORT
<b>GRADUATE ADVISORY</b>	NO REPORT
<b>LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT</b>	NO REPORT
<b>MEMBERSHIP</b>  <b>Soror Cassandra Pillette, Chairman</b>	Disposition of Report <u>E</u> Report Attached (X) Yes () No Report as printed and presented for acceptance. Highlights included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>REACTIVATION</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ To date, the chapter has reactivated 17 sorors.</li> <li>➤ The chapter approved the recommended theme of “Pink” Easy Murder Mystery for the September reactivation social to be held on September 27, 2025, location to be determined. This event would include a meal and chapter members would have roles as characters and facilitate the solving of the mystery, with a 20’s/30’s attire theme.</li> <li>➤ September reactivation social media campaign letter from MRD is provide in the report.</li> <li>➤ The information from MRD also included a region hashtag: #ReactivateSCR</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RECRUITMENT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ The chapter is conducting Membership Experience (ME). There are a total of 15 prospective candidates, including 3 legacies. Activities will be conducted according to the timeline, and as approved by the Regional Director</li> <li>➤ Voting for ME will take place tomorrow, 21 September 2025. Attire is casual.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>NPHC</b>  <b>Soror Elizabeth Reaux,</b> <b>Chairman</b>	Disposition of Report <u>E</u> Report Attached (X) Yes () No Report as printed by Soror Reaux and presented for acceptance by Soror Suzanne Foster. Highlights included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NPHC will sponsor a 2026 Super Bowl and Bayou Classic Football Pool. Pool sheets will be available at the December meeting for the Super Bowl. Bayou Classic Pool sheets will be available in October for members.</li> <li>• The gift wrapping social will be held in December. Please bring toys during the October, November and December chapter business meetings.</li> </ul>
<b>PROTOCOL</b>	NO REPORT
<b>PUBLIC RELATIONS</b>	NO REPORT
<b>RISK MANAGEMENT</b>	NO REPORT
<b>RITUALS</b>	NO REPORT
<b>SCHOLARSHIP</b>	NO REPORT
<b>SISTERLY RELATIONS</b>  <b>Soror Monica Kincade,</b> <b>Chairman</b>	Disposition of Report <u>E</u> Report Attached (X) Yes () No Report as printed and presented for acceptance. Highlights included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Birthday recognitions for September 2025</li> </ul>
<b>STANDARDS</b>  <b>Soror Linda Broussard,</b> <b>Chairman</b>	Disposition of Report <u>E</u> Report Attached (X) Yes () No Report as printed by Soror Broussard and presented for acceptance by Soror LaQuata Kennison. Highlights included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A huge THANK YOU for the Sorors who graciously stepped up to chair one of the subcommittees. It's because of you and all participating Sorors that made this year's chapter retreat a success.</li> <li>• Standards Retreat evaluation is attached</li> </ul>
<b>STRATEGIC PLAN</b>	NO REPORT
<b>TECHNOLOGY</b>	NO REPORT
<b>GENERATION NEXT</b> <b>AD HOC</b>	Disposition of Report <u>E</u> Report Attached (X) Yes () No Report as printed and presented for acceptance. Highlights included:

<p><b>Soror Breannie Charles, Chairman</b></p>	<p><b><u>Upcoming Directives/Activities</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>September Directive:</b> Reclamation Activity - Will partner with the membership committee for the murder mystery reactivation/reclamation schedule on 09-27-25. Generation NEXT sorors will volunteer as the murder mystery actors.</li> <li>• <b>October Directive:</b> Parliamentarian Procedure</li> <li>• <b>November Directive:</b> GenNEXT Community Service Drive</li> <li>• <b>December Directive:</b> Vision Board Party- Leadership Goals for the Future</li> </ul>
<p><b>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</b></p>	
<p><b>Uplift Our Local Community – Grant Application Submitted by ECO</b></p>	<p>Soror Tracey Biagas-Hill, Basileus</p> <p>The chapter was not selected as a grant recipient. The presentation submitted might be shared during the October 2025 chapter business meeting when we resume at the South Louisiana Community College (SoLaCC).</p>
<p><b>NEW BUSINESS</b></p>	
<p><b>Ratification of Executive Committee Action taken August 27, 2025 – Re: Courtesy to Madame Regional Director Shawn E. Simmons in the Amount of \$450.00 from Surplus to cover Travel-Related Expenses.</b></p>	<p>Soror Tracey Biagas-Hill, Basileus</p> <p>Soror Tracey Biagas-Hill, Executive Chairman, called a special meeting on August 27, 2025, to discuss the appropriate courtesy for the Regional Director during her visit to an upcoming chapter event. The special meeting with the executive members was necessary because the event was taking place before the September 2025 executive committee meeting. At the conclusion of the special meeting a recommendation was made and favorably voted upon by the executive committee to extend a courtesy to Madame Regional Director Shawn E. Simmons in the amount of \$450.00 from surplus to cover travel-related expenses.</p> <p><b>Ratification Item:</b> It was moved by Soror Tynese Breaux and seconded by Soror Quinta Thompson Credeur that the chapter ratify the actions taken by the Executive Committee during special call meeting.</p> <p>Majority in favor. One (1) nay. The action ratified.</p>

	<p><b><u>Summary From Special Meeting</u></b></p> <p>Discussions dealt with different types of courtesies that could be extended, including hotel cost, roundtrip mileage, endowment donation, snacks, etc. It was stated that the Foundation would present a courtesy towards the Regional Director’s endowment. It was then decided that the chapter would make a donation toward the attendance expenses of the Regional Director. Pink Pizzazz VIP tickets for both the Regional Director and the South Louisiana Cluster Coordinator were donated by Sorors Karen King and Cassandra Pillette.</p> <p>Going forward, it was suggested that both the chapter and the foundation consider setting a budget allowance for the courtesies for MRD and other VIPs. It was also suggested that the chapter update the Financial Operations Standards manual to reflect such courtesies, if warranted. After much discussion, a motion was made for the executive committee consideration and acceptance.</p> <p>It was discussed that once members became aware of the attendance of MRD, the chapter and the Foundation determined it was proper to extend courtesies, as per protocol.</p>
<p><b>Ratification of Executive Committee Action taken September 3, 2025 – Re: YLI budget not to exceed \$500.00 to be taken from the Empower Our Family budget to cover supplies for the YLI Orientation and Kickoff scheduled for September 13, 2025, and supplies for the activity scheduled for October 2025.</b></p>	<p>Soror Tracey Biagas-Hill, Basileus</p> <p><b><u>Summary:</u></b></p> <p>The activity for YLI was to be conducted before the September 2025 chapter business meeting and funds were needed for that activity. Therefore, the executive committee discussed, voted and approved the recommendation that included funding from the committee budget line item.</p> <p><b>Ratification Item:</b></p> <p>It was moved by Soror Tynese Breaux and seconded by Soror Janis Alston that the chapter ratify the YLI budget line item.</p> <p>All in favor. The action ratified.</p>
<p><b>Executive Committee Recommendation - South Louisiana Cluster Retreat Service Project Donation – STEM NOLA</b></p>	<p>Soror Tracey Biagas-Hill, Basileus</p> <p>For the 2025 South Louisiana Cluster, MRD has chosen Stem NOLA for the service project organization. This organization bring science, technology, engineering and math projects to elementary and secondary students. Each chapter is asked to support the project through monetary contributions that will be presented to the organization during the Cluster meeting.</p> <p>The organization is local to New Orleans, but serves students throughout Louisiana</p>

	<p>There are several levels of donation, ranging from \$100.00 to \$650.00. Also, members can make individual donations of \$19.08.</p> <p><b>Recommendation:</b> (from Executive Committee)  It was moved by Tynese Breaux and seconded by Chastity Wilson that Eta Chi Omega donate at the Polished Pearl Level, which is \$500.00, to the South Louisiana Cluster service project with funds from the CHIPP budget line item.</p> <p>Discussion:  In reference to the suggested budget line item for the proposed recommendation, it was stated that activities in the CHIPP initiative is funded by the Foundation. The chapter might not be able to reallocate those funds for a different activity. Therefore, it was suggested that the \$500.00 would come from chapter funds and not CHIPP funds</p> <p><b>Revised Recommendation:</b>  It was moved by Soror Tynese Breaux and properly seconded that the chapter donate at the Polished Pearl Level, which is \$500.00, for the South Louisiana Cluster service project. Funds would come from chapter funds and not designated Foundation funds.</p> <p>All in favor. The recommendation passed.</p>
<p><b>South Louisiana Cluster Retreat – Undergraduate Sponsorship Requested by Madame Regional Director</b></p>	<p>Soror Tracey Biagas-Hill</p> <p>The South Louisiana Cluster will be held Friday and Saturday, December 5-6, 2025. It is mandatory that the undergraduates attend the Friday night session with an optional attendance at the Saturday session. The registration for all attendees, undergraduate and graduate, is \$125.00.</p> <p>To assist the undergraduates, the Regional Director is asking graduates chapters for donations to defray the payment of the 2025 cluster registration fee. There are tier sponsorship levels. It was not known if our chapter could support the Epsilon Beta undergraduates directly.</p> <p>UPDATE:  The chapter is able to provide support to the members of Epsilon Beta as part of the registration fee sponsorship, in lieu of donating directly to the cluster committee.</p> <p>Soror Tanya Sias is asking that mentors assist their mentee with registration fees.</p>

<p><b>Enhance our Environment – Recommendation</b></p>	<p>Soror Tracey Biagas-Hill, Basileus</p> <p>Due to the urgent nature of proceeding with the action, if approved, the Basileus initiated discussion about the recommended provide below. The points of discussion were introduced during the September 2025 executive meeting.</p> <p><b>Recommendation:</b> The Enhance Our Environment committee recommends that Eta Chi Omega purchase a tree and plaque from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette’s Office of Sustainability as a donation to the university in recognition of Soror Melba Braud, not to exceed the amount of \$500.</p> <p>All in favor. The recommendation passed.</p>
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**SISTERLY MOMENTS**

- September Birthday recognitions  
In addition to the members listed in the report, include Soror Mary Elizabeth Thibeaux-Clay whose birthday is September 22<sup>nd</sup>
- The Ivy Legacy Foundation of Acadiana made a special presentation to Soror Dorothy Scott as the top financial contributor for Pink Pizzazz. She raised \$4,100.00 through ticket sales and sponsorships.
- Game Day Glow – A Sisterhood Pep Rally

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

From the Floor:

- ✚ Soror Alfreda Thompson-Jackson reminded members about the NAMI Walk on October 4, 2025
- ✚ Remember Soror Melba Braud will be honored as the 2025 Trailblazer at the Christiana Smith “Sweet Sounds of Sharing” reception on Saturday, October 18, 2025. Tickets are \$55.00

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- Executive Committee Meeting- Wednesday, October 1, 2025 - 6:00 p.m. – Virtual via Zoom
- Chapter Business Meeting – Sunday, October 19, 2025 – 2:00 p.m. – Location: SLCC- Lafayette Campus Devalcourt Auditorium located at 320 Devalcourt Street in Lafayette, LA 70506
- Executive Committee Meeting – Wednesday, November 5, 2025 – Virtual via Zoom
- Chapter Business Meeting – Saturday, November 15, 2025 – 10:00 a.m. – Location: SLCC-Lafayette Campus Devalcourt Auditorium located at 320 Devalcourt Street in Lafayette, LA 70506

- Executive Committee Meeting – Wednesday, December 3, 2025 – 6:00 p.m. – Virtual via Zoom
- 2025 South Louisiana Cluster – December 5-6, 2025, New Orleans, LA
- Chapter Business Meeting – Saturday, December 13, 2025 – 10:00 a.m. – Progressive Community Center, Lafayette, LA
- 94<sup>th</sup> SCRC 2026 - Host: Northeast Louisiana Cluster, March 25-29, 2025, Shreveport, LA
- Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® Boule 2026 - Las Vegas, Nevada, Dates: TBD
- 95<sup>th</sup> SCRC 2027 – Hosts: West Texas/New Mexico Clusters, Location/Dates: TBD
- 96<sup>th</sup> SCRC 2028 – Host: Southeast Texas Cluster, Location/Dates: TBD
- 97<sup>th</sup> SCRC 2029 – Host: Northeast Texas Cluster, Location/Dates: TBD

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned by the Basileus, Soror Tracey Biagas-Hill, at 11:43 A.M.

