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Message from the 2nd District Representative



Brothers of the Second District,

It is truly my pleasure to serve as your 34th 2nd District Representative. I find that we are respected all over the country, not only for our presence but also for the quality of the leaders we have serving at all levels. As I reflect on our new committees, they all have done a great job and have added to the stellar job being done by all of our other committees. For example, the Honor Guard Chairman spoke at the recent International Undergraduate Summit, and his presentation was very well received.

The Assault on Illiteracy Committee has helped to revive the spirit of continuing this fight across the country. The Neophyte Olympics Committee is inspiring chapters to participate in the academic, athletic, and steppin' competitions across several of our corridors, with graduate and undergraduate chapters participating. Finally, the Health and Wellness Committee is mirroring the efforts of the International Committee, and as always, we are leading the charge to help all live more active and healthier lives!

As we go firmly into this year, we are focusing like a laser on ensuring enhanced stewardship of the resources you have entrusted to our leadership. Of course, there are items that we have not done that we wanted to do, but there are also items of which we are very proud. Again, thanks for the trust you have placed in me and the entire District Council, and may God bless each of you and your family!

Milton D. Harrison
34th District Representative
Second District





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FEBRUARY 2ND DISTRICT NAACP SUPPORT MONTH

Brothers,

Your support and participation are requested to complete this internationally- mandated activity as set forth in Chapter IV, Article I, District Programs and Celebrations, Section 1(c) : NAACP Support:

The month of February is designated as NAACP Support Month. Each chapter, during the month of February, shall conduct a membership drive for the NAACP. Brothers, we are seeing a resurgence of overt behavior that appears to again produce real and potential adverse impact on people of color. We need, in turn, to have an impact on our communities in terms of legal defense/redress; empowering our communities to win battles at the local level; working to fix the broken American education systems to eliminate the wide gaps of quality that adversely impact young people of color; voter education/registration and voter mobilization; economic advancement; working for social justice through revisions in the criminal justice systems; and strongly resisting ongoing activity aimed at voter suppression. These are among the activities that the NAACP undertakes on our behalf, but the ability to do this is grounded in having members to carry out these programs. Membership is thus the lifeline of the NAACP. Brothers, you are very much needed to step up, become a member, and do some serious community UPLIFT.

Each Chapter is requested to conduct a formal NAACP membership drive during February 2015. This drive should include outreach beyond the chapter to family, friends, co-workers, neighbors, etc. Chapter reports of outcomes should be sent to the 1st Vice District Representative, through Corridor Representatives (with CC to the NAACP Committee) by COB March 31, 2015.

A pdf version of the national NAACP membership application form will be sent to all active 2nd District brothers and will be available on the 2nd District website. If needed, technical assistance for this activity may be obtained from your local NAACP Branch's membership chair or by contacting the NAACP National Office, Membership Department, 4805 Mount Hope Drive, Baltimore MD 21215. Memberships may also be purchased on-line at www.naacp.org. For more information, you may call (NAACP National Office) toll free at 866.636.2227 or Brother McCottry, NAACP Comm. Chair @ cell: 202.549.8639: or home: 301.352.2973

Milton D. Harrison LM #4068
34th District Representative
Second District

Iota Nu Thanksgiving Holiday Food Drive

Harford and Cecil Counties, MD - November 17th and 18th 2014, 2nd District, the Iota Nu Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., conducted their annual Thanksgiving Holiday Basket Food Drive. The Social Action Committee lead by Brother Adderley, Chairman, spent Founders Day evening packaging meals for families in the community. The meals were all provided by the Iota Nu Uplift Foundation in continued support of families throughout both counties. On November 18th the Brothers of Iota Nu, in partnership with the local Boys and Girls Clubs (B&GC) of Harford County, delivered the nutritious meals to 108 family members located throughout Elkton/Cecil County and Harford County areas of Havre de Grace, Aberdeen, Edgewood and Bel Air, MD.



The meals were provided to less fortunate families to provide the basics for a family of four to enjoy a holiday meal. The Branch Director, Marcus Robin, for the Aberdeen B&GC expressed his sincere appreciation for providing the meals. He conveyed the significant need of various families in the community that go unfulfilled throughout the year, especially during the holiday seasons. Iota Nu, in partnership with the B&GC, vowed to do what they could to ensure families continue to be supported during the holiday seasons and throughout other times of the year.

Iota Nu Brothers Crowell and Adderly give Thanksgiving food to a needy family

Mu Omega 2014 Achievement Week



Garfield Jackson St. Basileus Mu Omega, Bertram Lawson II, Citizen of the Year Awardee, Milton Harrison 34th Second District Rep., Ashely Hines IV, Mu Omega's Achievement Week Chairman.

Philadelphia PA - November 17, 2014 Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. Celebrated its 103rd Anniversary as a Fraternity. Mu Omega Chapter of Omega Psi Phi in Philadelphia conducted their Annual Achievement Week Observance at Grace Baptist Church in the city's Germantown section. The National Achievement Week is a mandated program of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., was originally designed to promote the study of African American life and history. Presently, the Achievement Week Program is used to recognize those individuals at the local and national levels who have made significant contributions toward improving the quality of life for African Americans. The 2014 Citizen of the Year Award recipient is Brother Bertram L. Lawson II Beta Chapter Spring 1996. Brother Lawson a Native of Philadelphia and a 1998 Graduate of the Lincoln University of PA.

Brother Lawson Joined the YMCA in June 1998 after graduating with a B.A. in History/Secondary Education in May of 1998 as a Camp Counselor at the Columbia North Branch. Since his start as a Camp Counselor he has been promoted to Senior Program Director, Associate Executive Director, Executive Director of the West Philadelphia YMCA. In June of 2012 Brother Lawson was promoted to Group Vice President YMCA's, with senior operations & diversity leadership over the Columbia North, Christian Street, West Philadelphia and the Rocky Run Media Delaware County Pa. YMCA's. Brother Lawson has led a team that has established many new programs and services under his stewardship. Because of his leadership and forward thinking he has doubled the membership base and increased the annual campaign fundraising levels that help promote the YMCA's three pillars of Youth Development, Healthy Living and Social Responsibility.

Mu Nu Assault on Illiteracy



Mu Nu Brothers with Keynote Speaker Mariam Wright Edelman (center)

Rockville, Md. November 10, 2014. The Brothers of Mu Nu Chapter attended a dinner celebrating 28 years of continued service to the community for the George B. Thomas Learning Academy Saturday School. Brother George B. Thomas, Sr. (1950, Xi Psi, South Carolina State University) a founding charter member of Mu Nu Chapter is the President and founder of the Saturday School. The keynote speaker was Marian Wright Edelman, Founder and President of the Children’s Defense Fund. Remarks were made by the Honorable Christopher Van Hollen, U.S. House of Representatives, The Honorable Isiah Leggett, County Executive, Montgomery County Md. and Dr. Joshua Starr, Montgomery County Superintendent of Schools. Mu Nu Brother Bill Powell a member of the Sigma Pi Phi Fraternity “The Boule” accepted a Gratitude Award for their continued financial support.

The Saturday School program was started in 1986 by members of Mu Nu Chapter to address the achievement gap among minority students in the county. Over 3,400 students from over 130 schools are served on a weekly basis throughout the school year receiving tutoring support, academic advice and being mentored by volunteers in the community. The program provides certified teachers and trained community volunteers who provide academic enrichment services, mentoring and guidance in reading, language arts, and mathematics and test-taking skills for students in grades 1-12. These services are provided on Saturday morning from 8:30 am to 11:00 am from September until May at 12 high schools throughout Montgomery County. This program is a key component of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Mu Nu Chapter’s Assault on Illiteracy program in the community.

Omega Brand Statement

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OPPF is a historically Black fraternal organization that provides and promotes programs of social-, cultural- and economic uplift to the communities we serve. For over a century, we have recruited, trained and deployed men of color for leadership roles in service to humanity.

50-Word Positioning Statement:

Our social action programs touch the lives of hundreds of thousands of families and individuals each year. Whether our efforts result in entertaining an audience, educating a group of young people; or simply helping those in need, we have developed a reputation for delivering programs and projects that make a difference in the lives of those we serve.

100+ Word Positioning Statement:

A partial list of social action initiatives includes: scholarships for deserving students, mentoring programs for disadvantaged youth, leadership development and training in partnership with GE, health and wellness prevention through partnerships with State Farm and American Cancer Society.

If your company is looking to move from “success” to “significance” as a corporate neighbor, let’s have a conversation! Our aim is to make you feel welcome, respected and well served!

Tau Pi Achievement Week Activities

Founders Day Awards Banquet

Columbia, MD. Saturday, November, 15, 2014. Second District Vice Representative Bro. Carl L. Lampkins was the keynote speaker. In addition, District Representative Milton Harrison; District Keeper of Finance Derrick Lowery; and Tau Pi Brother District Keeper of Records and Seal Michael Littlejohn were in attendance. This year, we had over 20 Mentees in attendance. We held the banquet at Ten Oaks Ballroom & Conference Center located at 5000 Signal Bell Lane in Clarksville, MD 21029. Tributes to Founders were rendered. Founders Stand Ins was as follows: Hon. Bro. Oscar J. Cooper, Bro. Henry H. Bell; Hon. Bro. Edgar A. Love, Bro. Lionel Layton; Hon. Bro. Frank Coleman, Bro. Joseph Alston; Hon. Bro. Ernest E. Just, Bro. Richard E. Rogers.

The award recipients were as follows: Citizen of the Year, Mr. Richard Swartz; Superior Service, Bro. Eric Astrop; Founders Award, Bro. Michael Littlejohn and Bro. Arthur Colbert; Omega Man of the Year, Bro. Jerry Watkins. The highlight of the program was the presentation of our Citizen of the Year Award to Richard Swartz. Mr. Swartz is a renowned Furrier in the Baltimore area. He has supported Tau Pi Chapter by donating a fur that we raffled to a guest at our Holiday With Omega Formal Affair.

Omega Feeds Community Service

Columbia, MD. Thursday, November, 13, 2014, Tau Pi -Brothers served Spaghetti Dinners at Grassroots Crisis Intervention Center, 6700 Freetown Rd, Columbia, MD 21044. The Emergency Center is the only one in existence in Howard County. It shelters homeless men, women, and families.

Sunday Morning Worship Service

Columbia, MD. Thursday, November, 15, 2014 Tau Pi Brothers worshipped at St. Johns Baptist Church located 9055 Tamar Drive, Columbia, MD 21045. St. John Pastor is Reverend Robert Turner who for many years served as the Master of Ceremony for our Gospel Concert.

Rededication Ceremony

Washington, D.C. Monday, November 17, 2014. Tau Pi Chapter rents a bus each year to transport brothers from Columbia, MD to Cramton Auditorium at Howard University. This has been a great way to bring to a crescendo the Achievement Week. On the bus we eat, enjoy libations, and talk plenty of smack. This is a convenient mode to travel – safety, parking, and convenience.

Scenes from Tau Pi Achievement Week



Bro. Jerry Watkins presented Tau Pi Omega Man of the Year Award



Tau Pi Founders Stand Ins



Tau Pi Mentees in attendance at Achievement Week Banquet



Richars Swartz presented Tau Pi Citizen of the Year Award

Tau Pi Holiday With Omega

Columbia, MD. December 2014. Holiday with Omega (HWO) is Tau Pi Chapter signature event held on the second Saturday of each December. The date this year was December 13, 2014 held at the BWI Airport Marriott Hotel in Baltimore, MD. Peter K. Higginbotham, the Committee Chair and committee did a yeomen job in providing a gala Black Tie evening. Proceeds from the event fund our chapter programming and community service initiatives for the upcoming fiscal year. April 17, 2015, Tau Pi Chapter will be celebrating its 40th Anniversary. Over these years, we have generated more than \$250,000.00 in scholar-

ships for high school senior; our mentoring program; support of our Senior Citizen programs; plus enable sharing with those in need of a helping hand. All is possible with the patronage of our guests; vendors; advertising in our Souvenir Journal; and other heartfelt generous gifts. Mano Swartz each year has donated a fur coat to be raffled off to one of our lucky guest. In addition, there is a 50/50 raffle. Half of the money goes to the guest with the winning drawn ticket and the other half is contributed to our Mentoring Committee. Music was provided by the famous Panama Band.

