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50th

ANNIVERSARY

WASHINGTON, D.C.

AUGUST
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1958

ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY
37th ANNUAL BOULE



Theme:

Pride in the Past

Gratitude for the Present

Faith in the Future

... Forward to a New Era of Service



*Greetings from the
Commissioners of
Washington, D. C.*

August 15, 1958

To the Officers and Members of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority:

It is with great pleasure that the Commissioners on behalf of the people of Washington, D. C., extend to you a most hearty welcome on the occasion of your Fiftieth Anniversary.

It is fitting that the Capital of the Nation and the birthplace of your organization should be the scene of this momentous occasion. It is our hope that this Boule will prove to be the most successful in the history of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority.

While you are in Washington, you should avail yourselves of the opportunity to see the scenes of your national government, visit some of the historic shrines and monuments, as well as our cultural centers. It is a privilege and a goal of every American to be familiar with the Nation's Capital.

I wish you a safe return to your various communities. May you carry with you many pleasant memories of your stay in Washington as well as a desire to return.

ROBERT E. McLAUGHLIN
President
Board of Commissioners, D. C.

Welcome To Washington, D. C.

Pan-Hellenic Council

ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA

ALPHA PHI ALPHA

DELTA SIGMA THETA

ZETA PHI BETA

KAPPA ALPHA PSI

SIGMA GAMMA RHO

PHI BETA SIGMA

OMEGA PSI PHI

The Washington, D. C., Pan-Hellenic Council feels privileged to have this opportunity to welcome the officers and members of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority to the Nation's Capital on the occasion of your Fiftieth Anniversary.

We wish you every success in the fulfilment of your plans and objectives at this Boule. It is our sincere hope that your visit will be a memorable occasion, on which you will take advantage of some of the many cultural opportunities our democratic city has to offer.

The Council hopes that your return home will be safe and filled with the most pleasant memories of a lifetime.

Fraternally yours,

Washington Pan-Hellenic Council
Esther A. Robinson, Chairman

Greetings from the Hostess Basilei.....

Xi Omega

Xi Omega Chapter is thrilled yet humble to be one of your hostess chapters as Alpha Kappa Alpha sorors meet to celebrate fifty years of service at this Boule of 1958.

As sorors from all over the country gather to evaluate the past and plan for the future, we say, "Welcome, Alpha Kappa Alpha, welcome to your birthplace."

Your national officers, the two local undergraduate chapters, and this chapter have worked long and earnestly to make this Boule a fitting one for a Fiftieth Anniversary.

May this Boule be one long to be remembered for its progressive deliberations and enjoyable experiences.

EUNICE M. MATTHEWS
Washington, D. C.

Alpha

Alpha Chapter extends greetings to you who are attending the Boule. In this year which marks the Golden Anniversary of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Alpha Chapter joins hands with the other hostess chapters and hopes for the success of the sorority that blazed the way for sororities among Negro college women. In addition, we welcome the opportunity afforded by this occasion to express our gratitude and esteem to those women of vision and courage — our Founders. We hope that we may never stray from the ideals of service which they embraced from the beginning.

We sincerely hope that as we meet during this period and look with pride and gratitude at the progress and development made since January, 1908, we will strengthen our convictions and strive with renewed inspiration to make the coming years the best we can have.

Best wishes to not only those here. but to all of our sorors everywhere.

SYLVIA TAYLOR
Howard University

Beta Lambda

Beta Lambda Chapter has looked forward to our Fiftieth Anniversary with great anticipation. Extending a welcome to you, our sorors, gives us great pleasure. We sincerely hope that this will be your greatest experience thus far as Alpha Kappa Alpha women. Our warmest sisterly greetings go out to you as we wish for you a time of joy and re-dedication to the ideals of our Sorority.

ALICE YOUNG
District of Columbia
Teachers College

Basilei of Hostess Chapter



EUNICE MATTHEWS
Xi Omega

SYLVIA TAYLOR
Alpha

ALICE YOUNG
Beta Lambda

Greetings from North Atlantic Regional Director



EMMA BRINKLEY

To the sorors attending the Fiftieth Anniversary Boule of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, I extend warm greetings and sincere best wishes. North Atlantic Region welcomes you most heartily to the city of our birth and trusts that you will enjoy every minute of your stay. Your hostess chapters have given their very best in planning for your comfort, pleasure, and convenience.

