

Jack and Jill of America, Inc. Montgomery County, PA Chapter

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Sonya Ephraim Sergeant at Arms Greetings from the Magnificent Montgomery County Pennsylvania Chapter!

As the elected President for programming years 2018-2020, I wanted to take the time to introduce you to our wonderful family.

Jack and Jill of America, Incorporated is over 85 years old with greater than 230 chapters across the United States. Our magnificent chapter was established May 19,1984 by 19 mothers and presently has 67 dynamic mothers who are dedicated to the more than 100 children of our chapter.

Jack and Jill of America, Incorporated has remained steadfast to its mission since its inception in $1938 \sim$ we are dedicated to nurturing future African American leaders by strengthening children through leadership development, volunteer service, philanthropic giving and civic duty.

The 2018-2020 National Program theme is the POWER TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE: WE CAN DO MORE! Our chapter has certainly risen to the call! Our teens were recognized for their philanthropic endeavors as well as their tremendous leadership skills placing in all competitions as the Eastern Regional Teen Conference. Our teens supported and ran a successful campaign as we were able to congratulate Pierce Hodges as Eastern Regional Teen Treasurer.

Our mother members continue to not only support the chapter; they also contribute greatly to the community around us. I am proud to call our mothers – friend and family- for wherever I look they are in the news, serving on panels and inspiring other mothers and children to excel and achieve. This is evident in our teens becoming engaged and winning awards at teen conference thanks to our mother teen advisors. Our children leading in our annual ecumenical service during our Love and Happiness Ski weekend as our mothers lead "His Crew" ministry. We remain an award-winning chapter, as we have consistently been nationally recognized for our Programming Handbook.

As the 2018-2020 Chapter President, I am humbled to be a servant leader of this PREMIERE African-American family organization. Over the next two years, I look forward to continuing our legacy of making a difference in our community as well as promoting the kind of network for our members and children that propels them to new heights of success. I am committed to DOING MORE – are you?

Yours in Jack and Jill, Kelly Bethea President Montgomery County, PA Chapter