Scenes from Tau Pi Holiday With Omega



Tau Pi Brothers with Fur Raffle Winner and Mano Swartz Representative



Holiday With Omega Chair Peter K. Higginbotham addresses Patrons



Tau Pi Holiday With Omega Patrons dancing the night away

Tau Pi Christmas Eve Gift Giving Event

Columbia, MD. December 24, 2014, The spirit of Christmas was in full-swing where Brothers of the Tau Pi Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Incorporated, and members of the local community gathered at the St. John Baptist Church (SJBC) in Columbia, MD for the annual Christmas Eve Gift Giving Event.

The Christmas Eve Gift Giving Event, pioneered by SBJC and for the past eight years Tau Pi has participated. The outreach program identifies needy families in the Howard County area and presents donated gifts to those families.

The concerted effort requires weeks of planning and coordination by volunteers, who took the time out of their own busy schedules, fueled only by their obligation and desire to give back to the community. As the bags were sorted, volunteers began mapping out destinations and routes for the "Santa-like" delivery of donated gifts to the home of each family. Some volunteers took on more than one family, making trips to various areas of the surrounding community, in order to ensure that each family received their bag of Christmas joy.

It was apparent that Brothers of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. had a strong presence at the event. Brothers representing various Undergraduate (Pi, Beta Kappa, Chi Delta) and Graduate (Tau Pi) chapters were there to provide assistance, remaining true to providing continuous social action by participating and coordinating activities that will uplift their communities. As another holiday season comes to pass, it's great to know that many



Tau Pi Brothers Volunteering at Christmas Giving Event

families who may not have had the means to celebrate this year, were able to share in the joys that many of us take for granted each year. All thanks to the self-less efforts of those who found it their civic duty to volunteer their time and donate to those less fortunate than themselves

Tau Pi Christmas Kwanza Celebration for Seniors



Tau Pi Mentees and Brother Robert McGlotten and wife, Carolyn gave the meaning of Kwanza

Columbia, MD. December 29, 2014. Tau Pi Chapter held its Christmas/ Kwanza Celebration at Harmony Hall Senior Residences annual event as one of its Social Action Programs. Each year the residents of Harmony Hall are notified to decorate their apartment doors with a Christmas theme. We used two of our High School Mentees, Rocklin Curtis and Daniel Darko, on December 22, 2014 to walk the facility and judge each door. We grouped the winners into five categories. First Place Finisher(1) – Best of Class; Second Place Finishers(2) – Excellent Achievement; Third Place Finishers(3) – Superior Achievement; Fourth Place Finishers(4) – Outstanding Achievement; and Fifth Place Finishers(4) – Honorable Mentions. There were a total of 14 winners receiving a Certificate and Gift Card. One of the fourth place winners was a Tau Pi Chapter/ Founder member, Bro. Sherman Polley who is 96 years old and his 87 year old wife Ruby who is also a Howard County Charter member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority.

Bro. Richard Layne was the Master of Ceremony and really excited the senior residents with his enthusiasm and humor. Bro. Al Bates was our photographer. HS Mentee Malachi Dofat assisted by presenting the awards to each winner. Winners that were physically unable to come to the ceremony, Bro. Jerry Watkins and HS Mentee Dofat personally visited their room and presented them with their certificate and gift card. The emotions displayed by the recipients were heartwarming and extremely touching to us. The participation by our three HS Mentees will earn them community service hours required for graduation. After a brief recess, Bro. Robert McGlotten, and his Delta wife Carolyn did an excellent Kwanza presentation. This year they were accompanied by their two grandchildren. Since the majority of the residents are Caucasians, they still were very interested and attentive during the Kwanza rituals.

Tau Pi Donates to Head Start P.E.A.K. Program



Tau Pi Basileus David Charon with P.E.A.K. Students

Columbia, MD. December 2014. Over the past 5 years, the Brothers of Tau Pi Chapter have been making annual donations of puzzles to the Howard County Centers for Head Start Programs. Chapter Basileus David Charon and Social Action Chair Mike Currie have taken on the role as Santa’s Helpers. The events took place on December 15 and 16, 2014 at Dash-er Green in Ellicott City and the First Presbyterian Head Start Locations. Puzzles Enriching Aspiring Kids (P.E.A.K) have been distributed to

students in all four of Howard County’s Head Start programs. These puzzles are welcomed by the instructors as help to build effective motor and critical thinking skills while also providing a little holiday spirit with the two “Santa Helpers”. The kids are so excited to get their puzzles and the smile on their faces is euphoria. Upon Santa Helpers leaving, the kids are pleading that they promise to return next year.

Tau Pi Thanksgiving Dinner Basket Social Action



l-r Front row Bros. Richard Layne & Jerry Watkins, Bitu Dayhoff, HS Mentee Shem Darko, HS Mentee Malachi Dofat, Bro. Frank Turner Back row Bros. Al Bates

Columbia, MD. The Brothers of Tau Pi chapter supported this year’s Howard County Community Action Council Thanksgiving Turkey distribution event held on November 25, 2014. Tau Pi Chapter purchased 10 full Turkey Dinner boxes. These dinner boxes were distributed to pre-selected families whose sons participate in the Chapter Mentorship program that takes place at Guilford Elementary School located in Columbia, MD. The chapter has established a strong relationship with Bitu Dayhoff, President of CAC. This event is held annually by CAC for eligible Howard County families and this year’s event was provided in partnership with Wegmans. The distribution took place at St. John Baptist Church, 9055 Tamar Drive, Columbia, MD. The event supported up to 800 pre-selected families who will receive a turkey and other food items such as yams, apples, green beans, potatoes, cranberry sauce, and stuffing mix. In addition to Tau Pi’s contribution to the cost of the distribution, the distribution is supported

through Wegman’s “Care about Hunger” campaign. 100% of the funds raised are used to help Howard County families who are food insecure. This program is well supported by Tau Pi Brother, Maryland State Delegate Frank Turner. Bro. Turner, a Democrat has worked in the State House since 1995. Supporting and spearheading the effort is Tau Pi Social Action Chair, Bro. U. Michael Currie, Director, Health Equity Services, United Healthcare Consumer Office. Other Brothers participating in the delivering of the dinners were Bro. Jerry Watkins, Bro. Al Bates, and Bro. Richard Layne from the Mentoring Committee. Chapter Brother, retired military officer Ron Britt, contributed in the loading of dinners into vehicles for delivery. We also used two of our High School Mentees, Shem Darko and Malachi Dofat, to assist in the loading and delivery of the Turkey Dinners. They will receive Community Service credits required for graduation in the Howard County Public School System.

When We Wear the Gloves Manhood.....laid low



Brother Garland Brown - Omega Chapter

Brother Garland Brown was born January 23, 1933 and entered Omega Chapter on November 15, 2014. Initiated into the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. through Delta Psi Chapter at Shaw University in fall 1953, he completed his undergraduate studies at Shaw, obtained a Masters degree at North Carolina A&T and studied in Africa as a Fulbright Scholar. Noted for his oratory Skills, he was asked to come to Baltimore County and serve as a pioneer in the integration

of teachers and instructors in the Baltimore County School System. He only accepted if the school system would hire his wife, thus they began their historic employment with Baltimore County Schools in 1967. A life member of Omega, Brother Brown was a member of Pi Omega Chapter and served as its Basileus from 1997-1999. An original contributor in the purchase and acquisition of the Pi Omega Fraternity Center in 1983, he served as Mardi Gras Committee Chair, Que Mentor and worked on every lead committee in Pi Omega Chapter during his 61 years of service to Omega.

In 1978, Bro. Brown was instrumental in organizing the first Baltimore County chapter of the NAACP and served as its first President. These efforts were chronicled and published in the book "It All Started on Winter's Lane, A History of the Black Community in Catonsville, MD." Brother Garland Brown loved his fraternity and lived his creed. He leaves in mourning, his wife of more than 50 years, Mrs. Addie Brown, 2 sons and 2 daughters.



Brother Morris Turner Street - Omega Chapter

Brother Morris Turner Street, Jr. was born April 16, 1941 and transitioned to Omega Chapter December 16, 2014. As one of 13 men on the pledge line "The Road Runners", he was initiated into the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. in March 1975, through Mu Rho Chapter of Annapolis MD. He later transferred and continued his financial membership in Pi Omega Chapter until his death. Graduating from Frederick Douglass High School in 1959, he matriculated to

Morgan State College (now University), graduating with a Bachelors of Arts Degree in history, later returning to obtain a Master of Science Degree in social science. Professionally, his career began as a case worker in the Baltimore City Department of Public Welfare. In 1966, he became a Probation Officer for the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City and in 1969; he became the first Black Federal Probation Officer for the United States Courts and the United States Department of Justice in the district of Maryland. When the new Federal Pretrial Services Program was instituted, he was appointed Chief Pretrial Services Officer of the United States District Court of Maryland.

Retiring in 1993, he enjoyed 10 years of retirement playing golf and working at the Forest Park Golf Course before losing his eyesight to glaucoma. Although blind, Brother Street never complained or asked why, he loved life to the fullest and when his grandchildren were born, they became the center of his life. To cherish his memory he leaves a loving and devoted wife, Phyllis; two daughters and one son.



Brother Michael Butler - Omega Chapter

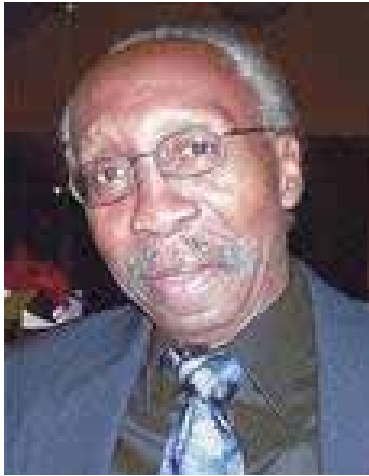
Brother Dr. Michael R. Butler was born November 9, 1948 and transitioned to Omega Chapter on December 31, 2014. Affectionately known as Mike, in 1966, he graduated in the first integrated class at Chopticon High School in St Mary's County, Maryland. Mike matriculated to Morgan State College (now University) and earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Political Science in 1970 and Masters Degree in Urban Planning

and Policy Analysis in 1973. He was conferred his Jurist Doctorate Degree from the University of Baltimore School of Law in 1979. Initiated into the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. through Pi Chapter at Morgan in 1970, he was number 20 of the legendary pledge line Grand Funk 44.

Brother Butler's employment history is quite extensive and includes: Recruitment Counselor and Associate Director of Health, Welfare and Housing at the Baltimore Urban League, Personnel Manager of EEOC & Affirmative Action at C&P Telephone Company, CO-Owner of Just Burgers at Harbourplace in Baltimore, Affirmative Action Coordinator at University of Maryland at Baltimore and U of MD Medical Systems, Faculty Member at Catonsville Community College, Coppin State University, and Strayer Business College. At the time of his death, Dr. Butler was a 29 year Assistant Professor of Law at Baltimore City Community College.

When we say our last goodbye...He walks on Streets of Pearls

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Bro. Johnathan K. Hall - Omega Chapter

Brother J. K. Hall entered Omega Chapter on March 10, 2014. Bro. Hall was initiated in the Pi Epsilon Chapter of Omega Psi Phi at University of Maryland Eastern Shore in 1965. He was born in Fort Pierce Florida and graduated from Lincoln Park Academy HS in 1963. He matriculated at UMES and earned a Bachelor of Science in Engineering in 1967. Shortly thereafter he married DeGloria and

settled in the newly developed Columbia, MD where they were the first African American couple to establish residency. In 1975, he was one of the Founders and Charter members of Tau Pi Chapter.

Upon settling in Columbia, MD he landed his first job as a civilian engineer at Ft. Meade Army base. In 1969, he started working as an engineer at Western Electric Corporation in Cockeysville, MD. His career advanced as he became the first African American engineer to be hired with Howard County Government Department of Planning and Zoning. In 1991, he left and began a new career with the United States Social Security Administration as a Project Manager.

He is survived by his devoted and lovely wife of 48 years DeGloria and a host of relatives and friends.



Brother Osbourne A. Payne - Omega Chapter

Brother Osborne Allen Payne entered Omega Chapter on November 27, 2012. Bro. Payne was initiated in the Gamma Alpha Chapter of Omega Psi Phi on April 12, 1948. Upon his death, he was a member of Tau Pi Chapter and Life Member. He entered the Navy in 1946 and used the GI Bill to go to college. He graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in History from Virginia Union in 1950 and a Master of Sci-

-ence degree in Educational Administration in 1955. He taught school and eventually became a Principal in Richmond Va. In 1967, he became a member with the National Education Association as Director of NEA SEARCH. In 1986, he received an Honorary Doctorate in International Relations in Liberia.

