

GREAT LAKES REGION

UNDERGRADUATE REGIONAL AWARDS



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Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated
Great Lakes Regional Conference
Letter from Madame Great Lakes Regional Director



December 14, 2008

To the *Pearls of the Great Lakes Region*:

Competing for regional awards is an accepted practice within our region. We have many sorors who have achieved milestones and made great strides throughout their careers, both within the sorority and elsewhere. Participating in the awards process requires time, energy and resources. It also requires that you keep documentation for a period of time. Alpha Kappa Alpha women have been known to be talented, resourceful and creative.

We encourage all of you to participate in the regional awards via chapter or individual categories. This serves as an opportunity to showcase your vast contributions through service to the community, service to each other and service to our great sorority.

The AKA Connection Award highlights national, state and local issues. The winner of the Graduate Award will be recognized at the 2009 Leadership Seminar.

A special thanks to Soror Jennie C. Murry, the Regional Awards Chairman, and to those of you who have accepted the role as judges, chapter coordinators, scrapbook helpers, supporters, and those who have willingly submitted the materials needed to bring it all together. We thank you and please know that all of you are winners.

Sisterly,

Schylbea J. Hopkins

Schylbea J. Hopkins
Great Lakes Regional Director



Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated
Great Lakes Regional Conference



Letter from Madame Regional Awards Steering Committee Chairman

December 14, 2008

Greetings Sorors of the Great Lakes Region:

It is a new day! And along with the new day comes an updated Great Lakes Regional Awards booklet.

Many changes have been made. The major changes are as follows:

- ✓ No more narratives!
- ✓ The Outstanding Basileus Award is now based on chapter size just like the Outstanding Chapter Award.
- ✓ ALL award deadlines are the same.
- ✓ ALL award entries/documents/fees get mailed to the same address.
- ✓ Criteria for many of the award categories have been revised.
- ✓ Separate booklets have been published for the undergraduate and graduate awards.

There is a special National Connection Award at the Graduate level. This award, unlike the others, **requires a narrative**. The first place winner at our Regional Conference will be the submission from our region to the competition at the National level.

Sorors, please pay close attention to the criteria listed on each page of each award. The list above is a brief synopsis of the changes however the specific details are found on the individual awards pages. If after reviewing the booklet you have any questions, please contact me.

The committee appreciates the thought, time, and energy you put into entering the competition for the awards. We hope these updates enhance and enrich your awards experience.

Sisterly,

Jennie C. Murry

Jennie C. Murry, Chairman



GREAT LAKES REGIONAL DIRECTORS
1929 – Present



Regional Director	Term	Chapter Affiliation (While in Office)	City
Lottie Pearl Mitchell	1929 – 30	Alpha Omega (AΩ)	Cleveland, Ohio
Margaret Davis Bowen	1931	Sigma Omega (ΣΩ)	Cincinnati, Ohio
Mattie Dalton Jackson	1932 – 34	Sigma Omega (ΣΩ)	Cincinnati, Ohio
Beulah Tyrrell Whitby	1934 – 36	Alpha Rho Omega (APΩ)	Detroit, Michigan
Wilbretta Pope Johnson	1937 – 38	Alpha Omega (AΩ)	Cleveland, Ohio
Irene A. Graves	1938 – 40	Alpha Rho Omega (APΩ)	Detroit, Michigan
Juanita Davis Webster	1941 – 42	Alpha Sigma Omega (ΑΣΩ)	Columbus, Ohio
Laura Thelma Fife Lovelace	1942 – 45	Sigma Omega (ΣΩ)	Cincinnati, Ohio
Ruth Marie Thomas Hargrave	1946 – 49	Rho Omega (PΩ)	Wilberforce, Ohio
Fanette B. Norris	1950 – 54	Alpha Rho Omega (APΩ)	Detroit, Michigan
Gwendolyn C. Goldston	1954 – 58	Alpha Omicron Omega (AOΩ)	Institute, West Virginia
LaRue Walker Frederick	1958 – 62	Alpha Alpha Omega (AAΩ)	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
Bernice Irene Sumlin	1963 – 66	Beta Eta Omega (BHΩ)	Dayton, Ohio
Thelma Crumpton Hollis	1966 – 68	Alpha Rho Omega (APΩ)	Detroit, Michigan
Altha C. Brown	1968 – 72	Rho Omega (PΩ)	Wilberforce, Ohio
Eva Lois Evans	1972 – 74	Delta Tau Omega (ΔTΩ)	Lansing, Michigan
Madelyn M. Hairston Giddens	1974 – 78	Alpha Alpha Omega (AAΩ)	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
Gloria Stephens Smith	1978 – 82	Delta Tau Omega (ΔTΩ)	Lansing, Michigan
Bella Gilchrist Parker	1982 – 86	Zeta Theta Omega (ZΘΩ)	Akron, Ohio
Ann Colbert Battles	1986 – 88	Zeta Alpha Omega (ZAΩ)	Toledo, Ohio
Emma Lilly Henderson	1988 – 90	Alpha Sigma Omega (ΑΣΩ)	Columbus, Ohio
Phyllis E. Robinson	1990 – 94	Eta Iota Omega (HIΩ)	Inkster, Michigan
Patricia A. Petty Wilson	1994 – 98	Beta Beta Omega (BBΩ)	Charleston, West Virginia
Rachel Ashburn Mallory	1998 – 2002	Alpha Sigma Omega (ΑΣΩ)	Columbus, Ohio
Pamela Lynne Redden	2002 – 06	Alpha Omega (AΩ)	Cleveland, Ohio
Schylbea J. Hopkins	2006 – 10	Alpha Rho Omega (APΩ)	Detroit, Michigan



