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GREETING FROM THE BASILEUS, ANNETTA BUTLER



Aloha and Hau'oli Makahiki Hou Sorors!

I greet you with enthusiasm and pride as the president of Lambda Chi Omega Chapter because of the dedication and hard work of the membership. The first quarter of 2022 found this chapter engaged in phenomenal acts of service and sisterhood. Our chapter is only as effective as our willingness to serve and help lead.

We started the year celebrating the founding of our wonderful sorority, celebrating 114 years of Sisterhood and Supreme Service! We celebrated Founders' Day reflecting on how our founders changed the course of American history. We kept the momentum moving by hosting our Annual Pink Goes Red event in collaboration with the American Heart Association, educated the community on spending and investing, nurtured our Ivies through leadership development training and a host of other activities.

Sorors across each of the committees and Program Targets: You continue to display Excellence! Continue the momentum!! Keep up the great work!

Soror Annetta
Serving with Aloha Excellence

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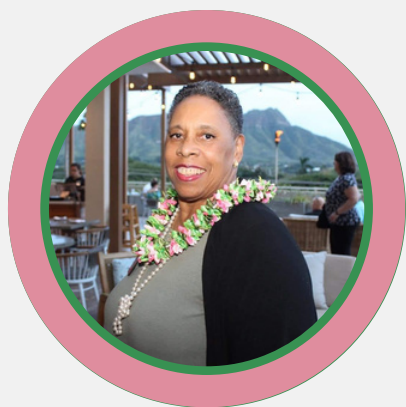
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Soror Sandi Sumbry,
Lambda Chi Omega Charter Member

2021 SANDI SUMBRY SCHOLARSHIP AWARDEE

REGAN WILSON

Regan is a freshman at Florida A&M University majoring in computer science. Before entering college, she volunteered with nonprofit groups such as the United Way and Girl Up, and worked as a lifeguard/swim instructor on Joint Base San Antonio (TX). She was also actively engaged as part of Healthy Futures of Texas, a youth advocacy group, and the National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE). Regan graduated from Claudia Taylor Ladybird Johnson High School in San Antonio, TX. As this scholarship was in the midst of the pandemic, the Scholarship Committee opted to open applications to students from across the Far Western region.

About the Sandi Sumbry Scholarship:

Ms. Sandi Sumbry (for whom the scholarship is named) has been a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated for more than 50 years! As Lambda Chi Omega was chartered on March 24, 1978, Ms. Sumbry continues to serve as the only active charter member throughout the state of Hawaii.

ADDITIONAL SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Lambda Chi Omega Chapter also offers the following scholarships:

- 2022 HBCU Scholarship: \$1,000 - Applications due April 1, 2022
- 2022 Sandi Sumbry Scholarship: \$1,000 - Applications due April 1, 2022
- 2022 In-house Scholarship: \$500 - Applications due June 1, 2022

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY OF SERVICE

JANUARY 17, 2022

In the spirit of Dr. King's commitment to service, we were thrilled to highlight two trusted community partners. Donations received help to support impacted families in the communities we serve. This year to celebrate and honor Dr. Martin Luther King, Lambda Chi Omega partnered with the Hawaii chapter of the NAACP & the Mu Beta Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha, Incorporated to collect virtual donations in support of the Hawaii Foodbank and the Ma'i Movement.

Hawai'i was a very near and dear place in Dr. King's life. During his remarks at the Hawai'i House of Representatives in 1959, Dr. King called Hawai'i a "beautiful setting and a noble example" to which the world looks for inspiration. For many, this was a day off but for those with a heart to serve, it was a day on! Mahalo for the successful and safe partnership with our community. Special thanks to all who donated food (perishable/nonperishable goods) and/or hygiene items. Your support and service Keep the Dream Alive!



"If I cannot do great things, I can do small things in a great way."
- Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



Donations of hygiene products and (non)perishable goods.

JAN - MAR 2022



PROGRAMS

SOROR LATONYA CONKLETON

Programs are at the heart of all we do to advance the mission of our sorority in the Pacific with #AlohaExcellence. We ask all of our talented sorors for your time and expertise to serve our local community and global initiatives where you can.

As we transition from organizing that is fully virtual to including opportunities for members to meet in-person and to host the community in-person, while still in a pandemic environment, we appreciate any suggestions or recommendations from members as we navigate this "new normal" in community service.

Target 1: HCBU - A Call to Action
Chairman: Toni Rivers

Target 2: Women's Healthcare & Wellness
Chairman: Candace Moore

Target 3: Building Your Economic Legacy
Chairman: Ayanna Whitesides

Target 4: The Arts!
Chairman: April Whitaker

Target 5: Global Impact
Chairman: Jana Sanders



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Lambda Chi Omega Chapter**



BLACK HISTORY MONTH

7 February 2022

Ms. Margaret James Murray



Margaret Murray Washington, born March 9, 1865, was one of ten children born to sharecroppers. Her father was of Irish descent and her mother was African American. Murray attended Fisk University for eight years and graduated in 1889. The following year she became "Lady Principal" at Tuskegee Institute where she met Booker T. Washington. In 1892 she married Washington, becoming his third wife.


Murray wrote Washington's speeches, assisted him in expanding the school, and accompanied him on lecture tours as his fame grew. Her own presentations usually directed at audiences of African American women, promoted what she termed self-improvements in habits and hygiene. Murray also served on Tuskegee's executive board and later became dean of women. In February 1892, Murray began a Tuskegee program which provided child care, education and training in literacy, home care and hygiene for women in central Alabama which she called "mother's meetings."

In July 1895, Murray attended the Boston, Massachusetts meeting which established the National Federation of Afro-American Women (NFAW). After being elected president the following year, she helped merge the NFAW and the Colored Women's League (CWL) to form the National Association of Colored Women (NACW). She would also serve this newly established organization first as secretary of the executive board and then as president beginning in 1914.




 
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BLACK HISTORY MONTH


5 February 2022



Langston Hughes



The first African American to earn a living as a writer and a shining star of the Harlem Renaissance, Langston Hughes was often referred to as the "Poet Laureate of Harlem" or the "Poet Laureate of the Negro Race." But despite the regality of those titles, he was perhaps most admired for a style that seemingly gave a voice to the unsung everyday men and women he encountered over the years. His name still looms large in American culture a half-century after his passing, here are seven facts about this groundbreaking and influential chronicler of African American life and experiences:

With his father in another country and his mother also absent for long stretches of his childhood, Hughes drew his earliest inspiration from his grandmother. The first Black woman to attend Oberlin College in Ohio, and the widow of one of John Brown's abolitionist partners, Mary Langston relayed her gift for storytelling through tales of slavery, heroism and family heritage. Young Hughes also took note of how she rented out her own living space to earn money, and devoted her meager funds to making sure he was properly clothed and fed. One of his earliest published poems, "Aunt Sue's Stories," is believed to be a tribute to the proud woman who shaped his early life.



 
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BLACK HISTORY MONTH


FEBRUARY

Lambda Chi Omega celebrated Black History month by highlighting various trailblazers in the community. Each week in February, a new social media post highlighted an aspect of Black history, excellence, achievement or culture. The stories of Madam CJ Walker, Langston Hughes, Dr. Margaret James Murray, WEB Dubois, and Edmonia Lewis were shared with the community.

These posts shared a dual purpose in both giving accolades to these historical figures while also acknowledging the great sacrifices and contributions of African Americans who helped shape this great nation.





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Black History

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BLACK HISTORY MONTH


10 February 2022



Madam C.J. Walker



Madam C. J. Walker holds the title of "the first black woman millionaire in America" for her successful line of hair care products. Born Sarah Breedlove, she was widowed by age of 20 and took work as a laundress.

After seeking treatment for hair loss, she developed the "Walker system" and sold her homemade products directly to black women. A talent for self-promotion helped build a booming enterprise, and she spent lavishly on luxurious homes. Walker also funded scholarships for women at the Tuskegee Institute and donated large sums to the NAACP, the black YMCA and dozens of other charities.



 
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Did You Know? February was chosen as Black History Month because the second week of the month coincides with the birthdays of both Abraham Lincoln and Frederick Douglass.

