

# OMEGA Bulletin

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## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 53RD GRAND CONCLAVE

Pre-registration was an all-time high.

The Pittsburgh Hilton provided an ideal setting for the 1970 Conclave. Its unique location and picturesque surroundings added to the fanfare that the 'Ques were coming.'

Sunday, August 2, 1970, was spotlighted with the magnanimous Dr. Benjamin E. Mays speaking at the morning worship services situated in Point State Park. A forty (40) voice choir accompanied Dr. (Brother) Mays.

Sunday afternoon was highlighted with another Omega First—Omega Meets the Public, with the Grand Marshal, Wendall Allen presiding. Some twelve organizations, working with the Black Community, presented views and expressed ideas as to what Omega Men can do in the questions of Black Awareness, Student Protests and Revolts, and Economics and Housing.

Tuesday gave us a symposium—"The Government and the Ghetto" featuring Samuel C. Jackson, Assistant Secretary of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development and John L. Jenkins, representing the office of Minority Business Enterprise who suggested that the Fraternity sponsor federal projects to alleviate social problems. The symposium immediately followed the Undergraduate Luncheon where Brother Randolph McLain of Xi Psi Chapter was announced the Scholar of the Year and Brother John H. Rosemond of Mu Iota Chapter, the Omega Man of the Year. Tuesday was climaxed with the Founders' Banquet and Dance where fifty (50) Brothers received their Forty-Year Plaque. Mr. Charles Evers, Mayor of Fayette, Mississippi, was named the Citizen of the Year.

The Conclave climaxed on Wednesday with four organizations, Pittsburgh Public Schools, the United States Civil Service Commission, Mobil Oil Corporation, and Chrysler Motors Corporation, interviewing for job opportunities.

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## SUPREME COUNCIL EXPANDS

One of the most dynamic and prolific Conclaves in our history has just ended. It was the ideal way to begin a new decade and provided the needed inspiration to continue. A number of innovations were effectuated as a result of changes made in the new Constitution and Bylaws, the direct result of the Constitutional Convention held in October 1969 in Atlanta, Georgia. Be sure to check with your Conclave Delegate for specifics.

The new officers include:

Grand Basileus—James S. Avery of Scotch Plains, New Jersey, a public relations manager for Humble Oil and Refining Company

1st Vice Grand Basileus—Marion Garnett of Chicago, Illinois, an attorney at law.

2nd Vice Grand Basileus—Richard L. Taylor of Boston, Massachusetts, who attends Boston University where he is captain of the basketball team.

Grand Keeper of Records and Seal—Walter H. Riddick of Norfolk, Virginia, a mortician and a business executive.

Grand Keeper of Finance—John Moore of Charlotte, North Carolina a Public Accountant.

Grand Counselor—J. Franklin Spruill of Akron, Ohio, an attorney at law.

Grand Marshal—C. W. Thompson of Houston, Texas, a physician.

The Immediate Past Grand Basileus—Ellis F. Corbett of Greensboro, North Carolina, the Director of Development for North Carolina A&T University.

The Supreme Council has been increased by seven (7) members. Four (4) District Representatives and three (3) undergraduates were elected to sit on the Supreme Council. These include brothers:

Albert Berry of Nashville, Tennessee, the Fifth District Representative

C. D. Henry of Grambling, Louisiana, the Ninth District Representative

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## THE RECOMMENDATIONS ADOPTED

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania  
August 1-6, 1970

1. The family home of our late brother, Colonel Charles A. Young, is in the path of a proposed highway and is subject to possible eminent domain action. The Young home has been an inspiration to hundreds of undergraduate Brothers at Wilberforce and Central State Universities. Further, it is historically famous as a station on the "Underground Railroad" via which slaves escaped to the North and to Canada. Should this landmark be destroyed, one more symbol of our past struggle upward from slavery will be obliterated forever.

Therefore, we recommend that this 53rd Grand Conclave authorize the formation of a special committee to work with Upsilon and Eta Gamma Chapters and the Fourth District Representative and that District's Council to do everything possible to preserve the Colonel Charles Young home as an historical as well as an Omega Shrine. We further recommend that this Committee include, among others, representation from the Housing Authority, Social Action, Achievement Week, Undergraduate, and Public Relations Committees.

