

PHILO FACTS

Formed: 1943

Colors: Gold and White

Flower: White Carnation with Gold Ribbon

Theme: "Progress in Love, Peace, and Service"

Legacy: "Friends of Sigma Gamma Rho"

Membership: Over 50 chapters nationwide

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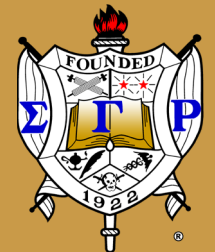


Sigma Gamma Rho SorORITY, Inc.
ALPHA ETA SIGMA
Philadelphia Alumnae Chapter

the philo affiliate

Tamika Malcolm
BASILEUS

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ANTI-BASILEUS



ΣΓΡ history

Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. was organized on November 12, 1922 in Indianapolis, Indiana by seven young educators:

- **Mary Lou Allison Little**
- **Dorothy Hanley Whiteside**
- **Vivian White Marbury**
- **Nannie Mae Gahn Johnson**
- **Hattie Mae Dulin Redford**
- **Bessie M. Downey Martin**
- **Cubena McClure**

In a time when education for African Americans was difficult to attain, the founders of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. became educators. Thus, Sigma Gamma Rho was founded on the precept of education and continues to promote and encourage high scholastic attainment. Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc., as a leading national service organization, has met the challenges of the day and continues to grow through *Sisterhood*, *Scholarship* and *Service*.



Sigma Facts:

Founded

November 12, 1922
Butler University

Colors

Royal Blue & Gold

Mascot

French Toy Poodle



Flower

Yellow Tea Rose



Official Publication

The Aurora



PHILO AFFILIATE

The purpose of the Philo Affiliate is to unite women of the highest caliber; to take part in activities that strengthen Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc.; improve civic and community conditions on the local, regional, and national levels; help support educational and cultural work among Rhoers; and to function as an affiliate to the local Sigma Gamma Rho Alumnae chapter. The Alpha Eta Sigma Philo Affiliate was organized in March 1990.

HISTORY

Since its inception, Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. has promoted unity among women and for years many alumnae chapters worked with individuals who were not members of Greek-lettered organizations. These women were organized into auxiliaries that had various names until 1954 when the sorority officially approved the organized affiliate group and accepted the name of "Philo" (meaning friend) as their official name.

In 1980 the Philos were organized on a national level and have grown to represent hundreds of women organized on a regional level as well. The Philos have contributed countless hours of community service and thousands of dollars to aid sorority's aim to enhance the quality of life within every community.

ACTIVITIES

The activities of the Philo Affiliate center around their individual community projects that align with the sorority's mission and international programs in addition to the sorority's service projects. Although Philos often work alongside Sigma women in the community, the Philo Affiliate is its own national organization with its own sisterhood, officers, fundraisers, and community initiatives. Philos also attend local and area meetings, social events, and the sorority's regional and national conventions.



MEMBERSHIP

Philo candidates must love giving back and desire to serve the community. They must also support the aims and goals of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority and be willing to uphold her standards of excellence.

Philos have traditionally been the mothers, aunts, sisters, and friends of Sigma Gamma Rho members. A Philo candidate must be willing to carry on the esteemed legacy of the "Friends of Sigma Gamma Rho".

Philo candidates must have a high school diploma or equivalent, but may not be enrolled in a 4 year degree program or possess a bachelor's degree. Philo candidates should, however, be successful and accomplished in their own right as demonstrated in numerous other ways. Philo Affiliates are sponsored and advised by the alumnae chapters of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc.