
THE LEGEND



FALL & WINTER 2017

XI XI CHAPTER



Fort Knox, KY - The XI XI Chapter of Omega Psi Phi continues to serve Radcliff, Elizabethtown, and Ft. Knox areas with its support of Feeding America, a social action event that serves those in need by acquiring and distributing donated food, grocery items and government commodities throughout almost 16,000 square miles of Kentucky. In support of this initiative, XI XI organized the brothers and family members to help package food to be distributed all over Kentucky. It provided yet another opportunity for the brothers to come together and experience the Omega spirit of serving and supporting those in need. The event was a success and will ensure someone doesn't go to bed hungry in our area.



PSI TAU CHAPTER

Lexington, KY – As documented by SA Chair Bro. Darnell Dennis, this summer of 2017 Psi Tau had 3 great opportunities to service our youths of Lexington and show them real men do genuinely care about them. In June, we worked as part of the Fatherhood Initiative Division of Lexington League of Cities program. Our brothers were in charge of park set up and registration. This was a great event where men and their children were inspired with messages on fatherhood, a Fatherhood unity march, food, entertainment and family resource materials. We were fortunate to have Lexington Mayor present to recognize our efforts with this project. In August, we were invited to Carter G. Woodson Academy to welcome and offer words of encouragement to start the young men's school year. Bro. Carter G. Woodson inspired the conception of this school which is a college prep for "at-promise" males grades 6-12. August also provided us the opportunity to participate in the Lexington Division of Youths School Supply Back to School event. At our location, Brother's assembled and distributed backpacks, passed out lunches and entertained youths of the neighborhood participating in this event. We issued over 600 backpacks at this location.



EPSILON PHI CHAPTER



Memphis, TN - The Brothers of the Epsilon Phi Chapter sponsored to Mallory Heights Neighborhood Association National Night Out and school supply giveaway. The students were entertained by musical performances, food vendors, the City of Memphis Fire and Police Departments, and other concerned citizens. Over 600 school age children received complete supply pack valued at \$50.

Dr. Joe O'Neal Becomes 94TH President of NDA



Memphis, TN- On Saturday, December 09, 2017 the Shelby County Dental Society gathered to honor and pay tribute to the 94th President of the National Dental Association, Dr. Joe O'Neal. The event took place at the National Civil Rights Museum, 450 Mulberry Street Memphis, Tennessee. Dr. O'Neal is a member of the Epsilon Phi Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. He is the first member of the Shelby County Dental Society to hold this esteemed position. The inauguration of Dr. O'Neal is the culmination of 41 years of servant leadership and dedication to the dental profession. Dr. O'Neal also served as President of the Arkansas Medical, Dental and Pharmaceutical Association in 1986. The NDA is a of minority dentists based in Washington, DC and operating in the United States, Canada, and Latin America. Formed in 1913, it is the largest such association in the world.

Among the aims of the NDA is extending dental treatment and education to impoverished, disabled, or minority populations, as well as those who may not be able to seek proper care due to age. It also works to maintain professional standards in dentistry and to encourage dental careers among minority populations. Dr. O'Neal was born and raised in DeWitt, Arkansas and graduated from DeWitt High School. He graduated first in his class. After high school, he attended and graduated from Henderson State University with a BS in Chemistry. He also became a proud member of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. XI Beta Chapter, in the Spring of 1971. After graduation, Dr. O'Neal entered dental school at Meharry Medical College School of Dentistry in the fall of 1968. While there he served as the secretary of the Pre-Alumni council. Upon graduation, he joined the U.S. Airforce with the rank of Captain. After his tour of duty in the Air Force, Dr. O'Neal returned to Meharry to begin a Hospital Dentistry residency program. Following the residency program, Dr. O'Neal returned to Arkansas to work at the Arkansas State Health Department under the direction of Dr. Roosevelt Brown, a past NDA president. He later opened a private practice in North Little Rock, Arkansas. He maintained his practice there until he moved to Germantown, Tennessee in the fall of 1986. Dr. O'Neal continues his private practice at Union Avenue Dental Association and Premium Care Dentistry. He maintains his community service through his Fraternity and his Masonic Lodge, Topstone #274. He strives to live his life in memory of his son, Jonathan. His passion is his family, Nita his wife, Cortney his daughter, grand-daughter Payton, step-son Jarvis, and he loves to play Golf. He recently got his first hole-in-one. Congratulations Brother O'Neal!