It is our fervent hope that this opportunity to reconsecrate and rededicate ourselves here, at the site of our origin, will inspire and motivate us to become a truly great organization in our efforts to serve humanity during the years ahead.

A measure of greatness was given to us in 1908 at Howard University, by the destiny of our birth in the heart and mind of our noble and cultured founder, Ethel Hedgeman Lyle. Our rich heritage has given us ideals which we may never reach, but the thought of them should show us our deficiencies and spur us on to better and higher attainments.

May we, as Alpha Kappa Alpha women, catch the spark of celestial fire which will enable us to realize that organizations, like individuals, are as small as their controlling desires and only as great as their dominant aspirations.

Let us resolve not only to dream of a better way to serve mankind, but to become practical idealists — and search for the better way.

Sorors, from the South, the North, the West, the East, — across the wide expanse of these United States, may our 1958 Boule be great because each one of us has done her best to make it so.

With pride, gratitude, and faith, I welcome you to our Fiftieth Anniversary Boule on behalf of your Sorors of North Atlantic Region.

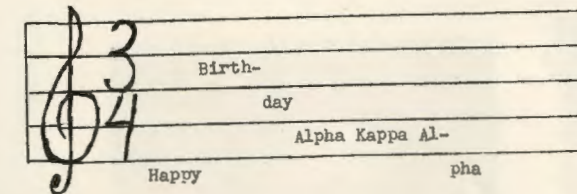
Sisterly yours,

EMMA B. BRINKLEY
Director
North Atlantic Region

Greetings from The Supreme Basileus



Arnetta G. Wallace



Happy Birthday, Sorors of Alpha Kappa Alpha,

Greetings to our hostess chapters—Alpha, Beta Lambda, and Xi Omega!

Greetings also to *all* sorors, everywhere, as we assemble in this historic

HOMECOMING CELEBRATION!

A nostalgia accompanies such occasions, as we reconstruct events of the past and re-live in memory the meaningful experiences of yesteryear.

May the aura of this 50TH ANNIVERSARY HOMECOMING at Washington, D. C., remain with each of us through the coming years.

Sisterly yours,

Arnetta G. Wallace,
Supreme Basileus



ARNETTA G. WALLACE
Supreme Basileus



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Second Anti-Basileus



EVELYN H. ROBERTS
Supreme Grammateus



MAYME E. WILLIAMS
First Anti-Basileus



GLADYS BUFKIN
Supreme Tamiochos



GRACE BALL
Supreme Anti-Grammateus

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Directorate*



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Far Western

Keepers of the Light....

By Jessie H. Roy, Xi Omega Chapter

Gay and laughing Ethel Hedgeman, co-ed with a thoughtful heart,
Paused one day and thought of something, thought of friends who, like herself,
Found great joy in high achievement and whose souls were fine and good—
Pure and shining as the starlight — symbols of sweet womanhood.

And to these she told the secret she had hidden in her thoughts,
That together they should kindle for the world a beacon light
In a lamp of precious metal which, themselves, they would adorn
With the beauty of their gifts to others not so fortunately born.

Ethel's classmates heard the challenge and accepted it at once.
Nine there were in the beginning, followed closely by some more
Who, attracted by the beauty of the idea of the light,
Pledged themselves to keep it burning — clear and lovely, strong and bright.

So, the lamp was made and lighted with the light of sisterhood,
Nourished with the oil of kindness, faith, and love for all mankind,
And its brightness was a magnet drawing to it every day
Many women on the campus whom it guided on their way.

Thus was Alpha Kappa Alpha born on Howard's campus fair
Fifty years ago by women who had vision to foresee
Many benefits and blessings from a sisterhood so grand
That the years have only made it grow more brightly through the land.

For five years the light burned brightly, not a flicker in its rays.
Then came those who sought to borrow from its flame a spark or two
To set going still another light to throw its shining beam
Farther still and to extinguish that first light of Ethel's dream.

But along came Soror Quander who beheld our lamp upturned
And who quickly cupped in her small hands its swiftly dying flame
To shield it from the winds of cold indifference that blew

So strong around it. She it was who saved the light for you.

Then, to make the world more certain of the light it knew so well,
Soror Quander filled the lamp again with oil of faith and love
And with two other sorors placed it on a legal base
To keep the light forever in a safe and ageless place.

