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9:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast

> 10 a.m. Meeting

Special Foundation Meeting Immediately Following Chapter Meeting

Dear Sorors,

Welcome back to the new sorority year. I hope that you were able to take a vacation or a staycation. It seems the summer is never long enough to do the things we save for it, such as reading that special book, rearranging the closet or visiting those whom we promised to visit.

Now we must put summer away, return to our regular routines and share our renewed energy with Epsilon Omega Chapter and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. We need Every Soror to Participate in our programs and activities.

It was my pleasure to represent Epsilon Omega Chapter at the 2009 Leadership Conference in Anchorage, Alaska. Approximately 1,400 Sorors were able to attend the conference and Soror Tonja Ringgold also participated, giving Epsilon Omega Chapter two representatives in attendance.

In addition to attending the plenary sessions, I participated in the Day of Service Program, EAF Annual Meeting, Housing Foundation Annual Meeting and EAF Luncheon, attended seven workshops, served as a facilitator for the Protocol Workshop and attended the Regional Gathering with the Supreme Basileus. More information and details will be shared at Chapter meetings and in the newsletter.

Sorors, we will hold our retreat on November 6-7 at the Ivy Family Support Center. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend. If you did not receive an electronic copy of the Regional Director's newsletter, several copies will be available at the Chapter meeting.

Your input and ideas are needed and welcomed in these challenging times we face. I encourage you to let me hear from you on ways we can make Epsilon Omega Chapter, "the chapter we all love."

Sisterly, Soror Angela

Epsilon Omega Executive Committee

Basileus

Soror Angela C. Gibson **Anti-Basileus (Program)** Soror Audrey M. Bennett **Anti-Basileus (Operations)** Soror Joann R. Barber Grammateus Soror Sheila E. Tidline Anti-Grammateus Soror Francina C. Spencer Tamiouchos Soror Sylvia Burke **Anti-Tamiouchos** Soror Virginia B. Vauls **Pecunious Grammateus** Soror Jan W. Carter **Anti-Pecunious Grammateus** Soror Geraldine S. Curry **Epistoleus** Soror Ruby M. Bass-Coleman Philacter Soror Emma J. Hamlin Anti-Philacter Soror Rita Johnson Hodegos Soror Shirley S. Briscoe **Ivy Leaf Reporter** Soror Shaletta D. Espie Parliamentarian Soror E. Francine Stokes-McElveen Anti-Parliamentarian Soror Edmonia T. Yates Historian Soror Cardrienne P. Griffin Standards Soror Barbara A. Burgess **Graduate Advisors** Alpha Delta (Morgan)- Soror Adrienne Stokes-Orange Epsilon Kappa (Coppin)- Soror Karen P. Foster Xi Tau (Johns Hopkins) - Soror Lois D. Knight-Harrison Members-at-Large Soror Isabella Branch-Brown Soror Joanne C. Carpenter Soror Reather F. Green Soror Edna Y. Rich **Foundation President** Soror Evelyn C. McLeod **Immediate Past Basileus** Soror Cheryl L. Frazier

Important Message from Barbara A. McKinzie, Supreme Basileus

Dear Sorors,

I am writing to you today on a matter of utmost importance, as a few isolated voices are trying to tarnish the proud legacy of AKA and the accomplishments and commitment of its leaders. We must rally to the defense of our beloved organization and its strong record as we "serve all mankind."

For 101 years, Alpha Kappa Alpha has stood for sisterhood, ethics and service. We celebrated this heritage last year for our Centennial, and together we are laying the foundation to advance our mission for the next 100 years.

We have truly grown into an international organization comprised of 260,000 strong, college-educated women in 950 chapters around the world. We now serve as a symbol and champion of empowerment and civil rights not only in North America but in the Caribbean, Europe and Asia.

Given our growing global engagement, AKA's structure and operations have had to evolve and grow as well.

As part of a necessary professionalization of our organization, the new leadership team has enforced stringent financial standards. Accounting and budgetary practices have been tightened, erasing past IRS liabilities and cost overruns.

This has been a vital and long-overdue undertaking for AKA; if we are to continue to serve as a strong foundation for our communities and the lives of women, we must have a strong financial foundation to ensure our continued effectiveness.

This guiding principle has been behind every change and action taken during my presidency.

Change never comes easy. A frivolous lawsuit brought by just 8 members against me and Alpha Kappa Alpha has garnered media attention and generated some questions among fellow Sorors and the community at large.