The Epsilon Phi Chapter Toy Drive

Memphis, TN - The fourth cardinal principle of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc. is UPLIFT, which is sharing ones gift with the community in verifiable aid, activism, and leadership. The Epsilon Phi Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., located in Memphis, TN, has several programs and events that help uplift the community and people in need such as the Black Tie Scholarship Ball, Don Williams Memorial Golf Tournament, and the annual Thanksgiving and Christmas basket give aways. Our newest program, Epsilon Phi Toy Drive, benefiting the Pediatric Dialysis Clinic at LeBonheur Children's Hospital is in its second year of fruition. This project is especially meaningful to the Epsilon Phi Chapter as there are members who are currently on dialysis. Toy Drives for local children's hospitals are not new or unique events; however, what makes the Epsilon Phi Chapter's unique is that our toy drive is centered around the children on dialysis at LeBonheur Pediatric Dialysis Clinic. "These children are labeled as the forgotten kids" says the Volunteer Coordinator for LeBonheur. When there are charity events in the hospital, such as toy drives, the children in the dialysis clinic are not included as



they are not considered to be “inpatient”. The Epsilon Phi Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. was able to collect toys by having a Christmas Karaoke night at the local Fraternity house that was open to the public with a toy donation. The chapter also received toy donations from local churches, doctor offices, and dialysis clinics. We were able to collect well over 100 toys, \$400 in gift card, several winter coats, and multiple pairs Nike shoes for the children. LeBonheur has a total of 20 patients on dialysis, 8 receiving hemodialysis [in clinic treatment] and 12 on peritoneal dialysis [home treatment]; ages ranging from 2 to 20 years of age. The Toy Drive Giveaway was held on December 20, 2017 at the dialysis clinic at LeBonheur's Children Research Tower in Memphis, TN. The brothers set up all of the toys in the lobby of the dialysis clinic so that the children coming off of the dialysis machines and those coming in for treatment could select toys they wanted. During the 2016 giveaway the children were only afforded two toys each; however, with the large amounts of toys donated this year the children were allowed to pick out as many toys as they would like. The older children were able to pick \$50 worth of gift cards. We were also able to get the shoe sizes of the 8 children that were there for the hemodialysis treatment and each of them received a new pair of Nike shoes. The staff at LeBonheur did an amazing job assisting us with putting this together and they do just as much to



help the children. As a small token of appreciation lunch was donated by Lenny's Subs to the staff in the Pediatric Dialysis Clinic. The smiles that we were able to bring to not only the faces of the children but to their parents as well was priceless. After the children on dialysis selected all the toys they wanted there were still four carts filled with toys left. The brothers were able to go to several different floors of LeBonheur Children's Hospital allowing the children to come in the hallways and pick toys off the carts. After going floor to floor, we still had a surplus of toys. The remaining toys and winter coats were donated to the children at Riverview K-8 School. This elementary school educates students in one of the highest poverty stricken areas in Memphis. It is truly a blessing to be able to give back to those in need. Epsilon Phi as a chapter, and we as Omega men, believe that it is imperative to uphold the standards and morals of the Founders of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. To learn more about the Epsilon Phi Chapter's community service projects visit epsilonphichapter.com.



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The Fall 2017 members of the Chi Psi and Epsilon Phi Chapters



Front: Ernest Weathersby, William Murray, Albert Jones, George Penn, Momtez Reed, JouQuan Brooks, and DeAnthony Baker

Back: Keith Collins, Allen Craft, Jarrett Logan, Jonathan Logan, William Talton, Kim Kenny, and Jorel Grant.



Memphis, TN - The Basileus Dennis Small presented Brothers Floyd Harrison, Jerry Foster, and Richard Livingston with their Omega Service Awards from IHQ for 60 and 40 years of service respectively. Brother Harrison is a former educator with Memphis City Schools, a former Basileus of the Epsilon Phi Chapter, and a cosigner of the deed that allowed the Epsilon Phi Chapter to purchase it's fraternity house located at 152 E. McKellar Ave. Brother Foster is also a former Basileus of the Epsilon Phi Chapter and has served as the chairman of numerous committees and boards. Brother Richard Livingston currently holds the position of chapter Keeper of Records and Seal and he too has served in various capacities as part of the Epsilon Phi Chapter. In case you were wondering, yes Brothers Foster and Livingston are line brothers.