Through the years has passed the keeping of the light from hand to hand
To women who have lived the life for which the symbols stand,
Each succeeding reigning soror trying hard to make her score
Just a little better than the ones of those who went before.

Yet again the light has flickered and its brightness has grown dim,
And the beauty of the lamp was marred when from its jeweled band
A precious gem was loosened, leaving but an empty space.
May God help us get again this gem and put it back in place!

For fifty years the light has shone upon a glorious past,
On projects meant to aid the sick and needy of our kind.
Health to darkest Mississippi for the humblest harvest hand
Was the fuel that revealed the light to thousands in our land.

It has shown to all our nation what a group of women
Could do to make America more healthful and more grand.
So, all hail to Soror Jackson and to Soror Ferebee,
Who gave their skill and services to help humanity!

Then, to fix our gains securely and to lead us farther on,
Soror Norma Boyd began her lobby project to protect,
By law, the rights of everyone to freedom and a share
In all the work and play and duties of our country fair.

In the great United Nations Soror Boyd took a part.
There she asked for all minorities the things they held most dear,
And so forceful was her pleading that all men be strong and free,
She held up the light of A. K. A. for all the world to see.

Now today as we stand peering into future years so dim,
We sincerely hope our light will pierce the darkness up ahead
And will lead us on to greater heights of glory day by day
As we strive to light the path for all we meet along life's way.



NELLIE QUANDER
First Supreme Basileus

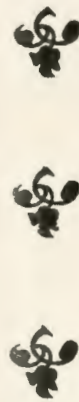
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Second Supreme Basileus



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Third Supreme Basileus



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Sixth Supreme Basileus

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National Basilei...*



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Seventh Supreme Basileus



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Eighth Supreme Basileus



MARGARET DAVIS BOWEN
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BEULAH T. WHITBY
Eleventh Supreme Basileus



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Twelfth Supreme Basileus



LAURA T. LOVELACE
Thirteenth Supreme Basileus

Our National Building



5211 South Greenwood Avenue,
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Fifty Years In Retrospect

It has ever been the custom of right-thinking mankind, whenever a milestone has been reached in the life of an organization, to pause and take cognizance of the significant happenings in its existence. So, it is with the same spirit of reminiscence that we look back over the fifty years of Alpha Kappa Alpha and think of the highlights in its growth that may give us inspiration in building a stronger future.

As we enter into the celebration of our Fiftieth Anniversary — the Golden Jubilee of Alpha Kappa Alpha, let us first try to recapture those dramatic moments of yesteryear when our founder, Ethel Hedgeman, dared to seek and interview with Dr. Wilbur Thirkield, then President of Howard University. She presented to him a preliminary draft of a constitution for a Greek letter sorority of Negro college women and pleaded with him to give his consent to the formation of such a group so as "to bring college women together in a closer bond of friendship and have them dedicate themselves to a high standard of scholarship and morals."

After the request was officially approved by the authorities of Howard University, Ethel Hedgeman and her group met to elect officers. Although Ethel Hedgeman, the guiding spirit in the birth of Alpha Kappa Alpha, was the choice of the group for president, she reminded them that she was a junior and that their newly adopted constitution stated that only seniors could be eligible for the presidency.

Thus, putting the purpose of the organization above any personal glory, she did not accept the nomination but moved that Lucy Slowe be elected by acclamation. Hence, the organization of Alpha Kappa Alpha was completed on February 21, 1908, with Lucy Slowe as president and the following as charter members: Beulah Burke, Lillian Burke, Margaret Flagg, Marjorie Hill, Marie Woolfolk, Anna Brown, Lavinia Norman, and Ethel Hedgeman.

Later, plans for national expansion of Alpha Kappa Alpha were realized in 1913 when Nellie Quander, Norma Boyd, and Minnie B. Smith succeeded in incorporating the Sorority under the laws of Congress and the District of Columbia. Thus, Alpha Kappa Alpha became the first incorporated national sorority among Negro college women.

Looking back over the years of expansion and community service, we see that our sorors have contributed both individually and collectively toward the development of Alpha Kappa Alpha. How significant were the services of our loyal sorors who worked with the Mississippi Health Project! For several years these sorors gave medical services to the suffering humanity of Holmes

County, Mississippi. Continuing our services to needy areas of human life, we have encouraged research through health grants to many medical institutions.

Much has been gained from the fervent spirit shown and personal sacrifices made in the organization of our Non-Partisan Council on Human Affairs. This project, now known as the American Council on Human Rights, started as a forthright attempt to inform minority groups and uplift their status.

Customarily, the symbol of the fiftieth year of any social structure is gold. Gold, the most precious of all metals, very appropriately symbolizes Alpha Kappa Alpha's heritage — fifty years existence.

From its letters, G-O-L-D, we extract these qualities which have characterized our sorority through the years. The letter *G* signifies Godliness which we have constantly acknowledged as necessary for life. Our constant prayer is that all our deliberations and projects be devoted wholly to His greater honor and glory.

The letter *O* symbolizes Orderliness which has been our standard through the years on the Boule, regional, and chapter levels of our sorority.

The letter *L* stands for Leadership in our individual and group endeavors. Never satisfied with just "service to mankind," we have always striven to be "supreme in service to all mankind." This challenge we must continue to accept.

The letter *D* means Dedication — dedication to scholarship, high morals, community betterment, and racial progress as well as unity and sisterhood among ourselves.

So, with Godliness, Orderliness, Leadership, and Dedication as distinguishing qualities of our sorority's fifty years existence, we look back not to retrogress or retrograde but to retrospect and to prepare ourselves for future endeavors. We are hopeful of a better Alpha Kappa Alpha because we are doing our part toward the making of a better social order in our respective communities.

In his writings George William Curtis tells the story of an Italian nobleman who enters his palace and looks up at the portraits of his long ancestral line. They seem to say to him, "Noblesse Oblige — the youngest scion of the oldest house is obliged to be noble." Sorors, on the occasion of the Fiftieth Anniversary — the Golden Jubilee of Alpha Kappa Alpha — we are reminded of the great heritage of our sisterhood. We are obliged to be noble!



Top: Dr. Ethel Alpenfels, Honorary Soror, with Past Supreme Basileus Lovelace.
Bottom: Presentation of \$2,000 Grant for Health Research.



Top: Joint Meeting, Washington, D. C.
Bottom: Andrew Rankin Memorial Chapel, Howard University, Washington, D. C.



A Tribute to Our Founders and Incorporators . . .

As we observe the Fiftieth Anniversary of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, we view with pride, humility and increased vitality the accomplishments of our sisterhood. Through unselfish devotion and common endeavor a dream has become a living reality. We are conscious of the designs and principles our founders and incorporators envisioned and re-dedicate ourselves to them as we contemplate the vast horizons of the future.

We honor with a deep sense of appreciation our founders and our incorporators for their broad vision and love of sisterhood.

To the dreams of Soror Ethel Hedgeman Lyle we owe our beginning. Her idea to bring young women together in a bond of friendship, character, mutual respect and academic achievement crystallized — and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority was born.

Among the other sorors to whom we are indebted as founders are:
Beulah E. Burke, Lavinia Norman, Lillian Burke, Lucy D. Slowe, Margaret Flagg Holmes, Marie Woolfolk Taylor, Marjorie Hill and Ann Brown.

Three sorors initiated and carried out the incorporation of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority which was completed on January 29, 1913. They were:

Nellie M. Quander, Norma E. Boyd and Minnie Beatrice Smith.

We realize that without the contributions of our founders and incorporators, we, the members of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, could not, after one half century, stand serene and confident that our love of sisterhood and interdependence can and will encourage and preserve the principles on which our Sorority was founded.

FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY



ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA
SORORITY

Ivies Beyond the Wall

*"So let my soul like the ivy be;
Heaven, not earth, is the place for thee."*

These beautiful words from *The Ivy Hymn* are dedicated by Alpha Kappa Alpha sorors to the "ivies beyond the wall" who have gone forever from our noble sisterhood and — "bondage ended, freedom won" — have left the dark forever for a beautiful world of light.

Thoughts of these sorors, like the ivy, will remain ever green in our hearts and again, like the ivy, they will retain their beauty and life forever.

*"I think when I shall come to die
There'll be no need for tear or sigh,
For if I've been an AKA,
Life owes me naught, I've lived my day."*



Soror
Catherine D. Stewart

The Hostess Chapter



Xi Omega...