AWARDS BOOKLET REVISIONS



Date	Great Lakes Regional Director (Chapter While in Office)	Awards Chairman (Chapter Affiliation During Service)
January 1963	Soror Bernice I. Sumlin Beta Eta Omega (BHΩ)	N/A
June 1974	Soror Eva L. Evans Delta Tau Omega (ΔTΩ)	N/A
January 1976	Soror Madelyn M. Hairston Giddens Alpha Alpha Omega (AAΩ)	Soror Delphine Briscoe Alpha Alpha Omega (AAΩ)
January 1981	Soror Gloria Stephens Smith Delta Tau Omega (ΔTΩ)	Soror Sheila Taylor Sigma Omega (ΣΩ)
January 1983	Soror Bella Gilchrist Parker Zeta Theta Omega (ZΘΩ)	Soror Helen Felton Eta Iota Omega (HIΩ)
January 1987	Soror Ann C. Battles Zeta Alpha Omega (ZAΩ)	Soror M. Loretta Gray Beta Eta Omega (BHΩ)
January 1991-93	Soror Phyllis E. Robinson Eta Iota Omega (HIΩ)	Soror Frances J. Tyus Alpha Omega (AΩ)
January 1995	Soror Patricia A. Petty Wilson Beta Beta Omega (BBΩ)	Soror Marjorie Ball Walker Alpha Rho Omega (APΩ)
September 1998	Soror Rachel Ashburn Mallory Alpha Sigma Omega (ΑΣΩ)	Soror Barbara Tucker Zeta Alpha Omega (ZAΩ)
October 2003	Soror Pamela L. Redden Alpha Omega (AΩ)	Soror Michele T. Jackson Zeta Theta Omega (ZΘΩ)
November 2006	Soror Schylbea J. Hopkins Alpha Rho Omega (APΩ)	Soror Patricia Easterling Beta Theta Omega (BΘΩ)
December 2007	Soror Schylbea J. Hopkins Alpha Rho Omega (APΩ)	Soror Jennie C. Murry Delta Psi Omega (ΔΨΩ)



ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY, INCORPORATED
GREAT LAKES REGION



REGIONAL AWARDS STEERING COMMITTEE 2009

Soror Jennie C. Murry, Chairman
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Committee Member	Chapter Affiliation	City
Soror Chloe Beck	Iota Iota (II)	Bowling Green, Ohio
Soror Marsha Fugate	Delta Nu Omega ($\Delta N\Omega$)	Rochester, New York
Soror Nestelynn Gay	Eta Iota Omega ($HI\Omega$)	Inkster, Michigan
Soror DeLisle Horton-Willis	Alpha Rho Omega ($AP\Omega$)	Detroit, Michigan
Soror Natalie Jones	Iota Upsilon (IU)	Syracuse, New York
Soror Madrene Kemp	Xi Epsilon Omega ($\Xi E\Omega$)	Buffalo, New York
Soror Danielle Love	Theta Lambda Omega ($\Theta \Lambda \Omega$)	Pontiac, Michigan
Soror Barbara McCollum	Alpha Omega ($A\Omega$)	Cleveland, Ohio
Soror Noel Niles	Sigma Zeta (ΣZ)	Albion, Michigan
Soror Rosie Payne	Zeta Alpha Omega ($ZA\Omega$)	Toledo, Ohio
Soror Eula Rice	Alpha Rho Omega ($AP\Omega$)	Detroit, Michigan
Soror Lillie P.W. Stephens	Gamma Phi Omega ($\Gamma \Phi \Omega$)	Buffalo, New York
Soror Latoya Vineyard	Gamma Chi Omega ($\Gamma X\Omega$)	Morgantown, West Virginia
Soror Chanelle Williams	Theta (Θ)	Columbus, Ohio
Soror Urcelle Willis	Rho Omega ($P\Omega$)	Wilberforce, Ohio
Soror Sandra Wray-McAfee	Delta Psi Omega ($\Delta \Psi \Omega$)	Ann Arbor, Michigan
Soror Darlene Wright	Beta Eta Omega ($BH\Omega$)	Dayton, Ohio
Soror Geneva Young	Alpha Rho Omega ($AP\Omega$)	Detroit, Michigan

REGIONAL AWARDS STEERING COMMITTEE GUIDELINES

Organization: The Regional Director will select all members of the Regional Awards Steering Committee and she will appoint a chairman for the committee.