Bro. Payne was a founder of Associated Black Charities. He is best known for bringing McDonald's restaurants into Baltimore City. He was the first African American to win their prestigious Golden Arch Award. He was enshrined as a groundbreaking entrepreneur in the Great Blacks in Wax Museum in Baltimore in 2001. He served on numerous Boards and Foundations in Baltimore City.

He is survived by his devoted and lovely wife Famebridge, two daughters, Famebridge S. Witherspoon (Gary) and Sarita Payne, two grandchildren, and two great grandchildren.



Brother Daniel W. C. Brown - Omega Chapter

Brother Daniel W.C. Brown entered Omega Chapter on November 23, 2013. Bro. Brown was initiated in the Theta Psi Chapter of Omega Psi Phi at West Virginia State on December 7, 1945. His family relocated to Columbus, OH where he attend public school and graduated at the age of 16. Upon graduation, he enrolled in Ohio State University. Subsequently, he transferred to West Virginia State and received his Bachelor Degree.

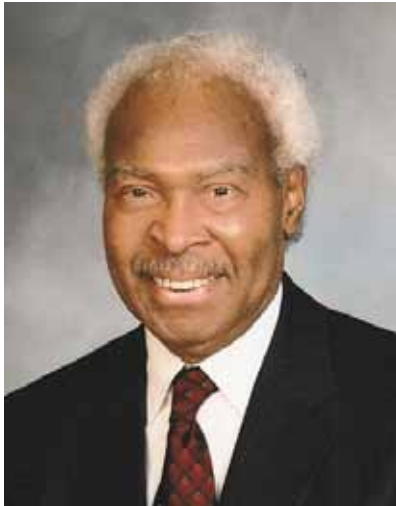
He later returned to Ohio and matriculated at Ohio University. Bro. Brown became the first African American to receive a Master of Science from the Science Department. He received a Master of Philosophy and a Doctorate in Biochemistry from George Washington University.

Bro. Brown was gifted in athletics, the arts, music, and the sciences. In his freshman year, he played football under the legendary coach Paul Brown. He worked at the National Institute of Health; and Food & Drug Administration for 44 years. He received numerous awards.

In 1975, Bro. Brown was a Founder and Charter member of Tau Pi Chapter in Columbia, MD. He served as its second Basileus. From this time until his death in 2013, he proudly swore in the new chapter officers. He is survived by his devoted and lovely wife Doris and daughter Carolyn Brown Jackson, and a host of committed family and faithful friends.

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Brother Owen McPherson - Omega Chapter

Brother Owen McPherson entered Omega Chapter on March 17, 2014. Bro. McPherson was initiated in the Mu Psi Chapter of Omega Psi Phi at North Carolina A & T as #14 of #23 on April 1, 1950. He attended High School in Waycross, GA. After graduation, he joined the U. S. Army, serving two years in World War II as a heavy weapon specialist, earning the rank of Buck Sergeant. He graduated from North Carolina A & T with a

Bachelor Degree in Electrical Engineering in 1952 and in 1966 completed the USDA Graduate School in Public Administration. Bro. McPherson was an active member of Tau Pi Chapter and a Life Member.

Bro. McPherson later relocated to Washington, D C and found employment with the Department of Navy, testing communication instruments and equipment on board submarines and service ships. After 30 years of service, Bro. McPherson retired and began his second career at Westinghouse Electric Corporation as a Communication System Engineer. After nine years, he retired again and obtained his associate realtors license. He sold homes for the next five years.

Bro. McPherson is survived by his devoted and lovely wife Dorothy for over 60 years; three sons; Owen Jr., Carl, and Jason; one grandson, Spencer Hill McPherson.



Brother George C. Riley, Sr. - Omega Chapter

Brother George C. Riley Sr. transitioned from life on earth to Omega Chapter on January 17, 2015. He was a life member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. and one of the founders of the fraternity's Lambda Upsilon Chapter of Paterson, New Jersey. He was initiated into Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. Beta Chapter in 1943. Brother Riley received a Bach-

elor of Arts Degree in Biology from Lincoln University. He continued his studies at Seton Hall University where he earned a Masters Degree in Education; subsequently serving as an educator of special needs students with the Newark, New Jersey Board of Education for 28 years.

Brother Riley was a World War II veteran of the United States Army. He was a member of Calvary Baptist Church for 80 years. According to members of the Fraternity, "Brother Riley will always be remembered for his quick wit, charm and good humor. He loved to laugh and loved making others laugh even though some of his jokes were a little corny. He was a genuinely kind and gentleman, friendly to a fault, and always willing to lend a helping hand."

When we say our last goodbye...He walks on Streets of Pearls

“The Omega Type” May ‘46 Oracle

“The Omega Type . . . ”

By CHARLES E. KING

The use of the expression “the Omega type” is widely known wherever Omega is known. A prospective “lamp” is either referred to as being the Omega type or not the Omega type. There is great probability that the expression of “the Omega type” is often used without very much meaning. It is most important that “type” be given consideration for it is the “type” that makes Omega Omega, but we should be clear in our minds about what the type should manifest.

The “type” should exhibit the qualities of manhood, scholarship, perseverance, and uplift. In exhibiting manhood he should be a gentleman, but none-the-less a man. He should be reliable, self-confident, able to have convictions of his own, fair in his dealings with others, have respect for authority, but not the type to cringe before or court favor with authority. In exhibiting scholarship grades alone cannot be used as the criterion of measurement. The type should exhibit this quality further by showing the ability to master facts and interpret them into application for practical situations. Perseverance should be exhibited by the tendency of plugging ahead in face of obstacles. The tendency to keep pushing forward despite difficulties until the aims have been accomplished. The type should show the quality of

uplift by having interest in any activity that tends to make for the improvement of the well being of individuals and society.

The fraternity does not make men. Men make Omega. Therefore it is imperative that careful observation be undertaken before a prospect be taken “across the burning sands to the mystic shrine of Omega”. The fraternity can never be better than its constituents. If the fraternity is to promote manhood, scholarship, perseverance, and uplift, the type of men taken into it must possess these qualities and it is up to the Omega men to see to it that these men are the possessors of these qualities before they are made into the fraternity for once he is made there is no “turning out.”

If brotherhood is to be made realistic in the realm of Omega it must recruit men who have the trait of open-fair-mindedness and a desire and appreciation of fellowship.

The Omega type is not something to be loosely considered, but rather something that must gain our most serious attention. We must keep the standards of Omega high; we must keep Omega meaning something. Therefore it is essential that we determine if the prospect is the type that will build Omega to be what we want it to be.

The True Gentleman

The True Gentleman is the man whose conduct proceeds from good will and an acute sense of propriety, and whose self-control is equal to all emergencies; who does not make the poor man conscious of his poverty, obscure man of his obscurity, or any man of his inferiority or deformity; who is himself humbled if necessity compels him to humble another; who does not flatter wealth, cringe before power, or boast of his own possessions or achievements; who speaks with frankness but always with sincerity and sympathy; whose deed follows his word; who thinks of the rights and feelings of others, rather than his own; and who appears well in any company, a man with whom honor is sacred and virtue safe.

John Walter Wayland

Delta Upsilon 2014-2015 Installation of Officers



Delta Upsilon Officer receive the Oath of Office at the Installation Ceremony



Union Industrial Home Family Partners Rename Award in Honor of Delta Upsilon Brother Robert E. Alston

Trenton, NJ. November 2014 The Union Industrial Home (UIH) re-named its award winning Platinum Dad's Legacy of Fatherhood Award to the Robert E. Alston Legacy of Fatherhood Award for the untiring work and commitment that Brother Alston and Delta Upsilon Chapter Social Action Committee did in support of UIH's fatherhood initiatives.

Association - Alumni of the Year Award; West End Little League - Service and Outstanding Man in America Award; Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. - Outstanding Educator Award; Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc, Iota Gamma Chapter - Community Award; Union Industrial Home Fatherhood Program/2013 Annual Legacy of Fatherhood Platinum Dads Award.

Transitioning to Omega Chapter in 2013, Brother Robert E. Alston legacy was his untiring commitment of mentorship to young people in the Trenton, New Jersey Community. Professionally, he worked as a financial aid officer at The College of New Jersey for 34 years, eventually achieving the position of Associate Director of Financial Aid. An active member of Delta Upsilon Chapter, his community involvement included serving as president of the West End Little League and on Trenton Mayor Palmer's Youth Services Commission; Board membership on the Board of Isles, Inc., the Jamesburg Board of Trustees and the Community Planning and Initiatives Committee for the United Way of Mercer County. Robert also served as a Lawrence Township emergency first responder. Brother Alston was recognized numerous times for outstanding achievement. Among his awards are the following: Raritan Valley Community College - Cultural Diversity Award; The College of New Jersey - Mentor of the Year Award; Private Milton L. Olive Organization - Life Award; College Union Board - Outstanding Minority Staff; New Jersey Educational Opportunity Fund Professional



Platinum Dads is a signature event for UIH Family Partners. Fathers and male role models from the community are nominated for this event. Each year, from nominations, 10 fathers and/or male role models are chosen to be honored. In addition, one Legacy of Fatherhood Award Winner is chosen by the Planning Committee to receive this award which represents a mature individual who sets the 'bar high' for future generations. Three UIH program participants who have been role models in our facility are chosen by staff to receive the UIH Ambassador Award.

Founded in 1859, Union Industrial Home was established by a Union of churches, during society's Industrial period, as a Home for impoverished children. By today's standards, UIH Family Partners mission, "Empowering men, fathers and families to achieve self-sufficiency" is aimed at strengthening families by strengthening fathers. For nearly 21 years of programs and services for fathers and men, UIH Family Partners remains a committed leader in the field that fosters and supports child and family well-being.

Delta Upsilon HBCU College Fair



Participants at the HBCU College Fair

Trenton, NJ. November 22, 2014. Over 1000 students and parents visited with over 45 HBCU representatives at Annual HBCU College fair recently held in Trenton, NJ. Over a million dollars in scholarship money was awarded to students on the spot and over 100 college application

fees were waived by students who visited with the representatives. This was the 10th consecutive year that Delta Upsilon Chapter and first for the re-emerged Iota Gamma Chapter to partner with the Malcolm Bernard Foundation to host one of the largest such events in the Northeast.

Delta Upsilon Brother Lamonte Saunders Grand Marshall American Heart Association Walk

Trenton, NJ. September 2014. Brother Lemonte Sanders was selected to be the 2014-2015 Grand Marshall/Survivor Ambassador by the American Heart Association for their annual walk/run held each year in Piscataway, NJ. Brother Sanders is a heart transplant survivor and active member of Delta Upsilon's Health Initiative Committee.

Bro. Lamonte Saunders address Heart Walk participants



Delta Upsilon Brother Marion Wingo Inducted into Newark Sports Hall of Fame



Brother Marion Wingo (center) is flanked by Newark Hall Fame of Committee members after receiving his Newark Hall of Fame plaque

Trenton, NJ. October 29, 2014. Delta Upsilon Chapter member and former Newark, NJ native, Marion Wingo was inducted into the Newark Athletic Hall of Fame. Brother Wingo attended Newark public schools until his graduation from Vailsburg High School. He was all Newark in football in 1973 and 1974 and city champion in track and field in the 100 yard dash in 1974. His Vailsburg High team was state champs in track and field in 1974. Brother Wingo's roots in Omega began at Langston University, Phi Psi Chapter in 1976 before transferring to Western Kentucky University, Gamma Theta Chapter in 1977. At WKU Marion was the Ohio Valley Conference Track Athletic of the Year in 1979 and later inducted into the Western Kentucky University Track & Field Hall of Fame in 1998.



Lambda Gamma Gamma & Sigma Gamma Rho Toy Drive



Lambda Gamma Gamma Brothers and Sigma Gamma Rho Sisters at Toy Drive

Largo, MD. December 11, 2014. Brothers from Lambda Gamma Gamma chapter ("LGG") and the ladies from the Lambda Delta Sigma Chapter of Sigma Gamma Rho, Inc. successfully completed their annual Toy Drive at Jasper's Restaurant in Largo, MD. The joint venture was used to solicit donations of unwrapped gifts from membership of both chapters. Each attendee joined to fellowship at Jasper's for a few hours and, more importantly, gather toys for Georgetown East Elementary School in Annapolis, MD.