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Katherine Steward

50th Anniversary Boule Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority

SHERATON-PARK HOTEL — WASHINGTON, D. C. — AUGUST 16 - 23, 1958

Calendar of Events

Saturday, August 16

10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Regional Directors' Council
Adams Room
7:00 p.m. Finance Committee
Suite 100C

Sunday, August 17

10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Advisory Committee Meeting
Adams Room
4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Reception Honoring Directorate
Burgundy East and West
7:00 p.m. Directorate Meeting
Adams Room

Monday, August 18

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Registration
Esplanade
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon Directorate Meeting
Hamilton Room
12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Luncheon Honoring Grand Officers of
Delta Sigma Theta by Directorate of
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority
Caribar Room
1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Press Conference
2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Directorate Meeting
Hamilton Room
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Reception and Garden Party
Honoring Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority
Courtesy Delta Sigma Theta
Women's Quadrangle, Howard University

Tuesday, August 19

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon First Business Session
Sheraton Hall
Registration continued
Esplanade
1:00 p.m. Fashion Show Luncheon
Sheraton Hall
10:00 p.m. Dance — Courtesy Pan Hellenic
National Guard Armory

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Calendar of Events

Wednesday, August 20

9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Sightseeing Tour
2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Second Business Session
Sheraton Hall
8:00 p.m. Public Meeting
Sheraton Hall

Thursday, August 21

8:00 a.m. Breakfast
(Directorate only — Courtesy
Zeta Chi Omega)
Adams-Hamilton Room
9:00 a.m. 12:00 noon Third Business Session
12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Undergraduate Luncheon
Continental Room
2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Open Session
Sheraton Hall
4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Workshop Sessions
Burgundy East (1)
Burgundy West (2)
Caribar Room (3)
8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Reception — Honoring Delta Sigma Theta
Sheraton Hall

Friday, August 22

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon Fourth Business Session
Sheraton Hall
1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Founders Luncheon
Howard University
3:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Sightseeing Tour
10:00 p.m. Fiftieth Anniversary Ball
Sheraton Hall

Saturday, August 23

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon Fifth Business Session
12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m. Recess for Lunch
1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Sixth Business Session
8:00 p.m. Fiftieth Anniversary Banquet
Sheraton Hall

Sunday, August 24

10:00 a.m. Post Directorate Session
Suite 100C

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Agenda

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Faith in the Future
---Forward to a New Era of Service

Tuesday, August 19

First Business Session
Soror Arnetta G. Wallace
Supreme Basileus, Presiding

8:45 a.m. Prelude

9:00 a.m. Keynote Message—Soror Arnetta G. Wallace
Solo—Soror Jessica D. Hayden, Omicron Omega

Greetings:
Soror June Mitchell, Alpha Chapter
Soror Alice Young, Beta Lambda Chapter
Soror Eunice Matthews, Xi Omega Chapter
Soror Emma Brinkley, North Atlantic Regional Director

Response — Soror Sujette Crank
Kappa Omega Chapter

Presentations:
Founding Group
Incorporators
Honorary Members
Past Supreme Basilei
Directorate
Staff
Hostess Chapters

9:30 a.m. Report of Registration—Seating of Delegates
Soror Carey B. Preston, Administrative Secretary

Appointments:
Supreme Philackter
Supreme Hodegos

Report of Rules Committee

Presentation of 1956 Minutes

9:50 a.m. Communications

Presentation of History
Soror Marjorie H. Parker, Xi Omega

Report of Constitution Committee
Soror Gladys Gordon

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10:10 a.m.

Panel — “Our Finance”
“The Finances of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority—A Non-profit Organization”
Mr. G. Steven Marchman, Auditor

Moderator: Soror Mary Clay Pinkston
Financial Director

Discussants:

National Program and Finances
Soror Mayme E. Williams
First Supreme Anti-Basileus

National Projects—Soror Maude L. Mann
Chairman, Regional Directors' Council

General Operational Budget
Soror Mary Clay Pinkston
Financial Director

Investments — Soror Gladys Bufkin
Supreme Tamiouchos

Convention Promotion—Soror Carey B. Preston
Administrative Secretary

11:40 a.m.

Report of the Supreme Tamiouchos
Soror Gladys Bufkin

11:50 a.m.

Announcements

Adjournment

Wednesday, August 20

Second Business Session
Soror Mayme E. Williams
First Supreme Anti-Basileus, Presiding

2:00 p.m.

Music — Undergraduates
North Atlantic Region
Mid-Atlantic Region
South Atlantic Region

Greetings—Mrs. Dorothy Harrison
Grand President, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority

2:20 p.m.