Hymn/Pledge

Sisterly Submitted,

Deborah Garrett  
Grammateus

Tracey Biagas-Hill  
Basileus



**October 2025**

**Correspondence Report**

**Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated ®**

**Eta Chi Omega Chapter**

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MS. BROOKE HOTARD  
SCHOOL COUNSELOR

MS. TYRANNY TAYLOR  
SCHOOL COUNSELOR

October 8, 2025

RE: Lady Tigers Pink Game & Senior Night

Dear Greek Organization Members,

We are excited to invite your esteemed organization to join us in celebrating our Pink Game and Senior Night festivities, an important event dedicated to honoring our seniors and supporting breast cancer awareness. Your participation will greatly enhance the spirit of unity and community involvement, and we welcome your presence in the activities scheduled for October 30, 2025 at 5:00 pm in St. Martinville, Louisiana at St. Martinville Senior High School Gymnasium. Please let us know if your organization is interested in participating or if you require additional information. We look forward to your positive response and to sharing a memorable evening together.

Sincerely,

Lucinda Darby  
Head Volleyball Coach  
St. Martinville Senior High

With Sisterhood in Mind,

Soror Niccola Ledet-McNair

Epistoleus

# **OFFICERS' REPORTS**

**Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®**  
**Eta Chi Omega Chapter**  
**Basileus Report**  
**Business Meeting**  
**October 19, 2025**

**ECO Business**

- ★ REMINDER: The Basileus **must** approve all communication sent on behalf of the chapter. **This includes chapter email, social media posts, programs, tickets, ad booklets, and flyers.** In addition, all contracts for services can only be approved and signed by the Basileus.
  
- ★ **ECO PROCESS CHANGES:** In an effort to reduce the amount of e-mails being sent out to the chapter, a change is being made to the e-mail/notification process.
  - The Zoom links for meetings will now be placed on the calendar in the Members Only section of the chapter's website.
  - If you are a committee chairman/co-chairman and need to announce an upcoming meeting, please provide all details of the meeting, including the Zoom link to the Anti Basilei with a copy to the Basileus no later than the Friday before the meeting date.
  - Any other members wishing to notify the chapter of upcoming events, announcements, etc. are to email the Anti Basilei with a copy to the Basileus no later than the weekend before they wish to have the announcement made.
  - A general e-mail with upcoming events and updates will be sent by the Basileus at the beginning of each week with the details. Members will also be encouraged to check the calendar in the Members Only section of the website on a regular basis.

***\*\*A follow-up evaluation will be made at a later date to determine the efficacy of the process. Changes will be made as needed.\*\****
  
- ★ A list of all e-mail addresses and/or Google Groups utilized by the chapter is being compiled and once completed it will be accessible in the Members Only section of the chapter's website.
  
- ★ ECO received approval to move forward with the background checks on prospective candidates. The packets have been sent to the corporate office via overnight mail. We are currently on pause until we receive clearance from Madam Regional Director. Once received, the process will move very quickly. Information will be shared in the coming days regarding committee assignments for ME.
  
- ★ The third quarter edition of The Ivy Connection has been released and may be found in the Members Only section of the chapter's website.

- ✦ The ECO Bylaws Amendment Request Form has been emailed to the chapter. If you have any requests, please complete and email the completed form as directed on the form.
- ✦ The joint meeting with Epsilon Beta will be held Sunday, October 26, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. Additional details regarding the location will be sent at a later date. Epsilon Beta will lead this meeting.
- ✦ 2025-2026 ECO Officers are reminded to submit your photo for the chapter's website. Attire is black with a strand of pearls. Photos may be emailed to: [ecophotodirectory@googlegroups.com](mailto:ecophotodirectory@googlegroups.com).
- ✦ Please continue to log your Black Dollar spending to track the money Eta Chi Omega is investing in Black and women-owned businesses.

### **Regional News**

- ✦ South Louisiana Cluster in 2025 will be held December 5-6, 2025, in New Orleans, Louisiana. If you plan to attend, please register as soon as possible. Once registration is full, there will not be any additional spaces added.
- ✦ The REAL Talk Webinar on new Foundation Guidelines for Louisiana was held Monday, October 13, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. Below are a few of the highlights from the webinar:
  - Annual meetings must occur for all members to agree on changes to the foundation's bylaws, budget, and board members.
  - The foundation cannot vote on a budget that assesses members of the chapter. The foundation can vote on a budget and make recommendations to the chapter regarding dues, etc.
  - Chapters can vote through the budgeting process to assess itself and provide per chapter member dues and/or assessment to the foundation as a contribution.
  - Fundraisers/events tied to social and sisterhood activities, such as anniversary celebrations, milestone galas, luncheons, chapter picnics, Founders' Day, etc., should remain on the chapter side. Fundraisers intended to support scholarships and community programs belong on the foundation side. These include events like scholarship luncheons, debutante balls, cotillions, community service galas, ad books or souvenir journals, and walks or auctions where proceeds directly fund charitable purposes.
    - ***A collaboration between the Foundation and the Chapter is an option to continue the Debutante Ball. An MOU would have to be submitted to the Corporate Office for review and approval.***
    - Rebates for selling ads for the souvenir journal must end.
  - Foundations cannot fund sisterly relations activities

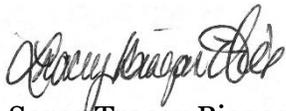
- Initiatives *should* be funded on the foundation side.
- Member contributions through a chapter mandate are not tax deductible.

★ 94th SCRC will be held March 25-29, 2025, in Shreveport, Louisiana.

### **Corporate News**

- ★ NEW BRANDING GUIDELINES update from Leadership regarding Public Flyer/Events: ALL flyers that are public facing must be submitted for approval. Allow four to six weeks for approval. Requests for approval are to be emailed by the Basileus only.
  - Other items addressed: Use of presenters' images on flyers, venue names, etc.
  - Flyers prepared for events being held/sponsored by the Foundation do not require corporate approval. However, collaborations between the Foundation and the chapter will require corporate approval and will need a MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) submitted.
  - Additional guidance provided for flyers. Always keep in mind management of risk.
- ★ Chapters **CANNOT FUNDRAISE**. All fundraising activities are to be moved to the Foundation by December 31, 2025. All references to fundraising are to be removed from chapter documents. Additionally, if chapters have a fundraising committee as a standing committee, it is to be reclassified since fundraising by chapters is not permitted. Our classification as a 501 (c)(7) organization indicates that funds are derived from members of the organization.
- ★ Chapters should consider implementing a Risk Management Plan related to Membership Experience in addition to the chapter's regular Risk Management Plan.
- ★ Ongoing updates are being made to the Fonteva system. Corporate is aware of the current issues with the Fonteva system.
- ★ 2026 Boule Dates pending. Location: Las Vegas, Nevada.

Sisterly Submitted,



Soror Tracey Biagas-Hill  
2025-2026 Basileus



ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY, INC.® - ETA CHI OMEGA CHAPTER  
Anti-Basileus Report  
October 2025 – Business Meeting

**Reminders:**

- *Review the ECO calendar when scheduling/planning your committee meetings. Text or email committee meeting dates to Anti-Basilei for calendaring. The Anti-Basilei will do the best to avoid conflicts. No committee meetings will be scheduled on Tuesday before the Chapter Business Meeting. Please allow at least a one-week notice of the meeting date and time to the chapter.*
- *There will be a 15-minute interval between committee meetings that are scheduled for the same day to allow a smooth transition between meetings.*
- *The Anti-Basilei sisterly request that if using the Chapter's Zoom link for committee meetings, do NOT record the meeting. The Chapter's Zoom account has limited storage space.*

**Corporate/ Regional News: See Basileus Report**

**October 2025 Program of Work – Activities**

- YLI Module 1 Activity
- CHIPP Distribution
- NAMI Walk
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Pink F.E.S.T.
- Advocate for Social Justice Event- Legislative Town Hall

**October 2025 Program of Work – Action Items**

- Prepare End Year Reports (January- October)
- Present Proposed Budget for 2026
- Present Proposed Program of Work for 2026
- Present Proposed Bylaw Changes
- Continue 2026 Debutante Activities
- Continue Planning Advocate for Social Justice Event
- Begin Planning for Mentor/Mentee Event
- Begin Planning for Uplift our Local Community Event
- Continue Selling Ads for the 2026 Debutante Souvenir Booklet
- Begin Planning for 2025 Chapter Christmas Social
- Send Written Notice for Voting on Bylaws, Budget, and Program of Work

- Begin Reviewing Information for 2026 Regional Conference Awards
- Begin Collecting Christmas Toys for NPHC Toy Drive
- Plan for Recycling Week
- Continue Planning for Habitat for Humanity Event
- Evaluation (Standards): YLI Activity, NAMI Walk, Pink F.E.S.T., Advocate for Social Justice Event

Submitted by Soror Tynese Breaux and Soror Lisa Anderson Lazard



Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®

Eta Chi Omega Chapter

**TAMIOUCHOS**

**FINANCIAL REPORTS POSTED ON “FOR MEMBERS ONLY” SITE.**

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.  
 Eta Chi Omega Chapter  
 Pecunious Grammateus Report  
 October 19, 2025

- *Active Members: 141*      *Quorum: 47*
- Total Funds Collected for Operating Account: Month of **September \$680.00**

<b>Summary of Funds received by Activity as of: 9/30/2025</b>	
<b>2026 Dues</b>	\$375.00
<b>EAF</b>	\$15.00
<b>Transfer Fees</b>	
<b>Reactivaton Fees</b>	\$290.00
<b>Total</b>	\$680.00

Total Funds Collected for Fundraising Account: Month of **September \$5,125.00**

<b>Summary of Funds received by Activity as of: 9/30/2025</b>	
<b>Debutante and Tea Girl Deposits</b>	\$2,600.00
<b>Debutante Souvenir Ads</b>	\$2,525.00
<b>2025 Fundraising Obligation</b>	
<b>Total</b>	\$5,125.00

- No New Sorors have been approved for Reactivation/Transfer into ECO:
- No Sorors have transferred out of ECO
- **2025 Dues:**
  - NonLife: \$385
  - Life: \$260
  - Golden/Pearl: \$155
  - Golden/Pearl/Life: \$30
  - Reactivation: \$405, **after June 1, 2025-\$290**

Sisterly Submitted,

*Soror Anitra Ford-Scott*

Pecunious Grammateus: Financial Report: 2025      Active members—141 Quorum- 47  
 Silver Stars-- 69      Golden Sorors --9      Pearl--0      Diamond--1      LM-- Life Members--36