2. It is extremely urgent that all forms of communication media be employed to preserve for future generations the voices, ideas and other information of our honored Founders, as well as other Omega Brothers who have achieved prominently in their particular fields. One immediately thinks of Brothers Benjamin E. Mays, Alexander Looby, Robert Weaver, Roy Wilkins, Jesse Jackson, etc. To hear the living voices of these distinguished men should not be the exclusive privilege of the fortunate, present-day generation.

We, therefore, recommend that the National Public Relations Committee



be mandated to build a library of taped interviews with our Founders as well as other outstanding Omegas. The cost of this project is minimal and might be squeezed out of the present budget of the committee. If this is not the case, the Supreme Council is requested to provide whatever additional funds that might be required.

3. The By-Law requiring that the Chapter K.R.S. keep the personal history card (Form No. 12) of each individual brother up to date has not been complied with. Nor is there much hope that it will be, as presently set up.

We, therefore, recommend that the National Office make available to each chapter a supply of these cards so that a duplicate copy can be retained in the file of the chapter and that the Chapter K.R.S. be urged to review and bring up to date the card of each brother at the beginning of the year when membership dues are paid. Changes are then to be transmitted to the National Office.

4. Since it is practically impossible for an Undergraduate brother to be named "Outstanding Omega Man of the Year" under our present criteria.

We recommend that the National Achievement Week Committee draw up a set of criteria by which one Undergraduate Omega Man of the Year can be chosen and a similar award be made at each Grand Conclave.

5. That the Talent Hunt at the National level remain a demonstration with one number from each District.

6. We recommend that this Grand Conclave mandate the Social Action Committee to campaign nationally to enlist and obtain support for its effort to have our late Brother, Langston Hughes, included in the list of American poets to be commemorated by U. S. Postage stamps in 1971.

We recommend that the NES also circularize each chapter and urge every known Omega Man to write or wire the spirit of this recommendation to the Citizens Advisory Committee, Postmaster General, Washington, D. C.

7. We recommend that the Social Action Committee be authorized to affiliate our fraternity with the recently established National Alliance on Shaping Safer Cities.

8. That all past Grand Basilei be notified of each meeting of the Supreme Council and that they be permitted to attend at their own expense if they wish to do so.

## HIGHLIGHTS—from page 1

Approximately 1,600 persons attended the 53rd Grand Conclave where wives, children and girl friends accompanied the 704 registered Brothers.

Plan now to be in Houston, Texas, December 1971, for the 54th Grand Conclave.

## SUPREME COUNCIL—from page 1

Philmore Graham of Vallejo, California, the Twelfth District Representative

Norman J. Johnson of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, the Second District Representative

William Fowler of Brooklyn, New York, who is presently serving as Basileus of Zeta Psi Chapter.

Larry Walls of Oakland, California, is the Basileus of Xi Gamma and a student at San Jose State University, San Jose, California, and

Warren Jones of New Orleans, Louisiana, of Theta Sigma Chapter is a June graduate of Dillard University in New Orleans, Louisiana.

## NATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT WEEK THEME

### "A SICK AMERICA: SOME TREATMENTS FOR ITS CURE"

Many of the reports, studies, polls, and statements appearing in the media which attest to the topic we choose this year for our theme, "A Sick America." We have added to this thesis the question of what we can or should do to effect cure. There is no question that as Americans we are in the midst of some unusual occurrences: an increase in the "long-hot summers", increased graft and corruption in government, racism, campus unrest in both public and higher education, segregation, injustices in the courts, artificial panaceas for desegregation, drug addiction, racial polarization, and deplorable living and working conditions for America's blacks, its poor, and its deprived.

It is the thinking of many—young and old—that America must provide cures for the above ills—if we are to continue to exist as a democratic society. Attention must be turned to areas of improvement in housing, health, education, employment, transportation, air and water, and care of the nation's environment.