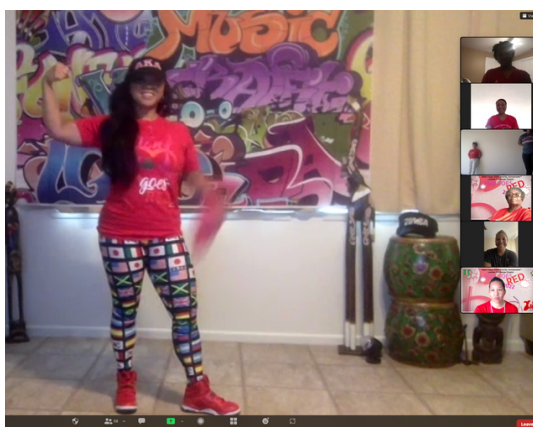




PINK GOES RED!!!

FEBRUARY 12, 2022

Our signature Pink goes Red Event was another resounding success! Members of Lambda Chi Omega Chapter hosted this annual program as another virtual offering and wore RED to support the fight against heart disease in women. Building off of the success of last year, the event had a mix of certified Zumba trainers and Line dance instructors to lead participants through the high-energy exercises. Additionally, there were medical personnel who shared information around heart awareness.



Check out some of the fun from the Pink Goes Red Virtual Event!

Did You Know? Heart disease is still the number one killer of women, taking the life of one in three women each year, and this is especially important for African-American women; who are at increased risk due to high blood pressure, high cholesterol, obesity, and diabetes.



*Hau'oli la
Hanau!*

BIRTHDAYS

JANUARY - MARCH

Jana Sanders
Linda Mitchell
Tiffany Fields
Sandi Sumbry
Tam Reed
Candace Moore Giles
Celena Pitts
Gayvial James
Shushan Williams
Jazmyn McGruder
Ginger Knowles
Chelsea Sherrod
Diamond Wiley
Marlo Hall
Ayanna Whitesides

***"Perhaps the mission of an artist is to interpret beauty to people-
the beauty within themselves."
- Langston Hughes***



MEMBERSHIP

"The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members" - Coretta Scott King

The most important asset of Lambda Chi Omega is its members. It is your drive, your creativity, and your passion that give life to the initiatives we develop and the programs we host.

Our members are our strength and the Membership Committee spent the past year and the start of 2022 continuing to rebuild relationships with treasured pearls, cultivate growth and development among our active members, and to look ahead to where there is potential within the community to add to our collective of intelligent, entrepreneurial women.

With these additions of treasured pearls or newly discovered ivies, their innovative ideas will feed into the events hosted by the chapter. Our programs focus on improving the community but in the planning and participation by members of the chapter; our programs also help to improve ourselves. We learn something new about our abilities to multi-task, to lead, and to execute successful events.

With a robust membership we will have a more robust collaborative who can help Lambda Chi Omega continue to provide service, education, and Aloha Excellence to the people of Hawaii.

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PSYCHOLOGY OF SPENDING

SEMINAR

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28TH 6:00 PM HST

Guest Speakers:
Ayanna Whitesides, Kathy Morris, Angela Lawler

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PSYCHOLOGY OF SPENDING SEMINAR

FEBRUARY 28, 2022

Ever wonder why you spent so much money on a pair of pants that don't even fit? Or why you bought a handful of lottery tickets when you know your chances of winning the jackpot are next to nil? You're not alone. The science of behavioral finance has tackled these questions for several decades and helps explain why people relate to money as they do. The sorors of Target 3 provided additional insights on people's spending habits and rationales for financial wellness in this session. Thank you to all those who attended and look out for the next event.

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PRESENTS

HOW TO START YOUR LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)

MARCH 24, 2022 6PM

Guest Speaker:
Mr. Will Hoofman,
Certified Financial Planner

RSVP

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Annette Butler, President
Latonya Conkleton, Vice President and Program Chairman
Ayanna Whitesides, Target 3 Chairman

HOW TO START YOUR LLC

MARCH 24, 2022

The committee members of Target 3 invited guest speaker Will Hoofman, a certified financial planner, to share information on starting a business. Participants learned the technical and practical steps needed to complete this process from the registration and documentation filing processes to developing management structures.