Responsibilities: This Committee will be responsible for doing the following:

1. Overseeing the Regional Awards process. Its goal is to encourage and promote entries from the various chapters in the region. These entries, submitted in the form of scrapbooks and exhibits, include illustrated and documented accounts of chapter activities that help preserve the history of each chapter.
2. Revising the Awards Booklet. Each category should be evaluated yearly for its pertinence to the goals of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
3. Establishing a budget in consultation with the Regional Tamiouchos.
4. Communicating with the Regional Tamiouchos to maintain a record of the Regional Awards fees collected.
5. Setting up awards and exhibit sites and supplying signage to identify locations graduate and undergraduate awards. Pink for graduates; green for undergraduates.
6. Providing orientation at the Regional Conference for all award judges.
7. Organizing the process for evaluation of awards during the Regional Conference.
8. Overseeing the judging by the Awards Judging Committees.
9. Distributing awards and certificates at the Regional Conference.
10. Making recommendations to the Regional Director regarding the process and procedure.

CHAPTER AWARDS COORDINATOR and RESPONSIBILITIES

Each Chapter Basileus is requested to have a Regional Awards Committee coordinated by an Awards Coordinator. This person shall be responsible for doing the following:

1. Reviewing the current Awards Booklet revisions with Chapter Awards Committee.
2. Identifying the award category / categories for which the chapter will submit an entry.
3. Recommending to chapter members the entry category / categories once the committee has decided which areas to enter.
4. Making certain that the chapter entries meet the specifications as stated in the Awards Booklet.
5. Using the official form to submit (Appendix A) the award category / categories to be entered by the chapter.
6. Arranging for any equipment that might be needed on-site (for example, an exhibit). Depending on the entry, a designee may be needed to periodically monitor the exhibit to ensure that it is operating properly while on display.
7. Making certain all chapter entries are ready to be logged in at the designated time and place.
8. Assigning a soror to be responsible for delivering and picking-up award materials.

JUDGING POLICIES

The form each chapter is to use for submitting names of sorors to serve as Regional Awards judges is found in Appendix B. The following policies will be upheld by the Regional Director:

1. Each award category will have an Awards Judging Committee that is comprised of individuals who are not members of the Regional Awards Steering Committee.
2. Only one soror per chapter can participate on each regional award judging committee.
3. If a chapter has an entry in a regional award category, a member of that chapter may not serve as a judge of the award.
4. The Regional Director will appoint all sorors to judging committees.
5. Committee members who arrive after judging has begun will not be allowed to participate in the judging.
6. Each judge shall remain in her designated area until she has completed her judging assignment.
7. Each judge shall leave the judging room when she has completed her assigned task(s).
8. Each committee member shall fill out the Criteria for Evaluation form for each chapter or soror competing for an award.
9. Each judge shall submit her completed Evaluation Form to the designated member of the Steering Committee.

SUBMISSION OF AWARDS MATERIALS

The policies for the submission of materials are as follows:

1. ALL entries – exhibits, displays, scrapbooks -- must be brought to the Regional Conference and logged in with the Awards Committee at the specified location and during the time period published in the Regional Conference Agenda.
2. Each entry must be submitted to the Awards Committee as a complete unit. Any and all component parts must be brought to the Awards Committee for check-in at the same time.
3. NO entry will be accepted in isolated component parts at different times during the check-in period published in the Regional Conference Agenda.
4. The person submitting the award entry / entries for a chapter will sign in certifying that the entry being submitted is complete at the time of submission.



