



# *The Mighty Ninth News*

The Official Newsletter for the 9<sup>th</sup> District



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## *Omicron Pi Christmas Toy Drive*

Fort Hood, TX - December 7, 2007, the Brothers of the Omicron Pi Chapter donated 52 bicycles to the Fort Hood Santa's Workshop (FHSW) on Fort Hood, Texas. These bicycles will be given to the children of soldiers who may not have the finances to give their children a large number of gifts. The FHSW screens the soldiers and determines their eligibility based on rank and income. The Brothers gave one bicycle to Specialist M. Clemmons of Echo Forward Support Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 22<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Regiment. Bro. (CPT) Tryndall Franklin is the Commander, and he felt that it would be a great compliment to the program if we could select a deserving soldier who has exemplified impeccable values and morality to receive a bike to brighten one of her children's Christmas.

Bro. Joe Holston has been the chairperson for the committee since its inception and has



watched it grow from a five or six bike donation to what you see today. The employees of FHSW were pleased that the brothers could make another sizable donation to match the donation of last year. The Brothers of Omicron Pi Chapter and supporters of Omicron Pi purchased the donated bicycles. No fund raising was done in the name of this function. A change was made from previous years in that the



chapter donated \$350.00 of various toys along with the bikes.

The brothers exemplified their motto for 2008, "THE BEST NEVER REST!" Galvanizing deploying soldiers, Department of Defense employees, and community leaders is one of the greatest challenges the chapter faces day-to-day. They overcame personnel, logistical, and holiday expense challenges to prove to the community that Omega can be a pillar even when the numbers are low. A chapter of 60



members, over 45% of them deployed in support of the war in Iraq, continues to produce such outstanding contributions in support of the Ft Hood/Killeen area. Omicron Pi is a "CUT ABOVE THE REST!"

**Honoring Leadership, Service and Scholarship**

By: Bro. Leo Varner and Bro. Richard Patterson  
Rho Nu Chapter

**Galveston, TX (PN)** – Beginning with the 2007-2008 academic school year, the Rho Nu chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. will implement the "Alvin Stevenson Adopt-A-School Program" to honor Bro. Alvin Stevenson in recognition of his fifty years of service to the Fraternity, his leadership in efforts to establish a graduate chapter in Galveston, and his faithfulness in upholding the cardinal principle of Scholarship. This annual program will consist of donating school supplies to an elementary

school in the Galveston Independent School District (GISD), where Bro. David O'Neal is President of the School Board of Trustees.

Bro. Alvin Stevenson was initiated into the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., April 19, 1956 through Alpha Psi chapter at Houston-Tillotson College in Austin, Texas. He graduated from Houston-Tillotson in 1958 with a B.S. degree in Biology and minor in Chemistry. After graduation, Mr. Stevenson went on to the University of Texas Medical Branch where he attained a degree in Medical Technology.



Members with School Superintendent

Front row, from left, are Richard Patterson, Alvin Stevenson, Dr. Lynne Cleveland, Superintendent for GISD, Charles Stewart, and Harold Netter; back row, Paige Lockett, Leo Varner, Byron Williams (Basileus), John Solomon, Jerome Davis, and David O'Neal, GISD School Board President.



Bro Alvin Stevenson



The Department of Pathology, Pathology Patient Services employed him as a clinical chemist and supervisor of the phlebotomy service. He later transferred to the UTMB Dialysis Center for several years, and then returned to the clinical labs until his retirement after 37 years of service. Mr. Stevenson also worked in the clinical labs at St. Mary's Hospital for many years and as an educator in Galveston, LaMarque, and Hitchcock Independent School Districts.

This is an annual community service project that is supported by community organizations, churches, friends, and family. We were joined by over 200 other community groups, churches, fraternities, and sororities. Due to the efforts of all of the volunteers, we were able to feed over 600 families. Each volunteer received a Certificate of Appreciation from the City of Houston. This program is slated to be an annual community event for the Rho Xi Chapter. Special thanks to all who participated.