	Soror's Name	DUES 2025 Dues Paid to Corporate	Bus Payment for Regionals	EAF	Donation for Alaya Christian	Melba Braud Scholarship	Women Build Registration	2025 Fundraising Carryover	2026 Carryover/Dues
1	Alexander, Sandy	\$385	\$224.50			\$25		-	
2	Alston, Janis LM	\$260			\$25	\$25		0	
3	Angus, Gloria	\$385					\$43.34	\$25	
4	Arceneaux, Shawn Denise	\$385					\$43.34		
5	Babineaux, Carlita LM	\$260			\$40	\$25	50.00	-	
6	Baskerville, Quintella	\$385					46.71	\$0	
7	Batiste, Thomasine	385							
8	Bello, Chloe'	\$385					\$43.34	21	
9	Bernard, Cynthia LM	\$260	\$224.50			\$25		\$0	
10	Bernard, Nicole	\$385					105.00		
11	Bernard, Philomena	\$385				\$25		100	
12	Biagas-Hill, Tracey	\$385	\$224.50		\$50	\$50	\$43.34	\$250	
13	Branch, Leesa	\$385					\$43.34		
14	Braud, Melba (D) LM	\$30					92.50	0	
15	Breaux, Tynese	\$385	\$224.50		\$40		\$43.34		
16	Broussard, Carole LM	\$260			\$50			145	
17	Broussard, Linda	\$385			\$60	\$100			
18	Broussard, Nelda LM	\$260							
19	Brown, Carmela Nadine LM	\$385				\$25	90.00	0	
20	Butler, Connie Y. (G) LM	\$30			\$50		180.00	0	
21	Bynog-Barnes, Jamilla	\$385	\$225.00			\$25			
22	Cain, Myrtle (G)	\$155							
23	Calais, Verna	\$385	\$224.50			\$25	50.00		
24	Carmouche, Christi	\$385						0	
25	Carter, Breyone	\$385							
26	Celestine, Toni Brown LM	\$260						\$40	
27	Chapman, Gabrielle	\$385					\$43.34		
28	Charles, Breannie	\$385	\$224.50				\$43.34	0	
29	Citizen, Courtney	\$385						\$15	
30	Claiborne, Danielle	\$385					80.00	0	
31	Clay, Brandi	\$385						0	
32	Cobb, Mary Russell	\$385						\$5	
33	Colbert, Tahisa LM	\$260	\$225.00			\$100		\$0	
34	Cole-Thomas, Danielle	\$385					105.00		
35	Comeaux-Bienvenu, Patsy (G)	\$155							
36	Cook, Kezne	\$385							



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72	King, Karen      LM	\$260	\$224.50	\$15.00	\$50	\$50			
73	Kincade, Monica S.	\$385	\$224.50		\$200		\$43.34	15.00	
74	Lazard, Lisa Anderson	\$385	\$224.50		\$25	\$25	\$43.34		
75	Ledet, Crystal	\$385						105.00	
76	Ledet-McNair, Niccola	\$385						\$160	
77	Lemelle, Desiree	\$385							
78	Lewis, Angela	\$385						0	
79	Marshall, Marilyn      LM	\$260			\$50	\$75	\$43.34		
80	Martin, Mathilda (G)	\$155						5	
81	McKinley, Jameka	\$385	\$224.50				\$43.34	50	
82	McKinley, Jamillia	\$385					\$43.34		
83	McZeal, Anastasia      LM	\$260				\$25		65.00	
84	Moore, Leslie	\$385						0	
85	Mouton, Patricia      LM	\$260						180.00	
86	Murray, Monica Rogers	\$385				\$25		0	
87	Narcisse, Yvonne	\$385			\$25	\$25			
88	Nixon, JoAnn (G)      LM	\$30			\$15			37.50	
89	Nixon, Joelle	\$385			\$15				
90	Pierre, Sharron      LM	\$260			\$100	\$25		105.00	
91	Pierre, Tricia	\$385						0	
92	Pillette, Cassandra      LM	\$260	\$224.50		\$20	\$25	\$43.34	142.50	
93	Porter-Green, Thailund	\$385				\$35	\$43.34		
94	Prince-Wilson, Jennifer	\$385							
95	Reaux, Elizabeth Broussard      LM	\$260				\$25		65.00	
96	Reed, LaKeshia	\$385						25	
97	Register Gena      LM	\$385			\$23.79	\$25			
98	Ruffin, Jeneva      LM	\$260			\$20	\$35		80.00	
99	Sampson, Calvary Rumley	\$385						45.00	
100	Russell, Scheresia	\$385				\$30		0	
101	Scott, Dorothy C.	\$385				\$100		185.00	
102	Senegal-Wallace, Anysia "Nikki"	\$385						80.00	
103	Sias, Tanya	\$385	\$224.50		\$5	\$25			
104	Simon, Pamela	\$385				\$40		11.25	
105	Singleton, Theresa      LM	\$260				\$50			
106	Strowder, Christele	\$385	\$224.50			\$100			



Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated ®  
Eta Chi Omega Chapter  
Graduate Advisor Report  
Business Meeting  
October 2025

- Thank you! Thank You! Thank You to all the ECO members that donated and sponsored members of Epsilon Beta to attend SLA Cluster. All of the undergraduates are registered to attend.
- Fall Skee Week is scheduled for Sunday, October 5 -10, 2025. The theme is Love Island - *Step Into the Villa With the Ivies of Epsilon Beta* – Where Sisterhood Meets Service Under the Sun. Below are the individual activities.
  - Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup> – The members will attend the 9:00a.m. church service at Progressive Baptist Church. CHIPP packing in the afternoon.
  - Monday, October 6<sup>th</sup> – Uplift Our Local Community – Affirmations will be passed out to students on campus from 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. There will be a Self-Love/Self Esteem panel discussion from 6:00-8:00 p.m. In the Louisiana Room of the Union.
  - Tuesday, October 7<sup>th</sup> – Advocate for Social Justice – Bombshells enter the villa. There will be a presentation on the effects of DEI rollbacks to the University. This event will be held in the Helma Constantine room of the Union beginning at 5:00 p.m.
  - Wednesday, October 8<sup>th</sup> – Build our Economic Wealth Committee will sponsor a Pop up Shop where students can promote their businesses. This will be held on the porch of the Union from 3:30- 6:30 p.m.
  - Thursday, October 9<sup>th</sup> – Enhance Our Environment Committee – Decorating totes recyclable totes.
  - Friday, October 10<sup>th</sup> – Sisterly Relations Committee – Dave & Buster’s Event.
- Please come out and support the Epsilon Beta step team on Friday, October 17, 2025 as they participate in the NPHC Homecoming Step Show. The show is from 7:00-9:00 p.m. at Blackham Coliseum. Doors open at 6:15 p.m. Tickets can be purchased through Eventbrite.com. <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2025-homecoming-step-show-tickets-1686093744779?utm-campaign=social&utm-content=attendeeshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-term=listing&utm-source=wsa&aff=ebdsshwebmobile>
- Mentor/Mentee pairings have been emailed but a few changes are presently taking place. Sorors will be emailed individually if there is a change. Please make contact with your mentee. If you have difficulty contacting your mentee, please let Soror Jameka or myself know. If you have any questions or concerns about your mentee, please do not hesitate to contact me.

- Please follow Epsilon Beta on their social media sites. That is how all of their events and activities are advertised.
  - Instagram – epsilonbeta\_aka
  - Facebook – Epsilon Beta Chapter of AKA

### Important Dates

- Sunday, October 5, 2025– CHIPP packing in the Ball Room of the Union at 3:00 p.m.
- Sunday, October 5, 2025 through Friday, October 10, 2025- Skee Week
- Friday, October 17, 2025- NPHC Step Show
- Saturday, October 18, 2025 – Homecoming Tailgating
- Sunday, October 19, 2025 – Business Meeting
- Wednesday, October 22, 2025 – Time Management presentation
- Sunday, October 26, 2025 – CHIPP packing in the Ball Room of the Union at 3:00 followed by joint business meeting with ECO.

### Soror Spotlights

- Sorors Vonya Howard and Allison Sanders received their white coats at the White Coat Ceremony earlier this month.

Sisterly Submitted,

*Soror Tanya Sias*  
Graduate Advisor

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®  
Eta Chi Omega Chapter  
Hodegos  
Business Meeting Report  
October 2025

**Hodgeos Report**

Budget: Operations: \$1000

Current Funds Available: **\$800**

Please keep the following Sorors lifted in prayer.

**Illness**

- Soror Connie Y. Butler Hospitalization. Soror Connie has been released from the hospital and is recuperating at home.

**Bereavement**

- Please continue to pray for our dear Soror Shirley R. Cormier as she mourns the passing of Soror Jo Charles. Soror Charles is the mother of one of our prospective candidates, Tanya Brown, and the line sister of Soror Shirley R. Cormier. The chapter conducted the Ivy Beyond the Wall Ceremony at the request of the family on Monday, October 13, 2025. Thank you to all sorors in attendance. Please keep Soror Shirley and the family of Soror Jo Charles in your thoughts and prayers as they grieve the loss of their loved one. May God bring them comfort and peace during this difficult time.

Gentle Reminder Sorors, please notify the Hodegos if a courtesy needs to be extended, at **[ecocourtesy@googlegroups.com](mailto:ecocourtesy@googlegroups.com)**

Viewed by Madam Basileus and the Hodegos

Please feel free to contact the Hodegos at (337) 534-2962 via Text or telephone with any courtesy requests.

Submitted by:

Soror Monica Smith Kincade  
Hodegos

# **COMMITTEE REPORTS**



ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY, INC.® - ETA CHI OMEGA CHAPTER  
Program Report  
October 2025- Business Meeting

**Reminders:**

- ★ *The Designated Committee Soror will complete and submit all initiative reports within 5 days of your event. The initiative report form is found in the Members Only section of the ECO website under Chapter Operations Documents. Completed reports should be e-mailed to:  
**[ECOEventReports@googlegroups.com](mailto:ECOEventReports@googlegroups.com).***
- ★ *Please submit all outstanding vouchers and receipts within **30 days of purchase**. Reimbursements **MAY NOT** be given if not turned in timely.*
- ★ *Please complete the Google Form regarding 2025-2026 Committee placements and indicate any and all committees you are interested in leading.*
- ★ *The Program Playbook provided by Corporate Office should be utilized when planning Initiative Events.*
- ★ *All prior GroupMe should be deactivated. If you would like a GroupMe set up for your committee, please contact Soror Tynese Breaux, First Anti-Basileus*
- ★ *The new report template has been sent to all committee chairmen and officers. If you have not received the template, please contact Sorors Tynese Breaux or Lisa Anderson Lazard.*
- ★ *Complete a tech request for QR sign-ins for committee/initiative events.*

**Upcoming Events**

- ★ *NAMI Walks Acadiana, Saturday, October 4, 2025, 9:00am- 12:00pm, Teurlings Catholic High School, 139 Teurlings Dr. Lafayette, LA 70501*
- ★ *YLI Meeting, Saturday, October 4, 2025, 8:30am-11:30am, Breaux Bridge Public Library, 205 N. Main St., Breaux Bridge, LA 70517*
- ★ *CHIPP Packing event, Sunday, October 5, 2025, 3:00pm, ULL Student Union Ballroom, 620 McKinley St. Lafayette, LA*
- ★ *ECO Warm and Cozy Inner and Outer Wear Drive in collaboration with Lambda Beta Omega (ongoing) through December 2025*
- ★ *Debutante/Tea Girl Workshop, October 11, 2025 11:00am-1:00pm, Lafayette Public Library Main Branch, 301 W. Congress St. Lafayette, LA 70501*

**Outstanding Reports- New report forms are forthcoming. Please continue to use the Chapter Report Form to record event details.**

- ★ Diamond Celebration Honoring Soror Melba Braud- March 8, 2025, 3pm-6pm
- ★ Heart Sister Week- March 17, 2025- March 21, 2025
- ★ YLI Kick-Off/Orientation- September 13, 2025
- ★ Reactivation Social- September 27, 2025
- ★ NAMI Walks- October 4, 2025
- ★ YLI Activity- October 4, 2025
- ★ CHIPP Packing- October 5, 2025

## **2022-2026 International Initiatives: Soaring to Greater Heights of Service and Sisterhood**

***Strengthen our Sisterhood***

***Empower Our Families***

***Build Our Economic Wealth***

***Enhance Our Environment***

***Advocate for Social Justice (Connections)***

***Uplift Our Local Community***

### **Committee Chairmen**

- ★ Empower our Families- Soror Lisa Lazard, 2<sup>nd</sup> Anti-Basileus
  - CHIPP – Subcommittee Chair: Soror Breannie Charles
  - YLI – Subcommittee Chair: Soror Keena Jean Louis, Co-Chair: Soror Mary Elizabeth Thibeaux Clay
  - Mental Health – Subcommittee Chair: Soror Alfreda Thompson-Jackson, Co-Chair: Soror Calvary Sampson
  - Our Seniors- Subcommittee Chair: Soror Marilyn Marshall, Co-Chair: Soror Felicia Washington
- ★ Build our Economic Wealth- Chair: Soror Desiree Lemelle, Co-Chair: Soror Gabrielle Chapman
- ★ Enhance our Environment- Chair: Soror Jamilia McKinley, Co- Chair: Soror Chloe Bello
- ★ Connections (Advocate for Social Justice)- Soror Jamilla Bynog-Barnes
- ★ Uplift Our Local Community- Soror Andretta Porter-Williams, Co- Chair: Soror Kenya Goodie
- ★ Strengthen Our Sisterhood- Soror Monica Kincade

### **PROGRAM MEETING UPDATE: Meeting October 8, 2025**

Sorors in attendance: Tracey Biagas Hill, Tynese Breaux, Lisa Lazard, Deborah Garrett, Chastity Wilson, Andretta Porter Williams, Tahisa Colbert, Joelle Nixon, Breannie Charles, Cassandra Pillette, Dororthy Scott

Agenda: Review of proposed 2026 Program of Work. Proposed POW updated and will be presented to the chapter at the October Business meeting for review.