UNDERGRADUATE AWARDS

Great Lakes Regional Conference

L. PEARL MITCHELL AWARD – Outstanding Undergraduate Chapter

EVALUATION CRITERIA

This award is presented to an outstanding UNDERGRADUATE Chapter in each of the following *three* chapter size categories:
 10 or fewer members
 11 – 15 members
 16 or more members

<u>CRITERION</u>	<u>Maximum Points Possible</u>
I. OVERALL CHAPTER ACTIVITIES	
A. Activities within the sorority	
1. Published agenda for each scheduled meeting	4
2. Documentation of chapter representation at Boulé / Leadership, Regional Conference, and Cluster / Undergraduate Round-Up	6
3. Documentation of financial obligation to Corporate Office (that is, Per Capita, C.O.I.P., insurance Liability payment., EAF Chapter contribution, EAF 100% individual member contribution)	3
4. Founders' Day observance	3
5. Membership Documentation: Membership Intake Process and / or Program for reclaiming inactive sorors, plan for transfer of graduating sorors into a graduate chapter	6
6. Social activities that foster sisterly relations	6
7. Joint activities with graduate chapter	4
8. Published submissions to the <i>Ivy Leaf</i> magazine and / or other public relations programs (as announced via print media, radio, television, video, <i>et cetera</i>)	2
9. Pan-Hellenic activities	2
B. Educational Objectives	
1. Program to stimulate academic achievement within the chapter	5
2. Scholastic average of the chapter for the last two semesters / two trimesters / three quarters	5
C. Scholarship and Attainment (that is, scholarships, honors. citations, presentations, <i>et cetera</i>)	
1. Individual scholarship and attainment	5
2. Chapter scholarship and attainment	5
D. Community service and contributions	
1. Health, tutorial and community welfare services, and participation in community organizations by the chapter or in conjunction with other	12
2. Chapter execution of ESP Platforms	12
3. Educational, cultural, and religious activities	5
4. Participation in Greek-sponsored and / or college-sponsored activities	5
II. CLARITY AND NEATNESS OF LAYOUT	5
III. UNIQUENESS OF COVER	5
Total Points Possible	100

Include citations and awards from participation in any of the above referenced activities.

***** SCRAPBOOK WITH JOURNALING REQUIRED *****

THELMA C. HOLLIS AWARD – International Program

EVALUATION CRITERIA

This award is presented to the UNDERGRADUATE Chapter with the most outstanding local program in support of the International Program Objectives during Program Year 2008.

<u>CRITERION</u>	<u>Maximum Points Possible</u>
I. PLATFORMS	
A. The Non-Traditional Entrepreneur	15
B. The Economic Keys to Success	15
C. The Economic Growth of the Black Family	15
D. <i>Undergraduate Signature Program</i> : Economic Educational Advancement Through Technology	20
E. Health Resource Management and Economics	15
II. Continuing Programs (other chapter projects)	10
III. CLARITY AND NEATNESS OF LAYOUT	5
IV. UNIQUENESS OF COVER	5
Total Points Possible	100

***** SCRAPBOOK WITH JOURNALING REQUIRED *****

ALTHA C. BROWN AWARD – Outstanding UNDERGRADUATE Basileus

EVALUATION CRITERIA

This award is presented to an UNDERGRADUATE Basileus for outstanding leadership in each of the following three chapter size categories:

10 or fewer members

11 – 15 members

16 or more members

<u>CRITERION</u>	<u>Maximum Points Possible</u>
I. GENERAL LEADERSHIP SKILLS	35
A. Planning	
B. Leading	
C. Organizing	
D. Coordinating	
II. CHAPTER GROWTH and EFFECTIVENESS	35
A. National Programs	
B. Local Programs	
C. Retention and Reclamation	
D. Bridging	
III. WHAT MAKES YOU AN OUTSTANDING BASILEUS	20
IV. CLARITY AND NEATNESS OF LAYOUT	5
V. UNIQUENESS OF COVER	5
Total Points Possible	100

NOTES: The chapter of the Basileus submitting an entry for this category **MUST** have at least one current award entry or a **PENALTY** of ten (10) points will be imposed.

Documentation may reflect the entire term of office as Basileus, but is limited to a maximum of three (3) pages per category per year in office as Basileus.

***** SCRAPBOOK WITH JOURNALING REQUIRED *****

LAURA T. LOVELACE AWARD – Outstanding UNDERGRADUATE Soror

EVALUATION CRITERIA

This award is presented to the outstanding UNDERGRADUATE soror for the **time period 2006-2008**. She must submit her award entry during her years as an undergraduate student or within the first year after she has earned her baccalaureate degree.