I am writing to assure you that these allegations are without merit. I also want to apologize for any inconvenience or embarrassment these events have caused.

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Vision & Mission

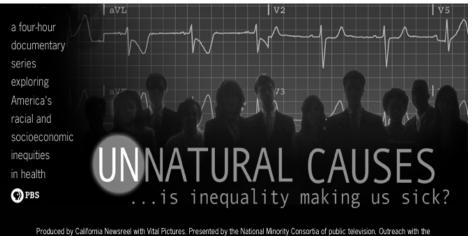
Epsilon Omega Chapter will be recognized as a viable, dynamic, positive force in Baltimore that impacts the community educationally, politically and culturally. We will have an informed, committed, dedicated and spirited membership.

It is the mission of the Epsilon Omega Chapter to provide consistent and effective services to its members, civic organizations and local, national and international communities to improve the quality of life for all whom we serve.

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This guiding principle has been behind every change and action taken during my presidency.Change never comes easy. A frivolous lawsuit brought by just 8 members against me and Alpha Kappa Alpha has	Two new wax figures - one of me as president at the time of the centennial and one of our first international president - were purchased for a total of \$45,000 by the Centennial Boule Hostess Chapters - not the national organization - to complement the wax figure of our founder created in 1996.	
garnered media attention and generated some questions among fellow Sorors and the community at large.I am writing to assure you that these allegations are without merit. I also want to apologize for any inconvenience or	Further allegations about personal use of AKA funds are false and unsupported by the organization's audited books. All expenses were consistent with furthering AKA's mis- sion. As part of the professionalization of the organization and in	
embarrassment these events have caused. Given the negative nature of news coverage of the sensa- tional and false claims made in the complaint, you or those you know may have questions. You may also be asked shout this issue by these with whom you interact in success.	accordance with AKA's Constitution and Bylaws, the Board of Directors authorized a stipend for the president. The Board is the elected governing body of the organiza- tion.	
about this issue by those with whom you interact in every- day life and your work. I am writing today to help address these questions, and give you the information you need to help me defend the integrity of AKA.	AKA and its leadership are proud of its successes and look forward to advising its membership and the public of its continuing successes.	
First, I must stress that under our democracy and our judi- cial system, an allegation is not a fact. As a private corpora-	I ask that you all not only remain open-minded as this proc- ess winds to its conclusion, but that you take an active role as an ambassador for AKA and for its cause. When you see and hear falsehoods repeated around you,	
tion of college-educated women who have chosen to serve mankind, we are determined not to be used for sensational- ism even when some of our members participate in this type of destruction.	stand up for the truth and what we believe in. Many of you have asked what you can do to help. Here are some suggestions:	
The place to address litigation is the courts, not the media or the Internet. AKA regrets that it has been put in the posi- tion where comments are expected about ongoing litiga- tion. The Sorority understands the litigation process and will not try to subvert or circumvent it.	 Speak with friends who may be confused by the false accusations that have been made. Write your local newspaper if they have run articles on this issue. Comment on articles posted on various Websites. If you are active in social media sites like Twitter, 	
Although I do not usually comment on active litigation or the allegations raised in that litigation, I am compelled to respond at this time.	Facebook or MySpace, use those platforms to defend AKA's good name.If you know inactive members, please forward this letter to them.	
Doing so is painful personally but also because such a pub- lic debate over egregious fabrications goes against so much of what Pink and Green stands for: dignity and quiet ser- vice to others.	•Do not patronize media that do not give our side of the story a fair hearing. We are committed to continuing this course of maintaining the financial integrity of our proud organization to serve the best interest of our members and advance our mission.	
The malicious allegations leveled against AKA by former leaders are based on mischaracterizations and falsehoods not befitting our ideals of sisterhood, ethics and service. Unfortunately, the media has elevated some of the allega- tions without putting them into proper context or devoting fair space to our response.	We are a sisterhood and it is together as a sisterhood that we will overcome these unfounded and unjust attacks on Alpha Kappa Alpha. Sisterly, <i>Barbara A. McKinzie</i> Supreme Basileus	
The most outlandish misrepresentation is the so-called \$900,000 wax figure of me. That amount was allocated by the AKA Board of Directors to help defray overall expenses for our 2010 convention.		

Chapter News

Plan to Attend a Special Screening of "Unnatural Causes: Is Inequality Making Us Sick" on Tuesday, September 22!



Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies Health Policy Institute, www.unnaturalcauses.org. DVD available at www.newsreel.org. The Standards Committee will host a special screening of "Unnatural Causes: Is Inequality Making Us Sick?" on Tuesday, September 22, 2009, 6:30 p.m.–9 p.m., at the

quality Making Us Sick?" on Tuesday, September 22, 2009, 6:30 p.m.–9 p.m., at the Ivy Family Support Center. The documentary explores racial and socioeconomic inequalities in health. Following the presentation, Dr. Lorece Edwards and Congressman Elijah Cummings (invited) will be on hand to discuss the documentary and what health care reform means to communities of color. A reception will follow the discussion. For more information, please contact Soror Karenthia Barber.

Scoop Sheet Deadline

To ensure the timely distribution of *Along the Byline*, no scoop sheets will be accepted later than **Monday**, **September 14, 2009**. Please return your scoop sheet to Soror Shaletta D. Espie at shaletta76@hotmail.com or 5717 Willowton Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland 21239. Scoop Sheets are available at the sign-in table at Chapter meetings.

Are You a Runner? If So, Join the AKA-EO Team! Baltimore 5K Run Marathon October 10, 2009 Contact Soror Adrienne Stokes Orange Let's Be Healthy!

Enkosi means "thank you" in Xhosa, the first language of students attending Ikamvalesizwe Combined School in Kenton-On-Sea, South Africa.

Your generosity to the South African Schools Project facilitated the purchase of much-needed books, resource guides and instructional materials for the students, faculty and staff at Ikamvalesizwe.

Donors from Baltimore to New York contributed a total of \$10,100 to the project this year. Providing tuition and uniforms for 40 students and the following materials: 240 *Junior Great* books; 200 pens; 260 pencils; 40 rulers; 30 cases of paper; two laptop computers; two inkjet printers; one laser printer; 16 printer ink cartridges and art supplies for students in grades 1

Enkosi, Sorors!

Your donations could not have come at a better time. When we arrived at the school in May, there was only one working computer for a staff of 25, two reams of paper for the copier and one working printer, which was out of ink. Faculty, staff and students were elated with the donations, calling the donations, "Gifts from God," and calling donors, "Angels."

After the gifts were distributed, we headed to the classrooms to begin our work. English usage and reading in English were the focus of classroom instruction during our four-week stay. While my students delivered daily instruction to 6th graders only, we assessed the reading ability of 6th, 7th and 8th graders using the Diagnostic

Assessment of Reading, which tests word recognition, oral reading, silent reading comprehension, spelling and word meaning.

Preliminary results indicate that learners who used the *Junior Great* book series last year showed improvement in word recognition and silent reading comprehension.

In the coming months, I will continue to share more information about the school with you, particularly its history, challenges and progress. For now, I sincerely thank you for your participation in this project through your generous donations and for your decision to partner with me in this endeavor.

Sisterly yours, Soror La Jerne Cornish

Announcements and Tidbits

Election Day is Coming Election Day 2009 will be here soon. In this odd number year, we will elect the following positions:

- Anti-Basileus for Program
- Grammateus
- Tamiouchos
- Epistoleus
- Hodegos
- Anti-Pecunious Grammateus
- Anti-Philacter
- Executive Committee (2)
- Nominating Committee (4)

Please contact any member of the Nominating Committee to avail yourself or suggest someone to run. Members of the Nominating Committee are Sorors:

- Isabella Branch-Brown (Chair)
- Patricia Sparrow (Cochair)
- Barbara Burgess
- Crystal Cotton-Faison
- Ramona Greene
- Roselyn Hammond
- Barbara Harding
- Lillian Jackson
- Vivian Jackson

Please make your recommendations ASAP so the candidates' profiles can appear in the newsletter.

Reports Reminder

Chapter committee reports are due for all events that occurred between January and June 2009. Please give your reports to the appropriate Anti-Basileus at your earliest convenience.

Standards Committee Meeting

The Standards Committee will meet on Thursday, September 10, 2009, 6:30 p.m., at the Ivy Family Support Center.

Shop 'Til You Drop

The Annual Fall Flea Market will be held on Thursday, October 1 through Saturday, October 3, 2009, and at the October 10 Chapter meeting. Many new and nearly new fashionable clothes and accessories will be available!

North Atlantic Regional **Conference Hostess Fee** Epsilon Omega is one of the Hostess Chapters for the 2010 Regional Conference. Therefore. all Sorors financial in 2009 will be assessed \$75. Fees may be paid in installments and is due by December 31, 2009. The Regional Conference will be held March 25-28, 2010, at the Gaylord Conference Center in National Harbor. Maryland.