Brothers Yahari Butler and Micheal Parham, Jr. from LGG were the chair and co-chair of the event, respectively. Brother Butler attributes the success of the event to the ease of the two chapters working together. Communication flowed seamlessly and led to a great turnout for both chapters. Brother Butler stated that it was great for the chapters to find time during such an important time of the year to work together. He cites being able to double this year's contributions as the biggest success of the Toy Drive.

Lambda Gamma Gamma Assault on Illiteracy



Lambda Gamma Gamma Assault on Illiteracy Program in action

Glen Arden, MD. November 19, 2014. Brothers from Lambda Gamma Gamma chapter ("LGG") successfully kicked off their 3rd Annual Assault on Illiteracy Program/Manhood 101 at Charles Herbert Flowers High School. Led by Bro. Bleu Colquitt, over ten Brothers began its annual program to Uplift the lives of young men at Flowers High School through weekly mentorship. According to Bro. Gorman Brown, Principal at Flowers High School, "since Manhood 101 has been enacted, there's a noticeable difference

in the young men that participate in the weekly mentoring. Almost each has seen an increase in their GPAs and a decrease in issues with parents, teachers and peers." In addition to the intense weekly meetings, the boys take trips to cultural venues, they visit college sports tournaments at Bowie State University to get a taste of college life and they volunteer in the community. Each year, the program averages 25-30 boys between their freshman and senior years in high school.

Lambda Gamma Gamma & Gamma Pi 12th Annual Toy GiveAway

Suitland, MD. December 2, 2014. Lambda Gamma Gamma Chapter ("LGG") and Gamma Pi Chapter joined for the 12th year to give toys to students at Suitland Elementary School. In addition to over 20 Brothers from both chapters, the Suitland police and fire departments also were integrally involved in this annual event to uplift the spirits of children

during the holiday season. And, of course, Santa Claus made his appearance, arriving at the school on a huge hook and ladder fire truck. Led by Brother Johnny Sidbury, the Project Uplift Committee worked closely with Suitland Elementary to plan and execute this worthwhile event.

Lambda Gamma Gamma 2014 Youth Leadership Conference



Youth participants at Lambda Gamma Gamma Youth Leadership Conference

Bowie, MD. October 11, 2014. Lambda Gamma Gamma Chapter (“LGG”), in conjunction with the Uplift Foundation, successfully completed their annual Youth Leadership Conference (“YLC”). This year’s conference, held at Charles Herbert Flowers High School, featured interactive workshops for high school boys and their fathers. Topics included leadership skills, networking, communication, net-

working, decision-making, conflict resolution, computer coding and critical thinking. For the fathers, topics included employment, health and family. Prizes for the youth were provided for the boys, which included a Chrome Notebook, Galaxy tablets, iTunes gift cards and LG Pro Bluetooth headsets. Over 100 young men and their fathers participated in this half-day event, which was led by Bro. Bleu Colquitt.

LGG & Gamma Pi Thanksgiving Basket Give Away



Lambda Gamma Gamma & Gamma Pi participants at the Thanksgiving Basket Giveaway

Suitland, MD. November 25, 2014. Lambda Gamma Gamma Chapter (“LGG”) and Gamma Pi chapter joined once again to provide turkeys with all the trimmings to seniors at the Windsor Crossing Apartment Community. The chapters provided turkey baskets to 100 seniors so that they could fully enjoy the Thanksgiving holiday. In terms of participation, over 20 Brothers from LGG and Gamma Pi, 18 boys

from the Manhood 101 mentoring program at Charles Herbert Flowers High School and 4 students from Suitland High School participated in this philanthropic effort of the chapters. Led by Brother Bleu Colquitt and Johnny Sidbury, the Turkey Basket Giveaway also provided turkey baskets with the trimmings to 22 needy families in the DC area.

Lambda Gamma Gamma Achievement Week Activities

Armed Forces Retirement Home Visit



Lambda Gamma Gamma Brotherhood Luncheon



Lambda Gamma Gamma Achievement Week Activities



Brother Sherman Charles presented Lambda Gamma Gamma Omega Man of the Year Award

Ft. Meade, MD. November 17, 2014. Brothers from Lambda Gamma Gamma chapter ("LGG") successfully completed their annual Achievement Week activities at Howard University, the birthplace of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. The week of activities began on Saturday, November 9, 2014 with the Royal Purple and Old Gold Ball, which was held at The Camelot by Martin's in Upper Marlboro, MD. The guest speaker for the Ball was Bro. Ronald C. Machen, Jr., United States Attorney for the District of Columbia. Congresswoman Donna Edwards, U.S. Representative from Maryland's 4th District, was also present and delivered a moving acceptance speech for the chapter's Citizen of the Year Award. The 2nd District Keeper of Records and Seal, Bro. Michael Littlejohn, swore in the newly elected officers. LGG's Achievement Week Awards were also presented.

The recipients were as follows: Omega Man of the Year: Bro. Sherman Charles; Founders Lifelong Service Award: Bro. Andre DeBose; Superior Service: Bro. Marc Pina; Colonel Charles Young: Bro. James Walker; Citizen of the Year: Congresswoman Donna Edwards; Bridge Builder: Bro. Tony Munson; Committee Chairman of the Year: Bro. Bleu Colquitt, Youth Leadership Conference; Area Coordinator of the Year: Bro. Jamal Miles, Area 3; Founder Stand Ins: Bro. Erick Tyrone, Bro. Lonnie McAllister, Bro. Tommie Bennett, Bro. Timothy Worley. Officers sworn in for the 2014 - 2015 service year were as follows: Brother Micheal Parham, Jr., Basileus; Brother Michael Coward, Vice Basileus; Brother Reggie Vance, Keeper of Records and Seal; Brother Timothy Worley, Keeper of Finance; Brother Nnamdi Jideani, Keeper of Peace; Brother Marc Pina, Chapter Editor to the Oracle; Brother Wonzie Gardner, Chaplain.

Achievement Week activities continued on Sunday, November 10th, where the brotherhood worshiped together at Ft. George G. Meade's Argonne Hills Chapel. Dynamic messages were delivered by Bro. Tony Hampton and Bro. (Rev.) Blair Alexander. On Tuesday, the actual ob-

servance of Veteran's Day, the brotherhood visited the veterans that reside at the Armed Forces Retirement Home in Washington, DC and also played several games of BINGO. Prizes were awarded to the winners of each game. On Wednesday, November 12th, we hosted our Brotherhood Luncheon at the Navy Yard where Brother Grand Counselor D. Michael Lyles, Jr. was the guest speaker. On Friday, November 14th, we hosted Reclamation Night to reach out and bring wayward brothers back into the fold. After Reclamation, on Saturday, November 15th, the Brotherhood hosted our signature Birthday Bash at the Gaylord Resort and Conference Center where over 1,200 patrons turned out to dance and fraternize. The culminating event was Alpha Chapter's Rededication Ceremony on Howard University at Cramton Auditorium where we all retook our Oath.



Nu Nu Thanksgiving Basket Social Action

Burlington, NJ November 24, 2014. The Brothers of Nu Nu chapter prepared Thanksgiving baskets for the needy at the Omega Community Development Center. The Brothers of Nu Nu had given generously to provide a complete thanksgiving meal including a whole turkey to 18 needy families in Burlington County. There were jumps for joys, praises to God and several tears of joy shed by more than a few of the Black, Caucasian and Latino recipients on our list. Each family was delivered a basket that only required cooking and seasoning. This is an annual effort by Nu Nu to assist the less fortunate at Thanksgiving.



Nu Nu Brothers preparing Thanksgiving Baskets

Nu Nu HBCU Fair 50/50 Raffle

Willingboro NJ, December 17, 2014. The Brothers of Nu Nu, Pi Kappa Kappa, and Chi Epsilon held the drawing for the Camden Historically Black Colleges and Universities Fair 50/50 raffle at the Willingboro Public Library. The sum of \$5830.00 was raised as profit after expenses. Half the proceeds will help defer the costs of the 2015 Camden HBCU College fair held at the Susquehanna Bank Center in Camden, NJ. There were 5 cash prizes given totaling \$2915.00. First Prize – \$1,311.75, Shirley Jones, Second Prize – \$728.75, Mike Gramby, Third Prize – \$437.25, Claudia and Jackie, Fourth Prize - \$291.50, Capital Recovery Services, and Fifth Prize - \$145.75, Arthur Bernard.



Nu Nu Volunteer picking raffle winners

Chi Upsilon Health Initiative

Camden, NJ, November 2014. The Brothers of Chi Upsilon Graduate Chapter, Camden, New Jersey in accordance with our “Health Initiative” sponsored the first part of an ongoing series of seminars for prostate cancer awareness among African-American men. On Saturday, November 15, 2014 at New Mickle Baptist Church; Ms. Armenta

Washington, MS Program Manager of Fox Chase Cancer Center, enlightened the audience on the preventive measures, proper diet and the importance of clinical trials related to our community. Social Action Chairman, Karl Medley, Jr. announced that the partnership with Fox Chase Cancer Center as a welcomed addition to our Health Initiative Series.



Ms. Armenta Washington enlightens attendees on benefits of health initiatives

Nu Nu Achievement Week Banquet

Cove II, Audubon, NJ, November 8, 2014. Nu Nu Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. held their Achievement Week Banquet Black Tie Affair at the Cove II Banquet Hall. The chapter recognized community leaders and Nu Nu Chapter brothers for their outstanding efforts. The newly elected 2014-2015 Nu Nu officers took their Oath of Office at the banquet. The Joseph Washington Basileus Award was presented to Bro. Carlos Enriquez. The Colonel George Waters Superior Service Award was presented to Brothers John Piercy and Mamon Bey. The Arthur Frank Brown 2014 Leadership and Inspiration award was presented to Brothers Terry Lucas and Don Hampton. The Founders Award was presented to Bro.

LaVaughn M. Dillings. The Colonel Charles Young Military Leadership Award was presented to Bro. Jarrod Flowers. Lt. Colonel Theodore Cannon 2013 Citizen of the Year Award was presented to Mrs. Donna Crinshaw. The 2014 Nu Nu Omega Man of the Year Award was presented to Bro. Dr. Vincent Pearson. The Founders Award was presented to Brothers Kelvin Hayes, Kyle Stevens, Michael E. Brown, and Darryl McMillon. NuNuChapter's newly elected officers are as follows: Bro. Eric Dennis, Basileus; Bro. Edward Tyson Sr., Vice Basileus; Bro. Jarrod Flowers, Keeper of Records and Seals; Bro. Lavaughn M. Dillings, Keeper of Finance; Bro. Jeffery J. Cole, Director of Public Relations and Bro. Michael E. Brown, Chaplain.



Brothers John Piercy (left) and Mamon Bey receiving the Colonel George Waters Superior Service Award



Bro. Dr. Vincent Pearson receiving the 2014 Omega Man of the Year Award



Bro Don Hampton (right) receiving the Arthur Frank Brown 2014 Leadership and Inspiration award. Bro Lavaughn M. Dillings stood in for Bro. Terry Lucas



Bro. Jarrod Flowers receiving The Colonel Charles Young Minority Leadership Award

Mu Rho 2015 New Years Gala



Mu Rho Brothers and guests danced the night away.



Brother Charles Hall and his wife Dolores enjoy the evening.

Annapolis, MD December 31, 2014. Mu Rho Chapter held its 1st annual New Year's Eve Gala Celebration. The event was held at the Double Tree Hotel. The space was beautifully decorated with purple tablecloths as well as purple and gold balloons. Over 120 guests attended and danced the

night away. The black tie event consisted of line dancing, a band, a live DJ, a cash bar, a wonderful dinner as well as New Year's Eve party favors. The Gala's proceeds will be used to support the community events of the chapter. Everyone had a wonderful time and look forward to next year.

Mu Rho Toys for Tots

Arnold, MD December 20, 2014. Members of Mu Rho partnered with Toys for Tots at Anne Arundel Community College to provide toys to needy families in the area. Over 2,500 families were given toys for Christmas. The lines were long but the smiling faces of the children made the day worthwhile. Nationally, Toys for Tots has been in operation since 1947. First Lady Michelle Obama put the first collection box at the White House in 2009. As of 2013, Toys for Tots has collected over 469 million toys for needy children. The Mu Rho Chapter will continue to "lift as we climb" and maintain our focus of servicing the communities of Maryland.