<u>CRITERION</u>	<u>Maximum Points Possible</u>
I. SORORITY – CONTINUOUS LEARNING	25
A. Attendance at Chapter meetings	
B. Attendance at Undergraduate Round-Up (mandatory for years covered by award entry)	
C. Attendance at Cluster meetings / Regional Conferences	
D. Attendance at Boulé / Leadership Conferences	
II. SORORITY LEADERSHIP – that is, offices held at the Chapter, Regional and / or International level	10
III. SORORITY INVOLVEMENT	25
A. Committee chairmanship and / or committee membership	
B. Participation and contributions to chapter programs and projects	
C. Participation and contributions to the International Programs	
IV. COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT – that is, program projects with other organizations, churches or schools, speeches, et cetera	15
V. PERSONAL ATTAINMENTS – that is, scholarship, awards, self-improvement	15
VI. CLARITY AND NEATNESS OF LAYOUT	5
VII. UNIQUENESS OF COVER	5
Total Points Possible	100

NOTE: Entries for this award must be submitted with the approval of a chapter, and signed by **both** the Basileus of the undergraduate chapter in which the soror has her membership **and** the Graduate Advisor for that chapter.

***** SCRAPBOOK WITH JOURNALING REQUIRED *****

BERNICE I. SUMLIN AWARD – Outstanding INDIVIDUAL Semester Average

EVALUATION CRITERIA

This award is presented to a JUNIOR or SENIOR UNDERGRADUATE currently active in the Sorority with the highest cumulative grade point average.

To be considered as a candidate for this award, the following steps MUST be followed:

1. An **OFFICIAL** transcript must be mailed by the Registrar's Office of the potential candidate's college / university to the address shown below on this page. The transcript MUST be delivered to this address no later than the published deadline of February 28, 2009.

NOTE: Under NO conditions will a HAND-DELIVERED TRANSCRIPT be considered, let alone accepted.

2. To assist the Regional Director in distinguishing Bernice I. Sumlin individual entry transcripts from those sent for other reasons, the soror MUST do the following:

- a. Prepare a formal, typed and signed business letter addressed to the Regional Director notifying her that the letter-writer (the potential candidate) is applying for the Bernice I. Sumlin Individual Award.
- b. Mail the envelope to the following address:

**Great Lakes Regional Director -- Sumlin (Individual)
c/o Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated
78th Great Lakes Regional Conference
Awards Committee
P.O. Box 441675
Detroit, Michigan 48244-1675**

***** NO SCRAPBOOK WITH JOURNALING REQUIRED *****

BERNICE I. SUMLIN AWARD – Outstanding CHAPTER Semester Average

EVALUATION CRITERIA

Presented to an UNDERGRADUATE CHAPTER with the highest semester grade point average and having three (3) or more chapter members.

To be considered for this award, the following steps MUST be followed:

1. **OFFICIAL** transcripts of all financial chapter members for the FALL Semester immediately preceding the Regional Conference must be received by the published deadline of February 28, 2009. Each **OFFICIAL** transcript must be prepared by and sealed in an envelope by the Registrar's Office of the chapter's college / university. The **OFFICIAL** transcripts MUST be received by the Regional Director no later than the published deadline of February 28, 2009.

NOTE: Under NO conditions will any other submission of each of the OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS be considered, let alone accepted. Failure to abide by this policy will disqualify the chapter from consideration for this award.

2. To assist the Regional Director in distinguishing Bernice I. Sumlin entry transcripts from those sent for other reasons, the chapter MUST do the following:

- a. Prepare a typed and signed business letter addressed to the Regional Director notifying her that the chapter is applying for the Bernice I. Sumlin Chapter Award.
- b. Insert the business letter and all of the OFFICIAL transcripts in one envelope.
- c. Mail the envelope to the following address:

**Great Lakes Regional Director -- Sumlin (Chapter)
c/o Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated
78th Great Lakes Regional Conference
Awards Committee
P.O. Box 441675
Detroit, Michigan 48244-1675**

***** NO SCRAPBOOK WITH JOURNALING REQUIRED *****

IRENE GRAVES AWARD – Focus on Youth

EVALUATION CRITERIA

This award is presented to the UNDERGRADUATE chapter for an outstanding program targeting youth.

<u>CRITERION</u>	<u>Maximum Points Possible</u>
I. EFFORTS TO EXPAND OPPORTUNITIES AND INVOLVE YOUTH IN COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION (for example, UNCF, NAACP, Urban League) A. Memberships and youth committees B. Chapter activities which promote youth involvement and commitment to these organizations C. Collaborative projects with other community organizations	20
II. CHAPTER SPONSORED YOUTH GROUPS A. Groups involving boys and/or girls that are under the direct supervision of the chapter B. Involvement of these youths in service projects (that is, senior citizens, community clean-up, etc.)	20
III. FOCUS ON YOUTH DEVELOPMENT IN THE AREAS of LEADERSHIP, SOCIAL SKILLS AND THE PERFORMING AND CREATIVE ARTS	20
IV. OTHER ONGOING CHAPTER ACTIVITIES RELATED TO YOUTH (that is, scholarship, tutorial and mentoring programs, educational events, trips, tours, services to homeless children, abused children, and developmentally and physically challenged children, Special Olympics)	30
V. CLARITY AND NEATNESS OF LAYOUT	5
VI. UNIQUENESS OF COVER	5
Total Points Possible	100

***** SCRAPBOOK WITH JOURNALING REQUIRED *****

JUANITA DAVIS WEBSTER AWARD – Political Impact

EVALUATION CRITERIA

This award is presented to the UNDERGRADUATE chapter which has rendered distinguished service in fostering and implementing programs of action which impact the “political arena.”