**City of Houston  
Mayor's Office 2007 Thanksgiving Home  
Project**

By: Bro. Rahsaan R. Cook  
Rho Xi Chapter  
Freeport, Texas

**Sigma Tau Chapter  
Receives State-Wide Recognition**  
By Brother Roscoe Jennings

On, November 22, 2007, Thanksgiving Morning, the brothers of the Rho Xi Chapter and the Houston Area Coalition of Omega Chapters joined forces and participated in the

El Paso, TX - Brothers of Sigma Tau Chapter, "The Border Ques", were recently identified by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), Adopt-A-Highway Program, as the El Paso area distinguished volunteer group. At the September luncheon held at the Towne Lake Hyatt in Austin, Sigma Tau Chapter was selected from more than sixty El Paso Area participating organizations, for its outstanding contributions to the program. Pictured with Bro. Roscoe Jennings who accepted the award is Carol Compos, El Paso area Adopt-A-Highway Coordinator and Steve Simmons, P.E., TxDOT interim Executive Director.

City of Houston Mayor's Office 2007 Thanksgiving Home Project.



The Houston Mayor's Office 2007 Thanksgiving Home Project is a program that provides needy services and home cooked Thanksgiving dinners to the elderly, senior citizens and the home-bound living in and around the Sunnyside area. The Sunnyside Multi-Center provides housing repairs, tutorials for the community, meal plans, and much more.

The Luncheons guest speaker was State Representative Patrick Rose, House District 45. Representative Rose is a staunch supporter of





the Adopt-A-Highway Program. He has been successful in passing legislation to lower medical malpractice insurance for doctors, and to lower tax penalties for seniors.

The Adopt-A-Highway Program in Texas began March 1985. Today Adopt-a-Highway programs are worldwide in Australia, Canada and Japan as well as all 50 states. Across the U.S. alone, 1 million volunteers clean up more than 200,000 miles of roadside each year. The Brothers of Sigma Tau are proud to be of service!

**National Social Action Day  
Science Fair/ Career Day at Polk Elementary**

By: Edward B. "Coulon" Smith

Sponsored by: Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.  
Lambda Kappa Kappa Chapter

The Lambda Kappa Kappa Chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Incorporated adopted Polk Elementary as its adopted school in October of 1996. During the time of the adoption Brother Lee Dixon, a member of the Lambda Kappa Kappa Chapter was the principal, since that time Mrs. Cheryl C. Matthews has become the principal, but the commitment to Polk Elementary has went on unchanged. Every year the chapter participates in the various activities at Polk Elementary.

During the Lambda Kappa Kappa 10 year Anniversary Celebration, the brothers held the first Science Fair/Career Day at Polk Elementary; the event took place on November 30, 2005 and lasted from 9:00 AM till 2:00 PM. This event was designed to expose the students, parents, and staff to an array of professions. Unfortunately last year there were scheduling conflicts between Polk Elementary and the Lambda Kappa Kappa Chapter, the event was not held.

On November 14, 2007, on National Social Action Day' during Founders Week; the second annual Science Fair/ Career Day took place at Polk Elementary School . The event lasted from 10:00 AM till 2:00 PM. Students visited

exhibits in the auditorium and outside on the playground. Lunch for all the participants was sponsored by Brother Matthew Butler immediate past Basileus Lambda Kappa Kappa Chapter and Vice President of The SHAW Group, which was catered by the Jambalaya Shoppe.

Thirteen different agencies from the City of Baton Rouge and the state of Louisiana participated to bring joy to 250 students at Polk Elementary. These agencies were: Exxon Mobil Chemical, Baton Rouge Police Department, Baton Rouge Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Preparedness, Department of Juvenile Services, Louisiana Sea Grant College Program, East Baton Rouge Mosquito and Rodent Control, EMS, BREC Baton Rouge Zoo, Baton Rouge Fire Department, The SHAW Group, East Baton Rouge Extension Office, Louisiana State Agriculture Center, East Baton Rouge Parish City Constables Office, and Southeastern Louisiana State University. Also in attendance was the East Baton Rouge Parish Fire Chief, Chief Ed Smith.

Participating Brothers included Troy Williams, Basileus of Lambda Kappa Kappa Chapter; Perry Daniels, Basileus of Chi Kappa Kappa; Frank Oliver, State Representative Louisiana South 9<sup>th</sup> District/ LKK; Terral Jackson, Sr., LKK/ SUBR; Lanell Davis, LKK; Harry Wells, Exxon Mobil/ LKK; Roderic Newton, OCDD/ LKK; Brian Bernard, Baton Rouge Human Resources/ LKK; Andre Gordon, UPS/ LKK; Joseph Anthony, Max 94.1/ LKK; Tory Landry' TK; Edward B. "Coulon" Smith, Department of Juvenile Services/ LKK, and Al Ridley , Department of Juvenile Services/ LKK.

