

- * The 2016 slate of nominees for the Board of Directors is now available. Elections will take place for the following positions on **December 3, 2016**:
President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Financial Secretary, Parliamentarian (appointed position) and (3) three Director at Large positions. Attached, please find the slate of nominees.

- * A grant application was submitted on October 31, 2016 to State Farm insurance for the ASCEND Program in the amount of **\$18,619.99**. We are hopeful that we are granted some if not ALL of it and should hear by year end whether we received. In addition, another grant application will be submitted by November 30, 2016 to Walmart Foundation (for ASCEND as well) for **\$2,500.00**. We are looking forward to working with other program chairs to seek funds for planned events or for events that can be developed specifically to fit grants providing the opportunity for funding.

- * The **Hats to Hashtags** fundraiser on November 13, 2016 at the Marriott was a success and enjoyed by guests in attendance. This event yielded a profit of **\$5,343.00** which will give us another 5 scholarships. Further details will be provided in next month's newsletter.

- * The Foundation hosted it's **1st "Eat Wings ~ Raise Funds" fundraiser** on November 7, 2016 at Buffalo Wild Wings in Oceanside, LI. We had approximately 25 people (Sorors & Guests) that came out in support and had a great time conversing while dining. Our purchases amounted to \$835 and the store manager increased our total to \$1,200 in support of our cause which means we raised funds of **\$120** towards another scholarship. Every bit counts! We look forward to the possibility of repeating the fundraiser at different dining establishments in the future.

- **DON'T FORGET...** If you are a committee chair (program or fundraising), please submit your Service Project Proposal to our EPIO Program Chair & Pearls & Ivy Director at Large, Soror Sharon Nichols. This will assist in an initial discussion regarding what may be the potential for grants in the making!