Undergraduate Round-up

The Undergraduate Roundup will take place September 18-20, on 2009, at the University of Delaware. This event is open to all Sorors and the registration fee is \$110 (on or before September 12. 2009; no personal checks will be accepted). To reserve a hotel room. please contact the Courtyard Marriott Newark at 302-737-0900.

CLUSTER I CONFER-ENCE

The Cluster I Conference is Saturday, October 24, 2009, 8 a.m.–5 p.m., at the Four Points Sheraton Hotel in New Carrollton, Maryland. Please see pages 8 and 9 for registration information.

Metropolitan Founders' Day

The Metropolitan Founders' Day Celebration will take place on Sunday, January 24, 2010, 12 p.m. -3 p.m. at the BWI Marriott. Tickets are \$60 and will be available at Chapter meetings beginning September 12. Snow date is January 31, 2009.

Chapter Song



(Tune: "Moonlight and Roses," by Lemare, Black, Moret)

I Epsilon Omega, The chapter that we all love.

Epsilon Omega, The chapter we're proudest of.

Alpha Kappa Alpha, A sisterhood noble and true.

Alpha Kappa Alpha, Our hopes are in you.

II We pledge devotion, In all that we try to do.

From ocean to ocean, We seek to honor you.

One thought, one purpose, United in spirit we stand.

> Epsilon Omega, The best in the land.





September 1

Soror Geraldine Flanigan

September 2

Soror LaKristol Dennard

September 9

Soror Barbara Burgess

September 10

Soror Gloria Jones

September 12

Soror Joan Powell

September 13

- Soror Audrey Highsmith
- Soror Marcia Martin

September 16

• Soror Gloria Greene

September 18

• Soror Cardrienne Griffin

September 19

- Soror Shirley Johnson
- Soror Dolores Spriggs

September 20

- Soror Vera Flint
- Soror Joyce Jennings

September 21

• Soror Barbara Robinson

September 25

• Soror Joann Batie-Smith

September 27

- Soror Agnes Edwards
- Soror Minnie Love

September 28

• Soror G. Marie Long

Save-the-Date



Friday, September 11, 2009 Day of Service Program

- Saturday, September 12, 2009
 Chapter Meeting, 9:30 a.m. (Continental Breakfast), 10 a.m. (Meeting), Ivy Family Support Center
 Special Foundation Meeting, Immediately Following Chapter Meeting
- Friday, September 18-Sunday, September 20, 2009 Undergraduate Round-up, University of Delaware
- Monday, September 28, 2009
 Foundation Executive Committee Meeting, 6 p.m., Ivy Family Support Center
- Monday, October 5, 2009 Chapter Executive Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Ivy Family Support Center
- Saturday, October 10, 2009 Chapter Meeting, 9:30 a.m. (Continental Breakfast), 10 a.m. (Meeting), Ivy Family Support Center
- Sunday, October 18, 2009 "AKAs for a Cure", Breast Cancer Awareness Walk, Hunt Valley, Maryland
- Friday, October 23-Sunday, October 25, 2009 Cluster I Conference Leadership Meeting, New Carrollton, Maryland
- Monday, October 26, 2009 Foundation Executive Committee Meeting, 6 p.m., Ivy Family Support Center
- Monday, November 2, 2009 Chapter Executive Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Ivy Family Support Center
- Friday, November 6-Saturday, November 7, 2009 Epsilon Omega Chapter 2009 Retreat
- Saturday, November 14, 2009
 Chapter Meeting, 9:30 a.m. (Continental Breakfast), 10 a.m. (Meeting), Ivy Family Support Center
- Saturday, November 21, 2009 Day of Hope Activity
- Monday, November 23, 2009 Foundation Executive Committee Meeting, 6 p.m., Ivy Family Support Center
- Saturday, December 5, 2009 "Love Your Sister" Day
- Monday, December 7, 2009 Chapter Executive Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Ivy Family Support Center
- Saturday, December 12, 2009
 Chapter Meeting, 9:30 a.m. (Continental Breakfast), 10 a.m. (Meeting), Ivy Family Support Center

Condolences and Prayers

Please send your condolences and prayers to:

- Ruby Bass Coleman, who lost her mother-in-law.
- Soror Ruth Brown, who lost her brother.
- Soror Cecelia Carroll, who lost of her mother. Soror Cecelia's mom was also the sister of Soror Elizabeth Craig and the aunt of Soror Patricia Scott.
- Soror Elizabeth Dyett, who lost her niece.
- Soror Robin Kane-Prater, who lost her grandmother.
- Soror Vencindora Kane, who lost her mother.

