

Chi Eta Phi holds seaside retreat

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A few members of Chi Chi Chapter of Chi Eta Phi Sorority, Inc. celebrated the 34th anniversary of the chapter during a retreat in Callabash from Sept. 21-23.

After arriving at the beautiful Brunswick Plantation and Gulf Resort, they enjoyed a delicious fish dinner at the Dock Side restaurant.

Saturday was filled with all kinds of fun and activities such as shopping, helicopter rides and visits to Sunset Beach. They ended the exciting retreat on Sunday, with a lunch at Captain Seaman restaurant. Everyone received a gift, including president (Basileus) Elleton McCullough.

Chi Chi Chapter is a professional nursing organization that was chartered at Emmanuel Baptist Church on Sept. 23, 1978. The 18 charter members were: Yetta Clark (the first basileus), Virginia Adams, Betty Harvey, Maybelle Hedgeley, Myrna Hughes, Robbie Irvin, Mary Isom, Carolyn Jones, Elleton McCullough, Gloria Millner, Ann S. Moore, Clementine



Chapter members (from left) Jewel Reaves, Elleton McCullough, Mildred Ray, Frances Sherod, Carrie Robinson, Fontaine Kirk-Graham, Aquilia Rausou, Doris Oliver and Angela Davis.

Shaw, Mildred Smith, Mary Thompson, Virginia Thombs, Helen Watkins Cooper, Ernestine Westbrook and Kanzenner Wilks. A few of the charter members are still active today.

The chapter now has more than 100 members who continue to serve the community by addressing health issues. The group's motto is: "Service For Humanity."



From left: Ellie, Fiona and Jesse Burdette and Sylvia McGee perform.

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Former resident Heidi Haas of Salisbury stayed at the Family House at a very difficult time in her life last year when her father, Roger, was in the Forsyth Medical Center Neurological Intensive Care Unit. She stayed in the city for more than a month to be with him. She stayed at a hotel until she met a Family House volunteer.

Haas said the staff, volunteers and other residents at the House gave her love and support at in her darkest hour.

"While I was here at the Family House, so many people encouraged me, and hugged me and said hello, 'How are you today?'" said Haas, whose father passed away in December. "It was just a very loving environment, very peaceful, very serene. It was like a jewel you find in the desert underneath the sand because I would've never had that experience in

the hotel where I was staying."

A small staff and more than 70 regular volunteers keep the House in order. They clean, do laundry and prepare special meals and snacks for the families there. Melissa Rosebrock is a regular weekend volunteer who has done everything at the House from cooking to landscaping. Providing support for residents is a duty she embraces wholeheartedly.

"I've been in their shoes," she said. "I think that's why most people volunteer here is because at some point in our lives we've all been in their shoes, having to tend or care for someone who's sick out of town or for a loved one in the hospital. We've all slept on waiting room chairs."

For more information about the Family House, including donating and volunteering, visit www.family-housewv.org or call Office Manager Lisa Northrop at 793-2822.

Submitted Photo
Carver Assistant Principal Barbara Burke (far left) and Carver Community Coach Arneathia M. Brown (far right) with AKA members (from second from left) Lorraine Mortis, Georgiana McCoy, Jeannette T. Lewis, L a R u e Cunningham, Marie Matthews and Margaret McCloud.



AKAs donate to three schools

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In an effort to help local students succeed academically, the Phi Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha, Inc. delivered school supplies to Carver High School on Sept. 13.

Standard mode of dress (SMOD) policies have been implemented in some schools; therefore, clothing, along with


school supplies were donated to Mineral Springs Middle School to assist school administrators and parents in meeting students' needs. On Sept. 20, Konnoak Elementary School received its delivery of toiletries and school supplies.

Some members of the Community Outreach Committee of Phi Omega Chapter made the deliveries and were graciously received by appreciative staff

members at the three schools. Many of the committee members are retired educators, so meeting the needs of students is dear to their hearts. An ongoing project of the Chapter is collecting "Box Tops for Education" from popular common products to benefit Kimberley Park Elementary School. Alpha Kappa Alpha has a long-standing history of supporting education.



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