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Greetings Sorors,

This newsletter greeting has been the most difficult to write, primarily because last month was so tumultuous. My Iota sisters, YOU ARE PHENOMENAL! The showering of support for our soror Dr. Tonya Sawyer-McGee undeniably communicates our sisterly love for her and Diego. He will be truly missed. I extend my deepest appreciation for your acts of kindness: providing dinner, attending the wake and funeral, and the calls and texts of sympathy and comfort. Let us continue to pray for Soror Tonya and her family. Tons of Turtle Hugs for all that you did in the name of sisterhood!

On June 1, 2017, we celebrated the 88<sup>th</sup> Founder's Day Celebration for Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc. Your thoughts on the seven attributes fortify the purpose and mission of this organization. It's longevity is cemented by how each soror can contribute to that purpose. Now, I know that some of us will have to continue working throughout the summer but for those of you not attending our National Convention, please take a break from Iota the first three weeks of July. Starting around July 24<sup>th</sup>, start envisioning how we can improve our chapter, serve more people, and increase our impact. We will resume chapter activities in August.

During our 88<sup>th</sup> Anniversary National Convention, our own Wendy B. Jacques will complete her tenure as the organization's National Recording Secretary. Soror Wendy's tireless service to Iota is greatly appreciated. We see your love for this sisterhood in the passion and quality you bring to the job. We thank you for your dedication over the years.

Seven Gavel Taps to the EACH Epsilon Tau soror for your prayers, words of comfort, hugs, and support during this month. Seven Gavel Taps to the Education and Scholarship Committee and Soror Vena Thomas for putting together our scholarship recipient care baskets and arranging the Education and Scholarship Dinner. Seven Gavel Taps to Adopt A School chair, Soror Robin Mack, for putting together and delivering our Teacher Appreciation gifts. Sorors, I just want to tell each of you AGAIN how grateful I am for your unselfish contributions to our chapter. It truly is E.veryone T.gether. Always working and never shirking in the name of Iota.



*Michelle Peace*  
*Epsilon Tau President*

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# EPSILON TAU CHAPTER TEACHER APPRECIATION

On May 1, 2017, Soror Robin Mack and President Michelle Peace delivered appreciation gifts to the Teacher's and Staff of KIPP Academy-Oak Cliff.



# EPSILON TAU CELEBRATES ITS 4<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

Epsilon Tau Chapter members and our families celebrated our 4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on Thursday, May 4, 2017 at the Twisted Root Burger Co. located in Deep Ellum ( Dallas).





# THE STARTING POINT

On Saturday, May 13, 2017, Epsilon Tau's Chapter President, Michelle Peace, presented "The Starting Point", based on Simon Sinek's book, *Starting with Why*. The presentation, prepared for a small Dallas-based non-profit focused on how it is of most important to communicate their "why" in order to attract donors, volunteers, and supporters.



## EPSILON TAU EDUCATION AND SCHOLARSHIP DINNER

On Friday, May 19, 2017, Epsilon Tau sorors, sponsored dinner for our local scholarship winners. Our first scholarship winner, Jamiah Tubbs, a senior at Prairie View A&M and 2017 Local Scholarship winner, Jazkira Combs joined sorors for dinner and a celebration of their accomplishments. Jazkira is also the SWR Alma I. Mackey Scholarship winner and the National Fredda Witherspoon winner. She will attend the Indiana University in the fall. The chapter also sent gifts to Emory University junior, Bobbye Hampton.



## EPSILON TAU UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

JOIN A FASHIONABLE CHAPTER AS IT CELEBRATES

**IOTA PHI LAMBDA SORORITY, INC.**  
**88TH FOUNDER'S DAY**  
**THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 2017**  
**6:00 PM**  
**SOUTHWEST CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM**  
**3662 W. CAMP WISDOM RD.**  
**DALLAS, TX 75237**

Reply via this email. \*You will be sending ATTIRE - ALL WHITE off center court/near the stage.

LET'S TAKE AHOY! BELT CONFIDENCE ENIGMAS THAT AFFECT OUR FUTURE THE REAL DEAL ON PARENTING!

JOIN US ON  
**SATURDAY, JUNE 10, 2017**  
**10:00 AM - 12:00 PM**  
**DEBORAH FAYNOR INTERVENTION CENTER**  
**430 DAVID DRIVE**  
**IRVING, TEXAS 75041**

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[HTTPS://ET1.TICKETSYNC.COM/ET1706170101](https://et1.ticketsync.com/et1706170101)

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**TOYS 'U' CAN'T RETURN**

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**IOTA PHI LAMBDA**  
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**SOROR RECOGNITION**

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# IN LOVING MEMORY OF FIL DIEGO M. JONES



It is in the fabric of this life, that we can ascertain the infinite wisdom and fortitude of God's sovereignty. Fabric when compared to life has many purposes and all are conducive to the finished garment. It can be made into a beautiful suit, a quilt, and even a beautiful throw because of its variety of uses. It can be wrinkled or pressed dependent upon the design, but to really know the fabric doesn't take a lifetime. Diego Jones was a designer fabric resulting from Dr. Tonya Sawyer McGee and others nurturing him thus creating a pattern of positivity and possibility. He will be missed by all of us who loved him, admired him, and had comradery with him.

Since his introduction to the sorority in 2008, Diego left his fingerprint on everything he touched in Iota. Essay writer, Southwestern Region Essay Winner in Middle School and High School. National Essay winner (Middle and High School) ; National Future Iota Leaders (FIL) Scholarship Winner; and Epsilon Tau Future Iota Leaders President. He was a role model and an inspiration to our FIL.

The Epsilon Tau Chapter Family celebrates his success, his aspirations, his promise and possibilities. And while we are so deeply saddened and devastated by his untimely passing. We are forever covered by the fabric of his life and the wonderful times we shared together. His suave demeanor and his easy smile will always be remembered. Rest in the arms of our Savior, sweet boy. Thank you God, our Father for the times we shared together.

## June 2017 and SUMMER Calendar of Events

June 1, 2017	FOUNDER'S DAY CELEBRATION 6:00 PM , SOUTHWEST CENTER MALL CONFERENCE ROOM
JUNE 10, 2017	ET TOYS U CAN'T RETURN WORKSHOP, 10:30 AM , GEORGIA FARROW RECREATION CENTER, IRVING, TX
JUNE 11, 2017	OFFICER INSTALLATION (White for Officers) CHAPTER MONTHLY MEETING SOUTHWEST CENTER MALL, 3662 Camp Wisdom, Dallas, 75237, 3:00 PM
JUNE 24, 2017	SOROR RECOGNITION, 922 Marisa Court, DeSoto, TX
JULY 19-23, 2017	NATIONAL CONVENTION, LONG BEACH, CA
AUGUST 4, 2017	SURVIVING THE GAME WORKSHOP, 1-9 PM

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## OUR STORY

Contributions of the First African American  
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1929 to 2017