SHARE YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS

"Who" would you like to see "in the spotlight"?

As women of Alpha Kappa Alpha and within their personal and professional lives, we know that our members are always making moves. And we enjoy celebrating right along with them!

If you know of a Soror who has reached a milestone or accomplished a goal in their personal, professional, voluntary, and/or social life; share the good news and have them be highlighted here. If you are that Soror - let us know! We are happy to participate in giving you your flowers.

Send these wonderful updates to LCO Publicity at aka.lcopublicity@gmail.com

*We want to celebrate
with you!*

**"Life should not only be
lived, it should be
celebrated" - Osho**



CONGRATULATIONS SOROR MARSHA!

MARCH 26, 2022

As of March 2022, Soror Marsha is a registered Parliamentarian. This designation signifies that she is qualified to serve as a parliamentarian for regular meetings and to provide commonly needed parliamentary advice to the Executive Board and chapter members.

It also highlights Soror Marsha's expertise in parliamentary procedure; she is able to understand and apply parliamentary rules that are relevant in an ordinary meeting under usual circumstances without having to refer to *Roberts Rules of Order Newly Revised*. This accomplishment is an added capability to the asset that Soror Marsha is to the business of Lambda Chi Omega with her ability to rapidly find, refer to, understand and apply any rule that would be likely to come up and need resolution or clarification during chapter meetings.

Did You Know? The National Association of Parliamentarians was founded in 1930 and has over 4,500 members from 13 countries, including the US. To become a "Registered Parliamentarian", candidates must pass a five (5)-part exam that requires responses to five (5) research questions and 300 practical knowledge questions.



WHY PROTOCOL?

SOROR KATHY MORRIS

Protocol is an opportunity to display excellence!

Recognizing and giving unique respect to our leaders and each other in the form of good manners when conducting or attending sorority events and ceremonies is one of the highest forms of acknowledgment our sisterhood can provide, and definitely with a smile!

For over 100 years, our sisterhood has and continues to strive in academics, athletics, medicine, law, politics, military, inventions, etc. You name it, and there will be one of our sorors who has excelled with excellence in that area.

Each year, conferences are held as an opportunity to do the business of AKA and hear all the accomplishments we have achieved! When an organization can raise \$2 million in one day to support HBCUs, our sisterhood continues to prove that we are a force to reckon with when we set our minds on a project.

So when we come together to honor and celebrate our accomplishments, we celebrate the leadership who spearheads the efforts, and we celebrate each other and our chapters collectively. And let us not forget our General Members as they also play a great part in that achievement.

As we come together either in chapter meetings, chapter outings, or regional and international conferences, we do so with an expectation of delivering respect and admiration for our collective gifts. When we acknowledge each other in our conduct becoming of a soror, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. shines its brightest! As we follow the standards that have been set before us in our Soror Code of Ethics, we protect our respected organization; we protect our beliefs, as well as our promise to demonstrate a high regard for one another!

Displaying the proper protocol is also reflected in our service. Leaders from the international level down to the chapter level connect to make sure that when you see one AKA project or service, it satisfies one of our missions to be of service to all mankind.

Let us all continue to commit to honoring our beloved sisterhood by keeping and carrying ourselves with excellence!



**Kathy Morris, Chairman -
LCO Leadership
Development Committee**



Members of Lambda Chi Omega with Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated's International President and CEO, Dr. Glenda Glover



Gift presented to 25th Far Western Regional Director Carol R. Dixon

RESPONDING TO THE CORONAVIRUS

COVID-19 PANDEMIC UPDATE

CHAPTER OPERATIONS

- Soror Helpline - A soror helpline has been established on our website hawaiiaka1908.com. Sorors, please let us know if you need supplies and support.
- Chapter meetings will continue to be conducted remotely through July 2022. An update will be provided if/when this guidance changes.
- In-person chapter meetings and chapter activities may only continue for fully vaccinated sorors. Please review the COVID-19 Safety Plan regarding additional guidance for in-person engagements (e.g. mask-wearing, proof of vaccination, etc.).
- In-person fundraising activities are suspended at this time.
- An established COVID-19 Pandemic Task Force will send sorority-wide updates.
- Attendance at Black Greek Letter Organization (BGLO)-events not hosted by Lambda Chi Omega (LCO) should occur in an individual capacity. Members may wear AKA paraphernalia but should not show affiliation to LCO.