Today's youth are calling for a realignment of national priorities and funding so that domestic problems will be given precedence. What specific treatments do you propose for America's sickness?

## SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PLEDGING AND INITIATION

### FINDINGS

The Committee finds that Fraternity has sufficient and adequate materials for the implementation of the policies of the Fraternity relating to induction, pledging, probation and initiation. The manual of the Seventh District, which encompasses the material of the "Study Committee" and several previous manuals, seems to offer an adequate guide for the Fraternity at-large.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

It is Recommended:

1. That manual now being used by the Seventh District as a guide for Pledging and Initiation become the manual of the Fraternity to be sent to the chapters upon receipt of applications from pledgees.
2. That upon receipt of applications from pledgees, the National Office will send a personal letter of welcome to each pledgee acquainting him with basic information of the Fraternity.
3. That an official from the District office visit annually the chapters of the respective District (especially the undergraduate chapters) to re-acquaint them with the policies of the Fraternity on harrassment & Hazing. That the Assistant N.E.S. include in his special assignment the supervision and implementation of a visitation of undergraduate chapters by a District and/or a National Officer.
4. That every session with pledgees and/or probates be recorded with names of all brothers in attendance and signed by the Advisor and the Dean of Pledgees . . . attendance rosters will be reviewed by the District Representative or his proxy at time of final ceremonies.
5. That the period for pledging activities for undergraduate chapters be restricted to a maximum of sixty days and probation intensified "help" week (open demonstrations) be restricted to a maximum of four days.
6. That the so-called secret probation be out-lawed as a part of pledging and initiation procedures.
7. That the role of the Dean of Pledgees be re-emphasized and strengthened. The Dean of Pledgees is the brother held by the Fraternity for the controls, programs, and policy implementation of the pledgee from the time the pledgees completes his application to the final ceremonies for initiation in the Fraternity. In undergraduate chapters, the Chapter





STANDING—L to R—W. Riddick, J. B. Blayton, C. W. Thompson, C. D. Henry, A. Berry, L. Walls, E. F. Corbett, W. Jones, N. Johnson and P. Graham. SEATED—L to R—J. Moore, M. Garnett, J. S. Avery, R. Taylor and J. F. Spruill

Advisor works with the Dean of Pledges in implementing his functions.

8. That only bona-fide financial members of officiating local chapter be permitted to participate in the probation and pledging program of said chapter, except by special permission of the District Representative.
9. That infraction of Fraternity policies regarding hazing (mental or physical) by brother or chapter result in suspension for not less than one year from the date of suspension.
10. That District Representative be permitted to suspend brothers guilty of such infraction rather than the chapter when it is evidence that the chapter is not involved as a chapter in the violation.
11. That each chapter include as a part of its program of orientation and training, model meetings of the Conclave and District meetings to help brothers and potential brothers become familiar with the operations of the Fraternity at-large.

#### CONCLUSION

The Committee concluded that if we want to involve men of quality, we must implement our policy. If we want to stay in business, we must change with the times and concentrate on building

#### CHARLES ROBERSION— OMEGA CHAPTER

Brother Charles Roberson of Eta Phi Chapter, Boston, Mass. entered OMEGA CHAPTER on August 14, 1970. Brother Roberson was a recipient of the Forty-Year Plaque, a member of the Housing Authority for fifteen (15) years, the Grand Marshal for the Boston Grand Conclave, a District Omega Man of the Year—First District and identified with the Business and Professional Men's Club of that area.

#### LIFE MEMBERSHIP

The drive for Life Memberships continues. The fee is \$300.00, payable in one lump sum or \$150.00 down and the remaining \$150.00 within ten (10) years.

Write the National Headquarters now for your application.

"friendship" from the beginning of our association with the prospective brother to his induction. Such a pattern will reduce the attrition rate, for one indoctrinated with friendship and genuine concern as a brother is much more likely to want to stay with the brotherhood... as Friendship is essential to the Soul."

#### THINGS TO KNOW

Graduate National Dues is \$20.00 effective January 1, 1971.

The 54th Grand Conclave will be held in Houston, Texas, December 26-30, 1971.