**NOTICE:**

- ★ **If you are aware of any activities that would provide service opportunities for members of Eta Chi Omega, please submit the information and details to Soror Tynese Breaux and Soror Lisa Lazard for review.**
- ★ **Attendance must be recorded and tracked for all committee meetings and events. Request QR codes for all events at least ten days before your scheduled event.**
- ★ **Contact the Standards Chairman regarding event post-event surveys prior to your scheduled event.**
- ★ **Monthly reports should be printed, signed by the respective chairman, and given to the Grammateus at each Business Meeting.**
- ★ **Chairmen are strongly encouraged to utilize the Chapter Program Playbook provided by Corporate when planning Chapter events.**
- ★ **The Third Quarter Initiative report is due October 15, 2025, to our Regional International Program Committee Chair. Initiative chairs will be sent emails requesting information about our events held January 2025- September 2025**
- ★ **The Program Committee will have a meeting on Wednesday, October 29, 2025, at 6pm. All Sorors are invited, and initiative and committee chairs are strongly encouraged to attend as we will continue working on our 2026 Program of Work to be presented to the chapter for voting. First draft of the 2026 POW is attached.**

Submitted by: Soror Tynese Breaux and Soror Lisa Lazard

# *Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated* ®

Eta Chi Omega Chapter Program  
of Work for 2026

International Theme: “SOARING TO GREATER HEIGHTS OF SERVICE AND SISTERHOOD”  
Eta Chi Omega Theme: “Leading with Purpose...Serving with Passion”

*Executive Meetings on 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the Month/Business Meetings on 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the Month*

## January

Meetings	Chapter Activities	Action Items
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Executive Board</li>   <li>• Chapter Business Meeting</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® 118 Founders' Day- January 15, 2026, Washington, DC</li> <li>• Sisterly Relations Activity</li> <li>• ECO Founders' Day/Reactivation Social</li> <li>• <b>“We Are One” AKA Service Day</b></li> <li>• YLI Module 2 Activity</li> <li>• CHIPP Distribution</li> <li>• Uplift our Local Communities Event</li> <li>• 2026 Debutante Cotillion- January 3, 2026, Doubletree Hotel</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue Committee Meetings</li> <li>• Mentor/Mentee Pairing for Pearl Partners</li> <li>• Update Roster 2026</li> <li>• Select Delegates for 2026 Regional Conference</li> <li>• Scholarship-Begin Planning</li> <li>• Plan Joint Founders' Day Event w/ Lambda Beta Omega and Epsilon Beta- 2026</li> <li>• Submit 2026 Chapter Dues</li> <li>• Begin Planning for Advocate for Social Justice/Black Maternal/Family Health Event</li> <li>• Begin Planning for Heart Sister Week</li> <li>• Begin Planning for Enhance Our Environment Shred Event</li> <li>• Plan Build Our Economic Wealth Event</li> <li>• Continue Planning for Habitat for Humanity Event</li> <li>• Evaluation (Standards): “We Are One, Sisterly Relations Activity, YLI Activity, Debutante Cotillion, Uplift our Local Communities</li> </ul>

# February

Meetings	Chapter Activities	Action Items
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Executive Board</li> <li>• Chapter Business Meeting</li> <li>• Joint Meeting with Epsilon Beta</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Finalize Regional Conference Awards</li> <li>• YLI Module 2 Activity</li> <li>• CHIPP Distribution</li> <li>• Leadership Development Event</li> <li>• Build Our Economic Wealth Event</li> <li>• Heart Sister Week</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue Planning Joint Founders' Day Event w/ Epsilon Beta/Lambda Beta Omega - 2026</li> <li>• Continue 2026 Debutante Activities</li> <li>• Continue Planning for Advocate for Social Justice/Black Maternal/Family Health Event</li> <li>• Continue Planning for Enhance Our Environment Shred Event</li> <li>• Begin Planning for Chapter Retreat</li> <li>• Begin Planning for Reactivated/Transferred Member Orientation</li> <li>• Finalize 2026 Debutante Cotillon</li> <li>• Continue Planning for Habitat for Humanity Event</li> <li>• Evaluation (Standards): Soror Squad, Leadership Development, YLI Activity, Build Our Economic Wealth, Heart Sister Week</li> </ul>

# March

Meetings	Chapter Activities	Action Items
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Executive Board</li> <li>• Chapter Business Meeting</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Joint Founders' Day— ECO/EB/LBO Celebration</li> <li>• YLI Module 2 Activity</li> <li>• CHIPP Distribution</li> <li>• Black History Parade (NPHC)</li> <li>• Advocate for Social Justice Event/Black/Maternal/Family Health Event</li> <li>• Enhance Our Environment- Shred Event</li> <li>• South Central Regional Conference- Shreveport, Louisiana, March 25-March 29, 2026</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue Scholarship Planning-Earline Pipkin</li> <li>• Plan a Mentor/Mentee Activity with Epsilon Beta - 2026</li> <li>• Continue Planning for Chapter Retreat</li> <li>• Select Delegates for Boule</li> <li>• Begin Planning 2027 Debutante Cotillion/ILFOA Collaboration</li> <li>• Begin Planning Earth Day Event</li> <li>• Begin Planning Arbor Day Event</li> <li>• Begin Planning for Mental Health Month Activity</li> <li>• Continue Planning for Reactivated/Transferred Member Orientation</li> <li>• Continue Planning for Habitat for Humanity Event</li> <li>• Finalize Chapter Roster</li> <li>• Evaluation (Standards): Founders' Day, YLI Activity, Advocate for Social Justice/Black/Maternal/Health, Enhance Our Environment- Shred Event</li> </ul>

# April

Meetings	Chapter Activities	Action Items
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Executive Board</li> <li>• Chapter Business Meeting</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mentor/ Mentee Activity with Epsilon Beta – 2026</li> <li>• YLI Module 3 Activity</li> <li>• CHIPP Distribution</li> <li>• Reactivated/Transferred Member Orientation</li> <li>• Habitat for Humanity Event</li> <li>• <b>Earth Day Event- April 22, 2026</b></li> <li>• <b>Arbor Day Event- April 24, 2026</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Announce Scholarship Finalist-Earline Pipkin</li> <li>• Plan May Sisterly Relations Activity</li> <li>• Begin Planning for June Advocate for Social Justice Event</li> <li>• Continue Planning for Chapter Retreat</li> <li>• Continue 2027 Debutante Planning</li> <li>• Continue Planning for Mental Health Month Event</li> <li>• Evaluation (Standards): YLI Activity, Earth Day, Arbor Day, Mentor/Mentee, Reactivated/Transferred Orientation, Habitat for Humanity</li> </ul>

# May

Meetings	Chapter Activities	Action Items
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Executive Board</li> <li>• Chapter Business Meeting</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NPHC Honor's Day Program- May 3, 2026</li> <li>• ULL Graduation- May 15-16, 2026</li> <li>• YLI Module 3 Activity</li> <li>• CHIPP Distribution</li> <li>• Sisterly Relations Activity</li> <li>• Mental Health Month Event</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue Planning for Chapter Retreat</li> <li>• Continue 2027 Debutante Planning</li> <li>• Plan Black Dollar Days</li> <li>• Begin Planning for The Longest Day Alzheimer's Event</li> <li>• Continue Planning for Advocate for Social Justice Event</li> <li>• Elect Nominating Committee</li> <li>• Evaluation (Standards): YLI Activity, CHIPP, Sisterly Relations, Mental Health Month Event</li> </ul>

## June

Meetings	Chapter Activities	Action Items
<p><b>No Executive or Business Meetings</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Black Dollar Days</li> <li>• Mentor/Mentee Event</li> <li>• Advocate for Social Justice Event</li> <li>• YLI Module 3 Activity</li> <li>• Leadership Development Book Talk</li> <li>• The Longest Day Alzheimer's Event</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue Planning for Chapter Retreat</li> <li>• Continue 2027 Debutante Planning</li> <li>• Begin Planning for Empower our Families/Seniors Event</li> <li>• Begin Planning for Pink F.E.S.T.</li> <li>• Evaluation (Standards): Mentor/Mentee Event, YLI Activity, Leadership Development, Mental Health Month, Black Dollar Days, Advocate for Social Justice, The Longest Day Alzheimer's</li> </ul>

## July

Meetings	Chapter Activities	Action Items
<p><b>No Executive or Business Meetings</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2027 Debutante and Tea Girl Informational Session</li> <li>• AKA Boule- Las Vegas, Nevada</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue Committee Meetings as Needed</li> <li>• Begin Planning Uplift our Local Community Event</li> <li>• Begin Planning CHIPP Distribution</li> <li>• Begin Planning YLI Activities</li> <li>• Continue Planning Empower our Families/Seniors Event</li> <li>• Continue Planning For Pink F.E.S.T.</li> <li>• Begin Planning for Autism Walk Event</li> <li>• Evaluation (Standards): Debutante/Tea Girl Informational</li> </ul>

## August

Meetings	Chapter Activities	Action Items
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Executive Board</li> <li>Chapter Business Meeting</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chapter Retreat/Leadership Development Presentation</li> <li>2027 Debutante Activity</li> <li>Empower our Families/Seniors Event</li> <li>Uplift our Local Communities Event</li> <li>YLI Pre Launch Activity</li> <li>CHIPP Distribution</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mentor/Mentee Pairing for Pearl Partners</li> <li>Continue 2027 Debutante Activities</li> <li>Continue Planning for Pink F.E.S.T.</li> <li>Debutante Ad Portal Opens</li> <li>Plan September 2026 Reactivation Event</li> <li>Plan Build Our Economic Wealth Event</li> <li>Begin Planning for Advocate for Social Justice Event- Voter Education</li> <li>Begin Planning for Sickle Cell Awareness Walk</li> <li>Continue Planning for Autism Awareness Walk</li> <li>Evaluation (Standards): Chapter Retreat, YLI Activity, Uplift our Local Communities, Empower our Families/Seniors, Debutante Activity</li> </ul>

## September

Meetings	Chapter Activities	Action Items
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Executive Board</li> <li>Chapter Business Meeting</li> <li>Joint Meeting with EB</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CHIPP Distribution</li> <li>YLI Pre Launch</li> <li><b>Reactivation Event</b></li> <li>Build Our Economic Wealth Event</li> <li>Advocate for Social Justice Event- Voter Education</li> <li>Sickle Cell Walk</li> <li>Autism Awareness Walk</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Finance and Budget Discussion- Preparation of Budget</li> <li>Verification of Enrollment Status of Earline Pipkin Scholarship Recipient</li> <li>Continue 2027 Debutante Activities</li> <li>Continue Planning for Pink F.E.S.T.</li> <li>Constitutional/Bylaw Changes</li> <li>Debutante Ad Portal Open</li> <li>Submit 2027 Debutante Budget</li> <li>Begin Planning for Founders' Day 2027</li> <li>Begin Planning for NPHC Christmas Toy Drive</li> <li>Begin Planning 2027 Program of Work</li> <li>Begin Planning for Advocate for Social Justice Event</li> <li>Evaluation (Standards): YLI Activity, Reactivation Event, Build our Economic Wealth, Sickle Cell Walk</li> </ul>

# October

Meetings	Chapter Activities	Action Items
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Executive Board</li> <li>• Chapter Business Meeting</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• YLI Module 1 Activity</li> <li>• CHIPP Distribution</li> <li>• NAMI Walk</li> <li>• 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Pink F.E.S.T.</li> <li>• Advocate for Social Justice- Legislative Town Hall</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prepare End Year Reports (January-October)</li> <li>• Present Proposed Budget for 2027</li> <li>• Present Proposed Program of Work for 2027</li> <li>• Present Proposed Bylaw Changes</li> <li>• Present Slate of Officers</li> <li>• Continue 2027 Debutante Activities</li> <li>• Continue Planning Advocate for Social Justice Event</li> <li>• Begin Planning for Uplift our Local Community Event</li> <li>• Begin Planning a Mentor/Mentee Activity- Pearl Partners</li> <li>• Debutante Ad Portal Open</li> <li>• Begin Planning for 2026 Chapter Christmas Social</li> <li>• Send Written Notice for Voting on Bylaws, Budget, Program of Work, Slate of Officers</li> <li>• Begin Reviewing Information for 2027 Regional Conference Awards</li> <li>• Begin Collecting Christmas Toys for NPHC Toy Drive</li> <li>• Plan for Recycling Week</li> <li>• Begin Planning for Habitat for Humanity Event</li> <li>• Evaluation (Standards): YLI Activity, NAMI walk, Pink F.E.S.T., Advocate for Social Justice Event</li> </ul>

# November

Meetings	Chapter Activities	Action Items
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Executive Board</li>   <li>• Chapter Business Meeting</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• YLI Module 1 Activity</li> <li>• CHIPP Distribution</li> <li>• National Recycling Week- 2<sup>nd</sup> week</li> <li>• Leadership Development Event</li> <li>• Mentor/Mentee Event</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vote on Program of Work for 2027</li> <li>• Vote on Budget for 2027</li> <li>• Vote on Bylaw Changes</li> <li>• Vote on Slate of Officers</li> <li>• Prepare End Year Reports (November-December)</li> <li>• Debutante Ad Portal Closes</li> <li>• Continue Planning for Chapter Christmas Social</li> <li>• Continue Planning for Uplift our Local Communities Event</li> <li>• Plan for Chapter Self-Assessment</li> <li>• Continue Planning for Habitat for Humanity Event</li> <li>• Begin Planning for 2027 “We Are One” AKA Service Day</li> <li>• Begin Planning for 2027 Founders’ Day Celebration</li> <li>• Collect Toys for NPHC Christmas Toy Drive</li> <li>• Evaluation (Standards): YLI Activity, National Recycling Week, Leadership Development, Mentor/Mentee Event</li> </ul>

# December

Meetings	Chapter Activities	Action Items
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Executive Board</li>   <li>• Chapter Business Meeting</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2026 South Louisiana Cluster</li> <li>• Chapter Christmas Social</li> <li>• Donate Toys for NPHC Christmas Toy Drive</li> <li>• Uplift Our Local Communities Event</li> <li>• ULL Graduation- December 2026</li> <li>• YLI Mid-Point Check in</li> <li>• CHIPP Distribution</li> <li>• ECO Chapter Self-Assessment</li> <li>• Officer Instillation</li> <li>• Debutante Mother/Daughter Hat Luncheon</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complete End of Year Report</li> <li>• 2027 Committee Sign-Up</li> <li>• Continue Planning for 2027 Founders' Day Celebration</li> <li>• Submit Dues for 2027</li> <li>• Payment of NPHC Dues</li> <li>• Continue 2027 Debutante Activities</li> <li>• Continue Reviewing Information for 2027 Regional Conference Awards</li> <li>• Continue Planning for Habitat for Humanity Event</li> <li>• Finalize Plans for 2027 "We are One" AKA Service Day</li> <li>• Evaluation (Standards): Chapter Christmas Social, YLI Activity, Uplift our Local Communities, Mother/Daughter Hat Luncheon</li> </ul>

**Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®**  
**Eta Chi Omega Chapter**  
**Empowering Our Families Committee Report**  
**October 2025**

**Sub Committees:**

**Our Seniors:**

Budget \$1000

Remaining \$1000

The Our Seniors and Sisterly Relations committees met on October 13, 2025, to plan a joint Thanksgiving event in November (exact date TBD).

**Summary of Meeting:**

The committee discussed having a Tea and Thankfulness event for our seniors to be held at Progressive Baptist Church. At this event the seniors will participate in decorating a Thanksgiving wreath, while enjoying refreshments and candid conversations.

**Key Activities:**

- Coordinate with Progressive Baptist Church on venue arrangements and confirm the space reservation for the event.
- Develop a list of materials needed for the Thanksgiving wreath activity and assign committee members to gather supplies.
- Create invitations to distribute to seniors, Circle of Wisdom members, and other community seniors recommended by Sorors.
- Organize refreshments and assign volunteers to assist with serving and setup on the day of the event.
- Stakeholder Engagement: The seniors in ECO along with the Circle of Wisdom from Progressive Baptist Church and any other senior citizen that a Soror may know in the community can participate in this event.

- Being that this is a shared event and resources may become limited, IF this instance were to arise, a Soror can sponsor a senior if necessary.

### **Recommendation**

The budget for this event will be shared between the Our Seniors committee and the Sisterly Relations committee. The Our Seniors committee to contribute \$750 and Sisterly Relations to contribute \$250.

### **Mental Health:**

NAMI Walk took place on Saturday, October 4, 2025, with 18 Sorors participating.

Eta Chi Omega Friends and Family raised \$2,465.00 in donations and was awarded 2nd Place for funds raised and 1st Place for t-shirt design.

Together, D9 teams raised more than \$5,000.00 for the event. Thank you to all Sorors who participated and/or contributed to this worthy cause to bring awareness to mental health.

### **Youth Leadership Institute (YLI):**

Budget \$3500

Remaining \$2874.49

#### **Committee Meeting Updates:**

- 10/4/2025 Participant workshop at Breaux Bridge Public Library. 3 youth leaders including 2 new participants attended. Youth leaders worked on Theme A from Module 1. They planned their lunch with the provided budget then created skits on challenges they face and negative vs growth mindset responses. Youth leaders selected Goal Setting with an Escape Room activity and vision boards for next workshop.
  - Next YLI workshop will be Saturday November 8, 2025, at the Breaux Bridge Public Library large meeting room. This will be an Escape Room Activity and Vision Board Goal Setting session
    - 8:30 am to 9:15 am set up
    - 9:15 am to 11:30 am Session with the participants.

## **Recommendation:**

The committee recommends a budget not to exceed \$500 for props, supplies, and refreshments/lunch for the November YLI escape room/goal setting workshop.

## **CHIPP™ (Childhood Hunger Initiative Power Pack):**

EOF Budget/\$5450

Remaining/\$5200

Budget/\$20,000

Remaining/\$9699.72

- **Partner school:** Westside Elementary, Scott, LA
- **CHIPP™ Enrollment:** 100 students
- **CHIPP™ Distribution**
  - Number of bags delivered as of 10-16-25:
    - **Total bags delivered for 2025: 1,782**
    - **Total bags delivered for the 2025-2026 school year: 600**
    - **Total bags delivered overall since first delivery in Nov 2023: 3,752**
  
  - September & October 2025 delivery dates
    - 100 bags delivered 09-18-25
    - 100 bags delivered 09-26-25
    - 100 bags delivered 10-03-25
    - 100 bags delivered 10-07-25
    - 100 bags delivered 10-08-25 (an additional 100 bags delivered to cover fall break on 10-13 and 10-14)
    - 100 bags delivered 10-16-25
- **CHIPP Packing Event Dates for 2025**
  - **Sunday September 7, 2025 from 3pm to 6pm at ULL Evangeline Room:** pack 400 bags to last until delivery date of Friday October 3, 2025-**COMPLETED**
  - **Sunday October 5, 2025 from 3pm to 6pm at ULL Ballroom B:** pack 400 bags to last until delivery date of Friday Oct 24<sup>th</sup> including an extra bag to be given on Friday Oct 10<sup>th</sup> to cover fall break on Oct 13<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> -**COMPLETED**
  - **Sunday October 26, 2025 from 3pm to 6pm at ULL Ballroom B:** pack 500 bags to cover delivery until Friday November 21, 2025 to include one additional bag for Thanksgiving break that starts Monday November 24, 2025

- **Sunday November 30, 2025 from 3pm to 6pm at ULL Ballroom B:** pack 500 bags to cover delivery until Friday December 19, 2025 to include two additional bags for Christmas break that starts Monday December 22, 2025 to Friday January 2, 2026

### **Recommendation from Seniors Subcommittee:**

The budget for this event will be shared between the Our Seniors committee and the Sisterly Relations committee. The Our Seniors committee to contribute \$750 and Sisterly Relations to contribute \$250.

### **Recommendation from YLI Subcommittee:**

The committee recommends a budget not to exceed \$500 for props, supplies, and refreshments/lunch for the November YLI escape room/goal setting workshop.

Sisterly Submitted,

Soror Lisa Anderson Lazard, Chairman

Sub Committee Chairs:

Soror Breannie Charles - CHIPP™

Soror Keena Jean Louis – YLI

Soror Mary Elizabeth Thibeaux-Clay – YLI

Soror Alfreda Jackson – Mental Health

Soror Calvary Sampson – Mental Health

Soror Marilyn Marshall – Our Seniors

Soror Felicia Washington – Our Seniors



**Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®**  
**Eta Chi Omega Chapter**  
**Audit Committee Business Meeting Report**  
**October 2025**

**REPORT ATTACHED AS A PDF FILE**

Calaundra Clarke  
External Auditor  
Post Office Box 964  
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July 21, 2025

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated  
Eta Chi Omega Chapter  
Post Office Box 90815  
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Dear Eta Chi Omega Chapter:

As the external auditor for the Eta Chi Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., I have performed a chapter external financial audit for the years 2023-2024 in accordance with the "Fiscal Fitness Guide for Chapter Financial Operations" revised 2022 issued by the Sorority.

The examination included such tests of the accounting records and other procedures identified by the Corporate Office. The program of tests and other auditing procedures have been discussed separately with the 2023-2024 Tamiouchos and Pecunious Grammateus. The procedures for the audit were designed to determine with reasonable, but not absolute, assurance:

- Whether the Chapter has received and used funds in accordance with designated purpose of the funds
- Whether the Chapter is maintaining effective accounting control over assets, liabilities, receipts, and expenditures
- Whether the records, books and records of the Chapter adequately record its financial and fiscal activities and provide a basis for review of accountability
- Whether tests of the Chapter's fiscal operations reveal evidence of reportable conditions, fraud or defalcation or other weaknesses
- Whether the Chapter has complied with laws, rules and regulations

All months for the years 2023-2024 were evaluated for the Operating and Fundraising accounts. There were findings disclosed by the audit which are required to be reported.