The Lambda Kappa Kappa Chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. is dedicated to making a difference not only in the lives of Black people, but especially in the lives of juveniles; one juvenile at a time.



**Brother Making Impact With Youth  
Slidell, LA**

Brother Robert B. Cook Jr. life member of our great organization and charter and current member of Chi Kappa Kappa chapter in Slidell, Louisiana is pictured here with his son Julien Cook.

Brother Cook is a volunteer coach with the Slidell Youth Football Association. He coaches the 5-7 year old Chargers team. Julien is the quarterback of the team that ended the season with eight wins and only four losses. At one point in the season they won 5 straight games.

At this age running is the name of the game and Julien did this well by rushing for 2 touchdowns, he also is talented enough to accomplish what is very rare at this level of football by completing two passes throughout the season.



Brother Robert Cook and Julien Cook

Brother Cook is living his creed by uplifting his community by taking time with the youth, and teaching them how to compete with dignity regardless of the outcome.

**Rho Nu Continues to Award Excellence**

By: Bro. Jerome Davis

**Galveston, TX (PN)** -The Rho Nu Chapter Thomas H. Warren Scholarship recognizes academic excellence, leadership, and service to the community. These qualities are what Rho Nu feels a student should exhibit in accordance with our fraternity's cardinal principles of Manhood, Scholarship, Perseverance, and Uplift. The scholarship is named in honor of Bro. Thomas H. Warren who was a founding member of the Rho Nu Chapter in Galveston, Texas. Bro. Warren was initiated at Fisk University in 1926.



From left, are Bro. Paige Lockett, Michael Brown, Bro. Jerome Davis, and Bro. Byron Williams

The 2007 Thomas H. Warren Scholarship was presented to Mr. Michael Brown of Galveston Ball High School. Mr. Brown's academic achievements placed him at the top of his class where he was ranked 12th of 533 graduating seniors. He is a member of the National Honor Society, President of the National Technical Honor Society at Galveston Ball High School, and was Vice-President of the 2007 Senior Class. He will be attending Texas A&M University in the fall of 2007 where he will major in Engineering.



### **Living Legend Dies**

Bro. James Russell Williams Sr., known, loved, and affectionately called "Prof," passed away on Monday, Oct. 1, 2007, at Hospice of East Texas, Tyler. Prof was born in Wallis to Joseph and Senora Williams on Aug. 9, 1926. He was raised in Dickinson, where he graduated from high school where his father was principal. Mr. Williams received his undergraduate and master's degrees from Prairie View A&M University. He continued his graduate studies at The University of Colorado, University of Indiana, North Texas State University and the University of Texas. He was united in marriage

to Artelia Thompson

Williams until he was called home. Two

children, Senora and James, were born to this union. Bro.

Williams was known

throughout the state as the "music man." He



spent his entire career, which spanned more than 60 years, pursuing his lifelong passion for creating and performing music, and inspiring a love for music in youth. He began his career as a music teacher in Crockett. In 1949, he was hired to develop a music program for African-American students at Emmett J. Scott Senior High School in Tyler. He began the almost impossible task of starting an instrumental music program in every Black elementary, junior high, and high school, including Texas College where he was given the nickname of "Prof" because of his age. He was 23 years old while his students were 35 and older, which made it was difficult for them to call him Mister, consequently they called him "Prof," short for Professor. His dynamic high school bands were known throughout the State of Texas for their excellence in musical