Forms No. 2 (Remittance form), No. 3 (Pin-Order), No. 10 (Certification of Men for Initiation) and No. 12 (History Card) must accompany all initiations.

All monies must be sent to the National Headquarters by certified check or money order.

Please send all change of addresses to the National Headquarters.

#### NEW RITUALS, CONSTITUTIONS, AND BYLAWS

New Rituals, Constitutions, and Bylaws may be received in exchange for the old Rituals, Constitutions, and Bylaws, with no fee attached, by sending them to the National Headquarters. The number of each sent will be the number returned.

Additional Rituals, Constitutions, and Bylaws may be purchased by the usual means—

3 Rituals ..... \$1.00  
3 Constitutions and Bylaws . \$1.00



September 4, 1970

## OPEN LETTER

### MEMORANDUM

TO: ALL INTERMEDIATE  
AND UNDERGRADUATE  
CHAPTERS

FROM: H. Carl Moultrie, I, National  
Executive Secretary

SUBJECT: CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

The academic year—1970-71—will bring with it many challenges. How well you meet the challenges will depend upon how well you are organized as a chapter and how well you take your place as leaders on your college campus. OMEGA PSI PHI FRATERNITY is no bigger, or greater, than you will permit it to be on your college campus. With this in mind, I greet you as Officers and Members of THE OMEGA PSI PHI FRATERNITY, INC.

We are most concerned that your chapter becomes an integral part of your college community. Thus, you cannot afford to be suspended or have a restriction placed upon you as a result of your failure to adhere to rules and regulations.

*KEEP THIS IN MIND—the chapter exists on the college campus not as a right but as a privilege.*

Your chapter must make itself felt on your campus this year. It is necessary that, individually and collectively, you take the lead in all activities surrounding your college life. With proper organization at your first meeting your chapter's goals will be achieved.

### PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING:

- (1) Rededicate yourselves to the four Cardinal Principles—MANHOOD, SCHOLARSHIP, UPLIFT and PERSEVERANCE.
- (2) Build your chapter's spirit. The first and most potent builder of spirit is to give each brother in the chapter something to do.
- (3) Co-operate with the College Administration. Keep out of the *administrative doghouse*. Be tactful in your relations with the administration.
- (4) Select your Faculty Advisor at your first meeting. Send his name and address to the National Headquarters and to Brother Richard L. Taylor, Second Vice Grand Basileus, 178 Bay State Road, Boston, Mass. 02215.
- (5) Plan and adopt your chapter's program around your anticipated budget. Build your chapter's budget around your chapter's program. The budget should include National, District and Local Chapter Dues. It should, also, include delegate expenses to

District Meetings and contributions. Establish a reserve fund earmarked "GRAND CONCLAVE—HOUSTON, TEXAS, December 26-30, 1971". *ATTENDANCE IS A MUST!!!*

- (6) Develop a point system for scholarship and extra-curricular activities. See to it that each member of the chapter is actively behind your scholarship and extra-curricular activities. Increased scholarship is becoming a necessity in this day of increasing extra-curricular activities. Call on the Chairman of our National Scholarship Commission: Dr. Lawrence E. Nicholson, 3214 LaCled Avenue, Apt. U1, St. Louis, Missouri 63103, for financial aid and guidance in assisting you in your chapter's scholarship activities. Your goal should be to increase your chapter's scholastic average during this scholastic year.
- (7) Observe the Fraternity's national programs—Social Action, Achievement Week and the Memorial Observance Programs on your campus.
- (8) Actively participate in the local Pan Hellenic Council or National Interfraternity Conference.
- (9) Plan your initiation program, keeping in mind the laws of the Fraternity with reference thereto. Be constructive in your assignments; such things as writing contests, speaking contests, assignments to excel in research projects and improve deficiencies are acceptable chores for probates.
- (10) Forms 2, 3, 10 and 12 must be sent to the National Headquarters at least forty-eight (48) hours, excluding Saturday and Sunday, before the day of the initiation. Note the instructions on the reversed side of Form #3 (Pin Order) and the special instruction on Form #10 (Authorization of District Representative).
- (11) Avoid delay by seeing to it that Form #10, containing the names of the candidates to be initiated; their averages (over the signature of the Dean or Registrar) reaches your District Representative at least twenty (20) days before your initiation. In fact, as soon as the administration sets the initiation week, get your initiation approved by your District Representative.
- (12) Read correspondence from the National Office and the District

before the whole group and take the appropriate action.