<u>CRITERION</u>	<u>Maximum Points Possible</u>
I. CHAPTER INITIATIVES	
A. Concentrated educational activities (political forum, political awareness, voter education, etc.)	15
B. Inter-group collaboration	5
C. Related proposals – funded and implemented	5
D. Involvement of citizens	5
E. Scope of influence (locally, regionally, nationally)	10
F. Chapter volunteer service	10
G. Long-range planning	10
H. Media campaign as it relates to above activities	10
I. Identification and clarification of issues for community	10
J. Responding to issues as a collective voice	10
II. CLARITY AND NEATNESS OF LAYOUT	5
III. UNIQUENESS OF COVER	5
Total Points Possible	100

*** SCRAPBOOK WITH JOURNALING REQUIRED ***

GREAT LAKES CONNECTION AWARD -- AKA Connection

EVALUATION CRITERIA

Presented to the UNDERGRADUATE chapter with the most outstanding Connection Activities.

<u>CRITERION</u>	<u>Maximum Points Possible</u>
I. Describe your chapter's Connection activities for the previous year. Indicate target groups, collaborative efforts and results	30
A. Describe implementation procedures	20
B. Describe soror participation and involvement of the chapter in the community	20
C. List basic achievements	20
II. CLARITY AND NEATNESS OF LAYOUT	5
III. UNIQUENESS OF COVER	5
Total Points Possible	100

***** SCRAPBOOK WITH JOURNALING REQUIRED *****

ANN COLBERT BATTLES AWARD – Helping Hand

EVALUATION CRITERIA

This award is presented to the UNDERGRADUATE chapter that excels in the following categories of service:

<u>CRITERION</u>	<u>Maximum Points Possible</u>
I. AREAS OF SERVICE	
A. Women Survivors -- Chapter shows evidence of developing strategies to assist local, international programs or creates and establishes programs for women in need with problems related to domestic violence, HIV, drug or alcohol dependency and catastrophic illness.	18
B. Single Parents -- Chapter collaborates with other agencies to implement programs or developing chapter strategies to assist this group of fragmented citizens	18
C. Children at Risk – Chapter develops programs to assist / enhance the self-worth of children of all ages	18
D. Senior Citizens – Chapter shows outstanding evidence of assisting and developing strategies for elderly persons, especially those living in group homes or alone, who are in need of emotional and economic support	18
E. Homeless Persons -- Chapter interacts with established community agencies or establishes independent methods for assisting people in need of food, shelter and clothing.	18
II. CLARITY AND NEATNESS OF LAYOUT	5
III. UNIQUENESS OF COVER	5
Total Points Possible	100

*** SCRAPBOOK WITH JOURNALING REQUIRED ***

BELLA GILCHRIST PARKER AWARD – Outstanding Essay

EVALUATION CRITERIA

This award is presented to the UNDERGRADUATE soror with the most outstanding essay covering the topic presented below. Nominations for this award must be submitted by a chapter. See Appendix C for the submission form.

TOPIC: *African American Academic Success: How Can Sorors Make a Difference?*
(How can we assist other young people be successful academically?)

<u>CRITERION</u>	<u>Maximum Points Possible</u>
I. CREATIVITY – Unique and interesting	15
II. STYLE – Tone, sentence structure, word choice	20
III. CONTENT – Well defined and developed and grammatically correct	35
IV. ORGANIZATION - Logical presentation with appropriate conclusion	20
V. DOCUMENTATION – Facts documented and sources given	10
Total Points Possible	100

GUIDELINES for the submitted essay:

1. Inclusion of a coversheet
2. Typewritten on plain white paper with one-inch margin on each side
3. Double spaced
4. At most five (5) pages of essay text
5. Well documented references / sources of information
6. Required signature of the Graduate Advisor

*The First Place winner's essay will be published in the Regional newsletter.
The winner will receive a trophy.*

***** NO SCRAPBOOK WITH JOURNALING REQUIRED *****

PATRICIA A. PETTY WILSON EXHIBIT AWARD -- Exemplary Chapter Activities

EVALUATION CRITERIA

This award is presented to the UNDERGRADUATE chapter whose exhibit best exemplifies chapter activities. Exhibits may be of the traditional type or those that employ graphic arts, audio/visual and/or computer technologies. All must be identified by the chapter and specify a theme.