This report is intended for the Chapter Tamiouchos, Pecunious Grammateus, Executive Committee, and chapter members (after the review/approval of the Executive Committee).

### **Findings - Tamiouchos:**

Uncleared checks remained on the books for greater than 90 days for the Operating and Fundraising accounts.

- Operating account: Six (6) stale/uncleared checks exceeded timeframe listed in the chapter's financial procedures.
- Fundraising account: Check #1314 \$75 12/30/20 exceeded timeframe listed in the chapter's financial procedures.

Support documentation was not attached to disbursement vouchers in some instances, as per guidelines.

- Operating: #3436, #3760
- Fundraising: #1522-1529, #1434, #1494, #1538, #1577, #1597

Request for disbursement vouchers were not provided/completed in some instances, as per guidelines.

- Fundraising #1500 , #1581
- Operating#3456-3457, #3463, #3469, #3474-3475, #3774 #3775, #3777, #3766-3769 (re-issues), #3397, #3401, #3407, #3419, #3423

Voided check not attached in some instances, as per guidelines.

- Operating: #3244, #3269, #3314, #3497
- Operating: write void on checks #3384-86

Log of returned checks and resolution not provided, as per guidelines.

Chairman/Co-chairman signature not provided and fund missing in some instances.

- Fundraising-missing signature #1513 1/13/24; #1555 9/19/24; #1557 10/7/24, #1582 12/10/24; #1583 12/10/24; #1597 12/30/24
- Fundraising #1515 1/16/24 fund/line item

### **Findings – Pecunious Grammateus:**

Monthly Financial Reports were not completed accurately with receipt numbers.

- Per guidelines, the Pecunious Grammateus should include receipt numbers in the monthly cash receipts report for all sources of funds collected.
- PayPal funds were not receipted consistently.
- Monthly report receipt log noted funds received 12/18/23; actual receipt date 12/13/23.

Receipt numbers were not in sequential order; gaps in receipt numbers; missing receipt numbers.

- Per guidelines, the Pecunious Grammateus should provide a receipt for all income received, recording such information in a pre-numbered duplicate receipt book.
- Missing Receipt #s: T Auzenne \$136 3/31/2023; 2/9/23 \$136 K Joseph
- Monthly report receipt log noted funds received 12/18/23; actual receipt date 12/13/23.

PayPal funds were not receipted consistently.

- Per guidelines, monies may be received online through electronic payment alternatives; however, funds received should be handled in the same way as all other funds received.

Funds receipted date was not the date collected in most instances; report date used.

- Per guidelines, funds must be receipted at the time of collection.
- Funds collected/Date paid 8/12/23, receipt date and transmittal date 8/30/23
- Funds collected/Date paid 12/16/23, receipt date and transmittal date 1/29/24

Funds collected were not transmitted to the Tamiouchos in a timely manner each time, greater than 10 days.

- Per guidelines, funds must be receipted and transmitted to the Tamiouchos within 5-7 days.
- Funds collected by PG 2/28/23 transmitted to Tami 3/31/23; PG 1/13/23 to Tami 1/31/23; PG 1/26/23 to Tami 1/30/23; PG 8/12/23-8/21/23 to Tami 8/30/23; PG 9/5-9/10/23 to Tami 9/18; PG 9/22-10/7 to Tami; PG10/8-10/9 to Tami 10/17/23;PG 10/10-10/14 to 10/25; PG 10/30-11/2 to 11/10; PG 11/4 to 11/17; PG 10/21 to 11/17; PG 11/11 to11/22; PG 11/29 to Tami12/20; PG 11/30 to 12/22; PG 12/8 to Tami 12/22; PG 6/3/23 to Tami 6/16
- Operating: Funds Collected by PG 12/31/23 to Tami 1/12/23; PG 3/10/23 to Tami 3/18/23; PG 1/14/24 to Tami 1/29/24
- Fundraising PG 12/16/23 to Tami 1/29/24; PG 9/7-9/12 to Tami 9/23/24; PG 11/13/24 to Tami 12/18/24

### **Additional Recommendations/Comments – Tamiouchos**

Very organized record keeping; all documents in date order: deposit slips, voucher requests for funds, monthly bank statements, and monthly reports.

The following are recommendations:

- Establish a documented process to ensure all PayPal payments are communicated to the Pecunious Grammateus timely.
  - Operating: \$686 PayPal 1/26-1/30/23, PG 2/3 deposited 2/28/23

- Establish a process for a wet signature by Basileus/Anti-Basileus. The email system does not support approval to a reviewer externally.
- Basileus/Anti-Basileus must sign all requests for disbursement vouchers when check not payable to Basileus/Anti-Basileus.
  - Missing signature – Basileus/Anti-Basileus #3778

**Additional Recommendations/Comments - Pecunious Grammateus:**

The following are recommendations:

- Establish a documented process to ensure all PayPal payments are receipted timely.
  - A large percentage of the PayPal transactions were not receipted or receipted greater than 15 days.
  - Attach PayPal transmittal each time for accurate date and receipt.

Kindest Regards,

Calaundra M. Clarke



Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®

Eta Chi Omega Chapter

Budget & Finance Business Meeting Report

October 2025

Budget: Fundraising: \$0

Current Funds Available: \$0

Committee Meeting Updates:

**Date of Meeting:** 09/23/2025

**Members Attended:** Desiree Lemelle, Tracey Biagas-Hill, Deborah Garrett, Alfreda Thompson-Jackson, Anastasia H. McZeal, Andretta Porter-Williams, Carlita Babineaux, Chasity Wilson, Jameka McKinley, Joelle Nixon, LaKeshia Reed, Linda Broussard, Monica Kincade, Sylvia M. Fordice, Tahisa Colbert, Tynese Breaux, Gabrielle Chapman, Tanya Sias, Connie Y. Butler, Karen King, and Cassandra Pillette

**Date of Meeting:** 10/06/2025

**Members Attended:** Tracey Biagas-Hill, Monica Kincade, Tahisa P. Colbert, Lakeshia Reed, Karen King, Deborah Garrett, Jameka McKinley, Cassandra Pillette, Joelle Nixon, Desiree Lemelle, Gabrielle Chapman, Linda Broussard, Chasity Wilson, Anitra Ford Scott, Lisa Lazard and Keena Jean Louis

**Summary of Meetings**

**2026 Budget**

Committee Chairman: Please email the Tamiouchos/Anti-Tamiouchos with the desired budget amount for 2026. Emails can be sent to [desireeL.1908@gmail.com](mailto:desireeL.1908@gmail.com) and [gabbycc1998@gmail.com](mailto:gabbycc1998@gmail.com)

If you are going to be a silver star in 2026, please email the Tamiouchos/Anti-Tamiouchos so that you can be accounted for in the 2026 budget.

If sorors have any graduating seniors in 2026, please email the Tamiouchos/Anti-Tamiouchos so that they can be account for the book stipend in 2026

**Vouchers**

Please submit vouchers to the voucher email (ecovouchers@googlegroups.com) for expenditures within thirty (30) days of expense so that the Tamiouchos/Anti-Tamiouchos can issue/mail checks in a timely manner. The voucher form can be found on the chapter's website under reimbursement voucher.

**Committee Recommendation:**

**Action Item #1: Increase The Pecunious Grammateus Budget Line Item**

**Rationale:** The Pecunious Grammateus is enduring administrative expenses for recordkeeping.

**Recommendation:** Move \$120 from the Contingency line item to the Pecunious Grammateus line item to cover administrative expenses to include ink and paper for recordkeeping.

Sisterly Submitted,



Desiree M. Lemelle, Chairman

Gabrielle C. Chapman, Co-Chairman



**Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc.,<sup>®</sup>**  
**Eta Chi Omega Chapter**  
**Debutante Committee Chapter Meeting Report**  
**October 19, 2025**

**Meeting Date:** August 20, 2025

**Members Present:** Suzanne Foster, Sharon Pierre, Alonda Houston, Christele Strowder, Cynthia Bernard, Linda Broussard, Lisa Lazard, Marvel Swain, Tahisa Colbert, Tracey Biagas-Hill, Yvonne Narcisse, Tynese Breaux

**Meeting Date:** September 17, 2025

**Members Present:** Alonda Houston, Carlita Babineaux, Linda Broussard, Shirley Cormier, Tahisa Colbert, Tracey Biagas-Hill, Yvonne Narcisse, Suzanne Foster, Gloria Angus, Sharon Pierre, Tynese Breaux

**Summary of Meeting:**

1. Update on Debutante Workshops given by Soror Pierre. Workshop I went well, and the second Workshop is scheduled for Saturday, September 27, 2025. (Tea Girls 9/Debs 15)
2. Soror Dolores Zenon sent information from subcommittee for honoring Alaya Christian, former tea girl. More information will be given at the October committee meeting.
3. Soror Gloria Angus gave a report on DJ's for the ball. Final decision will be made in October or through an early call meeting.
4. Soror Pierre informed committee that several menus were sent to the Doubletree for prices to determine whether tickets would remain at \$55.00. She is waiting on information from the Catering department.
5. Soror Pierre gave prices for ads: Full page \$180, Half page \$90, Fourth page \$45. Special pages for Sorors – Silver, Life, Legacy, Gold \$25.00. Sorors will be able to use the following email to submit their ads – [ecodebads@googlegroups.com](mailto:ecodebads@googlegroups.com).
6. Soror Tahisa Colbert agreed to take photos at the August debutante workshop.
7. Soror Pierre gave the schedule of upcoming activities for Tea Girls and Debutantes: Saturday, Sept 27<sup>th</sup> – Workshop Main Library, Saturday, October 11<sup>th</sup> Workshop and Book talk for Tea Girls, Saturday, Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> Photo Session, Wednesday, Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> -deadline for Souvenir Booklet Ads and first cotillion dance rehearsal (6:30 p.m. – Heymann Recreation Center)
8. Reminder given for Members Attire for Ball – Different shades of green
9. The next committee meeting is scheduled for October 15, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom.

Submitted by: Sharon Pierre, Debutante Committee Chairman

**Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc<sup>®</sup>, Eta Chi Omega Chapter**

**2025-2026 Souvenir Booklet Ad Form**

**\*\*\* A copy of the ad must be attached to this form and uploaded to the deb's folder \*\*\***

Debutante's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

This form is the official form used to solicit advertisements to be printed in the 2026 Souvenir Booklet. Proceeds from this activity will benefit scholarships and community programs.

Souvenir Ads are available at the following prices. Please make **Cashier's Checks, Business Checks or Money Orders** payable to Eta Chi Omega Chapter.

Please Check One:

\_\_\_\_\_ Inside Front/Back Cover \$500.00

\_\_\_\_\_ Full Page \$180.00

\_\_\_\_\_ Half Page \$ 90.00

\_\_\_\_\_ Fourth Page \$ 45.00

**PICTURES WILL BE ALLOWED WITH FULL AND HALF PAGES ONLY.**

Name (s) or Business Name Included in the ad: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Advertiser/Purchaser: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Is the advertiser/purchaser a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

*(Active or Inactive member)*

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***For Eta Chi Omega's use only!***

Received by \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Paid \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check/M.O. Number \_\_\_\_\_

# SOUVENIR BOOKLET 2025-2026

## CHAPTER SPECIAL PAGES

NAME OF MEMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

CHECK ALL THAT APPLIES:

_____	LIFE MEMBER	\$25.00
_____	LEGACY	\$25.00
_____	SILVER STAR	\$25.00
_____	Golden	\$25.00

TOTAL AMOUNT: \_\_\_\_\_

**DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 12, 2025**

**SUBMIT: PICTURE AND FORM DIGITALLY TO [ecodebads@googlegroups.com](mailto:ecodebads@googlegroups.com)**



Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.®  
Eta Chi Omega Chapter  
October 2025 – Business Meeting

**Upcoming Events/Opportunities to Support EAF**

- We have two decorative champagne bottles donated by Soror Christele Strowder (see the attached photo of samples). We are asking Sorors to pay \$3 dollars (cash or check) to enter a drawing for a chance to win one of the beautiful champagne bottles at October 2025 Business Meeting.

