Name of Chapter and District: Alpha Iota, District III Date of Organization: May 2, 1953 Geographical Location: Clayton County

## 2016-2018 Biennium

#### Officers

President: Cheryl Goff Vice Presidents: Anita Thomaston Deborah Bhanojirow Recording Secretary: Kathy Acree Corresponding Secretary: Martha Tolcher Treasurer: Debra Anderson Parliamentarian: Bonnie Strohm

### Summary of programs for each meeting

- August 19, 2016: Dinner & Discussion positives & challenges of the new school year
- September 10, 2016: Executive Board Meeting plans for biennium & preparation for chapter meetings
- September 19, 2016 Dinner & Program Christmas Cantata at Fox Theatre, Atlanta
- October 8, 2016: Chapter meeting speaker Toni Smith (Amendment I), officer installation
- November 9, 2016: Dinner & Discussion holiday traditions
- December 3, 2016: Chapter meeting new member initiation (Toni Smith), founders ceremony, silent auction
- December 9, 2016: Dinner & Program Noel at First Baptist Church, Jonesboro
- January 16, 2017: Magnolia Luncheon & Fundraiser community event, Premier Jewelry fundraiser
- February 4, 2017: Chapter meeting speaker Joan Smith (experience in Nazi Germany), Sida Cordoba (food demonstration), Premier Jewelry sales (fundraiser)
- May 6, 2017: Chapter meeting speaker Mike Zaren (Teacher retirement system)
- August 29, 2017: Dinner & Discussion positives and challenges of the new year
- October 7, 2017: Chapter Meeting new member initiation (Maureen Keillor and Janet Thomaston), speaker Patti Brown (Ferst Foundation of Henry County)
- December 2, 2017: Chapter meeting new member initiation (Shirley Hanner and Maureen Keillor), remembrance ceremony for Mrs. Agnes Fisher Beers (charter member), silent auction
- December 8, 2017: Dinner & Program Noel at First Baptist Church, Jonesboro
- February 17, 2018: Chapter Meeting leadership presentation by Cheryl Goff, Premier Jewelry fundraiser, soup & salad potluck
- May 5, 2018: Chapter Meeting new member initiation (Karen Burns), installation of officers, tour of Arts Clayton

#### **Committee Work**

- July 13, 2016: planning meeting for 2016-2017 programs and projects
- November 29, 2016: literacy committee meeting to plan projects
- January 24, 2017: literacy committee meeting to plan pen pal project

- June 1, 2017: planning meeting for 2017-2018 programs and projects
- April 23, 2018: literacy committee meeting to plan projects

## **Chapter Projects**

- Collected books for classroom libraries (donated to Kilpatrick Elementary School, Rainbow House and GiGi's)
- Collected clothing for women re-entering the work force (Zaban Couples Center)
- Created Purses with a Purpose for a women's shelter (Securus House)
- Collected clothes and household items for Haven House thrift store
- Collected bags and backpacks for children in foster care
- Collected food for Nothing But the Truth (provides food for children on the weekend)
- Sponsored a classroom in Liberia (happy jar donations)
- Supported Antonia Hardin, CCPS student performing in Australia
- Created and placed book crates in local businesses
- Pen pal project with 6<sup>th</sup> grade students (Ms. Knight at Kendrick Middle School)
- Sponsored a child for the Ferst Foundation of Henry County
- Sponsored a table at the Ferst Foundation Spring Luncheon
- Volunteered at Clayton County Public Schools Picture Book Reading Bowl competition
- Volunteered at Clayton County Public Schools Helen Ruffin Reading Bowl competition
- Hosted a Celebration of Champions an event to honor the winning teams in the Clayton County Reading Bowl competitions

# **Chapter Member's Participation at State**

- September 24, 2016: Chapter President Cheryl Goff, Vice President Debrah Bhanojirow, Recording Secretary Kathy Acree, Treasurer Debra Anderson and Dr. Vance Wallace attended the State Executive Board meeting in Macon
- State Communications Committee Cheryl Goff
- March 18, 2017: Chapter President Cheryl Goff, Vice President Deborah Bhanojirow and Treasurer Debra Anderson attended the Leadership Conference in Macon
- April 2017: President Cheryl Goff attended Psi State Convention in Athens
- September 23, 2017: Chapter President Cheryl Goff, Vice President Debrah Bhanojirow and Treasurer Debra Anderson attended the State Executive Board meeting in Macon
- State Personal Development Committee Cheryl Goff
- February 3, 2018: Chapter President Cheryl Goff attended the Leadership Conference in Macon
- March 16-18, 2018: 5 Members volunteered at the Deltahostel
- April 21, 2018: Cathy Schreiber, Carol Bentley & Cheryl Goff attended Spring Leadership Training in Warner Robins

# **Chapter Member's Participation at International**

• July 2016: Chapter President Cheryl Goff attended International Convention in Nashville

## Awards and Special Recognition of the Chapter

- Attendance Award at the Executive State Board Meeting, September 24, 2016
- Exemplary Communication Award at State Convention, February 2017
- Order of the Rose Award for increased chapter membership at State Convention, February 2017
- Attendance Award at the Executive State Board Meeting, September 23, 2017
- Boylston Grant for book crates in businesses

## **New Members**

Toni Smith Maureen Keillor Janet Thomaston Carol Bentley Shirley Hanner Karen Burns

## **Necrology Report**

Janet Sherling Agnes Fisher Beers (charter member)