performances. His goal was to develop the finest high school band in the state of Texas and the finest college band in the state of Texas. It took only three years to reach that goal. The Emmett J. Scott High School Band won 16 consecutive sweepstake awards at UIL Competition, which was first in marching contest, first in concert performance, and first in sight reading. In 1964, the Emmett J. Scott High School Band won the best marching high school band award at a national marching band contest. Emmett J. Scott was the only Black band competing. In 1970, Emmett J. Scott High School was closed because of integration and Prof was assigned to Robert E. Lee and John Tyler High Schools to direct the Jazz Band programs. After one year, the Director of Bands at John Tyler High School resigned and Prof was asked to take charge of the John Tyler band program. In 1979, TISD decided it was necessary to establish an office for music education and find a qualified person who would serve as director. His responsibility would include: coordinating all areas of music education that included elementary music, vocal music, orchestra and band. Bro. James Williams was chosen to become the first Director of Music Education for TISD. He retired from the public school system in 1996 and accepted the position of Director of Curriculum at Texas College. He was asked to take charge of the Texas College instrumental music program where he served until 2004. For many years he traveled throughout the southern states as band leader of The East Texas All Stars, performing popular music at private parties and dances for a loyal clientele. In 1978, he was appointed to the position of Minister of Music at Miles Chapel CME Church and director of the Chancellor Choir. On March 22, 1961 Bro. James Russell Williams, Sr. was initiated into the graduate chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., Sigma Omicron of Tyler, Texas. During his forty-six years of membership, he served as Basileus, Chairman of the Christmas Cheer Program, and Director of Music for the chapter's annual formal dances and fundraisers. Bro. Williams is survived by his wife of 60+ years, Artelia Thompson Williams; twins, Senora Williams



Coggs (Edward Coggs), Silver Spring, Md., and James Russell Williams Jr. (Vanessa Williams), Missouri City; grandson, James Russell Williams III (Glenisha Williams), Houston; and granddaughter, Miranda Williams of Houston; two sisters, Bobbie Jean Williams Harris (LaFrance Harris), Houston, and Marion Williams Lark, Dallas; and a host of nieces and nephews. He was preceded in his home-going by his parents and two brothers, Joseph and Howard Williams. The Viewing took place on Wednesday, Oct. 3, 2007, during the Memorial Service at 6 p.m. at Brooks-Sterling & Garrett Funeral Directors, 302 N. Ross Ave. The home-going service was scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 4, 2007, at Miles Chapel CME Church, 1922 N. Palace Ave., at 10 a.m., Rev. Willie McCalister officiating.

### **Omega Memorial Service for Brother Percy William Holden**

Brother Percy William Holden was initiated into the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity at 6:33 AM on the morning of Saturday, February 27 1982. On that auspicious day, Brother Holden was welcomed into the fold of Omega through the Psi Sigma Chapter, chartered at Northwestern University in Evanston Illinois. Brother Holden's entry into the Brotherhood coincided with a resurgence of Psi Sigma within the Northwestern Community, due in large part to the vision and dedicated leadership of Brother Holden who served in an overwhelmingly effective capacity as the Chapter's Basileus. In both formal and informal settings, Brother Holden's adherence to the organization's sacred principles of Manhood, Scholarship, Perseverance and Uplift was always evident, and he continued to be the inspirational embodiment of the characteristics prescribed by our founders for what it truly means to be an Omega Man. In honor of Brother Holden's 25 years of service to the Fraternity, we give thanks to the creator for allowing Brother Holden to touch our lives and we would like to remind everyone that Brother Holden's spirit will continue to thrive in each and everyone of us.

### **2007 KRS Incentive Program**

- ↪ The first Chapter KRS to complete error free electronic submission of the ENTIRE Chapter membership dues will be awarded a pre-paid registration to the 2008 Grand Conclave.
- ↪ Each Chapter KRS that completes electronic submission of the ENTIRE Chapter membership dues will have their name included in a raffle drawing. The drawing will occur at the District Meetings in 2008.
- ↪ The first DKRS to manage to have 50 Chapters in his District to complete error free electronic submission of the ENTIRE Chapter membership dues will be awarded a pre-paid registration to the 2008 Grand Conclave.

For Districts that have fewer than 50 Chapters, this milestone would require 100% of the Chapters to fulfill the objective

- ↪ Keep in mind; these incentives are only available when the entire Chapter dues are included and that the submission is accomplished error free and electronically – forms and funds.
- ↪ The first District Representative to have 100% of his Chapters submit their ENTIRE Chapter membership dues error free, regardless of the submission format, will be awarded a Special Prize.