- (13) Answer all correspondence promptly.
- (14) Send the names of your current officers to the National Headquarters *today*, along with their respective addresses.
- (15) Keep accurate chapter records. It is a healthy system to have your books audited at least once a year.
- (16) Consult your school calendar committee in making plans for your chapter's functions. Make certain that they are cleared through the proper channels.
- (17) Giving the biggest dance or drinking the most will not assure you of a prominent place on your college campus. OMEGA PSI PHI FRATERNITY must have all around, good men.
- (18) Call on the Office of the National Executive Secretary for service and advice.
- (19) REMEMBER, OMEGA IS WHAT YOU WILL HAVE IT TO BE ON YOUR COLLEGE CAMPUS.

H. Carl Moultrie, I  
National Executive Secretary

## DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES DIRECTORY

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Bro. Ellis F. Corbett, Immediate Past Grand Basileus offers congratulations to Bro. James S. Avery, Grand Basileus elect.

### SCHOLARSHIP SWEEPSTAKES FOR SEVENTY-ONE

The National Scholarship Commission of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity announces SCHOLARSHIP SWEEPSTAKES FOR SEVENTY-ONE. The Cardinal Principles of Scholarship and Uplift are especially served through this effort. It is the aspiration of the Commission to engage every undergraduate chapter and brother in Omega in auto-competition in a massive enterprise dedicated to elevating the general level of scholarly performance. Thus personal gains and collective benefits from education should be served.

The commission provides a lever of motivation in this endeavor through the allocation of five thousand dollars (\$5000.00) to undergrid the effort.

Four thousand dollars (\$4000.00) will be distributed among all brothers who, in competition only with themselves, raise their grade-point averages above their previous highest averages. This total amount will be shared on a sweepstakes basis by every brother who applies and raises his average: to each in direct proportion to the size of his own increase.

One thousand dollars (\$1000.00) will be distributed among chapters that excel in increasing their grade-point averages. The top fifteen chapters will receive awards ranging from three hundred dollars (\$300.00) for the top award to

twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for eight small awards. There will be one \$200.00, one \$100.00 and four \$50.00 awards.

#### To WIN in the SCHOLARSHIP SWEEPSTAKES FOR SEVENTY-ONE:

an undergraduate brother must—

- A. Submit a completed Sweepstakes Ticket by October 15, 1970.
- B. Exceed his previous high grade-point average during the first semester 1970-71.
- C. Submit a transcript including the first semester grades by March 15, 1971.

a chapter must:

- A. Submit a completed chapter Sweepstakes Ticket by October 15, 1970.
- B. Maintain a grade-point average for the chapter during the first semester 1970-71, which exceeds the higher semester average last year (1969-70).
- C. Submit the chapter averages for last year and that for the first semester of 1970-71 by March 30, 1971.
- D. Attain an increase in grade-point average for the chapter which is among the fifteen largest submitted by all chapters.

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SWEEPSTAKES TICKETS and further information will be sent to all chapters for distribution before October 1, 1970.



## REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Esteemed Founders of Omega, Brother Grand Basileus, Brothers of Omega:

WHEREAS the Brothers of Iota Phi and Omicron Psi Chapters of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. did admirably host the 53rd Grand Conclave, and

WHEREAS the Grand Marshal did effectively guide the planning of a comprehensive program which increased our over-all awareness and strengthened the relationship between the fraternity and the public, and

WHEREAS the citizens of Pittsburgh did extend to us manifold courtesies and a memorable welcome, and

WHEREAS Kappa Omega, Omicron Psi, and Iota Phi Chapters sponsored the inspirational worship service at Point State Park, where the eloquent and scholarly address by the esteemed Brother Benjamin Mays and the stirring harmony of the "Choir of 40 Voices" augmented the scenic beauty and enhanced personal meditation,

Be it therefore resolved that Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., assembled here in Pittsburgh, Pa. for this the 53rd Grand Conclave, commend the Brothers of Iota Phi and Omicron Psi Chapters the Pittsburgh Area Wives, and the Grand Marshal for their magnanimous hospitality, their well-planned and diversified program, and their unceasing and genuine efforts to provide great enlightenment, supreme re-dedication, exhilarating enjoyment—all of which have resulted in the most evident success of this the 53rd Grand Conclave.

