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### EASTERN REGION

April 25, 2024



Dear Brothers and Esteemed Guests,

Welcome to the 92nd Eastern Regional Convention of the Alpha Brothers, held in the vibrant heart of Philadelphia at the Marriott Downtown. It is both an honor and a privilege to host this esteemed gathering, an event that promises to be both memorable and inspiring.

This year's convention theme, " Everywhere We Go, We Tell Alpha's Story," reflects our ongoing commitment to fostering strong bonds among our members while influencing the next generation of leaders. We are gathered not just to celebrate our storied history and achievements but to forge a path forward that honors our collective legacy and the values we hold dear.

We have arranged a robust agenda that includes dynamic speakers, engaging sessions, and opportunities for both personal and professional development. Each session is designed to equip you with knowledge and insights that are both practical and transformative.

The Philadelphia Marriott Downtown offers a perfect backdrop for our activities, providing luxurious accommodations and amenities that will ensure your stay is comfortable. Beyond the sessions, I encourage you to explore the rich cultural tapestry of Philadelphia. From the historic Liberty Bell to the bustling Reading Terminal Market, the city is full of discoveries waiting to be made.

Thank you for being a part of this wonderful gathering. Your participation is what truly makes our regional convention a cornerstone event. I am excited for the opportunities that the next few days will bring and am confident that together, we will make this convention a resounding success.

Warmest regards,

Christopher G. Ellis, Jr. Eastern Regional Vice President Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

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My Brothers of the Eastern Region,

Welcome to the 92<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary Eastern Regional Convention, *"Everywhere We Go, We Tell Our Story: Advancing Alpha's Footprint"* on April 25 – April 28, 2024, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

As your General President, I would like to acknowledge the efforts of Eastern Regional Vice President Christopher G. Ellis, Jr.,

Eastern Regional Assistant Vice President Yousif N. Omer, and the Eastern Region to provide leadership, service, and advocacy to our communities.

Brothers, we are at a critical moment in history, one where we are faced with racially hostile policies and efforts to turn back the clock on voting rights, and other advancements. The Eastern Region has demonstrated it is up to the fight through its dedication to serving our communities. I am truly grateful for your vigilance to our noble cause. Through this regional convention, I know that you will continue to emphasize the high ideals and standards of our esteemed fraternity.

May you remain true to our motto of First of All, Servants of All, We Shall Transcend All.

Have an excellent regional convention.

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Willis L. Lonzer, III, Ph.D. General President

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SEAN L. McCASKILL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Brothers of the Eastern Region,

I hope this letter finds you mentally and physically well. It is my pleasure to offer you greetings at the 92<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary Eastern Regional Convention, *"Everywhere We Go, We Tell Our Story: Advancing Alpha's Footprint"* on April 25 – April 28, 2024, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

As your Executive Director, it is truly my honor and privilege to serve you, our communities, and our Brotherhood. The General Office and its staff are dedicated to assisting the Eastern Region in its efforts to provide leadership, service, and

advocacy to our communities, and we congratulate Eastern Regional Vice President Christopher G. Ellis, Jr., Eastern Regional Assistant Vice President Yousif N. Omer, and the Eastern Region on your commitment to community service and social justice. While we have accomplished much, we *all* must focus on the fight ahead.

Ever since General President Dr. Willis L. Lonzer, III. announced that the Fraternity was taking the bold stance to move our 2025 General Convention due to Florida Governor Ron DeSantis' harmful, racist, and insensitive policies against the Black community, the nation has become acutely aware that Alpha men are fully engaged and are mobilizing against the racially hostile policies and efforts to turn back the clock on our advancements.

My Brothers of the Eastern Region, please continue to serve your community and your Fraternity, as we continue to serve you.

I wish you all an enjoyable and engaging Eastern Regional Convention.

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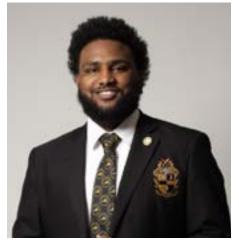


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### EASTERN REGION

April 25, 2024



Dear Brothers of the Eastern Region,

As we gather in Philadelphia for the 92nd Eastern Regional Convention, it is with immense joy and pride that I extend a warm welcome to each and every one of you. This weekend promises to be filled with camaraderie, inspiration, and the spirit of our beloved fraternity.

Philadelphia, steeped in rich history and vibrant culture, serves as the perfect backdrop for our gathering. I encourage you to take the opportunity to explore this historic city, immerse yourselves in its charm, and make memories that will last a lifetime. But beyond the sights and sounds of Philadelphia, our true focus lies on the bonds of brotherhood that unite us.

This convention is an opportunity for us to come together, to exchange ideas, to share our love and pride for our region and our fraternity. Let us fellowship united, as brothers bound by a common purpose, and let us make a lasting impact not only within our fraternity but within our communities as well.

As the 63rd Assistant Regional Vice-President, it has been an honor and a privilege to lead our region and our college brothers. I am committed to building bridges that strengthen our fraternity and empower each and every one of you to reach new heights of excellence. Brothers, let us approach this weekend with passion, with enthusiasm, and with a commitment to leadership and excellence. May the spirit of fraternity reign boldly in Philadelphia, and may this convention be a testament to the power of brotherhood and unity.

Welcome to ERC92, brothers. Let us embrace this opportunity to strengthen our bonds, to inspire one another, and to celebrate the legacy of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated.

Fraternally yours,

Gousif N. Omer

Yousif N. Omer 63rd Eastern Region Assistant Assistant Vice-President Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated

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# CONVENTION AGENDA



# Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. 92<sup>nd</sup> Annual Eastern Regional Convention April 25-28, 2024 | Philadelphia, PA Theme: Everywhere We Go, We Tell Alpha's Story

# **PRE-CONVENTION WORKSHOPS & FORUM (Zoom)**

**Saturday, April 20, 2024** (9:00 AM – 12:00 PM) HQ Training Session (4 Sessions Released Soon) **Sunday, April 21, 2024** (5:00 PM – 6:30 PM) AVP Candidate Forum

	THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2024
11:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Community Service Event – YouthBuild Philly Charter School
4:30 PM – 8:30 PM	Registration & Delegate Certification, Marriott 5 <sup>th</sup> Floor Foyer
4:30 PM – 12:00 AM	Miss Black & Gold Preliminary, TBD
5:00 PM – 5:45 PM	Open Plenary Session, TBD (PAAC DD, Bro. R. Bruce Hill)
	Loews Hotel – 1200 Market, Philadelphia, PA 19107 (Regency Ballroom)
	Call to Order (5min)
	<ul> <li>Roll Call and Delegate Check-in (20 min)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Welcome from Host Chapters (15 min)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Report of Rules &amp; Credentials (5 min)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Adoption of Agenda (5 min)</li> </ul>
	Adoption of the Minutes of the 91st Eastern Regional Convention (10 min)
6:00 PM – 7:00 PM	Neophyte Pinning Ceremony, Loews Hotel  (Regency Ballroom) Level 2M
7:30 PM – 9:00 PM	Public Program Loews Hotel - (Regency Ballroom)  Level 2M
9:30 PM – 11:00 PM	Vice President's Reception, Marriott Hotel Salons A-D/Level 5 (Marriott)
10:00 PM – 2:00 AM	Convention Hospitality, Marriott - Governors Suite
	FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 2024
6:30 AM – 5:00 PM	Registration & Delegate Certification, Grand Ballroom Foyer   Level 5
7:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Senior Brother Lounge, Room 406
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Solutions Center, Grand Ballroom Foyer   Level 5
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Convention Office, Conference Room 412
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM	General Headquarters Office, Conference 502
8:00 AM – 8:00 PM	Vendors Expo – Merchandise/Partners, Franklin Hall A  Level 4
8:15 AM – 9:15 AM	General Business Session I, (IAAC DD, Bro. Steven Carter)
	Marriott Hotel Salons G-L / Level 5
	<ul> <li>Report of Rules &amp; Credentials (1 min)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Report of the Budget &amp; Finance Committee &amp; Fiscal Officers (25 min)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Special Report of the Membership Committee (15 min)</li> </ul>