Mu Rho Basileus Jeff Diggs happily carries a bike for a thankful family.

Mu Rho Fall Festival For Kids



Annapolis, Maryland Friday, November 7, 2014, Brothers of Mu Rho Chapter participated in the fourth annual Halloween/Fall Festival which was held in at the Robinwood Community Center in Annapolis. With over 18 members in attendance, Mu Rho was the largest member of the PanHellenic Council to be represented. Over 75 kids attended the event. Kids were entertained with face-painting, dancing, moon bounce and many games. Free food was also provided. A DJ played music throughout the event. Brother Dave Jackson, stated "I enjoy coming to this event each year because it is one more opportunity for kids to see positive role models and see men from different fraternities working together towards a common goal."

Mu Rho Brothers at the Fall Festival for Kids

Omicron Chi Uplift Awards



l-r Omicron Chi Awardees: Bro. Robby West, Bro. Jeff Blanchard, and Bro. John Metz.

South Plainfield, NJ. December 21, 2014. Omicron Chi Chapter held it's 2nd Annual Uplift Awards Show and Christmas Party. This event was a combined effort to celebrate the birth of Christ through fellowship and entertainment and award the chapters highest honors including: The Basileus Award, The Founders Award, and the Omega Man of the Year. During this years awards show the brothers were entertained by the

sounds of crooner Derek Canon, singer/songwriter and vocal mentor Desiree Middleton and Poet Kalita Cox poetically known as Se'lah. This years top honors were awarded to the following brothers: Bro. Robby West received the Basileus/Service Award, Bro. John Metz received the Founders Award, and Bro. Jeff Blanchard was awarded the Omega Man of the Year Award.

Omicron Chi Community Forum on Police and Community Relations

Plainfield, NJ - On Thursday, December 11th, 2014, Omicron Chi chapter Basileus, Brother Byron Ward, participated in a local Community Forum with local law enforcement and community leaders on ways that Plainfield citizens and police who are tasked with serving and protecting the community can better understand each other. The forum drew about 300 people including the men of Omicron Chi chapter. The attendees heard from a panel that included Plainfield, New Jersey Mayor Adrian Mapp, Assistant US Attorney, Dara Govan, Plainfield Police Director, Carl Riley, and other local law enforcement and community leaders including Bro. Ward. The event was held at Shiloh Baptist Church in Plainfield, NJ which is led by Senior Pastor Gerald Lamont Thomas who helped to organize the forum. The event was one of many discussions and demonstrations being held in cities across the United States in response to a Nov. 24th, 2014 grand jury decision not to indict a white officer who shot and killed Michael Brown in Ferguson, Missouri and a New York City grand jury the following week declining to indict a white officer who tried to arrest Eric Garner with a fatal chokehold. The NYC arrest was caught on tape with Garner repeatedly gasping: "I can't breathe! I can't breathe!" Brown and Garner were black men. "We cannot afford to wait until something happens here in Plainfield before we act," Mayor Adrian Mapp said. "There is something fundamentally wrong with the training that some police officers receive, with the psychological testing that is done." US Attorney Govan stated "We should be able to agree that law abiding citizens should not be afraid of the police. There is a crisis of confidence in communities of color with law enforcement. There is no question about that. The public is divided along racial lines in reaction to police shootings of black men. We have to learn how to communicate, to open our minds, to hear about other people's points of views." Omicron Chi chapter Basileus Bro. Byron Ward shared that "the Men of Omicron Chi Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. denounce violence in all forms including domestic violence, police brutality, gang violence, bullying, rape, and homicides. We believe that not only

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Omicron Chi Community Forum Bro. Byron Ward, Basileus

do "Black Lives Matter" but that "All Lives Matter". Ward continued by stating that "Omicron Chi chapter has been supporting the Plainfield community for 60 years with a keen focus on mentoring young people and providing educational support in our communities. Community leaders must come together and create a comprehensive strategy of community education that includes increased levels of sensitivity and diversity training to officers, training for our citizens on how to interact with law enforcement, supportive parenting and life skills workshops, and community job and career training to improve the overall health of our cities and to keep our young people off the streets." The program concluded with a question and answer with the citizens in attendance. The December 11th community forum will be the first of a series of community events to improve the relationship between Plainfield resident and local police. During the question and answer period of the program, Brother Ward pledged that Omicron Chi chapter plans to continue its partnership with the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE) to create community based workshop and training opportunities.

Omicron Chi 2014 Achievement Week

Plainfield, NJ November 9, 2014. During the week of November 9th, 2014 while celebrating 103 years of service, the Omicron Chi chapter hosted its annual Achievement Week. The Brothers of the Omicron Chi chapter have done an excellent job with leveraging their resources and making a huge impact in our community. The week began with our ongoing Feed the Less Fortunate program, where we serve food and beverage once a month to the residents of the Plainfield YMCA. This particular week, we added a component to the program by providing over 200 toiletry items we were able to collect during a toiletry drive we had previously hosted. Other programs and events hosted during this week included a mentoring program in collaboration

with Rev. Ronald Thomas of Fountain Baptist in Summit. The chapter hosted its First Annual Suit Drive and collected a total of 68 suits, 42 dress shirts, 50 ties, and a variety of blazers and slacks. The suits were later donated by the chapter to reentry and mentoring programs in other communities. We hosted our annual Talent Hunt auditions at Inspira Performing Arts in New Brunswick, NJ; worshipped and fellowshiped at Shiloh Baptist Church exemplifying Christian manhood; and enjoyed each other's company discussing our beloved fraternity, while watching Monday Night Football and grilling at a chapter member's residence. The week was a success in our book and we were able to uplift and engage with so many people within and outside of the community.

Omicron Chi Business and Career Roundtable Forum



Omicron Chi Business and Roundtable Forum

Plainfield, NJ. Over the past year Omicron Chi Chapter has convened brothers from around the region to uplift and accelerate business and career development through workshops and seminars. Birthed out of chapter Reclamation and Retention efforts, the Omega Business and Career Development Roundtable serves as a platform for brothers to come together in friendship to share business and career strategies, highlight keys to success and provide skills-based learning opportunities to support brothers in their effort to move their business and career endeavors to the next level. The Roundtable sponsors a "Business Breakfast Meeting" on the 3rd Saturday of the month. The inaugural meeting was appropriately held at the Omega Diner in North Brunswick.

Omicron Chi has established a core nucleus of brothers who lead work sessions on how to navigate the business start-up and development process and how to navigate the corporate and professional environment. Among the presenters who have led roundtable forums include Brother Antonio "Tony" Dinkins, (Xi Lambda Lambda Chapter, New York), President/CEO of Unlimited Events & Marketing, Inc., Brother Robby West, Independent State Farm Agent, Brother Terrance Phillips, Vice-President and Rick Officer at BCB Community Bank, Brother Steve Cooper (Upsilon Phi Chapter) Senior Mortgage Banker and Consultant, Mike Smith, Asset Manager, Fortress Investment Group and Brother Mike Gilliam, retired Police Captain and owner of Maximum Athletics. The Roundtable Forum has also developed partnerships and has incorporated community resources and workshop presenters including Ms. Elayne McClain, Regional Director of

the New Jersey Small Business Development Center at Rutgers University.

Through this initiative brothers come together on one accord to talk business. Discussion topics have included business plan writing and development, marketing and communications, building business partnerships, self-improvement models, networking, articulating your value proposition, buying existing businesses and franchising, among others. "Looking back, one of the many benefits of having someone like Brother James S. Avery (Omega Chapter) continuously in your midst was the emphasis he placed on professional training and development", said Brother Jeff Blanchard, who co-chairs this initiative with Brother Robby West through Reclamation and Retention. "This forum is very relevant in terms of where we are collectively today in our business and professional careers and indicative of how we need to continuously work together to seek ways to move the dial and stay competitive. This is, in many respects, is a continuation of the legacy of Brother Avery".

These business breakfast roundtables represent a give-back to the brothers of Omega with a focus on our collective internal growth and development. More than 45 brothers have participated in Omega Business and Career Development Roundtable activities. The true benefit of these forums is in the fellowship. It has facilitated an avenue for brothers to get to know each other better, understand what brothers do on a daily basis professionally and an avenue to bond and expand friendship on another level.

Sigma Beta Beta Achievement Week

Westbury, N.Y. Dec. 14, 2014. Bringing together some of the most prominent men in the community, Sigma Beta Beta Chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., held its 2014 Achievement Week signature event at the Westbury United Methodist Church. The event celebrated the life and work of some of the most noted Omega men in the New York area.

“Achievement week is a mandated program of our beloved Omega Psi Phi Fraternity and I must say this was one of the most dynamic and moving programs we have had at Sigma Beta Beta,” said Bas. Bernard Essaylene. “I’m so proud of all those who put together such a great program.”

The Great Sigma Beta Beta Chapter honored the following men: Brother Joseph Thompson, Citizen of the Year Award for his outstanding contributions to humanity and Sigma Beta Beta. Brother Robert J. Howell, Superior Service Award for his outstanding contributions to Sigma Beta Beta. Brother Edward H. O’Neil, Omega Man of the Year Award for his significant contributions made to Sigma Beta Beta during the year. Brother William R. Smith, Ph.D. with the Founders Award for exhibiting the highest ideals of Omega’s Four Cardinal Principles: Manhood, Scholarship, Perseverance and Uplift as well as his sustained contributions and achievements to reflect a lifelong service to Omega. Brother Fredrick K. Brewington, Esq., was the guest speaker for the event. He is not only one of the most influential civil rights defenders of this era, but also represents an essential part of Sigma Beta Beta history. Ms. Ashanti Merritt, provided music for the event and food and beverages were provided by Sigma Beta Beta’s own Brother Jayson “Roc” Smith at the conclusion of the program.

“It was imperative that the brothers support this program and they did an amazing job,” said Bro. Christopher Contreras, 2014 SBB Achievement Week Chairman. “I can’t thank the brothers enough for their support and the great men we honored.”



Brother Fredrick K. Brewington, Esq. Guest Speaker

Sigma Beta Beta Scholarship Fundraiser

Westbury, N.Y., Nov. 15, 2014. For more than 38 years, Dr. Rodgers M. Lewis has been a noted educator and serves as an example of what scholarship can mean in the lives of African Americans. His dedication as a member of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., was rewarded by the brothers of Sigma Beta Beta Chapter during the chapter’s 14th annual “Make a Difference,” gala scholarship dinner dance. He was one of four people honored by the chapter for their outstanding contributions to the community.

The funds, according to chapter Basileus Bernard Eyssalenne, are given to “deserving high school students in Nassau County. It is the proceeds from the affair that will fund our annual scholarship programs.”

Initiated into the Kappa Sigma Chapter in 1962 at Lane College in Jackson, Tenn., Dr. Rodgers Lewis was presented with his 50th year pin as a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., at the 78th Conclave in Minneapolis, MN.

Throughout his career, he has received many awards for dedicating his talent and energies to ensuring a quality education for all students. His overriding priority of bettering society is accomplished through his career as a teacher and educational administrator, as well as through serving the community and his church.

In the chapter’s journal, his family wrote, “You have always encouraged and inspired us to do our best in whatever we pursue. We are grateful that others recognize the difference you have made in the community and the lives of those around you.”



Brother Dr. Rodgers M. Lewis

The others who were honored are, the Rev. Clyde A. Anderson as a “exemplary visionary and servant leader.” Michael Carpenter, a music teacher in the Westbury School District for 26 years and Viviana L. Russell, the first African American woman ever elected to the North Hempstead Town Board.

Sigma Beta Beta Fatherhood Initiative Breakfast

Uniondale, N. Y. June 11, 2014. In an effort to provide African American and Hispanic men an opportunity to have an open and honest discussion about fatherhood, more than 50 people attended Westbury's Sigma Beta Beta chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc., annual "Take a Father to Breakfast," program at Turtle Hook Middle School, 975 Jerusalem Ave., in Uniondale. The event was free and featured guest speaker, Bro. Thabiti Boone, recognized by President Obama as a White House Champion of Change. This is part of our efforts to join Omega men nationally in our uplift of fatherhood. "The idea is to get men in a room and have a frank discussion about being a father," said former chapter Basileus, Jerry Mackey. "We had men, brothers, in the room who provided fathers with help in finding a solution to a problem that father might not feel comfortable asking someone he knows." The idea of the fatherhood breakfast was developed by the late Doran Thomas, a member of the chapter who died this past year. His idea was for fathers to come together and discuss their issues and concerns. It was his hope the fathers would provide more inspiration and encouragement to their children to be better students and citizens. "Brother Thomas felt strongly that men in our community need to be leaders," Mackey said. "But there are times when they need real talk, an opportunity to discuss their fears and concerns among men who understand where they are coming from, are willing to offer solutions and most of all, will not judge them."



