

ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY, INCORPORATED
NORTH ATLANTIC REGION
2012 Cluster III Founders' Day Celebration

Doubletree Hotel Tarrytown
455 South Broadway
Tarrytown, NY 10591
February 4, 2012

January 3, 2012

Cluster III Sorors,

It is with great pleasure that I extend an invitation to you to join the sorors of Pi Kappa Omega Chapter as we host the 2012 Cluster III Founders' Day Celebration. The event will be held on Saturday, February 4, 2012 at 11:00 am at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel, 455 South Broadway, Tarrytown, New York, 10591.

Our theme for the 2012 Luncheon is **'The Gift of Sisterhood, A Legacy of Service'**, which will acknowledge the gifts and wonderful legacy our Founders have entrusted to us. This year we will be graced with words of wisdom from our **25th Supreme Basileus Norma Solomon White** as the Keynote Speaker, a truly dynamic speaker. Being in the presence of Madame Former Supreme is an honor and will be a most memorable experience. There will be a PowerPoint presentation to showcase programs and activities of our local chapters that exemplify the 2012 Founders' Day theme. In addition, Cluster III will recognize individual chapter sorors who inspire their chapters to excel in Service to All Mankind.

The celebration will begin with the Rededication Ceremony at 11:00 am, followed by the Founders' Day Luncheon to commence at 12:00 noon and conclude at 3:00 pm. *The contribution is \$80.00 for Graduate Sorors and Guests, \$65.00 for Undergraduate Sorors.* ***The recommended attire for the Founders' Day Celebration is all white dresses or skirt suits for sorors as is our custom in Cluster III. Sorors should be mindful there are no pants or hats for the Rededication Ceremony.*** The Luncheon will be open to guests; therefore, invite friends and family as you wish.

Please join our Notable North Atlantic Regional Director, Soror Constance R. Pizarro and the sorors of Pi Kappa Omega on February 4th for our 2012 Founders' Day Celebration, as we celebrate the rich legacy of our Founders and the exceedingly bright future of Alpha Kappa Alpha SorORITY, Incorporated.

With Sisterly Affection,



Nikki Tillman Lofton
Chairman
2012 Cluster III Founders' Day

Enclosures

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I. GENERAL REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Founders' Day Registration Fees
Graduate Sorors - \$80.00
Undergraduate Sorors - \$65.00
Guests - \$80.00

Sorors have two registration methods for Cluster III Founders' Day 2012:	
Paper Forms	Complete and mail in the necessary forms included in this packet by the deadline provided. NOTE: There is an additional fee of \$10.00 for each paper registration.
Online	Go to www.akanorthatlantic.org and click on Founders' Day – Cluster III to be directed to the online registration system. NOTE: You must have an email account to use this method. <i>We encourage chapters to assist sorors who are unfamiliar with the World Wide Web, but would like to experience the ease of registering online.</i>

- ✦ Registration will close on January 28, 2012. Registration materials postmarked after January 28, 2012 will NOT be processed.
- ✦ There will be NO On-Site Registration.
- ✦ To ensure that you will receive an email confirmation, please provide your email address on the registration form or enter your email address on the online system. Please retain the email confirmation and bring it with you to Cluster III Founders' Day 2012.

There are several payment options available to register for Cluster III Founders' Day:	
Credit Card	This payment option is only available to sorors who register via the online registration system.
Chapter Check	All individual registration forms need to be included with the chapter check when mailed. For chapter sorors who would like to use the online registration system, they must select "check" as the method of payment when registering, AND a copy of their online confirmation must be included with the chapter check when mailed. A \$35.00 fee will be assessed for a Returned Chapter Check.
Money Order, or Certified/Cashier's Check	These forms of payment may be used if sorors would like to register online OR mail in the paper form. For sorors registering online, you must select "check" as the method of payment, AND a copy of their online confirmation must be included with the payment when mailed.

I. GENERAL REGISTRATION INFORMATION CONTINUED

- ✦ **PERSONAL CHECKS will NOT be accepted.** Make check payable to: **Alpha Kappa Alpha North Atlantic Region**. Designate Founders' Day 2012 in the memo line of your check/money order.
- ✦ Please note that chapters and individual sorors who register online and choose to mail in their payment **MUST** still adhere to the postmarked deadline date. Payment must be postmarked by January 28, 2012. If payment is not postmarked by January 28, 2012, the online registration will be deleted from the system.
- ✦ Refund requests must be made in writing to the Registration Chairman, and postmarked no later than January 21, 2012. Refunds will be processed at the conclusion of Cluster III Founders' Day 2012. A processing fee of \$30.00 will be deducted from the refund. Mail refund requests to:

**SOROR NIKKI TILLMAN LOFTON
2012 FOUNDERS' DAY CHAIRMAN
1020 GRAND CONCOURSE #15R
BRONX, NY 10451**

- ✦ For General Registration Questions or Technical Support with the Online Registration System, please send an email to cluster3foundersday2012@gmail.com. Messages will be returned within 24 hours. Please note that any soror or chapter that waits until near the registration deadline to leave a message runs the risk of not being able to register for Cluster III Founders' Day 2012.