• Special Report of the Fraternal Standards (4 min)



# Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. 92<sup>nd</sup> Annual Eastern Regional Convention April 25-28, 2024 | Philadelphia, PA Theme: Everywhere We Go, We Tell Alpha's Story

9:30 AM – 10:30 AM	<ul> <li>General Business Session II, (ONECA DD, Bro. Y. Salomon)</li> <li>Marriott Hotel Salons G-L / Level 5</li> <li>Report of the General Counsel (15 min)</li> <li>Report of the Comptroller + General Treasurer (25 min)</li> <li>Report of Executive Director (20 min)</li> </ul>
10:45 AM – 12:15 PM	Featured Panel: Moderator, Brother Herman "Skip Mason", 33 <sup>rd</sup> General President <i>Telling Alpha's Story: "An Ice Cold" Jawn Lights! Camera! Call to ACTION!</i> Marriott Hotel Salons G-L / <i>Level 5</i>
12:30 PM – 1:45 PM	O. Wilson Winters Life Membership Brunch, Grand Ballroom – Salon E  Level 5 (Ticketed Event Not included w/ Registration)
1:45 PM – 3:00 PM	Collegiate Scholars Bowl – Grand Ballroom – Salons C-D   Level 5
3:15 PM – 4:15 PM	<ul> <li>General Business Session III, (NYACOA DD, Bro. Larry Scott-Blackmon)</li> <li>Marriott Hotel Salons G-L / Level 5</li> <li>Final Report of Budget &amp; Finance Committee (5 min)</li> <li>Constitution and By-Laws (50 min)</li> </ul>
4:30 PM – 5:45 PM	College Brother's Caucus, Grand Ballroom – Salons G-L   Level 5
6:00 PM – 7:15 PM	<ul> <li>District Caucuses</li> <li>District I – IAAC, Room 308</li> <li>District II – ONECA, Room 307</li> <li>District III – NYACOA, Franklin Hall 5-6</li> <li>District IV – NJAAPAC, Franklin Hall 7</li> <li>District V – PAAC, Rooms 304-306</li> <li>District VI – MAAC, Frankin Hall 8-10</li> <li>District VII – VACAPAF, Grand Ballroom – Salons A-B</li> </ul>
8:00 PM – 10:30 PM	<ul> <li>AlphaEast College Talent Showcase, Grand Ballroom – Salons E-F   Level 5</li> <li>Miss Black &amp; Gold Pageant</li> <li>Stroll Show</li> </ul>
9:00 PM – 12:00 AM 9:00 PM – 2:00 AM 10:00 PM – 2:00 AM	Convention Hospitality, <b>Governors Suite</b> LOCAL HOST AFTER PARTY, <i>The Winston – 461 N. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Philadelphia, PA</i> COLLEGE BROTHERS Social Event



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	SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2024			
6:30 AM – 5:00 PM 7:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Registration & Delegate Certification, Grand Ballroom Foyer   Level 5 Senior Brother Lounge, Room 406			
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM	Solutions Center, Grand Ballroom Foyer   Level 5			
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Convention Office, Conference Room 412 General Headquarters Office, Conference 502			
8:00 AM – 8:00 PM	Vendors Expo – Merchandise/Partners, Franklin Hall A  Level 4			
8:15 AM – 9:30 AM	General Business Session IV, (NJAAPAC DD, Bro. Alexander McLucas)			
	Grand Ballroom – Salons G-L   Level 5			
	<ul> <li>Report of Rules &amp; Credentials (5 min)</li> </ul>			
	Introduction of the General President (5 min)			
	The Report of the General President & Questions (55 min)			
10:00 AM – 11:30 AM	General Business Session V, (PAAC DD, Bro. R. Bruce Hill) Grand Ballroom – Salons G-L / Level 5			
	<ul> <li>Elections (15 min)</li> <li>Elections Committee &amp; Nominations and ERAVP (20 min)</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Time &amp; Place (5 min)</li> </ul>			
	District Director Reports (30 min)			
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM	Njisane Omawale College Brothers Luncheon & Belford V. Lawson Oratorical <i>Grand Ballroom – Salons A-F   Level 5</i>			
1:45 PM – 2:30 PM	General Business Session VI, (MAAC DD, Bro. Raymond Hawkins) Grand Ballroom – Salons G-L   Level 5			
	<ul> <li>Report of Rules &amp; Credentials – FINAL (5 min)</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Special Recognition of our 25 and 50-Year Brothers (5 min)</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Military Affairs Recognition – (10 min)</li> </ul>			
	Omega Recognition			
2:45 PM – 3:45 PM	CONVENTION WORKSHOPS (4 Concurrent Sessions)			
	Lincoln Financial   Financial Wellness Seminar, Franklin Hall 5			
	Alzheimer's Association   Alzheimer's Awareness, Franklin Hall 6			
	<ul> <li>Pen's America   Academic Freedom &amp; Free Speech on Campus, Franklin Hall</li> <li>S.C.A.L.E.   A Value-Centric Framework to Product Design, Franklin Hall 8</li> </ul>			



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4:00 PM - 5:30 PMGeneral Business Session VII, (VACAPAF DD, Bro. Kevin Glover)Grand Ballroom - Salons G-L | Level 5

- Report of the Eastern Regional Assistant Vice President (30 min)
- Report of the Eastern Regional Vice President (60 min)

8:00 PM – UNTIL BLACK ICE PARTY – Grand Ballroom – Salon H | Level 5

# **SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2024**

9:30 AM – 10:30 AM	Ecumenical Service Salons K-L  Level 5
11:00 AM – 1:00 PM	Old Gold & Black Awards Brunch
	Grand Ballroom – Salons A-F   Level 5
	(Ticketed Event Included w/ Delegate, Neophytes & Ladies Registration Only)
1:00 PM – 2:30 PM	Convention Team Wrap-up Meeting
2:30 PM – 6:30 PM	Local Host PHINALE! Old Gold & Black – A Philly Experience –
	939 N. Delaware Ave, Philadelphia, PA
	(Ticketed Event)

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Greetings Brothers of the Eastern Region,

On behalf of the Pennsylvania Association of Alpha Chapters, it is my pleasure as the District Director to welcome you to the historic city of Philadelphia for the 92<sup>nd</sup> Annual Eastern Regional Convention.

Philadelphia, fondly known as the birthplace of American democracy, serves as an appropriate location for our convention as we continue advancing Alpha Phi Alpha's mission and principles.

During our time together, we have an opportunity to engage in critical issues facing our society, particularly the role of education in promoting current and future leaders. As Alphas, we recognize the importance of education as a catalyst for social change and empowerment. The discussions and initiatives from this convention will further underscore our commitment to excellence in education and leadership.

I encourage each of you to actively participate in the public program, where we will draw inspiration from our fraternity's rich history and connect it with the importance of education while we reaffirm our aims in serving and uplifting one another while recognizing the critical.

I am grateful for the dedicated members of the local host committee who have worked diligently to ensure that this convention not only facilitates productive discussions and decision-making but also fosters an environment of unity and fellowship among brothers.

I look forward to sharing this transformative experience with you all and witnessing the collective strength and spirit of Alpha Phi Alpha shine brightly in the City of Brotherly Love.

**Onward and Upward Only,** 

Robert Bruce Hill, Jr District V Director Pennsylvania Association of Alpha Chapters

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Dear Brothers,

On behalf of the Delta Pi Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., it is with great excitement and anticipation that I welcome you to the 92nd Eastern Region Convention in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania!

This convention promises to be a memorable gathering where we, as Brothers of Alpha, come together to celebrate our shared values, honor our traditions, and inspire one another towards continued excellence and service. Philadelphia, known for its rich history and vibrant culture, provides the perfect backdrop for our gathering.

As you participate in the various activities and events, I encourage you to take full advantage of everything this convention has to offer. Connect with fellow Brothers, share your experiences, and leave inspired to make a positive impact in our communities.

Let's make this an unforgettable convention!

Bro. Mark Yancey

Assistant District V Director Pennsylvania Association of Alpha Chapters



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Dear Brothers of the Eastern Region,

It is with great privilege and excitement that I extend a warm welcome to each of you to the 92nd Eastern Region Convention on behalf of the Pennsylvania Association of Alpha Chapters.