WHEREAS numerous Brothers have reported that as they travel throughout the country they encounter Lamps who do not respect them as their Big Brothers, and

WHEREAS many Brothers have reported that many Lamps in their final week of pledgship do not know such basic information as the Founders, the Cardinal Principles, and the National Officers, and

WHEREAS said Lamps, after proper encouragement to master such important information, have shown little interest in mastering such,

Be it therefore resolved that each chapter and individual Brother, when discovering such situations, report immediately such to the Dean of Pledges of that chapter, the District Representative of that District, and submit a duplicate of said report to the National Executive Secretary.

WHEREAS Zeta Psi Chapter of Brooklyn, New York has requested the 53rd Grand Conclave of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. to consider the case of Brother John J. Grimes, a detective assigned to Queens District Attorney's office, who has been refused permis-

sion to take a leave of absence for study at Harvard University; and

WHEREAS the facts in the John J. Grimes case are as follows:

He has been accepted on a three-year scholarship at Harvard University for study in a course directly related to law enforcement. His request for a leave either with or without pay has been refused by Police Commissioner Howard Leary, despite the fact that previous requests by others have been honored by the department as a part of department policy in training. Brother Grimes, the first Black to make such a request, has indicated his desire to continue service with the department. Brother Grimes has continuously studied while with the department earning his bachelor's and master's degrees majoring in Police Administration, Criminology, and Public Administration. Brother Grimes has received support from Queens District Attorney Thomas J. Mackell, whose appeal was rejected by the Commissioner. There was editorial support by the New York Post and a request by the National office of the NAACP for a review by Mayor John V. Lindsay. All efforts on behalf of Brother Grimes have been futile to date. Failure to have a reversal of this decision will force Brother Grimes to resign, thereby forfeiting his years of service with the department. In view of these circumstances,

Therefore, be it resolved that Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., herein assembled in Conclave at Pittsburgh, Pa., recommend that Mayor John V. Lindsay be apprised of our interest and concern in this apparently obvious and arbitrary abuse of department authority and that the Mayor be urged to review this case and take whatever action necessary to guarantee that Brother Grimes is granted the rights and privileges to which he is entitled.

Be it further resolved that the Grand Basileus of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. be requested and duly authorized to bring this to the attention of Mayor Lindsay and that copies of this resolution be mailed to Police Commissioner Howard Leary, Nathaniel J. Jones, general counsel of the NAACP; the New York Post, the New York Times, the New York Daily News, the Amsterdam News, and the Baltimore Afro-American.

Be it resolved that an appropriate letter of appreciation be sent the MelPat Associates, 2225 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York 10037, c/o C. Melvin Patrick, for sending to this the 53rd Grand Conclave of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity 1,000 copies of the publication, DELEGATE, which carried our scheduled program and several

relevant pictures of the activities of the fraternity during the past Conclave year.

Be it resolved that the National Executive Secretary prepare a proper expression acknowledging the fact that on August 14, 1970, Dr. W. Henry Greene will receive his fraternity's highest award, the Laurel Wreath, at its convention, to be held in Charlotte, N.C., on behalf of the entire brotherhood of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity.

Be it resolved that the news media of Pittsburgh which have recognized our presence be properly recognized.

