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October 5, 2020

Brothers of the Mighty 2nd District,

Greetings to you in the name of the Supreme Basileus of the Universe. I hope this correspondence finds you and your families safe and doing well, as we continue to deal with the COVID-19 pandemic. I trust you are continuing to make the light of Omega shine brightly!

As we enter the month of October, I'd like to wish all the brothers that are celebrating birthdays, chapter, line, or wedding anniversaries, etc, a wonderful birthday, and happy anniversary. We are thankful to celebrate another year of life and look forward to many more. We also recognize that October is the month for awareness activities that include but are not limited to the following: Breast Cancer, Down Syndrome, and SIDS Awareness. Please continue to participate and uplift our communities.

October is also the last month of our fiscal year. As a reminder, the 72nd Virtual District Conference approved our budget for FY21 which included an increase of District dues by \$10 for graduates. Starting next month, District dues will be \$50 and District life membership will be \$1000. If you are an IHQ life member and you would like to become a 2nd District life member, \$800 must be paid in full before November 1, 2020.

The items below are for your awareness and action, as necessary. Please review and let me know if you have any questions.

Congratulations to our 41st Grand Basileus Dr. David E. Marion. The Council of Presidents of the National Pan Hellenic Council Inc., representing the nine historically Black Greek-Lettered Organizations (BGLOs), announced Dr. David Marion, 41st Grand Basileus of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., as its new Chairman. The council has outlined its strategic priorities, including but not limited to: voter engagement, 2020 Census, economic impact, minority business development, HBCU sustainability, and healthcare advocacy. Under the leadership of Grand Basileus Dr. David E. Marion, each of the nine BGLOs best practices and resources will be leveraged as part of this strategic approach to create favorable living conditions for African Americans nationwide.



OCTOBER

2nd District 4th Fridays' Fellowship & Happy Hour – Will take place every 4th (or last Friday) of the month. Come fellowship with all brothers and even request breakout rooms to talk with your chapter brothers, decade brothers, or even brothers of the District Council. Check the district website for the virtual link and details during the last week of the month.

TAKE NOTE AND GO VOTE-

We are less than 30 days away from the next presidential election. It is imperative that we, as Omega Men, do our part not only to register, but we must show up to vote. Each state has different rules on how to apply for absentee ballots, so please review the rules for your state by clicking [HERE](#). Consider hand delivering the ballot to the board of elections office in your local area rather than mailing. I ask that all brothers sign up and participate in the Fathers/Mentors Voter Pledge program. Visit the website [HERE](#).

Ghana Borehole Project- The 2nd District will be participating in this initiative with a goal to sponsor 2 boreholes. Please see video on boreholes by clicking [HERE](#). The minimum cost per brother is \$2. I am asking every brother in the 2nd District to participate in the “2 for 2” program (2 boreholes for \$2) so that we can acquire the funds to provide boreholes in Ghana. You can remit your payment via the district cash app ([\\$2ndDistrictQues1947](#)) or the 2nd District website by clicking [HERE](#). Each brother that donates will be listed as a donor on our website. **(NOTE the project will conclude at the end of the month however funds must be collected in enough time for the District to send the funds to Omega charities. Please make all payments by Friday October 23.)**

COVID-19 Task Force – The COVID-19 Task Force continues to meet weekly. I encourage all chapters to communicate the needs of their communities (if any) to their Corridor Representative. The Corridor Representative will communicate with the task force to request the necessary supplies. Funding is another way brothers can participate, so please utilize the district cash app ([\\$2ndDistrictQues1947](#)) or the 2nd District website by clicking [HERE](#).

International High School Essay Contest – **Deadline is October 16, 2020.**

Article submissions for the Omegan – Deadline is October 15, 2020. Every chapter is asked to submit at least 1 article. I am certain that your chapter has held or otherwise participated in an event or program that is noteworthy of sharing with the brothers. Please share the great work your chapter has done. The information on how to submit articles for the Omegan can be found on our District website by clicking [HERE](#).



NOVEMBER

Election Day 2020 – Tuesday November 3, 2020 - **GO VOTE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**



2nd District “Virtual” Fall Council Meeting – Saturday November 7, 2020, starting at 8:30 a.m. we will have a virtual Fall Council Meeting. (Attire is Purple Omega Polos) You must register to attend this meeting. Do not wait until the last minute. Registration will close on Friday November 6, 2020. Register [HERE](#).

Founders Day 2020 (109 years) - Under the theme of “Omega Men Ushering in Social Change”, there will be a Virtual Founders Day celebration led by IHQ. Additional information will be provided in the coming weeks.

Brothers in closing, I understand the challenges that many have faced due to the limitations or inability to socialize due to this pandemic. Please continue to wear masks, wash hands, and practice physical distancing.

Finally, to my brothers that have experienced and for those that continue to endure hardships and other challenges, you and your families remain in my thoughts and prayers. I pray for healing and peace during these times. Brothers that have experienced the loss of loved ones, my deepest condolence to you, and although loved ones are gone from our sight, they will forever remain in our hearts.

Please stay safe, stay smart, and stay well!

Fraternally,

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