<u>CRITERION</u>	<u>Maximum Points Possible</u>
I. LAYOUT/SETUP – neatness and clarity of presentation	20
II. CREATIVITY – uniqueness of presentation	30
III. CONTENT – clearly demonstrates the AKA program	50
Total Points Possible	100

NOTE: All equipment for displays must be supplied by the chapter at the chapter’s expense.

SUGGESTIONS:

1. Have a brainstorming session on what the chapter will exhibit.
2. Decide on a subject. It should be timely and informative. It should have true educational value; it should have virtue or simplicity and it should have focal points of interest.
3. Work out a caption. Here, originality is the most important consideration. The possibility of a humorous treatment is another point to keep in mind. As for ideas, sorors can frequently get good ones by exploring song-books or movie titles. Also proverbs and idiomatic phrases offer good points of departure.
4. Gather material. Keep it clear, complete, concise, attractive and colorful.
5. Decide on lettering. Use string, rope, ribbon or cut out letters in varied sizes.

The Regional Awards Steering Committee will not be responsible for damages to entries.

***** NO SCRAPBOOK WITH JOURNALING REQUIRED *****

RACHEL ASHBURN MALLORY AWARD – Outstanding Membership

EVALUATION CRITERIA

This award is presented to the UNDERGRADUATE chapter with the most outstanding membership activities.

<u>CRITERION</u>	<u>Maximum Points Possible</u>
I. HAZE FREE MEMBERSHIP INTAKE PROCESS	
A. Chapter shows evidence of adherence to the international membership intake guidelines during membership intake processes conducted in the past year (i.e. calendar of MIP, pictures and programs of activities during the various stages of the MIP, communications to and from the Regional Director).	15
B. Chapter presents verification from the Regional Director that its membership intake process was totally haze free and without incident.	10
II. ASSIMILATION OF NEW MEMBERS INTO THE CHAPTER	
A. Chapter implements strategies to promote the immediate active participation of new members in the chapter (that is, chapter programs and activities).	20
III. TIME MANAGEMENT -- that is, chapter shows evidence of implementing strategies to assist undergraduate members with balancing academic and other campus organizational membership responsibilities with sorority activities.	15
IV. TRANSFER TO GRADUATE CHAPTERS	
A. Chapter show evidence of strategies implemented to promote the immediate transfer of undergraduates to a graduate chapter.	20
B. Chapter presents data to document the number of graduating sorors from its chapter who transferred to a graduate chapter in the past year. <i>NOTE:</i> Evaluation will be based on the highest percentage of sorors who graduated to the number of sorors who transferred into a graduate chapter. For example, if ten (10) sorors graduated and five (5) transferred, then the percentage would be fifty percent (50%).	10
V. CLARITY AND NEATNESS OF LAYOUT	5
VI. UNIQUENESS OF COVER	5
Total Points Possible	100

***** SCRAPBOOK WITH JOURNALING REQUIRED *****

GWENDOLYN GOLDSTON AWARD – Step Show

EVALUATION CRITERIA

This award is presented to the UNDERGRADUATE chapter whose Step Show performance is outstanding.

RULES: Maximum Performance Time – Eight (8) minutes, including entrance, performance and exit.

A PENALTY of five (5) points will be imposed for EACH minute beyond the stated performance time of eight (8) minutes.

<u>CRITERION</u>	<u>Maximum Points Possible</u>
I. ORIGINALITY	15
II. TONE QUALITY	15
III. CHOICE OF SELECTION	10
IV. DICTION	10
V. INTERPRETATION	10
VI. HARMONY	10
VII. RHYTHM	10
VIII. STYLE	10
IX. DRESS	10
Total Points Possible	100

***** NO SCRAPBOOK WITH JOURNALING REQUIRED *****

GREAT LAKES STROLL AWARD – Outstanding Stroll Show

EVALUATION CRITERIA

This award is presented to the UNDERGRADUATE chapter whose Stroll Show performance is outstanding.

RULES: Maximum Performance Time – Eight (8) minutes, including entrance, performance and exit.

A PENALTY of five (5) points will be imposed for EACH minute beyond the stated performance time of eight (8) minutes.

<u>CRITERION</u>	<u>Maximum Points Possible</u>
I. ORIGINALITY	15
II. TONE QUALITY	15
III. CHOICE OF SELECTION	10
IV. DICTION	10
V. INTERPRETATION	10
VI. HARMONY	10
VII. RHYTHM	10
VIII. STYLE	10
IX. DRESS	10
Total Points Possible	100

***** NO SCRAPBOOK WITH JOURNALING REQUIRED *****

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Appendix A -- GREAT LAKES REGIONAL AWARD ENTRY / CHECK-IN FORM

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APPENDIX B

REGISTRATION FORM for VOLUNTEER JUDGES for UNDERGRADUATE AWARDS

NOTE: A soror may volunteer to serve as a judge in any category for which her chapter or a member of her chapter is **NOT** entering.