**Brother Floyd Harrison
Rho Psi Chapter 1957**



**Brother Jerry Foster
Eta Chapter 1977**



**Brother Richard Livingston
Eta Chapter 1977**

PI GAMMA GAMMA CHAPTER

MURFREESBORO, TN The brothers of the Pi Gamma Gamma Graduate Chapter joined the Murfreesboro community in the Rutherford County Christmas Parade on 12/10/2017. The Theme for this year's parade was Peace on Earth. The event was sponsored and held by WGNS, ATMOS Energy, The Stones River Amateur Radio Club, Murfreesboro Noon Exchange Club, Synergy Bank and L & K Trophy. The Brothers of Pi Gamma Gamma spread cheer though downtown during the annual parade and also took the opportunity to pass out candy to the youth.



ZETA GAMMA GAMMA CHAPTER

KNOXVILLE, TN Zeta Gamma Gamma, Iota Alpha and Iota Beta held a joint Achievement Week Program on Sunday, November 19th at the Black Cultural Center on the University of Tennessee campus. Fifth District First Vice DR Brother Sam McKenzie was the keynote speaker. He talked on the subject of 106 years of Omega. Bro. McKenzie message was informative, entertaining and brought memories of past fraternities adventures. Zeta Gamma Gamma Chapter's Citizen of the Year was presented by Bro. Charles Crow, to Mr. Luther Simmons. Mr. Simmons has photographed church events, community events, youth sports events, weddings, and even babies providing the photos to everyone that request them free of charge. You don't have to call and request him to come to the events. Often, he shows up camera in hand to events in the Oak Ridge area, including our chapter activities. He's a native of Asheville, NC., a graduate of North Carolina State University, and a Fire Protection Engineer for Consolidated Nuclear Security at the Y-12 Nuclear Security Complex. Zeta Gamma Gamma Chapter's Omega Man of the Year was presented by Bro. Justin Rosser, to Bro. Jerome Miller. Bro. Miller showed his dedication to the chapter by volunteering as chairman of the chapter's Talent Hunt and Social Action Committees. He was instrumental in our chapter servicing the community by organizing repair and cleanup activities at the Boys and Girls Club in Oak Ridge, TN with the sponsorship of CNS this year. Bro. Miller is a graduate of North Carolina A&T State University where he was a member of Mu Psi chapter. He is currently working as an Operations Specialist with Consolidate Nuclear Security at Y-12.



IOTA BETA CHAPTER

On November 19, 2017, the Knoxville areas Men of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Incorporated concluded their 2017 Achievement Week celebration with the annual tri-chapter award reception. The Brothers of Iota Alpha, Iota Beta, and Zeta Gamma Gamma Chapters gathered themselves in unity to recognize and honor deserving individuals for their selfless service to their local communities and our beloved fraternity. Ms. Candice Halbert was the recipient of the Iota Alpha Chapter's Citizen of the Year. Among her many acts of service to her community, Ms. Halbert founded the Girls in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics Mentorship Program (gSTEM) an endeavor that matches ORNL STEM employees with middle school girls to foster their interest in science. Mr. Luther Simmons was the Zeta Gamma Gamma Chapter's Citizen of the Year for his unwavering commitment in documenting 30 years of events through photography in our community without compensation. Brother David "Pug" Fuller (IB '70) was the Iota Alpha Chapter's Omega Man of the Year and Brother Jerome Miler (MΨ '73) was the Zeta Gamma Gamma Omega Man of the Year. Brother Smith 'Jean-Philippe' (IA '05) was the Iota Alpha Chapter's Superior Service Award recipient for his tireless work and dedication to his community and the fraternity. Lastly, Brother 1st Vice District Representative Samuel McKenzie (HΨ '84) was the recipient of the Founders' Lifetime Achievement Award for his 33 years of faithful dedication and work for Omega.