We are thrilled to share that the local host committee has gone to great lengths to ensure that this year's ERC in the City of Brotherly Love, Philadelphia, PA, will be an unforgettable and enriching experience. Our foremost goal is to honor the dedication and achievements of individuals and groups in pursuing scholarship, manly deeds, and love for all humanity, embracing both traditional and contemporary Alpha values.

Furthermore, we look forward to supporting and

contributing to realizing our region's vision of fostering brotherhood and nurturing leadership. As we strive to amplify the voice of the Eastern Region in the communities we serve, regardless of your origin, we encourage you to immerse yourself in the diverse and vibrant tapestry of our city.

Brothers, I commend our district and regional leadership for their pivotal role in orchestrating a convention that celebrates our organizational mission and prompts us to engage in critical discourse surrounding social justice issues. Once again, welcome to Philadelphia, and may your time here be filled with unforgettable experiences.

With fraternal blessings and warm regards,

Bro. Dr. Leonard M. Wakefield Area Director, PAAC East Pennsylvania Association of Alpha Chapters

Dr. Willis L. Lonzer, III. General President Christopher G. Ellis, Jr. Eastern Region Vice President Yousif Omer Eastern Region Assistant Vice President



Robert Bruce Hill, Jr. District V Director Anthony Cox, Esq. Executive Director/1st Vice President Mark Yancey Asst District V Director/2nd Vice President



Dear Brothers of the Eastern Region,

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to our vibrant city of Philadelphia for the 92nd Eastern Region Convention of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated. The Local Host Committee has diligently prepared a space that reflects Alpha Phi Alpha's values to serve as a platform for meaningful dialogue and action.

Every aspect of this convention, from workshops addressing critical issues to our public program's focus on education, has been designed to advance social awareness and equitable actions. As we convene, let us remember the importance of our fraternity's mission to promote advocacy aligning with social justice principles.

Our convention theme, "Everywhere we go, we tell Alpha's story," honors our organization's aims and actions in stimulating a socially aware community and promoting inclusive leadership. Further, Philadelphia's rich history and diverse cultures will enhance the convention experience, fostering meaningful dialogues and conversations. You will have the opportunity to participate in various identity-based events hosted in Philadelphia that foster belonging and stimulate critical conversations (i.e., Penn Relays and Black Pride).

I extend my deepest gratitude to each member of the Local Host Committee for their dedication to creating a convention experience that reflects our commitment to fostering authentic leaders.

Welcome to Philadelphia, Brothers. May our time together be filled with meaningful conversations, transformative insights, and a renewed sense of purpose in our collective pursuit of justice and equality.

Fraternally yours,

Bro. Dr. Nu'Rodney Prad Local Host Committee Chair 92<sup>nd</sup> Eastern Region Convention

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## Brothers of the Eastern Region,

Welcome to the vibrant city of Philadelphia! Your local host committee is delighted to host the 92nd Eastern Regional Convention in the historic heart of America. As you gather to celebrate brotherhood and camaraderie, we invite you to immerse yourselves in the rich tapestry of culture, history, and experiences that Philadelphia has to offer.

Philadelphia, fondly known as the "City of Brotherly Love," is steeped in tradition and significance, making it the perfect backdrop for our gathering. Here are just a few highlights of what this magnificent city has in store for you:

**Historic Landmarks:** Explore the birthplace of American democracy by visiting iconic landmarks such as Independence Hall and the Liberty Bell. Walk in the footsteps of the founding fathers and gain a deeper understanding of the principles that our fraternity holds dear.

**Cultural Delights:** Indulge your senses in Philadelphia's vibrant arts and culture scene. From world-class museums like the Philadelphia Museum of Art to the eclectic murals adorning the streets, there is something to inspire and captivate every visitor.

**Culinary Adventures:** Prepare your taste buds for a culinary journey like no other. Philadelphia is renowned for its diverse dining scene, offering everything from mouthwatering cheesesteaks to innovative fine dining experiences. Be sure to sample some of the city's culinary delights during your stay.

**City of Neighborhoods**: Get to know the unique charm of Philadelphia's neighborhoods, each with its own distinct personality and offerings. Whether you're exploring the cobblestone streets of Old City or strolling through the bustling markets of Reading Terminal Market, you'll find endless opportunities for discovery around every corner.

**Warm Hospitality:** Experience the warmth and hospitality that Philadelphia is known for. From friendly locals eager to share their city's stories to the welcoming atmosphere of our convention venue, you'll feel right at home in the City of Brotherly Love.

As you come together to connect, learn, and grow, we hope that your time in Philadelphia leaves you with cherished memories and lasting friendships. Thank you for being a part of this special gathering, and we look forward to celebrating the spirit of fraternity with you in our beloved city.

With Warm Fraternal Regards,

**Brother Gerry Baron** Co-Chair, 92<sup>nd</sup> ERC Local Host Committee Chair, 92<sup>nd</sup> ERC Sponsorship Committee

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Robert Bruce Hill, Jr. District V Director Anthony Cox, Esq. Executive Director/1st Vice President Mark Yancey Asst District V Director/2nd Vice President

Dear Brothers,

As the 18th president of the 16th house (Rho chapter), it is my pleasure to welcome you to the 92nd eastern regional convention. We look forward to showing you a wonderful time as you attend the convention and explore the city of brotherly love and sisterly affection.

We have planned activities to round out your experience as you attend the engaging convention planned by brother Ellis, our Eastern Regional Vice President. It is my hope that this experience will be very enjoyable, and one that you can reflect upon with joy in your later years.

Philadelphia has a lot to offer its visitors and we plan to ensure that you have a taste. As a host chapter we will be available to you, to answer any questions and assist with anything that you may need.

Once again welcome to Philadelphia and the 92nd eastern regional convention - 06!

Fraternally,

William Briggs, President Rho Chapter



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# ALPHA PHI ALPHA FRATERNITY, INC. THE MIGHTY PSI CHAPTER

Brothers of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Eastern Region,

On behalf of the Brothers of the 22nd House of Alpha, The Mighty Psi Chapter is honored to welcome you to the city of "Brotherly Love" for the 92nd Eastern Regional Convention. Philadelphia, a city steeped in the spirit of resilience, innovation, and progress, offers us inspiration from the historic landmarks and iconic sights that surround us. From the Liberty Bell to Independence Hall, from the vibrant murals of South Street to the bustling energy of Reading Terminal Market, Philadelphia embodies the enduring values of freedom, unity, and aspiration that resonate deeply within our fraternity.

This year's gathering promises to be an exceptional intersection of minds, passions, and talents, as we come together to celebrate our rich legacy, reflect on our accomplishments, and chart the course for our future endeavors. As Brothers of Alpha, we stand united in our commitment to leadership, scholarship, service, and brotherhood. The Eastern Regional Conference provides us with a unique opportunity to deepen our bonds, exchange ideas, and inspire one another to reach greater heights of excellence in all facets of our lives.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to each of you for your unwavering commitment to the mission of Alpha and for your invaluable contributions to our fraternity. Together, let's seize this moment to honor our past, celebrate our present, and envision a future filled with promise, purpose, and possibility.

The local host committee and the Brothers of Psi Chapter are available to assist and guide you at any moment with questions about the area and convention. We extend our arms and look forward to fellowshipping with you all during your time in Philadelphia.

Brothers, welcome to the 92nd Eastern Regional Conference and welcome to Philadelphia.

Fraternally,

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Clyve Gassant (Spring '23 #1) Psi Chapter President



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Brothers,

On behalf of the Brothers of the 247<sup>th</sup> House, Zeta Omicron Lambda Chapter, we extend a warm welcome to the 92<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary Eastern Regional Convention in Philadelphia! Our city boasts a rich history dating back to the cradle of democracy and continues to shine as a beacon of civil discourse, historical achievements, and genuine camaraderie. As the "City of Brotherly Love," we are thrilled to have Philly serve as the backdrop for our gathering, where all Brothers in the House of Alpha will once again "enter, shake hands, exchange greetings and depart friends."