Brother Jerry Mackey addresses the Fatherhood Breakfast

Brother Boone praised the chapter for an outstanding event, in which he encouraged fathers to always set a positive example for their children. Brother Boone is also the international representative for the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. and fatherhood adviser to the Allan Houston Foundation. A number of elected officials, ministers and community leaders also attended the event.

Sigma Beta Beta Salvation Army Kettle Project



Bros. Robert Howell, Michael Martin and Dewitt Davis Volunteering.

Garden City, New York, Dec. 1, 2014. During the holiday season, the Sigma Beta Beta chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc. participates annually in the Salvation Army Red Kettle Project at the Roosevelt Field Mall in Garden City, New York. The effort to support the project was facilitated by Dr. Rodgers Lewis, of Sigma Beta Beta chapter. Brother Lewis serves on the local board of the Salvation Army and has encouraged the chapter to help those in need through this project.

During the holidays, brothers in the chapter volunteered their time and effort towards raising funds for families in need. Kettle contributions originated in 1901 and now are the focal point for providing assistance for families worldwide. It is the goal of Sigma Beta Beta to uplift and fulfill its commitment to the community by helping to raise hundreds of dollars for Long Island families in need.

Omicron Chi Christmas Toys 4 Tots

Plainfield, NJ. December 19, 2014. The Brothers of the Omicron Chi chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., located in Plainfield, NJ has successfully executed their annual Toys 4 Tots Toy Christmas Clothing and Toy Drive. Every year the chapter adopts at least four families registered with Plainfield Action Services. Our chapter provides a stipend to the committee chairperson to purchase clothing and/or necessities, while the brother's shop and donate additional clothing and toys for the children of each family. This year, the families consisted of 13 children total, and they received a minimum of two outfits and three toys per child. On Friday, December 19th, 2014, the chapter hosted their annual wrapping party where the brothers and volunteers came together to sort and wrap gifts for delivery by Santa and the chapter brothers. On Saturday, December 20th, 2014, Brother Richard Wyatt dressed as Santa Claus and along with 10 other brothers from the chapter, he delivered bags of gifts to each family's home. "As a chapter, we host and implement a variety of social action programs that make a significant impact in the City of Plainfield; however, witnessing the smiles and tears of joy and gratitude from these families each year is by far one of the most



humbling and rewarding experiences." The purpose of this event is to provide hope and to bring joy to the families through the gifts they receive and bringing happiness through showing how much we care through our presence and interaction with them. Each year we aim to deliver the best Christmas experience that the OX can provide, and based on the reactions we received this year, I would say this is one for the books!

Zeta Iota Iota Achievement Week



Bro. Keenon Jenkins (c) displays his Basileus Award with Bros. Qasim Rashad (l) and Jerome Smith (r)



Bro. Keir Pemberton presented Basileus Award from Bro. Qasim Rashad.

Philadelphia, PA. November 17, 2014. The Brothers of Zeta Iota Iota Chapter celebrated the conclusion of Achievement Week with our 2nd Annual Founder’s Day dinner at Maya’s Banquet Hall located at 5922 Greene St. Philadelphia, PA. At the dinner, the brothers recognized the chapter’s 2014 Omega Man of The Year, Brother Dr. Al Dorsey. Brother Dorsey was recognized for his work in the community, at local hospitals and also praised for his work in Zeta Iota Iota committees. The 2014 Citizen of the Year award recipient is Sheriff Jewell Williams. Sheriff Williams has lead the Philadelphia City Sherriff’s office since 2012. Prior to that he was a State Representative and during which time he developed a record of distinguished community service and activism. In his

current position he has continued this enthusiasm for serving the community, which led to his selection as Zeta Iota Iota Chapter Citizen of the Year. Brothers Keir Pemberton and Kennon Jenkins were recipients of this year’s Basileus Award (presented by Immediate past Basileus Qasim Rashad and Achievement Week Chair Brother Jerome Smith Jr.) for their tireless work spearheading the Aquarium event during the 79th Grand Conclave. With the planning and execution of the event Brother Jenkins helped secure the largest grossing Zeta Iota Iota event to date. Brother Pemberton’s eye for detail ensured that there were no loopholes or paperwork issues to prevent the event from being successful. As if that wasn’t enough both Brother Pemberton and of course Brother Jenkins were among the top ticket salesmen.

Sigma Beta Beta “Our Lives Matter: Know Your Rights” Event



Brother Jeffery N. Sealy and Delta Soror, Naima Smith at Our Lives Mater Social Acton

Westbury, NY Jan. 19, 2015. To create more awareness of law enforcement procedures in minority communities, the men of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc., Sigma Beta Beta chapter and the women of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc., Nassau Alumnae chapter, held a social action program called, “Our Lives Matter: Know Your Rights.”

Over 25 members from each chapter participated as well as 100 supporters from the Nassau County community. The event was held in honor of the national birthday celebration of the slain civil rights leader and minister, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., at the First Baptist Cathedral of Westbury. Carlton Berkley, a retired New York City police detective was the main speaker

and the event was attended by several noted Nassau County lawmakers.

The audience was well engaged as each organization works to uplift the community in wake of the recent national events in the shooting deaths of several unarmed African Americans by police.

“Our lives matter and it is important that we continue to work together,” said Sigma Beta Beta vice Basileus, Jeffery N. Sealy. “Distrusting attitudes can be the result of being uniformed of your rights. However, promoting awareness not only informs a person, it strengthens a community.”

Tau Lambda Lambda Achievement Week Banquet



l-r TLL Awardees Michael Moore, Monique Wilson and Adrienne Sommerville with TLL Basileus Winston Lewis

Waldorf, MD. November 15, 2014. “This award means a lot to me. But even more than that, I appreciate the relationships that I have with you all and the support you’ve given me during my ups and downs,” said Kevin Turner to a packed audience.

Turner was receiving the highest membership honor, the Omega Man of the Year Award, from the Tau Lambda Lambda (TLL) Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity during its 10th annual Achievement Week Founders’ Day awards banquet held on November 15, 2014 at the Waldorf Jaycees Community Center.

The awards banquet honored outstanding citizens from the Tri-County area as well as distinguished TLL Chapter members. The event culminates the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.’s National Achievement Week, is a mandated program consisting of a week of events with the purpose of promoting the study of African-American life and history. Inspired by Fraternity member Dr. Carter G. Woodson in the 1920s, the week is used to recognize individuals at the local and national levels who have made significant contributions toward improving the quality of life for African-Americans.

“The support that I’ve received over the years,” added Turner, “has been helpful as I care for an ill mother and also with my wife and son, who are the loves of my life.”

In addition to Turner, three Tri-County residents also received awards, the TLL 2014 Citizen of the Year Award, for their outstanding achievements and service to Southern Maryland communities and their respective counties.

Calvert County’s Citizen of the Year Award winner was Mr. Michael Moore, a former county commissioner. He has served as Assistant Legislative Representative of Local 610- Sheet Metal Air Rail Transportation Union, Legislative Representative for the Maryland Association of Counties and is also the Co-Founder of the Concerned Black Men of Calvert County. Moore is also a US Army veteran of the Vietnam War.

Charles County’s Citizen of the Year Award winner was Ms. Monique W. Wilson. An educator, Wilson has been one of the major influencers with the TLL Purple Boot Mentoring Program for the past several years. In addition, she helped the mentoring program compete in its first robotics competition, in which the students won the Top Programmer award.

St. Mary’s County’s Citizen of the Year Award winner was Ms. Adrienne M. Somerville, founder of the Carolyn E. Parker Foundation, Inc.

Through this organization, Ms. Somerville has been able to lead a team that has served as mentors and also provided resources to those in need. One of the organization’s most recent and successful programs was the inaugural 2014 Miss Cinderella Pageant.

Each winner gave thanks and accolades to supporters and received official proclamations from their respective counties.

The event’s chair, Jeffrey Cowins, said he is continually looking to give more. “TLL Chapter has had ten amazing years of partnering with the Tri-County area to uplift our communities. We are excited to recognize worthy citizens and we will continue to make a joyful noise for Omega to all that will listen.”

Other chapter awards included the Superior Service Award given to Quentin T. Lowe, the Founders’ Award given to Winston E. Lewis, the Colonel Charles Young Military Leadership Award given to Sergeant Major John Earl Collier and the Basileus’ Award given to Bernard Jackson.

Winston Lewis, the outgoing Basileus (chapter president), said that he was proud to receive the Founders’ Award as it means sustained excellence. He also agreed with Cowins, stating, “I’ve been on the TLL leadership team for the past 7 years and I’m looking forward to the new possibilities with the new team. Change is hard, but it can also be very rewarding and productive.” Proceeds from the banquet will be used to support chapter community programs.



TLL Omega Man of the Year Bro. Kevin Turner addresses audience

Editorial

“Engaging the Soul of Omega”



Five years ago, Delta Upsilon Chapter hosted its first annual Legacy Breakfast (recently named the Earl F. Phillips Legacy Breakfast) to honor and celebrate those Omega Brothers by blood and oath that have had a positive influence on one’s life inside and outside of Omega. Brother Second District Chaplain Gerald Folsom provided the keynote address at the event challenging those in attendance to be stewards of the soul of Omega in all of their life’s endeavors. In summary, according to Brother Folsom, the soul of Omega included but was not limited to having and maintaining a high moral and ethical conviction in both one’s thinking and behavior. His comments interspersed with relevant scripture hit home with many of us in the in attendance.

After attending a recent MSP training session, it dawned on me that perhaps one reason some Brothers have ignored the rules of the MSP program is because they have either forgotten about or generally fail to live by the “Soul” of Omega. The MSP training program and its presenters did a wonderful job outlining and explaining the MSP

rules and made it clear that today’s MSP is not yesterday’s pledge program. Furthermore they did a fine job addressing those Brothers who are breaking the rules and are doing so because they either don’t know the rules, think that their past practice is ok by today’s standards, or that the punishments are not strong enough to significantly deter them from breaking the rules. At the end of the training there was a short quiz to bring home some of the salient points that were presented.

However, even with the information presented, I think the training missed the opportunity to discuss how one’s actions directly relate to the “Soul” of Omega. I think that there are a group of Brothers who don’t follow the rules because they have lost or don’t understand their responsibility to be stewards of the “Soul” of Omega. During future training sessions this topic could be addressed by the items listed below. It is not a comprehensive list, but simply a starting point to get Brothers to think internally about their actions and how they do or do not exemplify the “Soul” of Omega.

1. Why would one be willing to “get over” on their Brother when they “know” they are participating in an activity that they know is inconsistent with the principles of the Organization?
2. Write an answer to the question: How would you personally feel if a “family member” were to be maimed or killed while participating in the MSP process?
3. Why would one jeopardize their personal freedoms for the sake of mistreating another person?

I do believe that any one or more of these questions can begin to speak to one’s “Soul” and who you are as a Man of Omega. And it is the “soul”, that I believe needs to be engaged, perhaps even retrained to keep our beloved Omega strong and relevant for years to come.

Brother Garry M. Keel, Ed.D.
Educator & Entrepreneur

Pi Omega 2014 Achievement Week

Baltimore, MD. November 22, 2014. Pi Omega Chapter celebrated 93 years of service to the Baltimore Community by hosting its Achievement Week Founders' Day Observance on November 22, 2014 at the Forest Park Senior Center. The keynote speaker was Grand Basileus, Antonio Knox Sr. and the theme of the keynote address was Leveraging Our Collective Resources for Impact. Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, Kenneth Rodgers, Grand Counselor, Michael Lyles and Second District Representative Milton Harrison was also in attendance.

The Meaning of Brotherhood was expressed by Bro. Washington Green, Jr. and Spiritual Uplift comments were rendered by Bro. Harold Hart. In honor of his life and service to Pi Omega Chapter and Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, the Pi Omega Chapter Achievement Week Founders' Day Observance was renamed The Walter G. Amprey Pi Omega Achievement Week Founders' Day Observance. His widow and brother, Andrea Amprey and Bro. Joseph Amprey, were in attendance. Pi Omega Chapter renamed the Pi Omega Man of the Year Award in honor of Bro. George K. McKinney in 2012. Led by Bro. T. Russell Hopewell, Pi Omega Brothers stood and recited a rededication oath in unison, authored by Bro. George K. McKinney.