Note: additional information can be found in the fraternity Summer Bulletin Special Edition on the official web page at [www.oppf.org](http://www.oppf.org)



**IMPORTANT DATES**

**January 2008**

1/12 Winter Ninth District Council Meeting,  
San Antonio, TX

1/24 - 1/26 International Undergraduate  
Summit, Atlanta, GA

**February 2008**

2/8-2/9 Lone Star State Ques (LSSQ)  
Meeting, Houston, TX

**March 2008**

3/13-3/15 IHQ District Officers Training,  
Raleigh, NC

3/19-3/23 71st Annual Ninth District  
Meeting, San Antonio, TX

**July 2008**

7/19-7/24 Conclave, Birmingham, AL

**SOUVENIR BOOKLET AD PRICES**

PAGE TYPE	PRICE
Back Cover	\$1000.00
Inside Front Cover	\$500.00
Inside Back Cover	\$500.00
Full Page – Color	\$200.00
Full Page – Black and White	\$150.00
Half Page – Color	\$125.00
Half Page – Black and White	\$100.00
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Quarter Page – Black and White	\$50.00

Send camera-ready layout of ad as you wish it to be displayed in the souvenir booklet. Please note, if a picture is part of your ad, it must be of good quality. The picture must be black and white and it must be glossy.

Please return the advertisement layout sheet along with a check or money order made payable to "Psi Alpha":

Psi Alpha Chapter  
Souvenir Booklet Committee  
P.O. BOX 200337  
San Antonio, TX 78220

Contact: Brother Greg Thompson 210-863-0601

POSTMARKED DEADLINE FOR  
SOUVENIR BOOKLET ADS is February 19,  
2008

**Psi Upsilon Recognized as Hospice Hero**

Lawton, OK. The Psi Upsilon Chapter was recognized as a Hospice Hero by Hospice of Southwest Oklahoma at a recent recognition luncheon. This recognition acknowledges the support provided by the Psi Upsilon Chapter through its partnership with the Hospice of Southwest Oklahoma.

The recognition is given to individuals and organizations that have shown great support of the mission of Hospice of Southwest Oklahoma and its clients. The nomination of Psi Upsilon recognized the "selfless service" provided over the years by the Brothers of the chapter. Psi Upsilon's support of Hospice of Southwest Oklahoma includes providing food baskets, clothing, and toys to the clients of Hospice of Southwest Oklahoma. In addition to providing material items, the Brothers of Psi Upsilon have also volunteered their time, supporting various events held by Hospice of Southwest Oklahoma to include its annual Light of a Life Campaign, Mexican Fiesta, and other events.



Brother Tyrone Hughes, Basileus of Psi Upsilon, received the award from Jeff Henderson, Executive Director of Hospice of Southwest Oklahoma.

Community support is very important to the Brothers of Psi Upsilon as shown through its various projects. Each year the Psi Upsilon Chapter seeks better ways to give back to the members in the community who have the





greatest needs. The Brothers of Psi Upsilon felt that a partnership with Hospice of Southwest Oklahoma was a natural extension of that community support and would provide an excellent vehicle to reach community members facing the greatest needs. Through this partnership the Chapter is able to provide support to families who are about to lose a loved one and are facing a traumatic time in their lives.

### **From the District Keeper of Finance**

You have just been elected Keeper of Finance for your Chapter. Many questions are going through your mind. What is the first thing I need to do? Where do I turn to for assistance? What is my job?

We must realize that one of the most important administrative areas in a chapter is the area of finance. Too often we neglect to properly account for our funds thus leading to many issues within the chapter. While there is no one way or system this is the best, certain practices should be in place regardless of the system you are using. In order to provide this basic knowledge there will be a Keeper of Finance Workshop conducted at this year's District Meeting. The goals of this workshop are to:

- Discuss the role of the Keeper of Finance
- Provide an opportunity for you to ask any questions pertaining to your position
- Provide a forum to discuss best practices that will assist all Chapters
- Provide a forum so you can get assistance in resolving issues you may be having.

The workshop will be conducted by the District Keeper of Finance and the Assistant District Keeper of Finance. We want this workshop to deal with those items that are important to you. In order that we may meet your needs we are asking that you send to us questions and/or issues that you wish to have covered at this workshop. You can send those questions/issues to me at [9dkf@sbcglobal.net](mailto:9dkf@sbcglobal.net). In order that we

may have time to research and respond to your questions/issues we are asking that your submission reach us by Friday, February 15, 2008. Submitted by John D. Veal, Jr., District Keeper of Finance

### **IGG Promotes Scholarship**

DeRidder, LA. Scholarship is the key to the success of our Children. The Brothers of Iota Gamma Gamma Chapter recently took time to promote this idea to students at George Washington Carver Elementary School in DeRidder, Louisiana. Continuing with its annual tradition Iota Gamma Gamma once again gave each child at Carver Elementary School a dictionary as part of the dictionary project. The Dictionary Project is an international program that has as its goal assisting students to complete the school year as good writers, active readers and creative thinkers. This is accomplished by providing the students with their own personal dictionary. The dictionaries are a gift to each student to use at school and at home for years to come. This project is made possible with the sponsorship of Brother Willie Banks, Jr. and his wife Eunice. In addition to this effort the chapter has adopted the school for the purpose of mentoring young male students.