Prepare yourselves for an electrifying weekend brimming with camaraderie and unforgettable experiences. Our alumni chapters have meticulously curated an array of exciting events designed to engage, inspire, and connect us all. From insightful workshops to spirited competitions, this convention promises to elevate our bond and empower each of us on our continued journey in Alpha.

Together, let's seize this opportunity to learn, grow, and celebrate the enduring legacy of Alpha. "Everywhere We Go, We Tell Our Story..." and this convention will undoubtedly be one to remember!

Welcome, Brothers.

Yours in Service and Brotherhood, Ramon Guzman, Jr., MPA 31st Chapter President, Zeta Omicron Lambda Chapter Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

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Dear Esteemed Brothers of Alpha Phi Alpha,

On behalf of the Brothers of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Incorporated, Omicron Delta Lambda Chapter, it is with great pleasure and excitement that we extend a warm welcome to you all to the vibrant city of Philadelphia for the 92nd Eastern Regional Convention!

Philadelphia, often referred to as the "City of Brotherly Love," holds a special place in the hearts of many for its rich history, cultural diversity, and vibrant energy. As the birthplace of our great nation, Philadelphia boasts an abundance of historical landmarks such as Independence Hall, the Liberty Bell, and the Philadelphia Museum of Art's iconic "Rocky Steps," inviting you to explore the roots of American democracy and achievement.

Our chapter, Omicron Delta Lambda, is deeply honored to host this year's convention in our beloved city. Founded on the principles of scholarship, leadership, and service, our chapter has been dedicated to upholding the legacy of Alpha Phi Alpha and making a positive impact in our community since 1985. We are thrilled to showcase the warmth and hospitality of our brotherhood as we come together to celebrate our shared values and accomplishments.

Throughout your time here, we encourage you to immerse yourselves in all that Philadelphia has to offer. Indulge in our world-renowned cuisine, from iconic cheesesteaks to delectable hoagies and mouth watering soft pretzels. Explore the vibrant neighborhoods, each with its own unique charm and character, and discover hidden gems around every corner. Take a stroll along the picturesque streets of Old City or marvel at the stunning murals adorning buildings throughout the city.

As you engage in the convention proceedings, workshops, and networking opportunities, we hope you will also take some time to enjoy the camaraderie of fellow brothers and the rich cultural tapestry of our city. Whether you're visiting historic landmarks, experiencing our thriving arts scene, or simply soaking in the spirit of brotherhood, we trust that your time in Philadelphia will be both memorable and rewarding.

Once again, welcome to Philadelphia, welcome to the 92nd Eastern Regional Convention, and welcome to the brotherhood that unites us all. May your stay be filled with meaningful connections, enriching experiences, and moments of joy and inspiration.

Fraternally yours,

Jason W. Harris

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George B. Kelly

While you are in our city, we encourage you to take advantage of all the interesting and fun places to visit. The city is full of historical landmarks, fantastic food, and beautiful landscapes. From Reading Terminal, with its vibrant energy, to old city, with its history, to south Philadelphia, with its cheesesteaks and sports complexes, to Valley Forge and King of Prussia, with its shopping experiences, we are sure you will find something in these areas that will capture your attention.

We encourage you to expand your Alpha network while at the convention. You should attend sessions, meet Brothers that you may not know, ask questions, learn new facts and information, and have fun! The convention is about doing the work of Alpha.

The local host committee is available to assist you with questions that you may have about the Philadelphia area. We are charged up and ready to go. I am sure I speak for the brothers in Rho Chapter, Zeta Omicron Lambda Chapter, and Omicron Delta Lambda Chapter when I say, "Deep in our hearts we love our A Phi, we love our A Phi A"!

I find it a personal privilege and honor to welcome you. I will be available throughout the convention to assist and help you however I can in navigating the Philadelphia area.

Brothers enjoy your visit!!!

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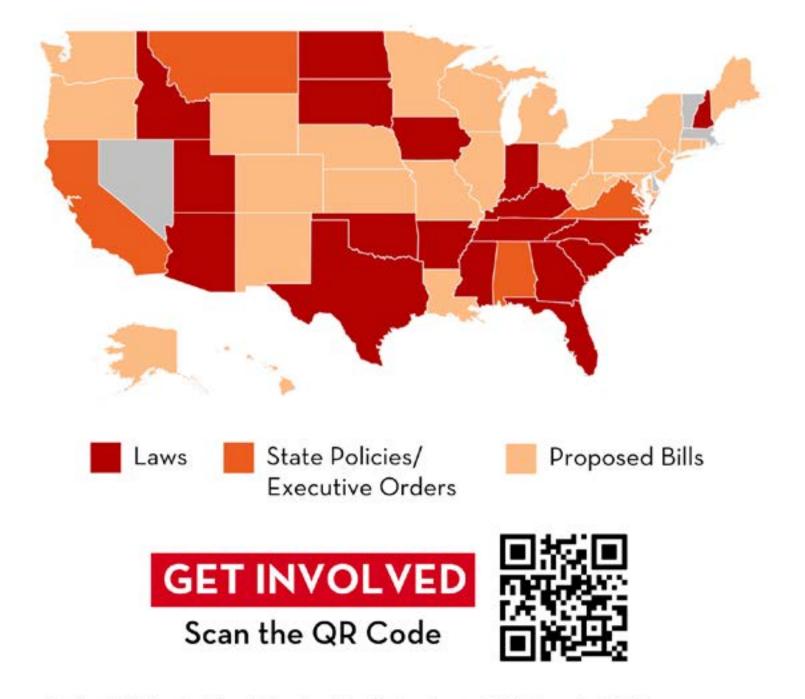
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## DISTRICT 1 REPORT | INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ALPHA CHAPTERS (IAAC)

TO:	Brother Christopher G. Ellis, Jr., Eastern Region Vice President
FROM:	Brother Dr. Steven D. Carter, District Director
DATE:	April 26, 2024
RE:	2023 Annual Report

### Eta Epsilon Lambda Chapter, The Republic of Liberia

## State of the Chapter (EEL)

My Brother's Keeper	Voteless People	Project Alpha	Education/Mentorship
*Presented anniversary and	*Participated in elections	*Facilitated workshop on	*Chapter hosted a
birthday cards to brothers.	awareness programs,	gender-based violence in	community outreach
*Celebrated the 80 <sup>th</sup>	including VPHP. Also voter	Monrovia. Alpha Mentees	program at an orphanage.
birthday of the chapter's	registration activities were	and Scholars were in	*Facilitated leadership
oldest brother.	held.	attendance.	workshop for 18 Mentees
* Hosted annual children's	*Hosted a march and		and 21 Scholars at the
Christmas Party.	program commemorating	*Hosted orientation and	Cyber-Ed Christian School of
	International Day of Peace.	leadership seminar for	Excellence.
	Over 300 were in	newly inducted Alpha	*Raised over \$20,000 for
	attendance.	Scholars (21).	scholarship at its 10 <sup>th</sup>
			Annual Scholarship Ball in
			Dec. 2023 and award full
			and partial scholarships to
			21 scholars.

### Rho Chi Lambda Chapter, United Kingdom

### State of the Chapter (RCL)

My Brother's Keeper	Go to H.S. Go to College	March of Dimes	Education/Mentorship
*RCL brothers provided	*RCL hosted a lecture and	*The Chapter raised \$1,700	*RCL awarded 5
comfort to the family of our	book signing featuring Bro.	in collaboration with Rho	scholarships to deserving
Late Bro. Peter Denis who	Dr. Jarvis Givens from	Sigma Lambda, Atlanta for	black males in the UK.
transitioned to Omega	Harvard University.	support to the fight for the	*RCL continues to support
Chapter. The chapter also		health of moms and babies.	the Croydon Supplementary
made a contribution to the			Educational Program. (CSE).
family of Bro. Denis.			Brothers are providing
			mentorship for boys ages 7
			to 18.