Pi Omega Chapter Achievement Awards were as follows: The Scholarship Award recipient was Armani Delano Simmons; he will attend Morehouse College in the upcoming fall semester. The Es-

say Award recipient was Oliver Hasler. The Howard Lee Cornish Humanitarian Award recipient was Edward Braddy and Ernest Dorsey. The National Superior Service Award recipient was Bro. Dr. Gary Rodwell. The Founders Award recipient was Bro. Lamonte Tyler. The Outstanding Citizen Award recipient was Cylia E. Lowe, Esq.

The Robert L. Gill Undergraduate Man of the Year Award recipient was Bro. Hugh Prince, Immediate Past Basileus of Delta Beta Chapter Coppin State University. Pi Omega Basileus, C. Donald Bowser, Jr. gave Special Recognition Awards to Brothers Judson Wood, Otho "Duffy" Thompson, William Haskett and Gary Rodwell. The George K McKinney Pi Omega Man of the Year is given to the brother whose service to the chapter and to the Baltimore Community typifies the Four Cardinal Principles of Manhood Scholarship and Uplift, the 2014 Pi Omega recipient is Bro. Clarence A. Jeffers, III, R.Ph.

Second District Representative, Milton Harrison greetings and remarks on the event. Brothers toasted the event reciting the Omega Toast led by Bro. Charles Cephas and Pi Omega Basileus, C. Donald Bowser, Jr., gave acknowledgements and closing remarks. The invocation and benediction was given by Pi Omega Chaplain, Bro. William Jeff Downing. The event was closed, in customary and usual Omega form, with the singing of The Omega Hymn.

Scenes from Pi Omega Achievement Week



Bro. Lasava Tidwell presents Edward Braddy The Howard L Cornish Award



Bro. Michael Breeden presents Ernest Dorsey The Howard L. Cornish Award



Bro. John Berkley presents Cylia E. Lowe, Esq. The Citizen of the Year Award



Bro. Dr. Ron Williams presents Bro. Lamonte Tyler The Superior Service Award

Scenes from Pi Omega Achievement Week



Omega Men in attendance at the Pi Omega Achievement Week Founders Day Observance



*l-r Front Row: Bro. Zanes Cypress, Grand Basileus Antonio Knox, Pi Omega Man of the Year Clarence Jeffers III, 2nd District Rep. Milton Harrison
l-r Back Row: Pi Omega Basileus C. Donald Bowser, Jr., Pi Omega Chaplin Wm. Jeff Downing and Pi Omega Achievement Week Chair Charles Summers*

Scenes from Pi Omega Wives & Sweethearts Event



Scenes from Pi Omega Thanksgiving Dinner



Pi Omega Honor Roll Event



Bro. Lamonte Tyler with self defense class participants at Honor Roll



Bro. Lamonte Tyler Black Belt Jui Jitsu Instructor

Alexandria, VA. November 2014. On November 8, 2014, the Brothers of Pi Omega Chapter participated in Honor Roll. Honor Roll was a 12 hour Grappling Marathon; similar to Dance-o-thons of the past, but with jiu-jitsu. It was conducted as a fundraising Charity Event for the registered 501c3 Nonprofit, Guardian Education Fund. Brothers were asked to come out and conduct a 1 hour self-defense seminar. The cost to the chapter was zero.

Guardian Education Fund is directed by strong volunteer board of directors that is led by founder and Chairman Adam Bankoff. The board is comprised of visionaries from various professions who see combative/defensive tactics training as a positive, empowering and effective method of self-defense training.

Guardian Education Fund protects our community heroes by providing financial support and scholarship assistance so those who need it most can access combative/defensive tactics training – an effective method of self-defense training.

The organization develops ongoing partnerships with combative/defensive tactics training programs across the country, connects law enforcement, military members and other community heroes to our part-

ners and provides the financial assistance needed to attend training.

Combative/defensive tactics training programs have been refined over the past two decades to give military and law enforcement professionals a unique advantage using only non-violent, court defensible techniques that greatly reduce the risk of excessive force.

But all too often this training is not accessible to those who need it most because of budget restrictions and limited training dollars. That's where Guardian Education Fund steps in. Guardian Education Fund will bring this unique and highly specialized training to federal, state and local law enforcement agencies as well as all five branches of the U.S. Armed Forces.

No one will be turned away because of their inability to cover the cost of training. Guardian Education Fund will assist in covering the cost of training and helping those who need it access scholarship funding.

The organization hopes to reach all our community heroes across the U.S. but we know it takes time to grow, and we need our community's support. Consider a donation to help make sure all our community heroes have access to the training they need.

Pi Chapter Assault on Illiteracy

Baltimore MD – October 27, 2014. The Brother of Pi Chapter visited the Callow Hill Aquatic Center and educated student youths, ages 8-16 on the importance of the cardinal principles of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. Each principle, Manhood, Scholarship, Perseverance, Uplift as well as the motto Friendship is Essential to the Soul were broken down and explained thoroughly. The student youths were also briefed on how they should prepare for the next stage in their lives as they ascend to adulthood.

Mentoring Young Minds

Bro. David Upshur, Bro. Tevin Smith, Bro. Marcus Patterson educating student youths on the importance of their futures as the next generation of leaders.



Pi Chapter Brings Farrakhan to Morgan State University



Pi Chapter Brothers with Louis Farrakhan at the Black United Summit International Conference

Baltimore MD. November 22, 2014. The Brothers of Pi Chapter in conjunction with the Student Government Association of Morgan State University sponsored the Second Annual Black United Summit International Conference with keynote speaker, The Honorable Minister Louis Farrakhan. The Minister, a National Representative of Islam has been fighting for equality and liberation of African American and oppressed people for the past fifty years. On November 21, 2014, a Meet & Greet was held where he answered questions and spoke about How Much is Young Black Life Worth?

The following day gave way for his powerful address to the community. After being sanctioned from returning to the campus of Morgan State for twenty-nine years, he returned to bless the campus with words of wisdom and enlightenment. The theme of his message: Re-Claim, Re-Pair, Re-Form, Re-Produce, - REPARATIONS NOW! Spoke volumes that reached every corner of the Murphy Fine Arts Center where his address was delivered. The description here is an inadequate representation of the message that he delivered to the public.

Pi Chapter Christmas Community Service

Pi Chapter Founders Day Community Service



Bro. David Upshur, Bro. Nathaniel Scott and Bro. Jerome Hill preparing for their next gift delivery of the night.

Baltimore MD. November 17, 2014. The Brothers of Pi Chapter visited Walter P. Carter Elementary/ Middle School along with other Divine Nine Greeks and performed marches for the children, staff and faculty for the school pep rally.

Lifting As We Climb

Pi Chapter From College to Hollywood

Baltimore, MD. December 24, 2014. The Brothers of Pi chapter participated in a community service effort hosted by the Tau Pi chapter of Columbia, MD. The service, which was held at St. John Baptist Church in Columbia, MD on Christmas Eve consisted of brothers delivering toys and gifts to those families in need.

Baltimore MD – October 15, 2014. The Brothers of Pi Chapter honored Bro. Terrence J with a token of their appreciation after delivering his homecoming lecture to the student of Morgan State University. Thanks to the Student Government Association and the Office of Residence Life and Housing for assisting in getting Bro. Terrence J to Baltimore, MD. In his lecture, Bro. Terrence J detailed the events of his life beginning from his matriculation at North Carolina A&T. There, he noted his biggest and most influential achievement was his initiation in to the Mu Psi chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.

Pi Chapter Panel Discussion on Police Brutality



l-r Mr. Chambers, Baltimore City States Attorney Marilyn Mosby, Councilman Nick Mosby, Alumni Janee Thames, Alumni Shaquayah McKinsey, with the host of the evening Bro. Rashad Staton.

Baltimore MD. October 28, 2014. In lieu of recent police brutality events, the brothers of Pi Chapter held a panel discussion that tackled this controversial topic. The panel included Councilman Nick Mosby, Baltimore City State’s Attorney Marilyn Mosby, Morgan State’s Chief Judicial Officer Seymour Chambers and two Morgan State Alumnus Shaquayah Mckenzie and Janae Thames. Both members of Delta

Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Alpha Gamma Chapter. Painstaking events such as the Trayvon Martin and Mike Brown shooting were discussed as the audience offered their opinions on both matters. Host Rashad Staton provided questions to the panelists that challenged their view on police brutality and the effect on the African American community.

Pi Chapter “What’s Love Got to Do With It” Forum



l-r Hosts Bro. Rudy Daniel and Bro. Kalen Parrot discussing a topic.

Baltimore MD. November 18, 2014. The Brothers of Pi Chapter host “What’s Love Got To Do With It,” an open forum event on domestic violence. The society that we live silences domestic violence and places it on the back burner. Contrary to popular belief, men suffer from domestic violence just as much as women. Hosts Bro. Rudy Daniel and Bro. Kalen Par-

rot presented controversial topics that stretch the minds of the public eye-continuously. Common domestic violence theories like “No one will believe me,” “ he would never hurt me” and “why would she do that?” were posed to the audience where they were discussed. The hosts used the internet and social media to help argue the points that were up for discussion.

Pi Chapter Social Action Activities

Highway Cleanup

Baltimore MD. September 13, 2014. The Brothers of Pi Chapter fulfilled a community service where they removed all trash and waste from the highway dedicated to the Bloody Pi Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. at Morgan State University. The highway is located in Baltimore, MD on Taylor Ave.

Thanksgiving GiveAway

Baltimore MD. November 24, 2014. The Brothers of Pi Chapter ventured to Kingdom Worship Center in Baltimore, MD to take part in a community service project. Brothers unpacked perishable foods and repacked them into refrigerators and freezers. They returned the next morning to engage in the sermon given that Sunday in the sanctuary. Following the service, Brothers handed out pre made boxes of perishable and non-perishable food to those families in need that are not able to have a thanksgiving dinner on their own. The pre made boxes were equipped with a turkey, sausage, fish, sweet potato pie, stuffing and an assortment of vegetables.

Fundraising Party

Baltimore MD. October 03, 2014. The Brothers of Pi Chapter held a hosted a party for the public community in the name of fundraising. The event was hosted by Bro. Jerome Hill while guests enjoyed the musical selections played by Bro. Tyrell Okoro. With the new implementation of the electronic ticket via Eventbrite, the chapter raised \$2,525.00 on electronic ticket sales alone. Other funds that add to the entire chapter revenue included physical ticket sales and credit/debit card sales via the new Pi Swipe system.

Omega Cinema

Baltimore MD. November 18, 2014 The Brothers of Pi Chapter hosted an outdoors theater event where a popular film was played and light refreshments were served. The event began with brothers putting on a short performance followed by the showing of the film. The event was open to the public and attendees were encouraged to bring chairs, blankets and other comfortable means to make for an increasingly enjoyable event.

I Choose You Forum

Baltimore MD. November 18, 2014. The Brothers of Pi Chapter hosted an open forum on relationships. Hosted by Bro. Malachi Drummer and Bro. Marcus Patterson, the event focused on the ins and outs of a relationship. What makes men and women tick? Why does a certain gender behave in such a way? These are only but a few of the questions that were posed throughout the course of the event. The hosts and the attendees exchanged arguments and counter arguments that made for successful and interesting event.

Workout with Kaylin Garcia

Baltimore MD. October 30, 2014. The Brothers of Pi chapter presents a workout class hosted and directed by reality TV star Kaylin Garcia. Fulfilling the Health Initiative mandated program, attendees were able to exercise and get into shape while maintain a enthusiastic sense of recreational fun. Ms. Garcia offers this workout class worldwide only to females and was taken aback when contacted by a college institution to conduct the class. Word of this event has rung the ears of undergraduates all around and provided more business opportunities for the future

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Pi Chapter Brothers finish packing refrigerators and freezers full of food for the less fortunate during the holiday season.



Pi Brothers Stepping at Fundraising Party



Omega Cinema Participants

Delta Beta Chapter Social Action Activities

Back to School Drive

Baltimore, MD. The Brothers of the Delta Beta Chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc. hosted their first annual “Back to School Drive” The Brothers of Delta Beta raised funds and purchased school supplies to donate. There was over \$300 raised, this money was then used to purchase back to school items that were donated to the Rosemont Elementary- Middle School here in Baltimore, Maryland.



