

#### 'Friendship Is Essential To The Soul"

#### October, 2019

#### Greetings From Basileus, Bro. Jerome Tinguee

We have come to the end of our fiscal year and I am proud to announce that all is well within Rho Phi Chapter. Our focus this month will be to pass a sound budget and to select the Leadership that will guide the Chapter into 2019-2020 fiscal year. I would like to thank every one of you for your help and support throughout this year and I look forward to continuing our efforts to make this chapter the best in Omega. Let us continue to do our part and take pride in what is uniquely ours, Rho Phi Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc.

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Immediate Past Grand Marshal: Bro. Terrence Augillard

S.E. Louisiana State Representative: Bro. Rene Metoyer

### **CHAPTER NEWS**

#### **Fall Reclamation and Retention Set OWT**

**Rho Phi Chapter** held its Fall Reclamation and Retention Set OWT on Saturday, September 21, 2019. The event was held at the Crescent City Q's Clubhouse. The purpose of the event is to encourage non-financial brothers to become financial again and brothers who are currently financial, to continue to stay active.







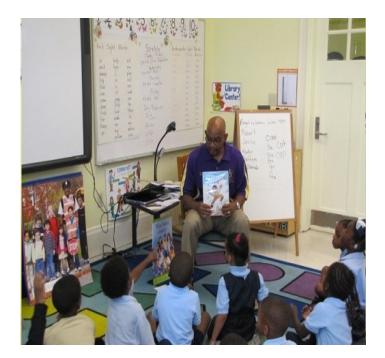


#### **Real Men Read Program**

**Rho Phi Chapter** and **The Omega Men Foundation**, hosted the annual Real Men Read program at Joseph A. Craig Charter School on Friday, September, 27, 2019. The program, in its 11th year, is designed to promote reading and encourage students in Pre-3 through First grade to develop their reading skills. The school received a donation from The Omega Men Foundation, funded by **Entergy, Inc**., to purchase books for the school library.









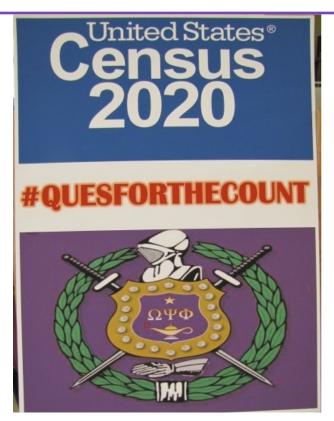






#### **#QUESFORTHECOUNT**

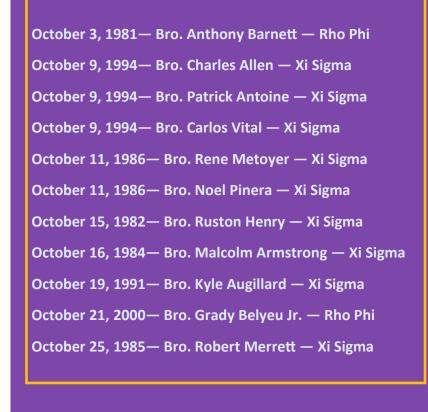
**Rho Phi Chapter** has partnered with the U.S. Census Bureau, to promote the 2020 U.S. Census. The chapter disseminated information on the U.S. Census to students and staff at Joseph A. Craig Charter School on Friday, September, 27, 2019.

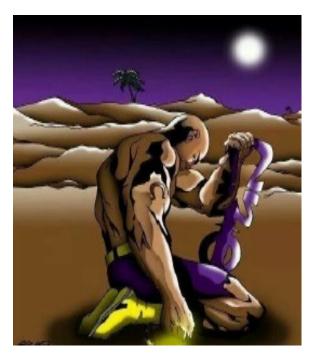




#### **Initiation Anniversaries**

Congratulations to the following Rho Phi brothers on the Anniversary of their Initiation into Omega Psi Phi Fraternity.





# How can you change your eating habits?

To eat a healthy diet, you may need to make some changes. Remember that you can change your eating habits a little bit at a time. Small changes are easier to make and can lead to better health.

Here are some ways to make healthy changes in your eating habits:

- Keep more fruits, low-fat dairy products (low-fat milk and low-fat yogurt), vegetables, and whole-grain foods at home and at work. Focus on adding healthy food to your diet, rather than just taking unhealthy foods away.
- Try to eat a family meal every day at the kitchen or dining table. This will help
  you focus on eating healthy meals.
- Buy a healthy-recipe book, and cook for yourself. Chew gum when you cook so you won't be tempted to snack on the ingredients.
- Pack a healthy lunch and snacks for work. This lets you have more control over what you eat.
- Put your snacks on a plate instead of eating from the package. This helps you control how much you eat.
- Don't skip or delay meals, and be sure to schedule your snacks. If you ignore
  your feelings of hunger, you may end up eating too much or choosing an
  unhealthy snack. If you often feel too hungry, it can cause you to focus a lot on
  food.
- Eat your meals with others when you can. Relax and enjoy your meals, and don't eat too fast. Try to make healthy eating a pleasure, not a chore.
- · Drink water instead of high-sugar drinks (including high-sugar juice drinks).