Along the Ivy Vine

• Soror Ann Venture Young, who lost her son.

Please pray for the family of our Ivy Beyond the Wall—Soror Elva Owens.

Congratulations to Soror Karenthia Barber!

Soror Karenthia has been appointed to the following boards: Stadium Place, a senior housing community located on the former site of Memorial Stadium, and the MLAW, which is the Maryland Legislative Agenda for Women.

Congratulations to Our Recently Retired Sorors!

Sorors Sylvia Burke, Verna Jackson, Cecelia King and Margaret Shipley.

Sorors in Our Thoughts!

Please take a moment to send good well wishes to the following Sorors: Justyne Boyd, Shirley Briscoe, Virginia Clark, Heloise Frazier, A. Bernice S. Hunley, Vivian Jackson, Marion Patterson and Helen Thornton



Thank You Letters From Our Sorors

Dear Sorors,

I was pleasantly surprised with the arrival of a handsome spring floral planter, and I want to thank you for your thoughtfulness. The past three months were stressful, but I am now much improved.

Alpha Kappa Alpha is highly important to me (since 1946), and I truly regret being unable to actively participate with you. I cherish our sisterhood. You are loved.

Sisterly yours,

Soror Juanita H. Gates

My Dear Sorors,

Many thanks for your kind expressions of care and concern during my recent surgery and confinement.

Your cards, visits, calls, prayers and the beautiful planter have helped to lift my spirits and speed my recovery. I am looking forward to being "back on my feet" real soon.

With Sisterly Love and Appreciation,

Soror Vivian E. Jackson

Dear Sorors,

The family of the late Russell Venture Young, aka "Rusty," extends its heartfelt appreciation to the Sorors of Epsilon Omega Chapter for their many expressions of sympathy, love and friendship during our most sorrowfilled and challenging days following the death of our loved one.

Sincerely,

Russell M. and Soror Ann Venture Young At Chapter meetings, continental breakfast will end promptly at 10 a.m. No food will be served after 10 a.m.

Business attire is the required dress code for meetings.

Please wear your name badge to facilitate networking.

Do not park on the post office parking lot during their business hours. Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated North Atlantic Region 2009 Cluster I Leadership Conference Four Points by Sheraton New Carrollton 8500 Annapolis Road New Carrollton, MD 20784 Saturday, October 24, 2009

Dear Cluster I Sorors:

The Annual Cluster I Fall Leadership Conference will be held on Saturday, October 24, 2009, at the Four Points by Sheraton New Carrollton, 8500 Annapolis Rd., New Carrollton, Maryland 20784. The theme for the conference is: **"Energizing Sisterly Power."**

Psi Epsilon Omega Chapter is pleased to host this conference under the leadership of our Regional Director, Soror Evelyn Sample-Oates. This full-day conference will begin at 7:30 a.m. and conclude by 4 p.m. The day will be packed with Extra fun, Special updates and in Particular things to make you go, "Hmmm?" There will be something for the seasoned Soror and those who have just joined our illustrious sisterhood.

A completed registration form with the appropriate fees for the Cluster I Leadership Conference must be postmarked on or before Friday, October 16, 2009, with a chapter check, certified check or money order.

PERSONAL CHECKS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. THERE IS NO ON-SITE REGISTRATION.

Should you need any further assistance, please contact me at your convenience. The Sorors of Psi Epsilon Omega Chapter look forward to welcoming you to the Four Points by Sheraton New Carrollton for the Cluster I Fall Leadership Conference on Saturday, October 24.

Sisterly,

Soror Mona Calhoun

Soror Mona Calhoun Conference Chairperson ClusterIConference @ yahoo.com 301-529-6510

Hotel Information

Four Points by Sheraton New Carrollton 8500 Annapolis Road New Carrollton, MD 20784 Saturday, October 24, 2009 (301) 459-6700

In order to accommodate Sorors who wish to have lodging at the Four Points by Sheraton New Carrollton on Friday, October 23, 2009 – Sunday, October 25, 2009, please call the hotel at 1-888-627-8515, 24 hours-a-day, 7 days-a-week. When making reservations, you may refer to group name *North Atlantic Region Cluster 1 Conference* and/or group code Alpha 1 to get the conference rate. A block of rooms is being held at the rate of \$ 129.00 per night for single and double rooms plus 11 percent tax. To receive this rate, a reservation must be made by October 16, 2009.