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# DISTRICT II REPORT - ORGANIZATION OF NEW ENGLAND CHAPTERS OF ALPHA

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP			
BROTHER	DISTRICT POSITION	CHAPTER	
Yves E. Salomon	District II Director/President	Zeta Phi Lambda	
Taylen Pope	Asst. District II Director/Vice President	Alpha Kappa	
Jason Asirifi	President-Elect	Theta Iota Lambda	
Jordon Stevens	Vice-President-Elect	Zeta	
Steven Cuffey	Senior Advisor	Zeta Phi Lambda	
Edward Singleton Jr.	Executive Director	Zeta Phi Lambda	
Donald Lyons	Treasurer	Epsilon Gamma Lambda	
Arthur Shurn	Director of Communications	Theta Iota Lambda	
Tyron Harris	Director of Conferences	Beta Sigma Lambda	
Jeremy Jamison	Secretary	Eta Alpha Lambda	
<b>Terence</b> Vermont	Chaplain	Zeta Phi Lambda	
Vacant	Historian		
Myles Mabry	Area I Director	Eta Alpha Lambda	
Brandon McGee Jr.	Area II Director	Beta Sigma Lambda	
Bernardo Barbosa	Area III Director	Mu Theta Lambda	
Jason Asirifi	Area IV Director	Theta Iota Lambda	
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# DISTRICT III REPORT – NEW YORK ASSOCIATION OF CHAPTERS OF ALPHA PHI ALPHA

TO:	Brother Christopher G. Ellis, Jr., Eastern Region Vice President
FROM:	Brother Larry Scott Blackmon, District III Director
DATE:	April 4, 2024
RE:	Annual Report

### **COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

BROTHER	DISTRICT POSITION	CHAPTER
Larry Scott Blackmon	District Director	Alpha Gamma Lambda
Anthony J. Smith	First Vice President	Eta Rho Lambda
James Waters III	Assistant D.D. / Second Vice President	Phi Omicron
Shawn Hill	Chief of Staff	Kappa Upsilon Lambda
Erik Cliette	Treasurer	Alpha Gamma Lambda
David Cephus	Editor to the Sphinx	Zeta Zeta Lambda
David Tarver	Historian	Kappa Upsilon Lambda
Jamal Vanderburg	Director of Competitions	Kappa Xi Lambda
Jaylen Buckhannan	Assistant Director of Competitions	Phi Omicron
Area 1 Director	Alan Prescod	Rho Lambda
Area 2 Director	Jimmy Kelly	Eta Rho Lambda
Area 3 Director	Alton Roney	Iota Theta Lambda
Area 4 Director	Jomel Nelson	Beta Pi Lambda
Area 5 Director	Shawn Hill	Kappa Upsilon Lambda
Area 6 Director	Michael Ifill	Eta Zeta Lambda
Area 7 Director	Lawrence Scott	Gamma Iota Lambda
Area 8 Director	Rachid Murad	Eta Theta Lambda
Les St. Louis	Chair of Elections	Eta Chi Lambda
Kwame Ndzibah	Director of Conventions	General Organization
Greg Meriweather	Chaplain	Eta Chi Lambda
Adrian Stratton	Parliamentarian	Kappa Xi Lambda

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James Waters	Leadership Development	Eta Rho Lambda
Edison Darrell Canty	Senior Advisor to the President	Alpha Gamma Lambda
Clement James Jr.	Parliamentarian	Alpha Gamma Lambda

It has been an honor working and serving as NYACOA President and District III Director. Exactly one year ago I was appointed as District III Director, and our team is one that has performed far beyond any of our wildest expectations.

I begin this report by asking us to take a moment to remember all of the Brothers that have entered Omega Chapter over the past year. Thank you for your prayers.

As demonstrated by the list below, our accomplishments as a District can only be described as "Transcendent." We believe that we are the Phirst State of Alpha and as such, our activities are those that should set the tone for the entire Fraternity.

Initiative	Accomplishments
NYACOA 1st 100 Days	<ul> <li>Creation of the Brother Renard Mobley NYACOA Insurance Program</li> <li>Creation of and Implementation of the NYACOA Leadership Initiative</li> <li>NYACOA / Rho Psi Lambda Founders Day celebration at the Universal Hip Hop Museum</li> <li>NYACOA meeting with NYC School's Chancellor David Banks</li> <li>NYACOA Closing of the Markets at NASDAQ</li> <li>NYACOA Superbowl Sunday event at Harlem Sanctuary</li> <li>NYACOA conversation with Brother Kevin Powell</li> <li>NYACOA Reception at the New York Association of Black, Latino, Puerto Rican, and Asian Legislators Weekend</li> <li>NYACOA securing a grant to perform Go to High School, Go to College from the NYC Department of Youth and Community Development</li> <li>NYACOA Step and Stroll Practice at Go Hard Dance</li> <li>NYACOA Remarks at St. Patrick's Cathedral Black History Month Program</li> </ul>
<u>Game Changers</u>	<ul> <li>NYACOA Trip to Israel</li> <li>First Annual Prostate Cancer Awareness Walk, Harlem, NY</li> <li>Caucus Weekend event at the Palace Theatre in Albany, NY</li> <li>Caucus Weekend Black Men's Brunch at the Albany Black Chamber of Commerce</li> <li>Partnership with the NYC Department of Youth and Community Development</li> <li>Founders Day lighting of the World Trade Center</li> <li>Founders Day event at the Universal Hip Hop Museum</li> <li>Conducted viral interview on CBS Channel 2 news</li> <li>First ever NYC Alpha Classic</li> <li>Monies distributed to College Chapters from NYACOA</li> </ul>

NYACOA Convention	<ul> <li>Convention held in Rochester, New York</li> <li>Sold out of room blocks at two Rochester Hotels</li> <li>Lowered rate for College Brothers to \$99.00</li> <li>Conducted a Holiday Toy Drive with donations from Brothers across the State</li> <li>164+ Brothers Registered</li> <li>Held a "Welcome to Rochester" reception at a Black Owned restaurant in downtown Rochester</li> <li>Developed a NYACOA / Brotherhood led agenda for the year</li> <li>Keynote Speaker for our Black and Old Gold Gala was Rochester Mayor Brother Malik Evans</li> </ul>
<u>Communications</u>	<ul> <li>Employed increased communications to Brotherhood through dual approach with Mailchimp and Text messaging</li> <li>From November 2023 to March of 2024, total of 8569 total email sends to Brothers</li> <li>Open rate for our District wide communications is 58.8 %</li> <li>Executed six district wide text messages with a total reach of 5112 Brothers</li> <li>Developed a contact list of 852 Brothers reachable by text message</li> <li>Updated NYACOA Website to list Areas and Chapters for ease of identification</li> <li>Employed use of QR code signups to communicate with Brothers at ERC and NYACOA convention</li> </ul>
NYACOA Activities	<ul> <li>NYACOA Founders Day Program in Hempstead, Long Island</li> <li>Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated "Closed the Markets" at NASDAQ</li> <li>Delta Zeta Chapter Celebrated its 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary</li> <li>Delta Epsilon Chapter Celebrated its</li> <li>Pi Pi Chapter Celebrated its 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary</li> <li>Conversation with Brother Hill Harper in SoHo</li> <li>Black History Month event featuring Brother Denny Johnson</li> <li>Leadership Development "Training Tuesdays" Virtual Conversations</li> <li>Welcome Back to School Statewide Initiative</li> <li>NYACOA "Step and Stroll Practice" at Go Hard Dance</li> <li>Annual NYACOA BBQ at FDR State Park</li> <li>African American Day Parade participation</li> <li>"NYACOA Salutes" social media series to honor graduating College Brothers</li> <li>NYACOA Thanksgiving Turkey Distributions</li> <li>Initiated "Lunch with Brother President" series throughout the State</li> </ul>

## Membership Snapshot

Number of Active Brothers: 742 Active Brothers

> 40 since last year

## Number of Inactive Brothers: 444 Inactive Brothers

This membership number does not reflect the Neos who have joined our ranks in the last year. Anecdotally, we can certainly recognize the increased passion that Brothers have for Alpha, and our work is being recognized, We will now make more of an intentional, concerted effort to convince Brothers to return to, or be active in the House of Alpha.

