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Unity Ball 2009, St. Louis

EDITOR'S NOTES

I am pleased to introduce you to the very first issue of "THE EPISTLE", Alpha Omega Theta Christian Fraternity's official newsletter. I am honored to be given the task of creative editor of this project. It is my desire to bring you the most up-to-date information and news regarding the fraternity events, and activities.

This newsletter is designed to be a vehicle for the voice of your National Board and the Kingdom Council. This issue will include a greeting for our National Path Setter, and an introduction to the new direction of the Fraternity. These newsletters will also include deadlines, and dates about fraternity business, that we will require each chapter/individual to abide by. We will conclude each issue with chapter achievements, anniversaries, marriages, weddings and everything else a family should share.

Brethren, I'm excited about the direction the Lord is leading us in this time. We are in a season of change, and it is a process we must endure. With the help of the Lord, we will endure.

Yours in the Bond,

Jeffrey M. Carr

Jeffrey M. Carr National Path Protector

MISSION STATEMENT

Alpha Omega Theta will establish an organization for all Christian audiences through various activities. We will promote holy living through life applications as well as assistance to the community.

PURPOSE STATEMENT

Our Purpose is to bring men closer to Christ through brotherhood and Christian fellowship. While establishing unity, leadership and integrity as its main pillars of belief, Alpha Omega Theta will also build minds geared for growth and success spiritually, economically and in everyday life.



MESSAGE FROM THE PATH SETTER

"YOUR CALL TO ACTION"

Good Morning Brothers,



I am writing you in the Love and Grace of God. I pray this reaches you in good health and happiness. If not, I pray right now for you individual burden to be made light by the mercies of God.

We have come to a place in our ministry where the Lord is calling us to our next destination and I am so excited to have you are my BROTHER in not only the faith, but also in battle. I love and cherish your brotherhood as I do my very own blood brothers and I pray nothing will ever break our unity and covenant with one another.

We are embarking into some new endeavors and uncharted territories of ministry that will REQUIRE a total unified effort of the brethren. Our desire as a National Board is to not only operate effectively (Getting Things Done), but to be truly efficient (Getting things done the best way with minimal loss). So your support is needed not only in spirit or as a member at large but, instead with your physical presence donating your gifts time and talents to the call of this ministry.

THIS IS A CALL TO TRUE WORKMANSHIP AND DEDICATION

We need you to put your hand to the plow right along side of your brother, rekindle the FIRE of your commitment to the brotherhood and the GREAT COMMISSION, become a worker in the vineyard because the harvest is ready...LETS GO FISHING!!

My heart is full right now. Full of joy, encouragement and hope for our future in this AWESOME ministry. God is calling us all to a new level and direction for EXCELLENCE. Who will answer his call?

The Joy of the Lord is our Strength, He is able to provide all Sufficiency and we must not shrink back or fall away any longer. I am approaching our future with a renewed fervor and zeal for the promises of God and blessings we may receive through our commitment. There is a dying world and we are just the ones to offer it CPR.

BAND WITH ME BROTHERS AND SHOW YOUR WORKS ALONG WITH YOUR FAITH!

Yours in the Covenant,

Theophilus Murphy, Jr. National Path Setter



FRATERNITY BUSINESS

Tennessee Trip

Success! The trip to Fisk University was a success. Thanks to the brothers that went down to represent the Fraternity. Let us all pray that God would really move on the ministry's behalf, and that our new brother, Darrin Sims, would be strengthened as he settles in there.

Chapter Compliance

Per National Board request, each chapter was required to submit certain documents in order to maintain chapter activity. Chapters meeting this requirement are as follows:

- Beta
- Gamma
- Delta
- Epsilon
- Zeta

Any chapter wishing to maintain activity must be in compliance with National Board requirements.

Orientation Process Deadlines

All chapters interested in beginning a Spring Process must adhere to all scheduling deadlines. In order to remain on schedule, all Informationals will need to be completed by the week of Thanksgiving. Applications are to be distributed by the first week of December or prior to. These are due back no later than the 2nd week of January. Interviews will need to be completed by the 4th week of January. Each chapter must submit all applications to the National Path Protector no later than the last week of January.

ACTS

Dues

If you have not submitted your installment for your dues, please do so immediately. Fines and/or consequences will be assessed, if failure to pay, or communicate with your National Path Sustainer.

The deadline for the next installment is readily approaching , so do not hesitate to get your account up and current.

Presidents Meeting

Nov. 15th will be the first Presidential meeting conference call. All Chapter presidents are asked to call in at the requested time. This meeting is mandatory.

Fraternity Directory

We are currently in the process of making a Fraternity wide directory. Each chapter is asked to create their own individual email account, and facebook group page. This will be the contact information for the whole chapter. We encourage you to also keep your chapter facebook page current with your events and happenings. This information will be linked to the National website.

- Nov. 15th– Presidents Meeting Conference Call. More details to come.
- Nov. 16th– National Day of Prayer. More detail to come.
- Nov. 17th– Zeta Chapter Informational. Memorial Union S016. 9:00pm– 10:30pm.
- Nov. 20th- Gamma Chapter Informational. Florissant Valley Branch Library.
 10am-12pm
- Nov. 25th– Thanksgiving Day Outreach. Brothers in the St. Louis area will be serving the less fortunate & homeless Thanksgiving morning. Come out and support! Located on Mullanphy St. 2 Blocks EAST of the intersection of Broadway and Mullanphy St. Downtown St. Louis, MO



EXALTATIONS

Congratulations to Brother Steve Cole and his lovely bride-to-be, Asata. Their wedding will take place Saturday November 6th, 2010.

Birthdays

Jason Alan Reeves- Nov. 10 Frederick EJ Sutherland- Nov. 15 Laundale Smith– Nov. 17 Rashaun Henry– Nov. 19 Michael Bobo– Nov. 24 Kyle Bird– Nov. 27 Evan Marbury– Nov. 28 Derrick Austin– Nov. 29 Steve Prewitt– Nov.29

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"FROM BEGINNING TO THE END, GOD WILL ALWAYS BE THERE FOR US."