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The Epistle



Message From the Founder

AO Frat!

Happy founders Day! I'm excited about what the Lord is doing in our organization and most of all we've reached 9 years with no sign of slowing down! I thank God that we have His hand on our organization and that we can continue to progress in our efforts to minister through greekdom.

The one thing I will say is that I want to encourage us to be more supportive of our brothers, mainly in the areas of graduation. Receiving a higher education is a HUGE honor and should be celebrated. Let's make an effort to come out in droves and show each other that our brothers accomplishment isn't minute.

I love you all and can't wait to celebrate our future endeavors!

AO,

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FOUNDER'S DAY HIGHLIGHTS

Celebrating 9 years of ministry and still going strong...

This years Founder's Day weekend was a time to remember! Full of fun, fellowship, and genuine camaraderie. These are some of the weekend highlights.

Founder's Day Highlights



NATIONAL BOARD MEETING

Summary and Important Highlights

1. Presentation of Charters

Each active chapter has received an official document rewarding the charter of the chapter.

2. Chapter Reports

Alpha Chapter

Trying to get an event going with the assistance of Zeta Phi Beta.

Beta Chapter

Inactive. Will need to focus our efforts into rebuilding the Chapter there.

Gamma Chapter

Toy Drive for St. Louis Children's Hospital, As of January 2011, Gamma elected an entirely new board, Successful concert event, Orientation Summer 2011

Plans for future: Continue with landscaping services with Missouri Baptist. Probate- late August.

Proposal- National Recruiter & Intake Chair

Delta Chapter

Establishment on UMKC campus

Future Events- AO Week 2011- Sept. 11- 17th, Sporting KC- concessions stand fundraisers, Papa Murphy's- fundraiser for organizations with 501.3c, Rebuilding relationship with Sisters.

Epsilon Chapter

Currently inactive

Lots of Interest...

Homecoming Step Show opportunity- Help from Zeta, Trying to get recognized on campus

Zeta Chapter

Past Event- Godstrong: Freshman outreaching event, Relationship Forum- Dating 101, Rave for the Homeless- Food Drive, Prayer Night

Spr. 2011

Purify Me: Men's Workshop, Rollin with the King- Skate Party/Fundraiser, AO Week 2011, Probate

Future Events- Christian March- Unity movement, AOT Interest- keeping up with those who have shown interest.

NATIONAL BOARD MEETING

Summary and Important Highlights

3. Financial Report

Financial Budget

July 16, 2011 Qtr. 1- 355.44

July 16, 2011 Qtr. 4- 735.57 \$8% increase

Percentage of Active Membership

Membership approx 53 for Quarter 1- 33% of the 53 active

Membership approx 60 in Quarter 4- 18% of the 60 active

Budget: 4 Areas of Financial Allocation

Savings (10%) - Money markets, Certificates of Deposits, etc.

Building (30%)- Embosser, Frat Computer, Saving towards National Headquarters, maintaining incorporation fees, WIndermere, Conferences

Benevolence (25%)- Community Service and outreach materials, Evangelism cost, Legal fees if necessary (i.e. background checks), Disaster or support relief efforts (i.e. fire, tornado, earthquake, etc.), Love offerings (to those outside of the ministry)

Brotherhood (25%)- Emergency support to brothers (as deemed as true emergency to financial brother), financial blessings to consistent chapters and individual brothers, Birthday, weddings, birth and funeral blessings to financial frat, brother assistance.

Resources and Regulations

Wepay System- Not mandatory, but easy.

Installment Plan

Future Goals

60% Active Membership

Stability of Account- (\$3000+)

Extra Income- Fundraising, grants, etc.

4. Future Goals and Direction

Proverbs 24:30-34 : We need to be progressive

6 Months

- Have stable orientation schedule in place (achieved 7/31/10)
- Have Kingdom Committees and Overseers selected and being to operate
- Have Grad/Alumni activities and projects running
- Maintain all existing chapters
- Have cohesion and well functioning Chapter and National Boards
- More chapter to chapter support and unity
- Have fully functioning Constitution and By-Laws (achieved 10/10/10)
- Have ONE major and ONE minor project for each committee completed
- Have WePay system operating (achieved 9/14/10)
- Have new dues system operating (achieved 9/14/10)
- Have 66% (2/3) chapters membership active
- Begin accrual of professional paraphernalia

NATIONAL BOARD MEETING

Summary and Important Highlights

1 year goals

- Accrued \$3,000 in Frat account
- Have Fraternity visibility materials in place (Have for every chapter as applies)
 - i.e. Website, media packet, banners, etc.
- Have planning and Organizing schedules and committees operating
 - i.e. planning for founders day, Windermere, national initiatives, etc.
- Have fraternity media production equipment accrued
 - i.e. computer, printer, scanner, copier, fax if possible
- Have more polished and fraternity upheld ceremonies operating
- Misc. items more stable
 - Paraphernalia mass production, orientation items for all chapters, etc
- Have new chapters planted or considered outside of Missouri (Began 10/9/10)
- Have year Windermere retreats running again.
- Grow all existing chapters
- Have grad/alumni fully up and running
- Have White lighters developed and ready to be implemented
- Have 75% (3/4) chapter activity
- At least began to have research and accrued information for headquarter location
- Have Grant proposal written up and sent out for various needs

EXALTATIONS

Congratulations to Brother Miguel Warren and his lovely bride Sierra. Many blessing in your new marriage.

Special thanks to all the brothers who came out to help celebrate Founder's Day weekend. Looking forward to the 10 year celebration.

We are planing a luncheon next month for all the undergraduate members who will be returning back to school. We just want to bless you and encourage you as you return back.

Birthdays

Kelly Ndubuka - Jul .8

Theo Murphy - Jul. 12

Wesley Forte - Jul. 15

Adam Pearson - Jul. 19

Darnell Ivy - Jul. 23