Happy Holidays



The Pearls & Svy Corner

Greetings Sorors! Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a healthy and prosperous New Year. Welcome to the Pearls & Ivy Corner, the monthly Foundation newsletter. This newsletter is intended to be a source of information and education regarding the Foundation. Our general body meeting will be held on Sat., **January 7, 2017 at 12:00 PM**. We look forward to seeing you there as we rejuvenate and rededicate!

Our website is now live! Visit us at www.pearlsandivyfoundation.org Annual dues of \$30 are due in January for the year 2017. Checks should be made payable to The Pearls & Ivy Foundation of Queens, Inc. and can be submitted to Soror Gloria Farrell at the chapter meeting. Payments can also be mailed to her at the address listed in the Pink Pages.

Please support our upcoming fundraiser!

The Black Tie Affair - March 11, 2017

The Sand Castle – Franklin Square, Long Island

Tickets: \$150 (Sorors/1st Ticket);

Public - \$165 before 1/1/17; \$175 after

Reminders

Please join a Foundation committee to help continue its growth! We need the dedication and commitment of Sorors that can lend assistance based upon their expertise. Sign up will be available at January chapter meeting for Research Development, Publicity and Bylaws. For more information about these committees, please contact **Soror Paula Tudor**.

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Board of Directors

Tonda L. Ladson – President
Paula E. Tudor – Vice President
Jeanine Taylor – Treasurer
Naomi Hills – Recording Secretary
Yvette Douglas – Corr. Secretary
Gloria I. Farrell – Financial Secretary
Kelli Muse – Parliamentarian
Deborah Padmore – Director at Large
Sharon Nichols – Director at Large
Jean Phelps – Director at Large
Adrienne Adams – Director at Large
Netita Talley-Brown – Director at Large
Stephanie Haskins – Director at Large
DeRosette Harrison – Director at Large
April Brown – Director at Large

Congratulations

to the NEW and RETURNING Board Members!



Bylaw Amendments

Article V, Section 1: FINANCE

Currently reads: Annual membership dues shall be established by the Board of Directors and approved by the membership at \$30 per annum. The dues will be collected at the annual meeting of the Foundation held in January. However, the Board of Directors has the right to increase or decrease the amount in any given year.

Proposed Change: Annual membership dues shall be established by the Board of Directors and approved by the membership at **no less than** \$30 per annum. The dues **are payable no later than January 31st**. However, the Board of Directors has the right to increase or decrease the amount in any given year.

Article VIII, Section 6: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Currently reads: A majority of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum. The quorum must include the President, Vice President, the Recording Secretary or the Corresponding Secretary and the Treasurer or the Financial Secretary.

Proposed Change: A majority of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum. The quorum must include either the President or Vice President, the Recording Secretary or the Corresponding Secretary and the Treasurer or the Financial Secretary.

Article X, Section 3: ELECTIONS

Currently reads: The Nominating Committee shall prepare the official ballot for the election, which will be held in December of each year except as described in Article X, Section 3(a). Copies of the slate must be mailed to active members prior to the December meeting at which time voting takes place.

Proposed Change: The Nominating Committee shall prepare the official ballot for the election, which will be held in December of each year except as described in Article X, Section 3(a). Copies of the slate must be **mailed, emailed or hand delivered** to active members prior to the December meeting at which time voting takes place.

Grants & Corporate Sponsorships

An application was submitted for corporate sponsorship to **TD Bank** for *The Black-Tie Affair* fundraiser in the amount of \$7,500 on December 2nd.

There is a \$1,000 grant available from Allstate Insurance Foundation by recommendation from Soror Adrienne Boyd's Honey Do, Mr. Garland Boyd of the Queens Alumnae Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. The AKA Connections Committee will be working towards united service for MLK Day on January 17, 2017, which will fulfill a service hour requirement for the grant.

Soror Isannah Winley shared information regarding an opportunity for NYC discretionary funding, which requires registration with HHS Accelerator, the NYC web-based system for procurement and financial processes. This step has already been taken and we look forward to a successful pre-qualification process.