Unless otherwise requested, please print legibly when providing the following information.

Chapter Name: _____

Chapter Location: _____

Chapter's Contact Person: _____

Contact Person's Mailing Address: _____
Street *Apartment #*

_____ _____
City *State* *Zip Code*

Telephone Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

VOLUNTEER JUDGES for UNDERGRADUATE AWARDS

L. Pearl Mitchell Award -- Outstanding Chapter

Judge's Name: _____

Judge's Mailing Address: _____

City

State

Zip Code

Telephone Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Thelma C. Hollis Award -- International Program

Judge's Name: _____

Judge's Mailing Address: _____

City

State

Zip Code

Telephone Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Altha C. Brown Award -- Outstanding Basileus

Judge's Name: _____

Judge's Mailing Address: _____

City

State

Zip Code

Telephone Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Laura T. Lovelace Award -- Outstanding Soror

Judge's Name: _____

Judge's Mailing Address: _____

_____ *City* _____ *State* _____ *Zip Code*

Telephone Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Irene Graves Award -- Focus on Youth

Judge's Name: _____

Judge's Mailing Address: _____

_____ *City* _____ *State* _____ *Zip Code*

Telephone Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Juanita Davis Webster Award -- Political Impact

Judge's Name: _____

Judge's Mailing Address: _____

_____ *City* _____ *State* _____ *Zip Code*

Telephone Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Great Lakes Connections Award -- AKA Connection

Judge's Name: _____

Judge's Mailing Address: _____

_____ *City* _____ *State* _____ *Zip Code*

Telephone Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Ann Colbert Battles Award -- Helping Hand

Judge's Name: _____

Judge's Mailing Address: _____

City

State

Zip Code

Telephone Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Bella Gilchrist Parker Award -- Outstanding Essay

Judge's Name: _____

Judge's Mailing Address: _____

City

State

Zip Code

Telephone Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Patricia A. Petty Wilson Exhibit Award -- Exemplary Chapter Activities

Judge's Name: _____

Judge's Mailing Address: _____

City

State

Zip Code

Telephone Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Rachel Ashburn Mallory Award -- Outstanding Membership

Judge's Name: _____

Judge's Mailing Address: _____

City

State

Zip Code

Telephone Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

APPENDIX C

BELLA GILCHRIST PARKER AWARD – Outstanding Essay UNDERGRADUATE ESSAY COMPETITION

ENTRY FORM

Unless otherwise requested, please print legibly when providing the following information.

Applicant's Name: _____ Age: _____

Home Address _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

AKA Chapter: _____

College / University: _____

College Classification (check one): Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior

College / University Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone #: _____

E-mail Address: _____

TOPIC for 2009

African American Academic Success: How Can Sorors Make a Difference?
(How can we assist other young people be successful academically?)

ENTRANT'S DECLARATION:

I hereby certify that I have read and understand the rules of the Essay Competition. The enclosed essay is my own work.

Applicant: _____
Signature *Date*

Graduate Advisor: _____
Signature *Date*

APPENDIX D

GWENDOLYN GOLDSTON AWARD – STEP SHOW

ENTRY FORM

All step performances should be in good taste and suitable for all audiences.

All participants in the step show must be registered with the Regional Conference.

Unless otherwise requested, please print legibly when providing the following information.

Chapter Name: _____

Chapter Location: _____

Chapter Contact Person (printed name): _____

Contact Person's Mailing Address: _____
Street *Apartment #*

_____ *City* *State* *Zip Code*

Telephone Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

For Undergraduate Chapters -- Signature of Graduate Advisor: _____

For ALL Chapters -- Signature of Basileus: _____

NOTE: The names of all Step Show participants from your chapter must be typed on a separate page and affixed to this form.

APPENDIX E

GREAT LAKES STROLL AWARD – Outstanding Stroll Show

ENTRY FORM

All stroll performances should be in good taste and suitable for all audiences.

All participants in the stroll show must be registered with the Regional Conference.

Unless otherwise requested, please print legibly when providing the following information.

Chapter Name: _____

Chapter Location: _____

Chapter Contact Person (printed name): _____

Contact Person's Mailing Address: _____
Street *Apartment #*

_____ *City* *State* *Zip Code*

Telephone Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

For Undergraduate Chapters -- Signature of Graduate Advisor: _____

For ALL Chapters -- Signature of Basileus: _____

NOTE: The names of all Stroll Show participants from your chapter must be typed on a separate page and affixed to this form.