



Nu Delta Omega Chapter

71st SARC Delegate Report

Soror Tiffany Moore Russell, Regional Director
Soror Danette Anthony Reed Supreme Basileus
Soror Aretha L. Rhone-Bush Basileus

Orlando, Florida, April 4-6, 2024

Cluster II - Hostess Chapter

DELEGATES

Soror Shakia Allen

Soror Carolyn Bolden

Soror Janice T. Lyle

Soror Alvesta Robertson

Alternate Delegate:

Soror Carolyn Banner

Soror Vallerie Cave

Soror Deborah Moore

Soror Fatima Zeidan-Dunbar

Soror Ida Campbell

**THEME: “Amplifying Our Voices of Sisterhood
Through Services and Advocacy”**

Conference Attendance

On Site	Virtual	Total Attendees
4,019	987	5,856
Total Certified Delegates 1053	Total Golden Sorors - 203 Pearl Sorors - 27 *****Diamond***** Soror Underwood 100 years old	SAR Active Members Graduate - 18,213 Undergraduate - 1105 General - <u>4,124</u> Total Membership - 23,442 127 Graduate <u>63</u> Undergraduate 190 Chapters

STATE OF THE REGION

GROWTH

Reactivated

897

Membership Experience Completed

57

Golden Sorors

1,072

Pearl Sorors

203

Diamond Sorors

21

SAR T.U.N.E. IMPACT

Transcend Unite Nurture Empower

PROGRAM INITATIVES	SOARING	SERVICE	SISTERHOOD
Strengthening Our Sisterhood	3016 AKA Pals	1494 Soror Squads	Sisterly Fellowships
Empower Our Families	151,439 CHIP Bags	1,858 YLI Youth Leaders Institute	Mental Health Awareness Our Seniors
Build Our Economic Wealth	\$5,053,383.79 Black Dollar Days	1,049 Accounts FMO Credit Union	Wear Pink, Spend Green and Buy Black
Enhance Our Environment	5,972 Trees Planted	5,048 Recycled Electronic Items	Educating the Members and Community
Advocate For Social Justice	9,302 Guest at Candidate Forums	\$7,850 African American Books Distributed	VOTE Engage - Mobilize VOTE It's time!
Uplift Our Local Community	59,937 Volunteer Hours	3,234 Letter through	Service to All Mankind

GRADUATE ADVISOR CERTIFICATION TRAINING
GRADUATE II LEVEL
April 4, 2024

Soror Shakia Allen	✓	Soror Carolyn Banner	✓
Soror Ida Campbell	✓	Soror Janice T. Lyle	✓
Soror Fatima Zeidan-Dunbar	✓		

International Constitution Committee Proposed Bylaw Amendments

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Amendment #1 Article II - Regions Section 7 Page 21		The Regional Conference shall nominate a Soror to serve on the nominating committee and a second as an alternate. The names shall be submitted in order of preference to the Nominating Committee, in care of the Alpha Kappa Corporate Office. There shall be no further nominations for nominations for the committee representative and/or alternate, the presiding person can declare that the candidate(s) has/have been officially nominated by unanimous consent or by acclamation.
Amendment #2 Article III - Chapters Section 23 Page 26		To be a candidate for advisor to an undergraduate chapter, immediately prior to her election, a Soror shall have been a member of the graduate chapter for at least two years, shall be at least a five year post graduate from an undergraduate college or university program, must have attended one of the last two Boules or one of the last two Regional Conferences and be certified by the Directorate approved Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated <i>Graduate Advisor Certification Program</i> .
Amendment #3 Article III - Chapters Section 23 Page 26		To be a candidate for advisor to an undergraduate chapter, immediately prior to her election, a Soror shall have been a member of the graduate chapter for at least two year, shall not have been suspended for hazing, shall be at least a five year post graduate from an undergraduate college or university program, must have attended on of the last two Boules and of the last two Regional Conferences and certified by the Directorate approved by Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated <i>Graduate Advisor Certification Program</i> .
Amendment #4 Article III - Chapters Section 23 Page 26		To be a candidate for advisor for advisor to an undergraduate chapter, immediately prior to her election, a Soror shall have been a member of the graduate chapter for at least two years, shall not have suspended for hazing, shall be a at least a five year graduate college or university program, must have attended one of the last two Boules or one of the last two Regional Conferences, be certified by the Directorate approved Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated <i>Graduate Advisor Certification Program</i> . And must have been an active member of the Sorority for at least five (5) years prior to certification.
Amendment #5 Article IV - Membership Status Classification Section 9. Life Member.,g) Page 31		g) participate in chapter activities. Should she wish not to affiliate with a chapter, she shall be removed from the chapter roster and be transferred to general membership. She shall not attend meetings, participate in chapter activities, vote or hold a chapter office.