### **Spiritual QTip**

# From The Chaplain's Desk

#### **SPIRITUAL Q-TIPS**

October 2019

Bro. Jerome Tinguee, Basileus Rev. Bro. Michael B. Raymond, Chaplain

ALWAYS RE-DEDICATE YOURSELF TO THE CAUSE OF OMEGA.

By getting to know more Brothers in Rho Phi Chapter.

SPIRITUAL Q-TIP OF THE MONTH: What matters most.

POINT TO PONDER: Life is all about love.

QUESTION TO CONSIDER: Are relationships a top priority in my life? How can I insure that they are?

\*Galatians 5:14

\*1 Corinthians 3:13

\*1 John 3:18

Notes

"Friendship Is Essential To The Soul"

\*Look Up/Study Scripture

# **Upcoming Chapter Events**



### **INTERNATIONAL NEWS**

#### **Construction Of Drinking Wells In Ghana**

# Akropong Scnool for the Blind Borehole Megna ab PSI Phi

# commissions the construction of drinking August 19, 2019 wells in Ghana

September 18, 2019

FOUNDERS: FRANK COLEMAN, OSCAR J. COOPER, ERNEST E. JUST, EDGAR A. LOVE



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FROM THE DESK OF THE GRAND BASILEUS

The Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc. recently commissioned the construction of drinking wells, or boreholes, for two impoverished communities in Ghana.

Each day, villagers in Borishe, a suburb of Akropong, Ghana have to obtain their water to cook, clean and bathe from a nearby, muddy, disease-infested ditch.

"I was heartbroken to see and hear the things that we saw and heard when people don't have something as simple as water, that we here in the States don't put a lot of value on," said David E. Marion, the international president of Omega Psi Phi.

The United Nation estimates that roughly 115 people in Africa die every hour from diseases linked to poor sanitation, hygiene and contaminated water. Marion said that is why boreholes are essential to quality of life for many Africans.

Working through the Tau Chi Chapter, located in Accra, Ghana, the fraternity financed a borehole for the village and the Akropong School of the Blind, another community that had struggled with access to potable water.

Boreholes are narrow shafts drilled to extract water from below the ground. The water is collected into an above-ground container and villagers are able to fill their buckets and containers.

Mahala Maku Narh, headmistress of the Akropong School for the Blind, applauded the fraternity's work.

"The water situation in Akropong is currently better, but formerly we had serious problems when it comes to water," Narh told the Ghana News Agency.

"We have one borehole drilled by World Vision International, but that alone cannot do for all the staff and students in the school. Even people from the community sometimes had to fall on us for water."

Marion said the two boreholes will provide villagers with an endless supply of fresh, clean and potable water.

"When you put it into perspective, you are talking about water and everyone needs it to survive and for Omega to go over and give water, right now that is absolutely mind-blowing to know that these wells will provide water for generations of our people," Marion said.

Carl W. Bampoe, president, or basileus, of Tau Chi Chapter, said members would continue to find ways to support the communities.

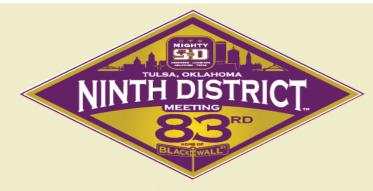
"This is the first, but certainly will not be the last," Bampoe told the Ghana News Agency.

# **Hurricane Dorian Relief Fund**



# NINTH DISTRICT NEWS

83rd Annual Ninth District Meeting



83rd ANNUAL NINTH DISTRICT MEETING April 1-5, 2020

#### Tulsa, OK

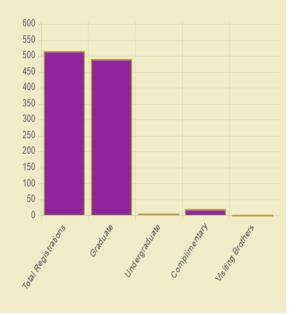
District Marshal: Bro. Lee Young



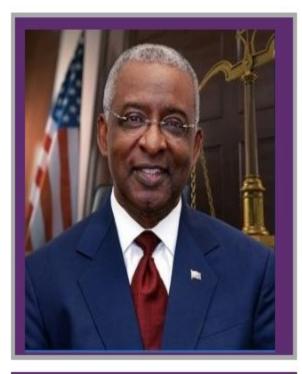
- Online Registration for Visiting Brothers from other Districts
- Register for Marchdown and Sporting Events!
- Purchase an Ad in Souvenir Booklet!
- Register to be an Approved Vendor!
- Non-Member Registration for Herbert King Golf Classic at 83rd District Meeting!

General Information Pre-Registration Period: May 2, 2019 - October 1, 2019 Graduate Rate - \$175.00 Undergraduate Rate - \$100.00

Venue Information Cox Business Center 100 Civic Center Tulsa, OK https://coxcentertulsa.com/



#### Brothers Running For Public Office In Louisiana



#### Bro. Willie Banks, Jr.

Candidate for Louisiana State Representative – District 24 http://electbanks.com

Initiated Delta Tau, 1972, Plaquemine, LA. Currently Epsilon Chi, Alexandria, LA. Colonel, US Army (Ret.)



### Bro. Marcus Bryant Candidate for Louisiana State Representative - District 96

Initiated Beta Sigma, 1999, Southern University, Baton Rouge, LA. Currently Rho Omicron, New Iberia, LA. International Life Member. Ninth District Life Member. 82<sup>nd</sup> Ninth District Marshal.

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