## OFFICIAL PRICE LIST EFFECTIVE—AUGUST 1, 1970

Life Membership .....	\$ 300.00
Graduate Dues .....	20.00
Undergraduate Dues .....	7.50
Reinstatement Fee .....	1.00
Charter Fee* .....	75.00
Duplicate Charter Fee .....	3.00
Uniform Record Books, Set ....	10.00
Uniform Record Book—Each ...	5.50
History Fee .....	3.50
Initiation Fee .....	9.00
Crown-Set Pin (Whole Pearl) ...	22.50
Lapel Pin .....	1.50
Pledgee Registration Fee (Includes Lampados Pin & Manual ....	3.00
Seal (Mat) Large Cut .....	1.00
Seal (Mat) Small Cut .....	.75
Crown-Set Single Letter Guard .	11.00
Crown-Set Double Letter Guard	13.00
Diamond, #4, Close-Set in Lamp	7.00
Diamond, #7, Tiffany-Set in Star	10.00
White Sapphire, Close-Set in Lamp .....	1.50
White Sapphire, Tiffany-Set in Star .....	2.00
Emerald .....	2.00
Blue Sapphire, Ruby, Turquoise, Topaz, Peridot, Amethyst, Opal, Sardonyx, .....	1.00
Bloodstone— .....	.36
Song Sheets—1 Dozen @ .....	.75
Minute Sheets—50 @ .....	.75
Financial Section, Form No. KR-10, 50 Sheets @ .....	.75
Individual Financial Section, Form No. KF-1, 50 Sheets @ .....	.75
Shields for Blazers and Sweaters	1.15
Undergraduate Guide for Pledge- ship, Probation & Initiation .	1.00
Manual of Operational Procedures	1.00
Omega Decals .....	.15
Achievement Scrolls and Talent Hunt Certificates .....	.15
Constitutions—3 @ .....	1.00
Rituals—3 @ .....	1.00
Ritualistic Kit .....	50.00
Cuff Link Sets .....	2.50
Omega Medallion .....	1.50

\*New Chapters remitting \$75.00 Charter Fee receive Uniform Record Books and Ritualistic Materials without extra charge.



## UNDERGRADUATE INITIATION FEES

Initiation Fee.....	\$ 9.00
History Fee.....	3.50
Dues .....	15.00
Crown-Set Pin.....	22.50
Total	\$ 50.00

## GRADUATE INITIATION FEES

Initiation Fee.....	\$ 9.00
History Fee.....	3.50
Dues .....	40.00
Crown-Set Pin.....	22.50
Total	\$ 75.00

(Initiation Fees are to be sent to the National Headquarters Forty-Eight (48) Hours (exclusive of Saturday & Sunday) before the scheduled Initiation.)

All remittances are to be sent to the National Headquarters—2714 Georgia Avenue, Northwest, Washington, D.C. 20001, and must be accompanied by a certified check, money order or bank draft made payable to—Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.

## JENKINS BECOMES HOUSING COMMISSIONER



Intergroup Relations Specialist, Brother Douglas B. Jenkins, Jr., has been named by Mayor Freedman as Housing Commissioner in Springfield, Massachusetts. Brother Jenkins has served as Basileus and Keeper of Records and Seal for Delta Chi Chapter. For two years he served as the 1st Vice District Representative for the First District of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity. He is presently on the Achievement Week Committee of the National.

## NEW ASSISTANT NES

Harold J. Cook, a 1968 graduate of Howard University, has been selected as the Assistant to the National Executive Secretary.

## 1970 NATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT PROJECT OF

### *The Omega Psi Phi Fraternity* Announcement of the Annual **NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL ESSAY CONTEST**

*As a phase of the National Achievement Week Observance ★ November 8-15, 1970*

## SUBJECT FOR THE ESSAY CONTEST:

**"A SICK AMERICA:  
SOME TREATMENTS FOR ITS CURE"**

**AWARDS:** THREE COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS—1st Scholarship, \$750.00; 2nd Scholarship, \$500.00; 3rd Scholarship, \$250.00.