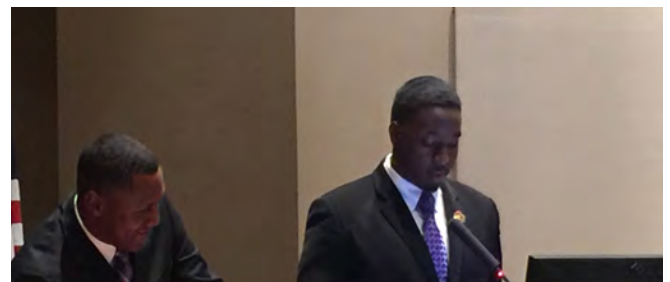
THETA ALPHA ALPHA CHAPTER

Bowling Green , KY - In keeping with the Cardinal Principles of Scholarship and Uplift, Theta Alpha Alpha and Gamma Theta Chapters of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity gave two \$750.00 scholarships to two local area students to assist them to pursue their education. Ty'India McCormick is a graduate of Warren Central High School will be attending South Central Kentucky Community and Technical College to study Early Childhood Education. Her career goal is to open her own child care facility. Cori Covington is a graduate of Bowling Green High School will be attending the University of Louisville to study Dental Hygiene aspiring to be a Pediatric Dentist. While at Bowling Green High School, Cori participated in soccer, track and field, Student Government and the Renaissance Team while maintaining a G.P.A. over 3.0. As we continue to Life As We Climb, Theta Alpha Alpha and Gamma Theta Chapters have given away a total of 14 scholarships totaling \$13,000 over the past six years. Lexington, KY – As documented by SA Chair Bro. Darnell Dennis, this summer of 2017 Psi Tau had 3 great opportunities to service our youths of Lexington and show them real men do genuinely care about them.



THETA ALPHA ALPHA CHAPTER

Bowling Green, KY On November 16, 2017 on the campus of Western Kentucky University at Mass Media Auditorium the brothers of Theta Alpha Alpha and Gamma Theta Chapters of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. held a memorial service for Bro Dr. Lloren Addison Foster. Bro Foster had an impact not only on Western Kentucky University, but the Bowling Green community as well. We thought it would be fitting to not only have members of faculty and staff and student body, but members of the community to be on program to reflect on the life of Bro Foster since many were not able to attend his home going service in Chicago, IL. The program started off with a video reflection of the life of Bro Foster. Rev. Chris Page gave the welcome and the reason for the occasion and later on in the program he gave the Words of Comfort. Brothers Julian Leslie and Bobby Scott read Old and New Testament Scriptures. Bianca Byrd, Taylor Sanders, Janae Lyons and Briana Pillow provided the musical selections. A time to reflect on the life of Bro Foster were given by Brothers Jarren Nixon and Montez Phillips; Sharita Howard, member of Delta Sigma Theta; and Dean Howard Bailey, Western Kentucky University. A love reflection was given by Mrs Christine Williams-Foster. After the closing prayer the brothers ended the service by singing Omega Dear. The Bowling Green Community was heartbroken by the untimely death of Bro Foster and the men of Omega felt it was necessary to have a memorial service to provide a sense of closure for the lives he touched. Bro Foster will always have a special place in Theta Alpha Alpha and Gamma Theta Chapters.



XI XI CHAPTER

Radcliff, KY The X i X i Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., celebrated their 40th Achievement Week 15 - 21 November 2017. This year's Achievement Week Observance theme " When the World Calls, Omega Men Answer ", which was very appropriate as we bear witness to our communities in crisis around the world and accepting that a solution will not be is covered by one, but many. Th e chapter started the week with planned service events, the Achievement Week Banquet, Reclamation and Retention, and church service at Heritage International Christian Church in Radcliff, KY. On 15 November 2017, XI XI provided support to Feeding America, a social action event that serves those in need by acquiring and distributing donated food, grocery items and government commodities throughout Kentucky. In support of this initiative, XI XI organized the brothers and family members to help package food t o be distributed all over the state . November 16, 2017 the brothers and family members came together for a night of bowling to include Reclamation and Retention with non - active Brothers in local area and visiting Brothers . Participants enjoyed an afternoon of fellowship, food, fun and laughter living one of our fraternity's mottos, "Friendship is Essential to the Soul". November 17, 2017 our Basileus, Brother Christopher Carter led the brothers in a re - dedication ceremony followed by our 40th annual achievement week banquet. Bro (COL) Elmore "Jay" Jones delivered a powerful message which connect the theme for the Fraternity to acknowledge their unselfish willingness to sacrifice for the betterment of th e community and keeping with the traditions of our great fraternity. We celebrated the achievements of our chapter members and other leaders within the community. . XI XI concluded the week with church service at Heritage International Christian Church , where Aubrey Jackson presides as Pastor. The chapter provided a monetary offering to assit with the church's goals and vision for the community. XI XI closed our achievement week celebration on November 30, 2017 with a clothing drive. The brothers collected shirts, pants, coats and various clothing articles that were donated at the goodwill. The outstanding work of this chapter stands as preface of work to come.