Delta Beta Brothers with Mentees at the Back to School Drive

Remembering 9/11

Baltimore, MD. September 11, 2014. The brothers of the Delta Beta Chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Incorporated hosted “Remembering 9/11” on September 11, 2014 on the campus of Coppin State University. This event was hosted and facilitated by the brothers of Delta Beta chapter. Members of the Coppin State Community came to the omega plot to fellowship and dwell together in remembrance of the lives lost on that tragic day in 2001. There were over 50 people in attendance. At the end of the event the brothers as well as participants lit candles and came together for a moment of silence and prayer. There was also opportunity allotted for participants to share their experiences and what they remembered from that day.



Delta Beta Brothers remembering 9/11 Event

Social Media Forum

Baltimore, MD. The Brothers of the Delta Beta Chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Incorporated hosted their first official on campus event of the semester entitled “IG Official” an open forum discussion of the correlation between social media and personal/intimate relationships. In today’s solicited technology has clearly advanced. With that being said this in turn affects the popularity of social media. “The event was amazing! There was a great turn out and an amazing discussion facilitated by the brothers of Delta Beta. I am looking forward to their upcoming events this semester,” said Amber Braxton who was one of the active participants in the discussion.



Delta Beta Brothers Social Media Forum

Showtime at the “Quepollo”

Baltimore, MD. October 23, 2014. The Brothers of the Delta Beta Chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Incorporated hosted Showtime at “QUE-Pollo” To cover the talent hunt section of our mandated programs we thought outside of the box and came up with the title “Showtime at Que-Pollo”. This event was another great success for the chapter. There were over 70 attendees. A survey given following the event showed that it was yet another success. “The food was great, the entertainment was even better. This event was well planned ran smoothly throughout the night. I would love to see more events like this on campus here at Coppin.” Said Stephen Winstead Jr. (A sophomore at Coppin).



Delta Beta Brothers at York College

York College Trip

Baltimore, MD. The Brothers of the Delta Beta chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Incorporated participated in York College of Pennsylvania’s Fall Fest. York College does NOT have any brothers on the Campus. We were contacted and invited to participate in their annual fall fest. The brother of Delta Beta were given the opportunity to share a little piece of Omega. We performed a mini hop show as well as spoke about the history of the fraternity. We were welcomed and asked to come back soon.

Bro. Robert Grant Delta Beta's First to Graduate from The Helene Fuld School of Nursing at Coppin State University



l-r John Bing, Prof. Lucille Begrave, Bro. Robert Grant, Dr. Tracey Murray and Dr. Danetia Tolson

Baltimore, MD. December 18, 2014. Brother Robert Grant received the Nursing Pin at the Pinning Ceremony of the Helene Fuld School of Nursing at Coppin State University. The pinning ceremony is a symbolic welcoming of newly graduated nurses into the nursing profession. The new nurses are presented nursing pins by the faculty of the nursing school and recited the International Pledge of Nurses.

Dr. Danita Tolson, Interim Chairperson of Baccalaureate Nursing Education, greeted the audience and Nursing Class of 2014. John Bing, CRNA (Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist) and keynote speaker for the occasion, was introduced by Dr. Tracey L. Murray, Interim Dean College of Health Professions. John Bing serves on the University of Maryland School Nursing's Board of Visitors and President of the non-profit, Diversity in Nurse Anesthesia Mentorship Program. As owner of J. Bing Associates, he provides anesthesia services for independent practices, hospitals, and outpatient centers for over 25 years. He regularly visits college campuses around the country giving talks and workshops on nurs-

ing, opening the doors of nursing for people of color because only 2.5 percent of the 44,000 nurses in America are African American. Recitation of the International Pledge of Nurses was given by Dr. Earlene Merrill.

Brother Robert Grant became the first Delta Beta Chapter member to receive a baccalaureate degree from the Helene Fuld School of Nursing at Coppin State University. He is currently preparing to take the National Council Licensure Examination- Registered Nurse Boards (NCLEX-RN) for the State of Maryland. All boards of nursing in states and territories of the United States require candidates to pass this exam for licensure as a registered nurse (RN). Coppin State University Helene Fuld School of Nursing has been producing nurses committed to excellence and compassion since 1974. Renowned nationwide for academic distinction, giving back to underserved communities, and setting new standards of nursing education technology, Coppin provides future nurses with an unsurpassed education that leads to job offers for 100 percent of students before they even graduate.

Delta Beta Bro. Hugh Prince 2014 Pi Omega Undergraduate Omega Man of the Year

*l-r Brother Lamonte Tyler presents Pi Omega Undergraduate
Omega Man of the Year Award to Delta Beta Brother Hugh Prince*



Kappa Chapter Toys for Tots Social Action



Bro. Jonathan Powell and Bro. Drew Jenkins at the Toys for Tots Event

Syracuse, NY. Wednesday December 17, 2014. The Brothers of Kappa Chapter and Chi Pi organized their annual Toys for Tots event at the Southwest Community Center in the Southside of Syracuse. The cold temperatures in Syracuse were nothing compared to the warm holiday cheer on the faces of the children. Every year their goal is to provide children who are

less fortunate around the Syracuse community with a gift for Christmas. Brothers gave out 300 toys to boys and girls that day, to ensure that every child that came has a Christmas. This is one of the best times to give back and uplift others who may be struggling during the holiday season. The brothers were able to witness and share the happiness of the Children that day.

Kappa Chapter Annual Canned Food Drive

Syracuse, NY. Sunday November 16, 2014. The Brothers of Kappa Chapter and Chi Pi teamed up to host their Annual Canned Food in Syracuse. The annual canned food drive is a signature tradition that originated in the 1970's. Throughout the month of November the brothers collected canned goods throughout the Syracuse community and on campus at Syracuse University. The drive is designed to help the less fortunate in the Syracuse Southside. Brothers were able to surpass last year's goal of 500 canned goods, by collecting over 600 canned goods and nonperishable items that were then donated to the Southwest Community Center in Syracuse. They were able to experience a sense of unity, as everyone came together to give back to the community. It is important to give back and uplift the community, during the holiday season, because it builds an everlasting relationship with the people within it.



Kappa Chapter Brothers Drew Jenkins, Bro. Padraic Kane and Bro. Ryan Sloan at Canned Food Drive

Beta Kappa Brother Frostburg State University Homecoming King

Frostburg, MD. October 18, 2015. Brother Keith Smith II of the Beta Kappa Chapter at Frostburg State University was announced the 2014 Frostburg State Homecoming King. During his campaign he raised over \$300 for Big Brothers and Big Sisters of the Alleghenies as his charity. The campaign in recent years has been won on the male side by other Greek organization members but non that is affiliated with NPHC. Making it the first time in many years, a member of the National Pan-Hellenic Council of Greek organizations won Homecoming King.



Frostburg Homecoming King Beta Kappa Bro. Keith Smith and the Frostburg Homecoming Queen

Xi Lambda Lambda Domestic Violence Awareness Walk

Rockland County, New York. October 30th, 2014. The Brothers of the Xi Lambda Lambda Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. participated in the “Walk with Me” Domestic Violence Awareness Program in Rockland County, New York. The walk was sponsored by Rockland County Community College (RCC), the Center for Safety and Change; Student Clubs and, the Xi Lambda Lambda Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.

The walk was done around the campus of Rockland Community College which is located in Suffern, NY (located 30 miles north of NYC) to provide awareness and education relating to domestic violence and its prevention. After the walk Rockland County Assemblywoman Ellen Jaffe (keynote speaker) provided RCC with a proclamation for their outstanding work of producing the domestic violence walk for the past 18 years. Rockland Community College President, Dr. Cliff Wood recognized the contributions of Xi Lambda Lambda and spoke fondly of his father-in-law (former NAACP lawyer and former dean of Howard University Law School) Wiley Austin Branton who was a passionate Omega Man and civil rights activist.

Xi Lambda Lambda Basileus, Brother Tony Dinkins had an opportunity to speak to the various organizations who planned and coordinated the silent walk against domestic violence and introduce the Purple Purse program via video clip featuring actress Kerry Washington.

The Xi Lambda Lambda brothers who participated in the walk and subsequent gathering at RCC’s Student Union were Bros. Tony Dinkins (Basileus), Nyron McLeish (Keeper of Finance), Antonio Desamours and Troy Grant (Vice Basileus, Omicron Iota chapter) were in attendance.



Domestic Violence Awareness Walk participants

The XLL chapter introduced the Allstate Foundation Purple Purse program to the group courtesy of Bro. Alex Viven. We were able to distribute key chains and brochures with valuable resources on how to help survivors and those individuals who are currently experiencing domestic violence. The chapter provided light refreshments for the post walk and discussion.

Xi Lambda Lambda Charles Drew Blood Drive



Xi Lambda lambda Brothers at the Charles Drew Blood Drive

Nyack, New York. November 28, 2014. The Men of the Xi Lambda Lambda Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Inc. held their annual blood drive in honor of Bro. Dr. Charles R. Drew. This year’s drive was held in Nyack, New York (in front of the Nyack Center). Due to the holiday weekend securing a brick and mortar structure to hold the blood drive was difficult thus the New York Blood Center provided a Blood Center mobile unit. The mobile unit came with a staff of nearly ten (10) health care professionals. This effort was a success as we received 16 whole pints blood from the donors, in spite of the drive being held the day after Thanksgiving.

This made it extremely difficult to attract donors and forcing us to compete with “Black Friday”. The brothers showed up in full force not only to support the Blood Center staff but to give blood and encourage many passersby to make this worthwhile contribution. We look forward to a more successful blood drive in 2015, as we know the demand never falters and under the right conditions we could expect a much larger turnout. The blood drive was chaired by Bro. Richard Clarke for the 8th time and Bro. Floyd Long (co-chair). Xi Lambda Lambda (The Rockland Ques) is under the leadership of Bro. Tony Dinkins (Basileus).



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Item	Tickets	Price	Total Amount
<u>REGISTRATION</u>			
Life Member Registration * (until December 31st, 2014)		\$200.00	
Graduate Registration - Early Bird (until February 7th)		\$235.00	
Graduate Registration - Regular (until April 15th)		\$265.00	
Graduate Registration - On-Site (after April 15th)		\$315.00	
Undergraduate Registration - Early & Regular (until April 15th)		\$110.00	
Undergraduate Registration - On-Site		\$135.00	
<u>ADDITIONAL ITEMS</u>			
March Down		\$20.00	
Pan Hellenic Dance		\$20.00	
March Down / Pan Hellenic Dance Combo		\$35.00	
Life Membership Luncheon (Friday Noon)		\$50.00	
Dr. Ronald E. McNair Undergraduate Luncheon (Saturday noon)		\$50.00	
Founders' Banquet (Saturday Evening)		\$60.00	
Host Chapter Event (Saturday Evening) (\$30.00 at door)		\$25.00	
Total Amount Enclosed			

By submitting this form and registering for the Second District Conference, I again certify I will abide by the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., Member Code of Conduct and Disciplinary Policy.

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Dear Friend,

The Men of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., Upsilon Phi and Nu Beta Beta Chapters are honored to host the 67th Second District Conference in Teaneck, New Jersey from April 30 through May 3, 2015. This event will bring over 600 Omega men and families to the metropolitan area for meetings and entertainment.

Omega Psi Phi Fraternity was founded on November 17, 1911, at Howard University located in Washington, D.C. The Fraternity was founded upon the four cardinal principles of manhood, scholarship, perseverance, and uplift. Since that time, the Fraternity has continued to attract men who are dedicated to uplifting their communities.

You can help us to continue these efforts by purchasing a Sponsorship Ad for our District Conference Souvenir Journal. These funds will help provide scholarship support for college bound students to promote academic excellence. In addition, the funds will also go towards our "Stop the Violence" Initiative which is a program designed to teach methods to prevent violence against women and children while also creating awareness of all forms of violence affecting our community. Likewise, through our Health Initiative, we coordinate programs that encourage good health practices. Indeed, the health initiative focuses on HIV/AIDS awareness, blood drives, breast and prostate cancer, and sickle cell anemia education. Therefore, your contribution will help ensure these programs continue to be a vital part of our community.

Accordingly, we are honored to forward this proposal for your consideration of sponsoring this event. Please see the attached page for placing ads and payment instructions. In addition, please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions you may have. In the meantime, thanks in advance for your time and consideration

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Expulsion List

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