

"Friendship Is Essential To The Soul"

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Bro. Jerome Tinguee

Basileus

Rho Phi Chapter 2019-2020 Officers:

Basileus: Bro. Jerome Tinguee

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Keeper of Records and Seal: Bro. Ernest Parquet Jr.

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Immediate Past Basileus: Bro. Dana Walker

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CHAPTER NEWS

Voter Registration / B.L.M. / Youth Council March

Rho Phi Chapter participated in a **Voter Registration/ Black Lives Matter/ Youth Council March**. The event, held on July 11, 2020, was organized by **Ephesus Seventh Day Adventist Church**. **Bro. Clinton Smith** was one of the speakers.





2020 Census Items and Face Mask Giveaway

Rho Phi Chapter brothers , gave out 2020 Census Items and face masks donated by the **Ninth District of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.**, during a food giveaway by Second Harvesters Food Bank. The event was held on July 15, 2020 at the Goodwill Center located at 3400 Tulane Ave.









Initiation Anniversaries

August 08, 1978 — Bro. Emmanuel Smith — Rho Phi August 15, 1980 — Bro. Paul West — Rho Phi August 19, 1978 — Bro. Carl Dawson — Omicron Sigma August 25, 2012 — Bro. Rod West — International





Rho Phi Chapter congratulates:

- Bro. Walter Martin, on being elected to serve on the board of the Omega Credit Union.
- Bro. Benedict Willard , on being re-elected, as Judge of Orleans Parish's Criminal District Court, Section C.
- Bro. Adrian Adams (Gamma Rho), on being re-elected, as District Judge of Jefferson Parish's 24th Judicial District Court, Division G.
- Bro. Lee Faulkner Jr. (Gamma Rho), on being re-elected, as District Judge of Jefferson Parish's 24th Judicial District Court, Division P.

2020 Service Awards

Rho Phi Chapter brothers who will receive Service Awards:

Bro. William Sutton Sr.	— 70 years
Bro. Henry Coaxum	— 50 years
Bro. Rhosus G. Eckles	— 50 years
Bro. Marcellus Grace	— 50 years
Bro. Anthony Barnett	— 40 years
Bro. Charles Jones	— 40 years
Bro. Clinton Smith	— 40 years
Bro. Burnell Stepter	— 40 years
Bro. Paul West	— 40 years
Bro. Malcolm Armstrong	g — 35 years
Bro. Robert Merrett	— 35 years
Bro. William Peoples	— 35 years

Health Note — National Immunization Awareness Month



August is **National Immunization Awareness Month** (NIAM). This annual observance highlights the importance of getting recommended vaccines throughout your life. You have the power to protect yourself and your family against serious diseases [like whooping cough, cancers caused by HPV, and pneumonia] through on-time vaccination.

During NIAM, **Rho Phi Chapter** encourages brothers to talk to your doctor, nurse, or other healthcare professional to ensure you and your family are up to date on recommended vaccines.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

82nd Grand Conclave Election Results



ELECTION RESULTS

Supreme Council

Grand Basileus - Bro. Dr. David Marion 1st Vice Grand Basileus - Bro. Ricky L. Lewis 2nd Vice Grand Basileus - Bro. Caleb G. Love Keeper of Records & Seal - Bro. Mark E. Jackson Keeper of Finance - Bro. Johnnie Smith Grand Counselor - Bro. Benjamin Crump

Undergraduate Representatives to the Supreme Council: Bro. Eleualio Abraham Bro. Elliot Kelly, Jr. Bro. Kenton Kelley



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Graduate Omega Man of the Year 2018 - 2019



Bro. Van Newborn

9th District

Delta Xi Chapter

Greenville, TX



G.K.R.S.—Member Management Update



Member Manager Update as of July 23, 2020



My Brothers of Omega,

We communicated throughout the various District meetings, and as recently as this past weekend during the 2020 Virtual Grand Conclave, that the International Headquarters is in the process of transitioning to a new member management system called iQue, powered by iMIS. Chapters and Districts will be introduced to the platform called QueZone, where the Chapters and Districts will conduct the business of Omega. In order to do so, there are several key actions that will take place in a relatively short period of time.

The transition to the new membership management systems have begun. As communicated, the online access for all members will be suspended from July 23, 2020 through July 31, 2020. This is a necessary key event to effectively "freeze" our data for migration/upload and validation into the QueZone system. To ensure migration success and data loss prevention, IHQ will complete an entire backup of all the data/information contained in the current system. The backup data will be stored in a safe and secure location while the migration occurs.

The projected "Go-Live" date is July 31, 2020. This means that you will have access to QueZone for the normal transaction of business as you did with the previous system.

NOTE - Complete functionality will NOT be available on July 31, 2020.

Functionality is being built into the system in a phased/spiral development approach. This development will be ongoing through August 31, 2020 at which time we will declare that QueZone 1.0 is complete.

A national implementation timeline of that development is as follows:

Phase 0 – Initial requirement discussions & workflow design by the IT Team, IHQ Staff and the IMIS Engineers (Action Completed)

Phase 1 – DKRS requirements discussions, workflow design, and testing (July 21 – July 27)

Phase 2 – Update/code development based on the recommendations made by the DKRS's (July 27 – July 30)

Phase 3 - iQue and QueZone "Go-Live" (July 31, 2020)

Phase 4 – DKRS & Chapter KRS requirements discussions and workflow design (August 1 – August 21)

Phase 5 - Update/code development based on the recommendations made by the DKRS's & Chapter KRS's. (August 22 – August 31)

During this time of transition, it is important that we remain calm and engaged in the process. If you have questions, I ask that you contact your respective DKRS as he will have the most upto-date information.

"TEAM IHQ" and each of the DKRS's are committed to ensuring the success of this project.

I thank you for your patience and your continued support.

Fraternally, Mark E. Jackson Grand Keeper of Records and Seal GrandKRS@oppf.org

NINTH DISTRICT NEWS

84th Ninth District Meeting Update

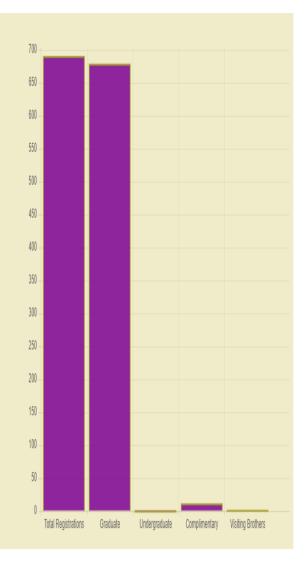


General Information

Pre-Registration Period: December 31, 1969 - January 1, 2021 Graduate Rate - \$200.00 Undergraduate Rate - \$125.00

Venue Information

Sheraton Hotel Dallas 410 Olive St. Dallas, TX https://book.passkey.com/go/84thAnnualNinthDistrictMeeting



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