Presenting the dictionaries to the school were Brothers Willie Banks, Jr., Brother Rodney Wells, and Brother John D. Veal, Jr. Submitted by Brother John D. Veal, Jr.

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**Ninth District Omega Psi Phi Fraternity**  
**P.O. Box 62600, Department 1213**  
**New Orleans, LA 70162-2600**

71<sup>st</sup> Annual 9th District Meeting Pre-Registration Form

<b>Name (Last, First):</b>	<b>Current Chapter Name:</b>
<b>Home Address:</b>	<b>Control #:</b>
<b>City/State / Zip:</b>	<b>Life Member #:</b>
<b>Home Phone:</b>	<b>Work/Cell Ph:</b>

<b>E-Mail Address:</b>	<b>Chapter of Initiation:</b>	<b>Initiation Date:</b>
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**Host Hotel:** Crowne Plaza Riverwalk      **111 East Pecan Street**      **Phone: (210) 354-2800**      [www.crowneplaza.com/sariverwalk](http://www.crowneplaza.com/sariverwalk)  
**San Antonio TX 78205**

**DELEGATE**

Note: A separate credentials form signed by the chapter Basileus & KRS must be submitted to vote as a delegate.

**VOTING STATUS:** (check one)

**VISITING BROTHER**

**Basic Registration includes meeting reports, souvenir portfolio, 1-Undergraduate Luncheon Ticket, 1-Founders' Banquet Ticket, admission to the Marchdown Competition and Family Picnic.**

Quantity	Item	Cost
	<b>Basic Registration (Graduate Brother: \$150.00)</b>	
	Basic Registration (Undergraduate Brother: \$125.00)	
	Quette Registration (\$125.00; includes souvenir bag, 1-Quette Luncheon Ticket, 1-Founders' Banquet Ticket, admission to the Marchdown Competition and Family Picnic) Name of Quette:	
	Additional Founders Banquet Ticket (\$50.00 each)	
	Additional Undergraduate Luncheon Ticket (\$40.00 each)	
	Golf (\$75.00 per player)	
	Bowling (\$20.00 per player)	
	Tennis (\$20.00 per player)	
	Pool (\$20.00 per player)	
	3-on-3 Basketball (\$35.00 per team)	
	<b>Total Registration Cost (Check or Money Order)</b>	

**71<sup>st</sup> Ninth District Meeting**  
**March 19-23, 2008, San Antonio, Texas**  
**Arkansas – Louisiana - Oklahoma – Texas**  
**Pre-Registration Postmark Deadline: Tuesday, February 19, 2008**  
**Note: Please maintain a copy of this form for your record.**



71st Annual Ninth District Meeting

Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Incorporated  
Psi Alpha Chapter  
P.O. Box 200337  
San Antonio, Texas 78220

June 1, 2007

Dear Sponsor,

Psi Alpha Chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. in March 2008 will host the 71<sup>st</sup> Ninth District Meeting of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity at the Crowne Plaza Riverwalk Hotel in downtown San Antonio. Fraternity members and their families representing Oklahoma, Louisiana, Arkansas and Texas are scheduled to visit our city 19 – 23 March. As host for this major fraternity convention Psi Alpha Chapter is planning to display the very best in San Antonio hospitality.

Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. is a national organization that is comprised of more than one hundred fifty thousand college educated men; Psi Alpha Chapter is the local Graduate Chapter (100 members) located in San Antonio. Our Chapter has provided Community Service in the San Antonio metropolitan area for more than 66 years. We have taken up an active roll in mentoring students at Carroll Academy and Cameron Elementary; supporting the Food Bank, the Davis-Scott YMCA; hosting Blood Drives, Toy Drives, and Health Fairs. Psi Alpha awards 6,000 dollars annually in college scholarships through its Psi Alpha Scholarship Foundation a 501(c)3 organization.