LAMBDA CHI OMEGA'S RESPONSE TO CORONAVIRUS

As our membership grows in strength and numbers, Alpha Kappa Alpha's reach and spark permeates across Hawai'i and Pacific Islands through each soror. This year amid the pandemic, members of Lambda Chi Omega Chapter lived #AlohaExcellence in response to every call to serve in this crisis and continued to elevate the stature of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority among the National Pan-Hellenic Council in Hawai'i. Ho'omaikiai!

It's all about the sisterhood!

Surrounded by the Sisterhood

2021 was a year of continual change, adaptation, challenges, and growth. Personally, professionally, and organizationally members of Lambda Chi Omega encountered blessings and burdens in equal measure. Yet when it came to the business of Alpha Kappa Alpha, sorors were always aware that if needed, they could lean on the shield, for "we help each other". This continues in 2022. Our sisterhood is a source of strength and inspiration; we are among each others greatest advocates, supporters, and cheerleaders. Each program and opportunity to give back to the community, to provide useful information, or to encourage positive lifestyle changes is celebrated chapter-wide. In the same vein, social settings are an opportunity to catch up with sorors, to share life updates, and to bask in an abundance of "Black Girl Magic".

"May you be blessed with friendship that exceeds anything you could imagine; the kind with shoulders to sigh into and deep hugs. May you be surrounded by a sisterhood that lifts you up and lets you lean in to confide in the dark. May these women be your soft landing pad and may you be theirs.
A forever sacred sisterhood" - Jessie Paulson

Time with my sorors is always well spent.



SISTERLY LOVE

FEBRAURY 8, 2022

In advance of "Galentines" Day on February 14, the Aloha Committee created a video to show some of our Sisters of LCO some extra special love. The video highlights some of our marvelous members and acknowledges our awareness that sisterhood is truly a gift to all and that we all cherish it.

In their own words, the Aloha Committee said to our members: "Thank You all for all you do and for simply being you."

Use the QR Code to view the video.



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PREVIOUS EVENTS

CELEBRATIONS, CONVERSATIONS, & CHARCUTERIES



As we look ahead to engagements in the second quarter, there were several opportunities throughout this first quarter for members to engage with the community and each other. Above is a brief snapshot of the creative flyers used to advertise events open to the public and to highlight special events for members of our sorority.

UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL - JUNE 2022

APRIL*

- 2: Chapter Meeting
- 8: Global Impact Day
- 12: Radford HS College Fair
- 21: Crypto, NFTs and MegaVerse Investing

MAY

- 2: Executive Committee Meeting (Zoom)
- 7: Chapter Meeting (Zoom)
- 30: Executive Committee Meeting (Zoom)

JUNE

- 4: Chapter Meeting (Zoom)

*April is Financial Literacy Month

KA MOMI O AKAMAI

"The Pearl of Wisdom"



January 2022 ushered in a new year, and showcased an opportunity to nurture the ivy in new ways. Through this ongoing virtual environment, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority incorporated will continue to expand our reach in service and sisterhood with Aloha Excellence. To that end, we are pleased to continue our Edition of Ka Momi O Akamai, our chapter's quarterly newsletter. Its name captures the history and foundation of Lambda Chi Omega Chapter as Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated's "First Chapter of the Pacific." Just like our Founders', our chapter in Hawaii grew from a group of akamai women. Hawaii's monarch, King David Kalakaua, following his journey across the Pacific, recognized this unique place as a precious pearl. This echoes on in his mele, Ka Momi. Ka Momi O Akamai is a tribute to Hawaii's history, our charter members and to the virtue of wisdom which represents the Alpha Kappa Alpha woman.

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*"True friends, like the ivy and the wall,
Both stand together and together fall." - Thomas Carlyle*