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Amendment #6 Article IV - Membership Status Classification Section 14 Pages 32-33		SECTION 14. An undergraduate candidate who is the daughter, granddaughter, adopted) A life member shall receive a life membership certificate, a pin, a financial card, and the Ivy Leaf. As a member of the Boule, she shall have speaking privileges. She shall not ne required to attend chapter meetings or in any other way participate in chapter activities, but nationally she shall receive all courtesies accorded an active Soror. Should she wish to affiliate with a chapter, financial obligations. As such, she will be accorded the rights of an active chapter member which includes the ability to vote and daughter, stepdaughter, or legal ward* of an active or deceased Soror is considered a legacy candidate. This undergraduate may apply for membership under this provision. The living family-member Soror must have been active have been active for at least four (4) years (48 months) immediately preceding the membership application for the undergraduate Legacy Candidate. Any undergraduate who applies for membership under the legacy provision must meet all of the qualifications required for undergraduate membership. She will not be subject to a vote by the chapter. (*For Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, a legal ward is determined as one whose permanent care, control and custody legally have been placed with a Soror by an appropriate court of law.)
Amendment #7 Article IV - Membership Status Classification Section 31 Pages 36-37		Section 31. A graduate candidate who is the daughter, granddaughter, adopted daughter, stepdaughter, or legal ward* of an active or deceased Soror is considered a Legacy candidate and may be considered for membership without a chapter vote. The living family-member Soror must have been active for at least four (4) years (48 months) immediately preceding the membership application for the undergraduate membership. (*For Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, a legal ward is determined as one whose permanent care, control and custody legally have been placed with a Soror by an appropriate court of law.)
Amendment #8 FOUR		SECTION 32. In considering candidates for membership, graduate chapters shall take the initial steps. An active Soror who desires to serve as the sponsor or co-sponsor of a prospective candidate is required to have at least four (4) consecutive years (48 months) of active membership in the graduate chapter where the candidate will be initiated immediately prior to being a sponsor or co-sponsor, except in the International Region. In the International Region, with the approval o the Regional Director a Soror who desires to serve as the sponsor or co-sponsor of a prospective candidate is required to have at least 4 years (48 months) of active membership in the Sorority immediately prior to being a sponsor or co-sponsor. The four-year (48 month) requirement applies to all chapters, except those approved for a chapter waiver as defined in the Membership Intake Manual.

Opening Plenary Session

The Opening Plenary Session gave us quite an exciting welcome. The highlights of that session included the Rededication Ceremony, the State of the South Atlantic Regional Report by Soror Tiffany Moore Russell, South Atlantic Regional Director. The presentation was entitled the Warrior Queen and done with the pomp and circumstance of our African ancestors. It was presented in the spirit of the dedication, commitment, love, joy, passion and excitement that we all have for our great sisterhood. The message was to Amplify Our Voices – vote, register voters, get them to the poll to vote -Get in Good Trouble for our voices to be heard. She ended the message to arousing applause and accolades with We Got the Victory. “Soaring to Greater Heights” was the mantra heard and repeated numerous times as we were encouraged to get involve and launch the new program initiatives, “Soaring to Greater Heights of Service and Sisterhood.” Special words of thanks for the success of the C.H.I.P.P.S. Bags (659,100), tree planting (2,833, advocating for justice(24,000 letters written) and women entrepreneurs. Slate of officers for the SAR presented and Soror Tiffany Moore Russell remains Regional Director.

International Representative to Nomination Committee nominees:

Soror Theresa Count-Davis

Soror Velice R. Cummings  WINNER

Soror Tanya Duncan

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Second Plenary Session

The Second Plenary Session began with the State of the Sorority report by Soror Danette Anthony Reed, Supreme Basileus, opening words “all fired up and ready to soar” gave momentum to enthusiastic Sorors roaring with the desire to move forward. International Committee Reports continued referencing utilization of the new and revised Handbooks/Guidelines. Training sessions will be available and continue at Boule. Soror Velicia Cummings was elected to sit on the International Nominating Committee. It was reinforced that if your last chapter evaluation was in 2016, you will be evaluated in 2024. Every attendee is asked to please do the SARC Evaluation, your voice is important.

CONGRATULATIONS!

***Nu Delta Omega the recipient of an award
– Best of the Best with specific reference to
Membership Reclaiming and Retention.***

Third Plenary Session

The Third Plenary Session proceeded with additional reports, awards. Our chapter delegates were stunned to find that for this session, seating for us and 2-3 other chapters was not available in the designated seating area for delegates. Since we were not readily identified, obtaining the printed information shared or hearing instructions, was difficult; however, we did not falter in our responsibility, bringing attention to the situation to those in charge for answers. The Time and Place Report – Cluster VI meetings will be September 13-14, 2024. Location to be announced. Boule 2024, (Sophisticated Ladies) will be in Dallas, Texas., starting July 7th. The 72nd SARC will be in Tampa, FL 2025. Information packets will be forthcoming. Proposed Amendments were accepted unanimously by delegate consent. Of utmost importance, the amendment to the bylaws for legacy from 2 years to four years was voted down with 954 no votes. Add the Emerald Status for Sorors with 40 years passed.

The Public Meeting was excellent. The renowned attorney Ben Crump had our attention as his message to us was “Speak Truth to Power.”

SAVE THE DATES

Time and Place

Cluster Conference

VI, VII, VIII SEPT 13-14 2024

Location to be TBD.

SARC

72nd SARC to be hosted by Cluster IV to include Pensacola, Tallahassee, Tampa,
City of Tampa April 16th-20th

Regional Gathering the Boyle 2024

Regional Gathering July 7

Theme Sophisticated Ladies

Regional July 10th

****Cluster VI to host Regional Conference in 2028 DATES TBA LOCATION TBD**

Thank you Nu Delta Omega