During the convention there are numerous activities scheduled and Psi Alpha is soliciting your support in helping us to underwrite some of the cost of this noteworthy convention. Areas of interest:

- Convention registration packets for all participants which include a conventioneer's bag/portfolio
- Undergraduate luncheon for some 1,100 members
- Awards Banquet for 1,500 members, wives, friends, and guests
- Health Fair for all attendees
- Picnic at Mission County Park for 2,500 participants
- Golf Tournament and Hospitality for visiting dignitaries
- Wives and Sweetheart programs, tours, and entertainment
- Transportation

If you are interested in contributing to a specific activity or providing services in kind, please contact Greg Thompson, 210-863-0601 or Eddie Mims, 210-885-1191.

Thanks in advance for making our convention the best ever!!!

*Gregory L. Thompson*

Sponsorship Chairman  
Brother Greg Thompson



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P.O. Box 62600  
Department 1213  
New Orleans, LA 70162-2600**

VENDOR REGISTRATION FORM

Vendor Registration Fee is \$300.00 per vendor. Registration Fee covers space for two 8-foot tables. All other special requests could result in additional costs. THE EXHIBIT AREA WILL ALSO HAVE SPECIAL HOURS OF OPERATION. THERE WILL BE A ONE-TIME \$5.00 PER PERSON FEE TO ENTER THE VENDORS EXHIBIT AREA FOR ALL NON-REGISTERED PERSONS.

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Phone Numbers

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Special Requests (Potential Additional Costs)

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**Electrical Outlet(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**POSTMARKED DEADLINE FOR VENDOR REGISTRATION: FEBRUARY 19, 2008**



## **NINTH DISTRICT OF THE OMEGA PSI PHI FRATERNITY, INC.**

### **College Graduate Scholarship Application and Guidelines**

The Ninth District of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. is a professional organization of educated men with similar ideals based on our four cardinal principles of MANHOOD, SCHOLARSHIP, PERSEVERANCE, AND UPLIFT. In keeping with a mandate of our Fraternity's Founders, we continue to make SCHOLARSHIP the measuring rod of our fraternity. Every Member, Chapter and District of our great Fraternity should be dedicated to Scholarship. To that end, the Ninth District has established scholarship awards that it will grant to each qualified, undergraduate brother, who has recently graduated (December 2007 Graduates) from an accredited university or college in the Fall 2007 semester. The Ninth District encourages positive academic performance and advancement among its undergraduate membership.

#### **Eligibility**

Candidates for a scholarship must meet the following eligibility criteria:

1. Must be in good financial standing as a member of the Ninth District and Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.;
2. Must have been an undergraduate student at an accredited university or college in the Fall 2007 semester;
3. Must have graduated (December 2007 Graduates) from an accredited university or college in the Fall 2007 semester; and
4. Must transfer membership to a graduate chapter of choice. Complete Form 35 (page 3) and submit with this application.

#### **The Application Package**

Consideration will be given only to candidates submitting complete application packages that include:

- Completed application form (page 2);
- A copy of your Official College Transcript or Degree;
- A completed Form 35 (chapter transfer form, page 3); and
- A current picture.

#### **Awards**

One (1) \$100 scholarship award will be given to each qualified brother upon presentation of completed application package. Awards will be made on a one-time basis only.

*Complete application packages (including the Transfer Form 35) MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN January 31, 2008, to the address listed below:*

Bro. E'Vinski L. Davis, Vice-Chair  
9<sup>th</sup> District Scholarship Committee  
18665 Garden Oaks Drive  
Baton Rouge, LA 70817  
Cell: 225-907-6538  
Home: 225-755-7968  
e-mail: evinski@bellsouth.net



**NINTH DISTRICT OF THE  
OMEGA PSI PHI FRATERNITY, INC.  
COLLEGE GRADUATE  
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

**Personal Information**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street

\_\_\_\_\_ City State Zip

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter and Year of Initiation \_\_\_\_\_

Control No. \_\_\_\_\_

Current Chapter Affiliation, if different from Chapter of Initiation \_\_\_\_\_

New Graduate Chapter (per attached transfer form, page 3) \_\_\_\_\_

Positions held \_\_\_\_\_

Fraternal Accomplishments \_\_\_\_\_

**Academics**

College attended \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Graduation \_\_\_\_\_ Degree(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Overall academic GPA \_\_\_\_\_ on a \_\_\_\_\_ point scale

Organizations and Positions Held \_\_\_\_\_

Accomplishments \_\_\_\_\_

**I hereby state that the information contained in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