**ELIGIBILITY:** The Contest is Open to all High School Seniors.

**CONTEST CLOSING NOVEMBER 15, 1970**

## RULES:

1. The essay must be entitled:  
**"A SICK AMERICA:  
SOME TREATMENTS FOR ITS CURE"**
2. The essay must be original, not previously published, not secured by copyright.
3. The essay must be between 700 and 750 words long.
4. **THREE TYPEWRITTEN** Doubled spaced copies must be submitted.
5. The name and address of the contestant must appear on the first page immediately under the title, submitted in this manner:

## SUBJECT:

**"A SICK AMERICA:  
SOME TREATMENTS FOR ITS CURE"**

An Essay by:

Address:

Contestant: Omega Psi Fraternity National High School Essay Contest.

6. The manuscript must be post-marked not later than midnight, November 15, and mailed to:

**Dr. Matthew J. Whitehead, Director**  
3105 Thirteenth Street, N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20017

7. Persons submitting manuscripts thereby grant to the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity the right to keep the manuscripts and to exercise full publishing rights of them.
8. Awards will be announced on or about March 15, 1971, and the decision of the judges will be final.
9. The manuscript must present an adequate treatment of the essay topic.
10. Winners will be required to furnish written proof of enrollment in their respective high schools at the time the essays were submitted.

## FORM 990 TO BE FILED BY LOCAL CHAPTERS

The Omega Psi Phi Fraternity and all of its Chapters are exempt from income taxes under the provisions of Section 501(c)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code. This section exempts us from income taxes in most cases, provided we act within the structures of the Code. The regulations governing our exemption are as follows:

Reg. 1.501(c)(7)-1 (TD 6301, filed 7-8-58; republished in TD 6500 filed 11-25-60.) Social Clubs.

(a) The exemption provided by section 501(a) for organizations described by section 501(c)(7) applies only to clubs which are organized for recreation, and other non-profitable purposes, but does not apply to any club if any part of its net earnings inures to the benefit of any private shareholder. In general, this exemption extends to social and recreation clubs which are supported solely by membership fees, dues and assessments. However, a club otherwise entitled to exemption will not be disqualified because it raises revenue from members through the use of club facilities or in connection with club activities.

While the local Chapters and Districts are not required to obtain separate exemptions, the Chapters are required to file annual returns on I.R.S. Form 990 by the 15th day of the fifth month following the close of their tax year. For most, if not all Chapters, this would be by May 15th of each year since they are on a calendar year basis.

The basis for the exemption we hold is that "...no part of the net earnings inures to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual." This does not prevent the national body, a District or a Chapter from reimbursing a member for expenses paid on behalf of the Fraternity nor from paying compensation to a member for services rendered, so long as such compensation is reasonable and is not for such services as are expected from him by reason of his membership.

Please note that the Director of Internal Revenue for the District in which you are located has been advised that you are to file with his office Form 990.

## CLEARANCE FOR SPEAKERS

The laws of the Fraternity make it mandatory that all brothers appearing as speakers for Achievement Week Programs must be cleared with the National Headquarters.

In order to participate in any Fraternity function a brother must be financial.



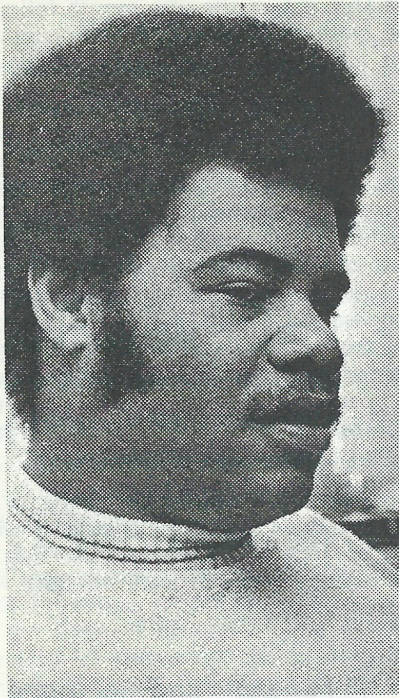
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<b>FRATERNITY HISTORY</b>				

**BILL MOFFITT PRESIDENT**



Brother Bill Moffitt of Eta Iota Chapter has been elected as President of the student body of the University of Oklahoma.

Brother Moffitt is the first black student to hold the office on O. U. campus.

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