**NOTICE:**

- If you would like to donate or submit ideas for consideration to assist the chapter with raising funds on behalf of EAF, please contact your EAF Ambassadors, Soror Verna Calais and Soror Gwen Hollinger.
- To date, we have raised \$531 through fundraising efforts of selling cookies, and door hanger drawings. We received a \$15 dollar donation from Soror Karen King at the September 2025 business meeting. Grand total \$546. We only have a few months to reach our goal of \$1,500 (Platinum Level) for Regional Conference 2026. Funds are due January or February 2026.

Submitted by:

EAF Ambassador Co-Chairs: Sorors Verna Calais & Gwen Hollinger





## **Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®**

### **Eta Chi Omega Chapter**

#### **Membership Committee Chapter Business Meeting Report**

**October 2025**

Budget: Operating- Membership Committee: \$1,500 Current Funds Available: \$1,150

Operating- Membership Experience: \$2,500 Current Funds Available: \$2,500

Committee Progress:

#### **1. REACTIVATION**

- The chapter's reactivation goal is 10 Sorors, as a medium chapter. Thank you for all your efforts, we have exceeded our goal!!! Let's level up and shoot for reactivating 25 in 2025!!!
  - **Digital Welcome Kit** – The Digital Welcome Kit including letters from Madame Basileus and Committee Chairman/Co-Chairman, FAQs about ECO, and a Welcome Gift to include a Nametag for Recognition. Specifically, the Committee suggested that the FAQ information includes accessing chapter email, expected communication, and how to join committees. with a budget not to exceed \$100. Planning is in process and should be ready no later than the August Chapter Business Meeting
- **Welcome Call**- The Membership Committee Chairman and Co-Chairman have completed the Welcome Calls to newly reactivated or transfer Sorors focusing on answering general questions and ensuring that these Sorors are acclimating to the chapter and are aware of basic chapter operations and how to access chapter resources following the March Chapter Business Meeting. (Completed)

- **New Soror Spotlight** – The Committee is planning to work with our Technology committee on a google form to collect data and consent to spotlight reactivating/transfer Sorors on our chapter social media accounts. (In Progress)
- **Reserved Seating** – The Committee rolled out voluntary/optional reserved seating area for reactivating/transfer Sorors to sit with members of the Membership Committee to encourage fellowship and to serve as a point of reference during meetings starting in February. The reserved seating would be available through May 2025. The feedback has been positive. (Completed)
- **New Member Orientation** – This orientation is included in the Plan of Work (POW) for April.
  - The chapter approved the recommended event date of April 26, 2025, with a budget not to exceed \$100.00. Planning is in process and will be shared with the membership soon. (Completed)
- **September Reactivation Social Media Campaign from MRD**  
Hello Sorors,

Hope you had a great summer! Membership is off to the races with a Reactivation Social Media Campaign. Read below for more from our International Membership Committee.

Below are the weekly captions that will be posted on the AKA social media platforms during Reactivation Month, starting today, Wednesday, August 27, 2025. Please share chapter members and your chapter's membership committee so they can be equipped to implement the reactivation campaign during September. Also, ask them to please share reactivation photos using our region's hashtag. Reactivation is being tracked by region, and SCR wants to win bragging rights!

Region Hashtag: #ReactivateSCR

Weekly Post Captions

\* Week 1 (intro): “Get ready, Sisters — September is Reactivation Month! Let’s reclaim our inactive sisters. Follow the pink road and try these best practices as a chapter or individually. Don’t forget to share your photos using your region’s hashtag. Which region will lead in reactivation?”

\* Week 2: “Postcards still brighten days. Send one to an inactive sister, or plan a post carding day with your chapter. Share your photos with your

region's hashtag.”

\* Week 3: “Follow up with a phone call — invite a sister to your next meeting or program. Share your photos with your region's hashtag.”

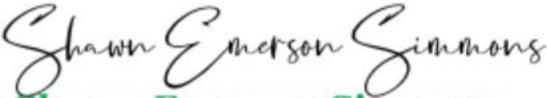
\* Week 4: “Busy schedule? Send a quick text to remind an inactive sister about reactivating. Share your photos with your region's hashtag.”

\* Week 5: “Add a personal touch with an email. Answer questions, extend an invite, and encourage reactivation. Share your photos with your region's hashtag.”

Lastly, [download from this highlighted link](#): the infographic with best practices (Week 1), two postcard versions (professional print and online/fillable for Week 2), and the sample scripts for the activities for Weeks 3-5.

Note that the Revised Reactivation Toolkit, sample scripts, and 2 postcard versions are also uploaded on the AKA1908 website under Resources/Forms & Documents/International Committee Forms/Membership Committee.

Sisterly,

  
**Shawn Emerson Simmons**  
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®  
South Central Regional Director

- **Reactivation Social** – This social is included in the Plan of Work for September. The Committee would like recently reactivated/transfer Sorors to speak about their experience.
  - The Chapter approved the recommended theme of “Pink” easy Murder Mystery for the September Reactivation Social to be held on September 27, 2025, 1620 Jenkins Road Duson, LA 70509 at 7:00 p.m., Attire: 1920's or Paraphernalia. This event includes a meal and chapter members would have roles as characters and

facilitate the solving of the mystery. The budget will not exceed \$350.

- Thank you to Soror Chloe Bello and the Generation NEXT Committee for answering the call to serve and SOAR, Soror Chloe is serving as this subcommittee's chairman. (Completed).

## 2. RETENTION

- a. **Thank You Emails** – Thank You Emails to continuing/renewing chapter members for their continued commitment to ECO are in process.
- b. **Missed Business Meeting Communication** – Missed Meeting emails or texts to chapter members to check-in, let them know they were missed, and share important upcoming dates or items of interest have been rolled following the March 2025 chapter business meeting with astonishingly positive feedback. (Ongoing)
- c. **Mentor/Mentee Program** – The Mentor/mentee interest survey is being circulated, preliminary mentor/mentee pairings have been made, and the pairs have been notified. This is ongoing, so please complete the survey if you are interested in serving as Mentor or if you would like to be paired with a Mentor. Goal is to reveal updated Mentor/Mentee pairings at the August Chapter Business Meeting (Ongoing)
- d. **Summer Mentor/Mentee Event** - This event is included in the Plan of Work for June.
  - i. The Chapter approved the recommended theme of a Progressive Dinner for the June Mentor/Mentee Event to be held on June 7, 2025, location TBD. This event would include a meal progressing in stages (drinks/appetizers; main course; dessert/coffee) with transportation between homes with a budget to not exceed \$400. (Postponed)
- e. **Fall Mentor/Mentee Event** - This event is included in the Plan of Work for November.
  - i. The Committee agreed to combining the budget of the June Mentor/Mentee Event with the November Mentor/Mentee Event for a total of \$700 to host a Progressive Dinner on Friday, November 21, 2025. (Planning in progress)

### 3. RECRUITMENT

- a. **Epsilon Beta Signing Days** – The Committee was in favor of conducting two Signing Days in the Spring and Fall to celebrate EB sorors signing with graduate chapters. It was recommended that the Committee collaborate with the Generation NEXT Committee for this initiative. Committee is planning to host the Fall Signing Day at the Fall Joint ECO/EB Committee Meeting.
  
- b. **Membership Experience (ME)** –
  - i. The Chapter voted in favor of conducting ME in 2025.
  - ii. Madame Basileus and Soror Pillette, as Membership Chairman, are certified through 2026.
  - iii. The Grammateus is preparing a list of potential eligible sponsors based on meeting attendance for 24 months and active membership for 48 consecutive months in preparation for fall ME, and the preliminary list shared at the May 2025 Business Meeting; an updated list will be shared at the August 2025 Business Meeting
  - iv. Once that list is received, we will proceed with the collection of verifications of conference attendance and committee involvement.
  - v. The sponsor and co-sponsor requirements as outlined in the Membership Experience Manual, along with the adopted change made at the last Boule are as follows:
    1. Four consecutive years (48 months) of active membership in Eta Chi Omega prior to being a sponsor or co-sponsor.
    2. Attended at least 70% (7 out of 10) chapter meetings in each 12-month period, for the past 24 consecutive months prior to the soror certification date.
    3. Attended at least one (1) of the following events: Boule, Leadership Seminar, or Regional Conference over the past two calendar years.
    4. Attended at least two (2) of the following events: Cluster conference, Regional Leadership Meeting/Chapter Retreat/Chapter Training, Undergraduate Round-up over the past two calendar years.
    5. Participated in Sorority/chapter activities by attending at least three (3) of the following activities, each year, for the past two (2) calendar years:
      - a. Committee work
      - b. Founders' Day Programs

- c. Connection and Social Justice Events/Legislative Days
  - d. Program attendance
  - e. Fundraisers
- vi. Timeline for ME
  1. Chapter: First, electronically submit ME Request to the SCR Membership email and THEN once reviewed submit to the portal and STOP (STOP requires MRD Approval to proceed)
  2. MRD/Corporate: Regional Director notifies Chapter to proceed with ME and conduct Orientation Workshop
  3. Chapter conducts Orientation Workshop, Chapter conducts Information Session, reviews documents and votes on Candidates.
  4. MRD/Corporate: Chapter submits Information Session Sign in to MRD and Tally Sheet from vote.
  5. Chapter: Mail completed packet for review by Corporate office RECEIVED before ME timeline/window and STOP
  6. Corporate office sends either approval of candidates or necessary corrections to the region.
  7. MRD/Corporate: Chapter is notified of any corrections by the ME Liaisons to complete corrections within 24 hours and STOP.
  8. Chapter: Once final approval is received, Chapter will receive official notification from MRD and may proceed with ME
  9. Chapter: Submit ME initiation fees, order materials and begin ME Weekends
  10. Chapter: Send Candidate Commitment Statement and ME Not Completed Report upon completion of Final Commitment Ceremony
- vii. The regional membership liaisons will begin reviewing ME requests starting **August 17, 2025**. The Corporate Office will accept paperwork for Graduate ME: **August 24-October 15**. (Completed)
- viii. The required documents to submit to the regional team on August 17, 2025, and the responsible Sorors include:
  1. ME Health Check Form- MB and ME chairman
  2. Request for Authorization to Conduct Graduate ME- MB and ME chairman.