A Symposium — “Building Foundations for the Second Half Century”

“Leadership in a Democratic Organization”
Dr. Mel Ravitz

Moderator: Soror Beulah T. Whitby
Chairman, Regional Council

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Presentation of Mr. George O. Butler
Mrs. Arnetta G. Wallace

Introduction of Speaker
Mr. George O. Butler, Educational
Director,
The President's Committee on Government
Contracts

"Future Economic Opportunities for
Youth of Minority Groups"
The Honorable John A. Roosevelt

America the Beautiful — led by Soror
Etta Moten Barnett

Benediction

4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Workshop Sessions

I. Our Financial Structure — Burgundy
East
Leader: Soror Mary Clay Pinkston

Resource Persons:

Soror Maude L. Mann
Soror Gladys Bufkin
Soror Carey B. Preston

II. Our Organizational Structure
Burgundy West
Leader: Soror Beulah T. Whitby

Resource Persons:

Soror Ruth Beauchamp
Soror Besshart Cole
Soror Fanette B. Norris
Soror Thomasina Norford

III. Our National Program—
Caribar Room
Leader: Soror Mayme E. Williams

Resource Persons:

Soror Margaret Blake
Soror Rose Butler Brown
Soror Edna Over Campbell
Soror Virginia Coffey
Dr. Paul Cook

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Friday, August 22

8:45 a.m.

9:00 a.m.

9:20 a.m.

10:20 a.m.

10:25 a.m.

10:40 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

12:00 noon

Saturday, August 23

8:45 a.m.

9:00 a.m.

9:15 a.m.

Fourth Business Session
Soror Arnetta G. Wallace,
Supreme Basileus, Presiding

Prelude

Thoughts to Live By
Miss Dorothy Height, National President
National Council of Negro Women

Music—AKA Dettles, Gamma Eta Omega

Regional Directors Round Table
Soror Maude L. Mann, Chairman,
Presiding

Participants:

Soror Emma Brinkley, North Atlantic
Soror Grace Matthews Pleasants,
Mid-Atlantic
Soror Georgia Schanck, South Atlantic
Soror Gwendolyn Goldston, Great Lakes
Soror Lois Daniel, Southeastern
Soror Odalie McDonald, South Central
Soror Esther B. Payne, Mid-Western
Soror Mary P. King, Far Western

Group Singing — Led by Soror L. Pearl
Mitchell

Report on Constitutional Amendments
Chairman, Tellers Committee

Report of Nominating Committee
Soror Eunice Bacot, Chairman

Directorate Recommendations

Adjournment

Fifth Business Session
Soror Mayme E. Williams, First Supreme
Anti-Basileus, Presiding

Prelude

Meditation — Soror Mayme E. Williams

Voting Instructions — Soror Carey B.
Preston

(Voting will begin immediately and run
concurrently with the morning session)

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Saturday, August 23

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| 9:30 a.m. | Unfinished Business <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Ivy Leaf Club Manualb. Guide to Program Activities for Undergraduate Chaptersc. Rituals |
| 9:45 a.m. | Reports on Workshop Findings |
| 10:15 a.m. | Group Singing — led by Soror L. Pearl Mitchell |
| 10:30 a.m. | Committee Reports
Public Relations—Soror Gerri Major
Recommendations
Courtesy
Time and Place |
| 11:30 a.m. | Announcements |
| 12:00 noon | Recess for Lunch

<i>Sixth Business Session</i>
Soror Arnetta G. Wallace,
Supreme Basileus, Presiding |
| 1:00 p.m. | Singing <ul style="list-style-type: none">Far WesternMid-WesternSouth Central |
| 1:15 p.m. | Report of Finance Committee
Soror Mary Clay Pinkston, Chairman |
| 1:45 p.m. | Report of Registration
Soror Carey B. Preston |
| 1:55 p.m. | Tellers Report |
| 2:10 p.m. | Unfinished Business |
| 2:30 p.m. | Presentations <ul style="list-style-type: none">Hamilton Watch CompanyUnderwood Typewriter Company |
| 3:00 p.m. | Installation of Officers |
| 3:30 p.m. | Ivies Beyond the Wall
Soror Lucille B. Wilkins |
| 4:00 p.m. | Announcements
Closing Thoughts
Adjournment |