



Spring 2022 Issue

From the Desk of Our Basileus



Greetings Sorors,

As we come to the close of SY 2021-2022, we all are preparing and looking forward to our Centennial celebration in July and our Founder's Day Weekend in November in

Indianapolis, IN. All the goals that we set for this year have been REACHED!!!!

By the publication of this newsletter, we would have implemented all our National Programs and our Chapter's signature programs for this sorority year. I am proud to annouce that THE Iota Epsilon Sigma Chapter of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. has reached CENTENNIAL status with 107 active members!!! I would like to thank the members of the executive board, committee chairs, and all Chapter Sorors for your support and committment that played an intergral part to us reaching our goals.

Lastly, as my tenure of serving as the Basileus of THE Iota Epsilon Sigma Chapter of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. comes to a close I want to express my sincere gratitude to each of you for making the past 4 years my BEST leadership experience to date!!! I look forward to turning over the gavel to the Chapter's next leadership team and being a part of assisting them in leading our Chapter to the NEXT LEVEL IN SIGMA!!!

As always, I challenge each of you my Sorors to continue to service in the spirit of excellence and honor your commitment to Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc., motto of "Greater Service, Greater Progress to CENTENNIAL and BEYOND!!!"

Sisterly,

Jackquline May, Life Member #1756 Ruby Member Gentennial Basileus

May

- 14 Chapter Meeting & Elections
- 21 Scholarship Soiree; 7PM 12AM

- June
- 11 Chapter Meeting



ressing the Part: Centennial Style

Boule and founders day weekend are fast approaching sorors and if you haven't already, it's time to take a hard look at your closet. Do you have your royal blue? Do you have your gold? And we mean gold not canary yellow.

No worries because we've got you covered with affordable options and most with fast shipping options to get you ready for Centennial!

Macy's

In collaboration with Kasper, Macy's created a line of women's clothing highlighting all of the D9 sororities. The collection includes 6 options in royal blue, gold and a mix and both for sorors to choose from. If you prefer to take a look in person before buying - the entire collection can be found at the Macy's in Pentagon City.

Outside of the Kasper collection, Macy's has a lot more options that fit the bill for sigma image. My advice would be to browse through the site first to get an exact feel of what you're looking for and once you find the availability take a look in person.

New York & Company



NY&Co. has long been known for their range in work wear styles making them perfect for sigma business attire. Unfortunately the company has closed their store fronts and become an exclusively online only retailer but they are constantly offering deals and discounts making the wait worth it. They also offer a lot of shoe options!

DSW

For shoes and accessories to match, DSW is a great option. They offer warehouse pricing on top brands and have an array



of formal and informal shoes. There are several DSW's in the NoVa area for an in store shopping experience but their online store is more expansive and shipping is fairly quick.

Amazon

Amazon has started to make a name for itself in the fashion industry with "try before you buy" options and exclusive drops with designers. The beauty of Amazon is the ease of convenience with 2-day shipping and customer service that will allow you to return almost anything without hassle. They've got everything from dresses and shoes to flesh toned hosiery.



Shein has a HUGE selection of royal blue and gold dresses, shoes, jackets and accessories. I'll admit - they surprised me when I went to take a look myself. They are also extremely affordable - the most you'd ever spend on a dress would probably be \$20. Shop with caution however and only go with top rated

items and ones that include photos as well. Their return process is a bit of a lengthy one so be absolutely sure before you purchase an item.

If you haven't started shopping just yet or if you want to do an overhaul of your closet for centennial - now is as good of a time as ever. Start with these 5 and by no time you'll have a sizable wardrobe without breaking the bank. When shopping online always be sure to check return and refund policies and read reviews with photos to decide if something will be right for you.

Happy shopping on the Rhoad to Centennial!

Contributed by: Soror Keturah Raymond

SISTERHOOD, SCHOLARSHIP & SERVICE









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Sorors supporting the 2022 March of Dimes Walk for Babies. The chapter exceeded is goal of \$2,022 by more than \$1,000

YOUTH SYMPOSIUM: STEM, SELF-WORTH & SOCIAL ACTION

Annually, on the second Saturday in March, Alumnae chapters of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. around the globe, simultaneously host a youth symposium. A national program, the Youth Symposium is designed to highlight some of the prevalent concerns that negatively impact young people.

Iota Epsilon Sigma hosted its program at NOVA's Woodbridge campus; hosting

workshops, panels and other hands on activities.

Presenters, panelists and community organizations braved a late spring snowstorm work with attendees conduct hands

STEM experiments; learn about college readiness and participate in team-building activities that included discussions about

civic engagement and understanding the importance of healthy habits.

Attendees heard from community advocates and leaders including former Virginia House of Delegates



88th District candidate, Kecia Evans; author Jeevan Brown and Dr. Arik King from the Future Kings STEM Program. The keynote was presented by Minister Myles Smith.

Attendees were treated to a presentation by the Rippon Middle School Royal Raiders Step Team, lunch and give-a-ways; and were also able to engage with vendors and representatives from several NPHC organizations who also brought their affiliate youth groups to the symposium.







Soror Dalarie Franklin

Soror Felicia O'Neal Hackett

Soror Madonna Hernandez

Soror Tangi Hill

Soron Brooke Keith



Angela Lowe

McConnell

Morris

Soror Iman Shammet

Soror Terell White



INTERESTED IN MEMBERSHIP? LOOKING TO REACTIVATE? **LOOKING TO TRANSFER?**



Interested in learning more about IES Chapter and Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc.; are you a Soror who has recently relocated and is looking to transfer; or are you ready to reactivate?

We'd love to hear from you!

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