### **COMPETITIONS SNAPSHOT**

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# **ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR NEXT TERM**

## **NYACOA** Conventions

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## NYACOA Staff Meeting

• We will hold our 2024 NYACOA staff meeting in Albany, New York.

## **Growing our College Ranks**

- o Increased advocacy for additional funding for Mentorship program
- Developed a new relationship with Adelphi University and young men who are interested in Alpha
- Working with College Chapters to visit and hold informationals on the yard

### **Financial Health of our College Chapters**

o NYACOA will issue a report on the financial health/status of our college chapters

### 2024 Alpha Classic

• NYACOA will hold it's 2024 Alpha Classic On June 26, 2024 at Governor's Island. This year, 7 Chapters are working together to execute the event. Proceeds will be distributed between the chapters and will also be donated to College Chapters.

### Alpha Phi Alpha Job Fair

 NYACOA will partner with the New York State Department of Labor on a Community Job Fair. We are aiming for late September for this activity and are waiting on the date from the Department of Labor.

### A Voteless People is a Hopeless People

• NYACOA will reissue our Voter Engagement Strategy and will be active in Get Out the Vote Activities for June and for the Presidental election in November.

# **NYACOA Founders Day Activities**

• This year's Founders Day Program will be hosted by the Gamma Iota Lambda Chapter in Brooklyn, New York.

## Financial Report:

### Cash Beginning of the Period:

- NYACOA: \$34,215.41
- First State Foundation: \$11,860.30

### Receipts

-	Total Receipts for the Period	\$150,223.00
Expendit	ires	
-	Distribution to Alumni and College Chapters:	\$32,500.00
	o <u>DYCD Mentorship Program</u>	
	o <u>Alpha Classic Distribution / GTHSGTC</u>	
-	Total Expenditures for the Period	\$108,746.99

### Net Increase in Balance for the Period

- NYACOA: \$7260.60
- First State Foundation: \$3139.63

### Ending Balances as of April 9, 2024

- NYACOA: \$41,476.01
- First State Foundation: \$14,999.93

### **NEW ISSUES**

### **ACTION ITEMS / RECOMMENDATIONS**

- Identify the financial status of our Chapters, both Alumni and College to assist with fundraising and operational activities. We cannot expect chapters to survive if they do not have bank accounts, or know best practices to fundraising success
- Conduct regional IMDP trainings that walk Districts and their leadership through every possible scenario that could occur during IMDP. There should be two opportunity per year to receive those trainings.
- Any and all Alpha MX updates (unless absolutely necessary) should be done post IMDP, at one time of the year, when MX use is at its lowest.

Fraternally Submitted, Bro. Larry Scott Blackmon District III Director / NYACOA President

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# DISTRICT X REPORT – IV

# New Jersey Association of Alpha Phi Alpha Chapters

TO: Brother Christopher G. Ellis, Jr., Eastern Region Vice President
FROM: Alexander H. McLucas
DATE: March 15, 2024

RE: Annual Report

# **COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

BROTHER	DISTRICT POSITION	CHAPTER
Alexander McLucas	District Director	Kappa Theta Lambda
James Williams	Executive Director	Nu Gamma Lambda
Messiah Curtis	Assistant District Director	Phi Eta
Felix L. James	Treasurer	Zeta Iota Lambda
Area 1 Director	Sherlock Dow	Zeta Nu Lambda
Area 2 Director	Shawn'te Harvell	Zeta Iota Lambda
Area 3 Director	Terrance Perry	Nu Gamma Lambda
Chaplain	Ritney Castine	Sigma Chi Lambda
Chief Dean	Sean Yancey	Sigma Chi Lambda
Senior Advisor	Ainsley Reynolds	Theta Psi Lambda
Sergeant at Arms	Marcus Crawford	Alpha Alpha Lambda
District Conference Chair	Cassius Rudolph	Kappa Iota Lambda
Secretary	Kyle Ramsey	Alpha Alpha Lambda
Parliamentarian	Johnathan White	Theta Psi Lambda
Financial Secretary	Chanard Cooper	Kappa Theta Lambda

- . Held District Conference in Piscataway New Jersey
- . Hosted four IMDP session to keep brothers engaged
- . Hosted Risk Management Zoom to keep brother engaged
- . Engaged with corporate sponsors for District Conference
- . Hosted 1st ever meeting with the Attorney General
- . Meeting in Trenton to discuss initiatives with Alpha Phi Alpha
- . Held meeting to discuss Prostate Cancer, Diversity Navigation, and Leveraging your gifts in business
- . Assemblywoman Linda Carter 22nd Legislative district was our Keynote speaker
- . Community Service Awards
  - Lieutenant Governor Tahesha Way, State of New Jersey
  - Sen. Troy Singleton, State of New Jersey
    - Sor. Liz Nolley, Cluster Co-Coordinator, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc.
    - Central Jersey Alumnae, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc.
  - State of New Jersey of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc.
  - Bro. Marc Morial, President & CEO, National Urban League
  - Bro. Basil Smikle, Distinguished Professor, Hunter College
  - Senior Brother Awards

#### **ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR NEXT TERM**

- . Alpha Day at the Capital
- . Alpha Licence Plate approval
- . Mid-Year conference to discuss budget and future initiatives
- . Brother Ras Baraka get elected to Governorship
- . Update district constitution
- . Host District Conference in Jersey City (New Chapter Sigma Chi Lambda) to host
- . Three new college chapter (Rutger, Camden, Rider University, and Monmouth University)
- . Every College chapter in the state to be active

Cash Beginning of the Period	\$ 18,012.61
Receipts Total Receipts for the Period	\$ 45,602.86
Expenditures	
Total Expenditures for the Period	\$ 47,814.13
Net Increase (Decrease) in Balance for the Period	\$ -2,211.27
Ending Balance as of December 31, 2023	\$ 15,801.34

#### **NEW ISSUES**

We do not have any pending issue

#### **ACTION ITEMS / RECOMMENDATIONS**

. Better IMDP accessibility

. Better control over changing chapters status

Fraternally Submitted Alexander H. McLucas

# GOALS AND ACTIVITIES ACCOMPLISHED THIS TERM ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR NEXT TERM

Cash Beginning of the Period	\$ 0.26
Receipts	
Total Receipts for the Period	\$ 0.00
Expenditures	
Total Expenditures for the Period	\$ 0.78
Net Increase (Decrease) in Balance for the Period	\$ 0.95 \$ 0.21
Ending Balance as of December 31, 2023	\$ 0.21
NEW ISSUES	
ACTION ITEMS / RECOMMENDATIONS Fraternally Submitted	
Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity – Eastern Region	
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Fraternally Submitted

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# DISTRICT V REPORT – PENNSYLVANIA ASSOCIATION OF ALPHA CHAPTERS THEME: "ADVANCING THE PAAC IMPACT"

TO:Brother Christopher G. Ellis, Jr., Eastern Region Vice PresidentFROM:Brother Robert Bruce Hill, Jr., District V Director

DATE: April 2, 2024

RE: Annual Report

# **COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

BROTHER	DISTRICT POSITION	<u>CHAPTER</u>
Robert Bruce Hill, Jr.	District Director	Rho
Anthony Cox, Esq.	Executive Director/1st VP	Zeta Theta Lambda
Mark Yancey	Assistant District Director/2nd VP	Delta Pi
Joseph Bishop	Treasurer	Omicron Delta Lambda
Tamir D. Harper	Financial Secretary	Omicron Delta Lambda
Dr. Leonard Wakefield	Area Director (East)	Zeta Omicron Lambda
Dr. Cedric R. Harris	Area Director (Central)	Zeta Theta Lambda
Julian Holland	Area Director (West)	Alpha Omicron Lambda
Jah-Kefim McKenzie	Recording Secretary	Omicron Delta Lambda
Brian Gibson	Corresponding Secretary	Omicron Delta Lambda
Dr. Nu'Rodney Prad	Editor of the Sphinx	Rho
Omar Clea	Chaplain	Kappa Beta Lambda
Eric Smith	Parliamentarian	Sigma Mu Lambda

# **GOALS AND ACTIVITIES ACCOMPLISHED THIS TERM**

• GOALS ACCOMPLISHED.