PSI PI CHAPTER

CLARKSVILLE, TN On November 11th the Psi Pi Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. held their 42nd Annual Achievement Week Banquet at F&M Bank in Clarksville, TN. The Master of Ceremonies for the evenings event was Bro. Phil W. Petrie, Jr. The preliminary function involved a Rededication Ceremony in which brothers of Psi Pi Chapter rededicated their commitment to the service of our great fraternity. As the banquet program continued we took time to celebrate the founders and their accomplishments with a tribute to each of our founders. Each founders biography was read by a designated member of Psi Pi Chapter and after the information was shared a candle was lit in honor of the designated founder. The Keynote Speaker for the evening was Reverend Bro. Coveak Moody who is an Associate Minister and Co-Coordinator for the Christian Education ministry at the Walnut Grove Baptist Church in Nashville, TN. Bro. Moody delivered a dynamic message that focused on providing a positive example for our young people to emulate. He also stated that we need to be present in our young peoples lives so they can receive the guidance and nurturing they require to grow and mature. The E. Hyburnia Williams Scholarship Fund essay contest winner was Nadia Lawrence of Northwest High School. Her essay expounded on the following subject: "What Actions Can You Take To Promote Social Justice and Embrace Diversity Of All People?" Nadia gave an impressive response to this question and expounded on treating others with respect and dignity. She also stated that we should embrace each others differences and learn from one another versus discriminating. Nadia has aspirations of attending the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga where she plans to study forensic science. The Brothers that were honored as Omega Man of the Year and Citizen of the Year were Bro. Jarhett Snead and Bro. J.W. Hunt both of Psi Pi Chapter. Both Omega Men were stellar examples in the community during the course of the year and provided a life worthy of emulation for our young people to follow. The 42nd Annual Achievement Week Banquet was a successful endeavor for the chapter and it highlighted the achievements of those who are truly making a difference in our communities. As we move into the coming year we will continue to set the standard high and ensure that our aspirations are high and motives are true.



GAMMA PHI CHAPTER

The Gamma Phi Chapter having celebrated its 92nd anniversary a few weeks earlier, on October 25th, gathered together in the spirit of friendship and fraternity on Founder's Day. This year's event was special as the keynote speaker was the erudite Bro. Dr. Shawn Joseph, Director of Nashville Public Schools, who delivered a message filled with words of wisdom often citing excerpts from the speech of one of our Founders, the honorable Bro. Bishop Edgar Amos Love. Bro. Joseph remarked on our motto — "Friendship is Essential to the Soul", why it was chosen and the importance of friendship. I could



sense that the words being spoken were from the conscience of our Founders who built this lasting organization whose principles we must diligently uphold until our last breath.

The Founder's Day program recognized several individuals for their superior performance and leadership, as well as their commitment to the Principles and ideals of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.

This year's award recipients are as follows:

- Bro. Jerry Blackman — Omega Man of the Year
- Ms. Jacqueline McKie — Citizen of the Year
- Bro. Herschell Warren — Founders' Lifetime Achievement Award
- Bro. Daniel Craig — Superior Service Award
- Bro. John Houston, Sr. — Colonel Charles D. Young Military Leadership Award
- Bro. Tevin Thompson — My Brother's Keeper Award
- Bro. Steve Gerido — Superior Silent Service Award



L to R.: Bro. Milliner, Basileus Gamma Phi Chapter and Omega Man of the Year recipient Bro. Jerry Blackman.



L to R.: Bro. Milliner, Basileus Gamma Phi Chapter and Citizen of the Year Award Recipient Ms. Jaqueline McKie.



Founders' Lifetime Achievement Award
2017 recipient Bro. Hershell Warren, on right.



Superior Service Award
2017 recipient Bro. Daniel Craig, on right.



Monday Night Football with the Omegas

The brothers of Gamma Phi Chapter came together to enjoy an evening of football and fellowship in support of the "Room in the Inn Project". The Room in the Inn Project is an organization that supports the local community by providing overnight shelter to Nashville's homeless citizens. The Gamma Phi Chapter asked brothers to support this cause by donating personal hygiene items, such as toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, deodorant and other personal items which would be given to those in need.