3. Proof of ME Certification- MB and ME Chairman
4. ME Budget- MB, ME Chairman, ME Co-chairman
5. Schedule of ME activities- MB, ME Chairman, ME Co-chairman

(Completed)

ix. **Chapter Orientation Workshop** -The following Sorors **MUST** attend the ME Chapter Orientation Workshop:

1. Any Soror who plans to Sponsor/Co-sponsor a candidate.
2. Any active graduate chapter members who plan to participate in the ME
3. All ME workshop presenters
4. Basileus, Anti-Basileus, Grammateus, Tamiouchus, Pecunious Grammateus, and Epistoleus

**Chapter Member Orientation Workshop Dates – approved by MRD (Sorors only need to attend one, attire is business casual)**

**Saturday- September 6, 2025, at 2:00 pm at Lafayette Renaissance Charter High School Cafeteria- 306 Acadian Hills Lane Lafayette, LA 70507 (Completed)**

**Tuesday- September 9, 2025, at 7:00 pm at Lafayette Renaissance Charter High School Cafeteria- 306 Acadian Hills Lane Lafayette, LA 70507 (Completed)**

x. **Chapter Information Session** -The following Sorors **MUST** attend the ME Chapter Information Session:

1. All prospective candidates, including legacy candidates.
2. All sponsors and co-sponsors
3. Basileus, Membership Chairman, and Grammateus

xi. **Chapter Information Session Date:**

**Thursday, September 18, 2025, at 7:00 pm at Lafayette Renaissance Charter High School Cafeteria- 306 Acadian Hills Lane Lafayette, LA 70507 (Completed)**

**xii. Chapter Voting Date:**

**Sunday, September 21, 2025, at 2:00 pm at Lafayette Renaissance Charter High School Cafeteria- 306 Acadian Hills Lane Lafayette, LA 70507 (Completed- 15 prospective candidates submitted to corporate per MRD approval, 3 of the 15 are legacy candidates)**

xiii. **ME Sessions** -Conducted for nine (9) days over three (3) weekends, Friday to Sunday. At least two of three (sponsor and one of the two (2) co-sponsors OR the two co-sponsors will participate in every ME activity.

**xiv. ME Sessions Dates:**

**October 24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>, October 31<sup>st</sup>-November 2<sup>nd</sup>, November 7<sup>th</sup>- 9<sup>th</sup>  
Time (see ME schedule of events for details) at Lafayette Renaissance Charter High School- 306 Acadian Hills Lane Lafayette, LA 70507**

4. Committee Recommendations:  
None

Submitted by:

Soror Cassandra Pillette

2025-2026 Membership Committee Chairman

**National Pan-Hellenic Council  
Lafayette Chapter  
October 2, 2025 Minutes**



**The Lafayette Chapter of the National Pan-Hellenic Council met on Thursday, October 2, 2025 at 1010 Auburn Street and via Zoom.**

**Members present were: Alpha Kappa Alpha, Zeta Phi Beta, Sigma Gamma Rho, Delta Sigma Theta, Phi Beta Sigma, Omega Psi Phi, Kappa Alpha Psi and Alpha Phi Alpha.**

**The meeting was called to order by the President at 6:07 P.M.**

**The opening prayer was led by Omega Psi Phi.**

**Treasurer's Report: Balance \$5,161.30**

Dues are due and can be paid at the next meeting. The treasurer did not have time to check the mailbox before today's meeting.

It was moved by Zeta Phi Beta and seconded by Sigma Gamma Rho that the Treasurer's report be accepted and be placed on file. MOTION CARRIED.

**Old Business**

- Updated contact information please send to the President ASAP.
- We will continue to use email and Group Me as our mode of communication for NPHC. If a member needs to be added, send information to Tremaine.
- Tees fore Keys Golf Tournament was sent a \$250 check. We are waiting on a Volunteer sheet for members to sign up. Joe Walker will check on the volunteer sheet.

**Items discussed and actions acted upon were:**

- Super Bowl 2026 and Bayou Classic 2025 Football Pool sheets were emailed and available at the meeting. Each square is \$10. It was asked if we could do more than 1 sheet per game. It will be discussed at the November meeting.
- The NPHC-LAFAYETTE CHAPTER Gift Wrapping Social will be held on December 17, 2025 at DCC from 6pm until 9pm. Menu was discussed.
- We will have chicken salad on a mini croissant, fruit/vegetable tray, meatballs, deviled eggs, and Hawaiian punch. Dessert assorted cookies from Sam's. We will check prices on wings at Mama Fried Chicken.
- The NPHC-LAFAYETTE CHAPTER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM will be held on Sunday, May 3, 2026 at the Clifton Chenier Center. Building and date is secured. Alpha Phi Alpha will be in charge of the program. We will take group photos before the scholarship program.
- Start collecting toys for the NPHC-LAFAYETTE CHAPTER'S annual toy drive.

- NPHC will table the po-boy sale until next year.
- Gulf Coast Teaching submitted a letter for toys needed for foster children. Members decided to give toys from our toy drive and purchase gift cards for older children who were submitted on the list.
- Community Service projects were discussed. Collect grocery items and donate to an organization.
- NPHC Greek Unity Cookout/ Pan in the Park was discussed and also NPHC day party for next year.
- Breast Cancer luncheon at St. Francis Assisi on October 19th. A committee member asked for a donation. It was moved by Alpha Phi Alpha and seconded by Kappa Alpha Psi that we donate \$100.00 for brunch. Members decide to purchase a new shirt. It will be black with white logo. Dr. Erica Williams will get prices from her son for the shirt. Alpha Phi Alpha has a retreat on November 15th. Place TBA
- Omega Psi Phi will be hosting their Founders' Ball on 11/15/25 at the Cade Community Center. Tickets are \$60 and can be purchased on Eventbrite.
- Sigma Gamma Rho will be having an Area meeting on October 4th. Chapter Anniversary on October 23rd and Founder Day on November 12th.
- Zeta Phi Beta is having a Double Good Popcorn sale from Oct. 1st- Oct. 4th. QR code link is on Group Me.
- Congratulations to Dr. Deven Reynolds, PhD in Psychology from Grand Canyon University.
- Happy Birthday to all members celebrating a birthday in October!!
- Next meeting November 6, 2025

**It was moved by Delta Sigma Theta and seconded by Alpha Phi Alpha that the meeting be adjourned. MOTION CARRIED.**

**Closing Prayer: Omega Psi Phi**

**Adjournment: 7:15P.M.**

**Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Sam**



## **Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®**

### **Eta Chi Omega Chapter**

#### **Scholarship Committee Business Meeting Report**

**October 19, 2025**

#### **Committee Meeting Updates:**

- Date of Meeting: October 02, 2025
- Members attended: Soror Tracey Biagas-Hill, Soror Tynese Breaux, Soror Tanya Sias, Soror, Chastity Wilson, Soror Anastasia McZeal, Soror Deborah Garrett, Soror Sharon Pierre, Soror Anitra Ford-Scott, Soror Tahisa Colbert, Soror Joelle Nixon-Nelson, and Soror LaKeshia Reed

#### **Budget:**

Starting balance: \$4,550

- Book Stipend: \$500 Book stipend x 4 recipients = \$2,000
- Earline D. Pipkin Scholarship \$2500 x 1 recipient = \$2,500

Ending balance: \$50 (Incidental)

#### **Melba Breaud Scholarship:**

- This scholarship is awarded to undergraduate Sorors of Epsilon Beta Chapter who have excelled academically, shown leadership characteristics, and demonstrated high ethical and moral standards. Eligibility for this scholarship **excludes** undergraduate Sorors graduating in 2025 and the recipient of the 2025 Earline D. Pipkin Scholarship.
- The total amount collected for the scholarship was \$2,552.46; of that amount \$2,500 will be disbursed in the Fall of 2025 to three Epsilon Beta Undergraduate Sorors with \$52.46 of that amount reserved to cover expenses associated with the award. The amounts of the awards will be: \$1200, \$750, and \$550.00. The Scholarships will be disbursed during Epsilon Beta's business meeting on Sunday, November 16, 2025, time to announced.

- Application will be emailed to EB Sorors on 10/20/2025; deadline to return scholarship applications on Wednesday, October 29, 2025, by 12 midnight. Interviews will be held on Saturday, November 1, 2025, starting at 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM. The committee has agreed to include two members of Lambda Beta Omega in addition to three members of Eta Chi Omega who are not assigned Epsilon Beta Sorors as mentees to serve as judges for the scholarship recipients.

**Recommendation:**

- The Scholarship committee recommends the Melba Breaud Scholarship be awarded to three Epsilon Beta Undergraduate Sorors in the amounts of \$1200, \$750, and \$550 with \$52.46 to be reserved for award expenses, to be presented during Epsilon Beta's business meeting on Sunday, November 16, 2025.

Submitted by:

Soror LaKeshia Reed

Scholarship Committee Chair

**Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®**  
**Eta Chi Omega Chapter**  
**Sisterly Relations/Strengthen Our Sisterhood Committee Report**  
**Business Meeting Report**  
**October 2025**

**Sisterly Relations/ Strengthen our Sisterhood Report**

Budget: Operating: \$1200      Current Funds Available: \$1100

The Sisterly Relations and the Strengthen Our Sisterhood Committee, in collaboration with the Our Seniors Committee, met on Monday, October 13, 2025, at 7:15 PM via Zoom. The following sorors were in attendance: Tynese Breaux, Lisa Lazard, Cassandra Pillette, Felicia Washington, Shirley R. Cormier, Christele Strowder, Yvonne Narcisse, Andretta Porter-Williams, Dolores Cormier Zenon, and Monica S. Kincade.

**September Theme: ECO Game Day Glow**

A Sisterhood Pep Rally was held on Saturday, September 20, 2025, at the conclusion of the Chapter Business Meeting.

Sorors represented their favorite high school, college, or professional sports teams for the Pep Rally. The Homecoming was highlighted with Soror Lakeshia Reed answering the Homecoming Queen role call.

The Pep Rally ended with group pictures.

Budget \$0

**October Theme: Squad Check In**

Sorors supported the NAMI Walk on Saturday, October 4, 2025, with a Soror Squad meet-up.

Budget \$0

**October Birthdays**

1- CASSANDRA PILLETTE
4 – CRYSTAL LEDET
6- DANIELLE COLE -THOMAS
7 – TONI CELESTINE
10 – CHLOEE’ BELLO
THERESA SINGLETON
11- KEARIA MCCANTS WHITE

13- JAMILIA MCKINLEY 16- ALECIA CORLEY
18- KAREN KING
20-THOMASINE BATISTE CHANTEL TAYLOR FELICIA SUTTON WASHINGTON
27 – ANGELA R. LEWIS 30 – MONICA MARIE GALE KINCADE

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

- The committee recommends a contribution of not more than \$250 from the Sisterly Relations line item to the “Tea and Thankfulness” event in collaboration with the Our Seniors Committee, with the date and location to be determined.
- The committee recommends a budget of not more than \$850 from the Sisterly Relations line item to host the annual Christmas Social, with the date and location to be determined.

Submitted by

Monica Smith Kincade

Sisterly Relations / Strengthen Our Sisterhood Chairman

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**❖ Joint Meeting with Epsilon Beta – Sunday, October 26,  
2025 at 6:00 p.m. (Epsilon Beta Presiding)**

## **SISTERLY MOMENTS**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ★ **Executive Committee Meeting – Wednesday, November 5, 2025 –  
Virtual via Zoom**
- ★ **Chapter Business Meeting – Saturday, November 15, 2025 – 10:00 a.m.  
– Location: SLCC-Lafayette Campus Devalcourt Auditorium located at  
320 Devalcourt Street in Lafayette, LA 70506**
- ★ **Executive Committee Meeting – Wednesday, December 3, 2025 – 6:00  
p.m. – Virtual via Zoom**
- ★ **2025 South Louisiana Cluster – December 5-6, 2025, New Orleans, LA**
- ★ **Chapter Business Meeting – Saturday, December 13, 2025 – 10:00 a.m.  
– Progressive Community Center, Lafayette, LA**
- ★ **94<sup>th</sup> SCRC 2026 - Host: Northeast Louisiana Cluster, March 25-29,  
2025, Shreveport, LA**
- ★ **Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® Boule 2026 - Las Vegas,  
Nevada, Dates: TBD**
- ★ **95<sup>th</sup> SCRC 2027 – Hosts: West Texas/New Mexico Clusters,  
Location/Dates: TBD**
- ★ **96<sup>th</sup> SCRC 2028 – Host: Southeast Texas Cluster, Location/Dates: TBD**
- ★ **97<sup>th</sup> SCRC 2029 – Host: Northeast Texas Cluster, Location/Dates: TBD**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**HYMN/PLEDGE**