updates, and best practices.
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	<ul> <li>Presented a favorable District Budget</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Created a 501©3 Organization, The Keystone State Foundation</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Conducted five IMDP Training workshops in between Fall</li> </ul>	
	2023 and Spring 2024, resulting in <b>264</b> IMDP trained and	
	certified brothers.	
	<ul> <li>Held a Fall and Spring Candidate Application Office Hours</li> </ul>	
	workshop to assist candidates with completing the membership	
Membership Services	application.	
	<ul> <li>Offered two Risk Management Review workshops to help</li> </ul>	
	prepare brothers for the Risk Management Exam.	
	<ul> <li>Offered training sessions on the completion of Special Events</li> </ul>	
	<b>Checklists</b> and <b>Requests for IMDP</b> in AlphaMX.	
	<ul> <li>Hosted two Chief Dean Training sessions on Alpha University.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Hosted the 2023 PAAC District Conference in Pittsburgh, PA,</li> </ul>	
	with 87 Registrants (44 Alumni and 21 College).	
	<ul> <li>Continued our PAAC Reads initiative at Dilworth Prep Charter</li> </ul>	
	Elementary School in Pittsburgh, PA, reading "We Shall	
	Overcome" to the kindergarten to third grade classes.	
	<ul> <li>Hosted an Inaugural Stop the Violence Public Program, focused</li> </ul>	
District Conference	on discussing solutions to the issues impacting our	
	communities. The panel, moderated by Ms. Talia Kirkland	
	(Reporter, WPXI TV News) included Mayor Ed Gainey, Judge	
	John Trucilla, Judge Kim Berkley Clark, State Rep. Dave Masden,	
	and Doris Carson Williams.	
	<ul> <li>Offered six workshop topics to enhance fraternal knowledge:</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Balancing Brotherhood and Life</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Effective Grant Writing</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Neophyte Training</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Preparing For the Risk Management Exam</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Upgrading Your Alpha Investment</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>O 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's Disease</li> </ul>	
Chapter Compliance	<ul> <li>15 of 17 (88%) chapters are in good standing with all fraternal</li> </ul>	
	obligations. Of	
	<ul> <li>2 of 17 (12%) chapters are inactive as there are no members in</li> </ul>	
	the chapter.	

### • ACTIVITIES ACCOMPLISHED

• Bi-weekly **Brotherhood Prayer Calls** (Prayers in the Pandemic)

- Formed a PAAC 501(c)(3) entity, The Keystone State Foundation
- Secured a **\$5,000 Grant** to assist with voter engagement on college campuses across the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

# **ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR NEXT TERM**

<ul> <li>Develop college chapter specific plans to address sustainability and fundraising challenges.</li> <li>Excellence</li> <li>Review and update PAAC Constitution &amp; Bylaws</li> <li>Secure Sponsors for 2024 District Conference</li> </ul>
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	<ul> <li>Secure grants to support community initiatives.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>100% Chapter Compliance with General/Regional and</li> </ul>
	District Fees and Assessments
	<ul> <li>Identify two fundraising initiatives for the district</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Establish a calendar of activities for the 2024-2025 Fraternal</li> </ul>
	Year.
	<ul> <li>Host a Statewide 2024 Founders' Day Event.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Increase Chapter Participation in fraternal initiatives,</li> </ul>
	national programs, and competitions.
	<ul> <li>Host Awareness Seminars each semester to maintain</li> </ul>
Engagement	visibility on campus.
	<ul> <li>Launch PAAC Service Project and Engagement Initiatives</li> </ul>
	(PAAC Day at the State Capitol, PAAC Day of Service)
	<ul> <li>Provide alumni chapters with Reclamation and Retention</li> </ul>
	Best Practices.
	<ul> <li>Summer Leadership Retreat for PAAC Officers and Staff.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Conduct workshops on important topics (Branding, Chapter</li> </ul>
Education	Operations, Executing IMDP, etc) at least quarterly.

# **FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

Cash Beginning of the Period	21,525.71
Receipts	15,425.00
Total Receipts for the Period	
Expenditures	
Total Expenditures for the Period	28,584.13
Net Increase (Decrease) in Balance for the Period	(13,158.86)
Ending Balance as of December 31, 2023	\$8,366.58

# **NEW ISSUES**

• Lehigh University- Charter Reactivation | Bucknell University- Chapter Interest

# **ACTION ITEMS / RECOMMENDATIONS**

- Collegiate Membership Growth for the following chapters: Iota Sigma (Millersville University), Nu (Lincoln University), Rho Pi (Penn West: Edinboro University), and Xi Sigma (Indiana University of Pennsylvania).
- Eastern Region should consider large events happening in the host areas when selecting convention dates.

Fraternally Submitted,

Robert Bruce Hill, Jr. District V Director

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# DISTRICT VI REPORT – MID-ATLANTIC ASSOCIATION OF ALPHA PHI ALPHA CHAPTERS (MAAC) – WASHINGTON DC, MARYLAND AND DELAWARE

TO:	Brother Christopher G. Ellis, Jr., Eastern Region Vice President
FROM:	Brother Raymond Hawkins Jr, District VI Director
	Brother David Harmon III, Assistant District VI Director
DATE:	March 15, 2024
RE:	Annual District VI Report

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP		
BROTHER	DISTRICT POSITION	CHAPTER
Raymond Hawkins Jr.	District Director & President	Kappa Epsilon Lambda
David Harmon III	Asst. District Director & College VP	Iota Zeta
Mtokufa Ngwenya	Assoc. District Director & Alumni VP	Iota Upsilon Lambda
Thomas Davis	Executive Director	Pi Upsilon Lambda
Christian Walker	Treasurer & Area Director (Area I – Eastern MD)	Delta Omicron Lambda
Shane James	Financial Secretary	Rho Tau Lambda
Maconel James	Secretary	Rho Tau Lambda
Kenneth Williams	Sergeant-at-Arms	Eta Eta Lambda
Keithlyn Warner	Chaplain	Xi Xi Lambda
Rashad Holloway	Parliamentarian	Rho Tau Lambda
Royal Hines	Area Director (Area II – Western MD)	Xi Xi Lambda
Tarik Harris	Area Director (Area III – Anne Arundel County, Prince George's County, Montgomery County and Charles County, MD)	Eta Eta Lambda
Brandon Tilghman	Area Director (Area IV – Baltimore and Howard County, MD)	Kappa Phi Lambda
Ronald Wooden	Area Director (Area V – Baltimore, MD)	Delta Lambda
Michael Taylor	Area Director (Area VI – Washington DC)	Omicron Lambda Alpha
Jerome Kenner	Area Director (Area VII – Delaware)	Gamma Theta Lambda

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### **PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES**

- Registered 115+ brothers for the 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual MAAC District (Hybrid) Conference where the theme was *Brotherhood and Impact Throughout the MAAC* with brothers receiving the state of the district address as well as key takeaways on how to make impact in retention through a forum to fight attrition and impact through quality IMDP to preserve and protect the fraternity.
- Hosted our 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Founders Day and Anthony "Tony" Cheatham Breakfast program where our theme was "Alpha Phi Alpha's Role in the Fight to Protect this Nation's Civil Rights" and our keynote speaker was Bro. Andre Hepkins, WBAL-TV News Anchor.
  - During the event, the district received greetings and a Happy Founders' Day from Maryland, Bro. Wes Moore. Along with two (2) ceremonial resolutions officially recognizing December 4<sup>th</sup> as Alpha Phi Alpha Day, in Washington DC from the City Council of Washington DC and the General Assembly of Maryland.
- Ritual Education & Training events were hosted by Area Leadership Teams, and facilitated by District VI Ritual Trainers in support of our Ritual Enhancement Initiatives; hosted one event in each area of the district prior to SP24 IMDP.
- Held the 2024 MAAC Spring Staff (Hybrid) Meeting with over 135 registered brothers where we focused on a review of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws document of the General Organization along with recommended changes from national programs, standard procedures, as well as fellowship and networking events within the district.
- Membership & IMDP Updates
  - District Demographics
    - 32 Chapters are in good standing and one (1) chapter is inactive
  - Established goal to reactivate 373 alumni brothers and retain 15 (graduating college brothers) in FY23-24.
    - Reactivated 100+ to date (a 15% increase when compared to last year)
    - Retained 10 college brothers from 2023 and received commitments from ~10 more to join alumni chapters immediately after graduation.
      - Additional reactivation activities are ongoing.
  - o IMDP
    - Initiated 132 neophyte brothers in FY23-24

#### **ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR NEXT TERM**

- Continue increasing an Alpha presence for the Mu Upsilon Chapter seated at Frostburg State University (Frostburg, MD) for chapter reactivation.
- Host 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual District Conference in Salisbury, MD (hybrid format) on November 1 2, 2024
  - o Reporting full accomplishments under 5-year strategic plan
- Continue supporting college and alumni chapters with activities which promotes brotherhood, increases membership, resources and operational efficiencies for programs and activities through providing solutions to the new issues provided below.

# FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Cash Beginning of the Period	\$ 39,837.58
Receipts Total Receipts for the Period Interest	\$ 39,463.44 \$41.40
Expenditures Total Expenditures for the Period Net Increase (Decrease) in Balance for the Period Ending Balance as of December 31, 2023	\$ 33,708.45 <u>\$ 5,796.35</u> \$ 45,633.97

# **NEW ISSUES**

- Fraternal Education
  - Governing Documents
    - Constitution & Bylaws (Chapter, District, General)
    - Ritual
    - Policy & Procedures Manual
    - Risk Management
  - Chapter Operations
  - Parliamentary Procedures
  - Neophyte Training
  - IMDP Lecture Delivery & Engagement
- Brotherhood Engagement
  - Chapter Collaborations
  - o Chapter-based Psychological Safety
  - o Accountability
  - Reactivation & Retention
- Corporate & Community Partnerships
  - Voter Engagement & Registration
  - o Policy Awareness, Education and Influence
  - o Strategic Corporate and Educational Partnerships

# **ACTION ITEMS / RECOMMENDATIONS**

- Support college brothers, their fellow students, parents and faculty in promoting legislation to increase campus safety measures for all colleges and universities.
- Provide equity for all brothers through a proposed reasonable accommodations guideline to be

- Partner with MAAC Scholarship Fund, universities and corporations to implement the *Champions* of *Change* program which will provide opportunities for brothers of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. to aid and assist in each other's further development as they enter into, and ascend throughout, their respective careers through various workshops and a robust career fair.
- Foster growth and sustainment of small and vacant college chapters through need-based campus programming, effective communication, mentoring and mission-based advocacy for the student body.
- Promote brotherhood engagement, unity and fellowship through a proposed recreational activity "The Jewels March" which targets all neophytes, but is open to all brothers, to share in providing the community and Brothers near and far with an appealing glimpse into the mystique of our fraternity's rich legacy and history.
- Propose revisions to the curriculum in our national program, Go-to-High School, Go-to-College, to provide updates that speak to the needs and interests of today's primary and secondary school aged young men.

Fraternally Submitted,

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Bro. Ray Hawkins Jr. District VI Director (MAAC) Eastern Region Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. ® ~Leadership on the Level~ https://www.mightymaac.org/



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# DISTRICT VII REPORT –

VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF CHAPTERS OF ALPHA PHI ALPHA FRATERNITY, INC.

(VACAPAF)

TO: Brother Christopher G. Ellis, Jr., Eastern Region Vice President Brother Yousif N. Omer, Eastern Region Assistant Vice President

FROM: Brother Kevin Glover, District VII Director/President

DATE: March 15, 2024

RE: Annual Report

# **COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

BROTHER	DISTRICT POSITION	CHAPTER
Kevin Glover	District Director & President	Theta Rho Lambda
Tony Moss	1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Beta Gamma Lambda
Ian Yeaton	2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President & Assist. District Director	Iota Beta
Hubert Anderson	Executive Director	Xi Delta Lambda
Robert West	Chief of Staff	Alpha Phi Lambda
Eric Johnson	Area 1 Director	Gamma Alpha Lambda
Ty'Leik Chambers	Area 1 Chief Dean	Gamma Alpha Lambda
Linzie Johnson	Area 2 Director	Gamma Nu Lambda
Antonio Davis	Area 2 Chief Dean	Gamma Nu Lambda
Sam Bagwell	Area 4 Director	Omicron Alpha Lambda
Chris Washington	Area 4 Chief Dean	Xi Alpha Lambda
Jerry Fitz	Area 5 Director	Xi Delta Lambda
Carlos Stewart	Area 5 Chief Dean	Beta Gamma Lambda
John Neal	Area 6 Director	Rho Iota Lambda
Marco Callendar	Area 6 Chief Dean	Nu Lambda
Paul Copeland	Area 7 Director	Delta Beta Lambda
James Avery	Area 7 Chief Dean	Zeta Lambda
Todd Mayfield	Area 8 Director	Alpha Phi Lambda
Tyrone Ward	Area 8 Chief Dean	Epsilon Iota Lambda

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- VACAPAF has registered over 300 Brothers for the 81<sup>st</sup> VACAPAF Convention in Chesapeake, Virginia.
- The Virginia General Assembly recognized Bro. Dr. Willis Lonzer for his work as General President on February 8, 2024 in the House of Delegates.
- Alpha Day on The Hill had over 100 Brothers attend and participate with statewide legislators to promote the constitutional amendment to give formally convicted individuals their right to vote automatically. We also celebrated Bro. Don Scott being sworn in as the first African American Speaker of the House of Delegates in Virginia's 400+ year history.
- ✤ Nu Lambda celebrated 100 years on December 16, 2023.
- We have separated the duties of Chief Dean and Area Director within the past year to prevent burnout of Brothers in the District and to also put emphasis on Chapter cohesion and operations across the District which has been a resounding success.
- We have begun a District wide College to Corporate (C2C) program this year which is off to a great start. College Brothers throughout the District have had opportunities to interview for internships and jobs after they graduate.
- VACAPAF Military Affairs has been working tirelessly since the beginning of the fraternal year. Seminars were held to inform Brothers currently serving and retired from military service how to properly file to receive their VA benefits. Additionally, they have participated in Wreaths Across America in Arlington and have developed a VACAPAF Military Challenge coin as a fundraiser.
- Brothers from around the Richmond Metro Area successfully erected a historical marker at the historic Evergreen Cemetery in Richmond which is where Jewel Euguene Kinckle Jones' parents are buried. Brothers from across the area, take turns in making sure that their graves are properly cared for and keep it well maintained.
- ♦ We have initiated over 150 new members in the new term.
- ♦ We had a successful District Fantasy Football League (2).
- ✤ 30 Brothers attended our inaugural Veterans Day Breakfast in Richmond.
- ♦ We had 100% participation from College Chapters in our District award competitions.

# **ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR NEXT TERM**

- We will be partnering with the NAACP, Urban League, and others to be trained on how to properly advocate in our communities.
- Increase voter awareness through voter education initiatives in addition to voter registration.
- Expand our reach with Brotherhood Engagement to bring the Brotherhood together outside of formal business activities.
- Define the role of Assistant Area Directors so College Brothers can have their seat at the table to support the Assistant District Director and College Affairs Team.
- Continue to enhance our Fraternal Learning offerings to assist Brothers with the knowledge that they need to become better Alphas.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY Cash Beginning of the Period	\$ 89,844.58
Receipts	
Total Receipts for the Period	\$ 72,373.36
Expenditures	
Total Expenditures for the Period	\$ 59,524.03
Net Increase (Decrease) in Balance for the Period	\$ 12, 849.33
Ending Balance as of December 31, 2023	\$ 102,693.91
NEW ISSUES	

Re-establishing Sigma Pi (University of Lynchburg)

Re-establishing Upsilon Gamma (University of Richmond)

# **ACTION ITEMS / RECOMMENDATIONS**

- Establish roles for District Directors to assist Clusters with IMDP related issues in the system during intake.
- Create a region-wide list of rejected candidates to better secure the House.

Fraternally Submitted,

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Bro. Kevin A. Glover District VII Director/VACAPAF

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