II. FOUNDERS' DAY SOROR REGISTRATION

(Please Print or Type All Information)

NAME _____ FINANCIAL CARD # _____

STREET _____ TELEPHONE # _____

CITY _____ STATE _____

CHAPTER _____ LOCATION/CLUSTER _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

MEMBERSHIP CLASSIFICATION (Please check all that apply):

Graduate ___ Undergraduate ___ General ___ Other ___ Basileus ___

International Officer ___ Golden ___ Silver ___ Life ___

Regional Standing Committee Chair ___

Please note any special needs or dietary restrictions _____

Make check payable to Alpha Kappa Alpha North Atlantic Region. **Please send a chapter check, cashier's/certified bank check or a money order. No personal checks are permitted.** Please note **Founders' Day 2012** in the memo line of your check and mail to:

**Pi Kappa Omega Chapter
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc.
Founders' Day 2012
P.O. Box 531
New York, New York 10116**

AMOUNT PAID _____
CHAPTER CHECK _____

POSTMARK DATE _____
CERTIFIED CHECK _____

DATE RECEIVED _____
MONEY ORDER _____

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IV. HOTEL RESERVATIONS AND DIRECTIONS

Doubletree Hotel Tarrytown 455 South Broadway Tarrytown, NY 10591

Hotel Reservation Information:

For Sorors who desire lodging on Friday, February 3rd or Saturday, February 4th, please call the Doubletree Hotel Tarrytown at 914-631-5700 or 800-445-8667 and reference Group Code ALP or make reservations on-line at www.tarrytown.doubletree.com. A block of guest rooms are being held at the rate of \$129.00 per night for single and double rooms until **January 11, 2012**.

Directions to the Doubletree Hotel Tarrytown:

Auto Directions from NYC (East Side) North on FDR to Willis Avenue Bridge into Major Deegan Expressway. From Major Deegan Expressway to New York Thruway I 87 (North). Exit 9 (Tarrytown – Last exit before bridge). At end of exit ramp, go left at light. Continue to traffic light and make left. At next light, turn right into the DoubleTree Tarrytown.

From NYC (West Side)

North on West Side Highway to Saw Mill River Parkway to Exit 21 (I 287 West – Tappan Zee Bridge) to New York State Thruway I 87 (North). Exit 9 (Tarrytown – Last exit before bridge). At end of exit ramp, go left at light. Continue to traffic light and make left. At next light, turn right into the Double Tree Tarrytown.

From Long Island

Throgs Neck or Whitestone Bridge to New York extension of New England Thruway to I 287 at New York State Thruway I 87 (North). Exit 9 (Tarrytown – last exit before bridge). At end of exit ramp, go left at light. Continue to traffic light and make left. At next light, turn right into the Doubletree Tarrytown.

From New Jersey

North on Palisades Parkway or Garden State Parkway to New York Thruway I 87 (South) Exit 9 (first exit after Tappan Zee toll). At end of ramp, (traffic light) continue straight into the DoubleTree Tarrytown.

From Connecticut

South on Merritt Parkway. Boston Post Road or Connecticut Turnpike to I 287 West to New York I 87 Thruway (North). Exit 9 (Tarrytown - last exit before bridge). At end of ramp, go left at light. Continue to traffic light and make left. At next light, turn right into the DoubleTree Tarrytown.

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V. FOUNDERS' TRIBUTE

At this year's celebration, the Founders' Day Committee will present a PowerPoint presentation to showcase our local chapters and celebrate the many contributions made to our various communities. We ask that each chapter choose a chapter program or activity that exemplifies the legacy given to us by the 16 Founders of Alpha Kappa Alpha.

Each chapter submission should be a 1-page slide created in PowerPoint to include a maximum 4 photos of a 2011 chapter program or activity. Submissions for the PowerPoint presentation should depict the Founders' Day theme, *The Gift of Sisterhood, A Legacy of Service*.

One submission per chapter. Deadline Date January 21, 2012.

Please follow the guidelines below for PowerPoint slide or photo submissions:

1. Do not exceed 2MB of the size of the file. If the file exceeds the guidelines, picture sizes and or content may be reduced.
2. Within the submission, please include the following:
 - i. Chapter name
 - ii. Chapter location/city
 - iii. First & Last name of the Basileus
 - iv. The name of program or activity showcased
3. Have fun & be creative with your submissions. Make sure the photos are a representation of the personality of your chapter. All submissions must be of a 2011 chapter activity.
4. Email your file to cluster3foundersday2012@gmail.com by January 21st 2012.
5. For questions or additional information call Soror Joy Singleton 646-934-1887.

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VI. Founders' Day 2012 Precious Pearl Recognition

RECOMMENDATION REQUIREMENTS

Description:

Chapters are encouraged to acknowledge a soror who keeps the legacy of our Founders alive, through inspiring others to give their best gift to Alpha Kappa Alpha. An individual soror whose contributions inspire her chapter to excel in 'Service to All Mankind'.

Criteria

- The Precious Pearl nominee must currently be an active member of a chapter within Cluster III of the North Atlantic Region.

Submit the following:

- Send signed Submission Form.
- Send documentation of the soror's involvement in chapter activities in the year 2011.
- Provide a brief narrative of how the soror used her gifts and talents to make a significant contribution to her chapter in the year 2011.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: January 21, 2012

Mail or Email Submissions to:

PI KAPPA OMEGA CHAPTER
ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY, INC.
FOUNDERS' DAY 2012
P.O. BOX 531
NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10116
ATTN: PRESENTATION COMMITTEE

Email: cluster3foundersday2012@gmail.com

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SUBMISSION FORM

Chapter Name:	Nominee Name:
Address:	Address:
Basileus:	Phone Number:
Phone Number:	Email:
Email:	Undergrad or Graduate (Circle one)

Signature of the Chapter Basileus or Graduate Advisor

Date

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