As conference registration will begin promptly at 7:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 24, 2009, we encourage the overnight stay for Sorors who will travel a distance. The agenda is quite comprehensive, and we wish to execute the planned activities in a smooth, accommodating manner. Therefore, your timeliness is essential. So, why not stay over, be relaxed, ready and energized for what the day will offer. The Four Points by Sheraton New Carrollton is brand new and each room comes with a 32" LCD TV with remote, Internet access, a microwave and refrigerator at no additional charge. For those who like to stay fit, the hotel offers a fitness center or kick-back and relax at Cities Grill & Lounge for a casual meal. There is shopping and restaurants within walking distance. For your convenience, they offer free parking and complimentary use of their Business Center—complete with high speed Internet access and printing services.

Psi Epsilon Omega Chapter will work extremely hard to make sure that your visit to the Four Points by Sheraton is enjoyable.

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated North Atlantic Region 2009 Cluster I Leadership Conference Four Points by Sheraton New Carrollton 8500 Annapolis Road New Carrollton, MD 20784 Saturday, October 24, 2009 7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.						
Theme: Energizing Sisterly Power						
CONFERENCE REG	JISTRATION					
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Golden Soror	Silver Star	Int'l Officer	Regional Standin	ng Committee Chair		
Any Special Needs:						
<u>Registration Fees:</u> Registration form with chapter check, certified check or money order must be postmarked on or before Friday, October 16, 2009. A \$30.00 fee will be assessed on all returned checks. PERSONAL CHECKS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.						
THERE WILL BE NO ON-SITE REGISTRATION. Graduate and General Members - \$75 Undergraduate Members - \$60						
Please remember to bring your official sorority documents.						
Make check payable to: North Atlantic Region . Please designate your chapter affiliation in the memo line of your check and mail your registration fee and form to:						
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c/o Soror Nicola Kennedy						
PO Box 445 Laurel, Maryland 20725						
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Foundation News

Thank you to everyone who supported the 2009 EOF Card Party—the Fantastic Voyage. This year's event was a success and raised much-needed funds for the upkeep of the Ivy Family Support Center. Special thanks to event co-chairs, Soror Linette Horsey-Fitten and Soror Patricia Sparrow, and their wonderful committee. Pictures (clockwise): The Ivy Family Support Center transformed into the EOF Cruise Line; Attendees Enjoy a Variety of Card Games; Soror Anne Roberts Leads Attendees in Bingo; Attendees Play Pokeno; Attendees Enjoy Sevens; Soror Janet Williams Vends at the Affair; and, Event Co-Chairs Sorors Linette Horsey-Fitten and Patricia Sparrow with committee members, Sorors Michelle Byers and Nicole Brown.





2009 Chapter Retreat

Friday, November 6, 2009 6 p.m.–9 p.m. Saturday, November 7, 2009 8 a.m.–3 p.m. Ivy Family Support Center

Registration:

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Theme:

\$ 30 by October 10, 2009 \$ 35 after October 10, 2009

Who's Your Sistah?

For More Information, Contact:

Soror Maxine Wood, Chairperson Soror Odessa Dunston, Co-Chairperson

Includes Dinner on Friday and Breakfast and Lunch on Saturday

Co-Champerson

2009 Chapter Retreat Registration Form

Please complete the registration form by Saturday, October 10, 2009, and return it to Soror Maxine Wood or Soror Odessa Dunston.

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	Name:		
-	Address:		
	Phone Number:		
	E-mail Address:		
	Questions:		

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Mark your calendar. On October 18, 2009, You Can Make A Difference!







Join the "AKAs for a Cure" on Sunday, October 18, 2009, so you can be among the anticipated 30,000 people who will participate in the 2009 Komen Maryland Race for the Cure held in Hunt Valley, Maryland. Your participation will help support the Komen promise of saving lives and ending breast cancer forever by empowering people, ensuring quality for all and energizing science to find the cure.

Because early detection is the best protection for breast cancer, Komen Maryland provides grants with the funds you help raise that increase the number of women who have annual mammograms and clinical breast exam screenings. Komen grants also target the entire range of breast health services from transportation to appointments and financial support to clinical trials and national research to find a cure.

Please consider walking with the team and/or making a contribution to show your support. Our team's goal is to raise \$1,000 this year! Please encourage other Sorors, your family and friends to support our team's effort! To register as a member of "AKAs for a Cure" and/or make a donation toward the team's goal, please contact Michelle Byers.

For more information on Black women and breast cancer, visit www.BlackWomensHealth.ORG.