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Foundations Reading Program

Omegas and Deltas Mentoring Partnership



Members from the Omeegas of Rock Hill's Foundations Mentees along with the Rock Hill Alumnae Chapter's EMBODI Mentees met at the York County Library for the Reading Program

On Saturday October 22, 2012 the Omeegas of Rock Hill and the Rock Hill Alumnae of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., partnered together to bring their mentoring program together at the local library.

Empowering Males to Build Opportunities for Developing Independence (EMBODI), is Delta Sigma Theta's National Initiative. EMBODI focuses on improving the quality of life for young African American males by focusing on education, culture, family, community, personal, social and emotional factors, as well as leadership and mentorship. Additionally, the program informs mentees on preventative health care, mental

health counseling, resilience, responsibility, conflict resolution, restorative justice, scholarship, service learning, safety, protection and financial well-being.

The Omeegas mentoring program, *Foundations* is a yearlong program teaching Christian values in its curriculum and daily activities. Throughout the year, community leaders visit with the young men to discuss various leadership development and financial topics.

Foundation members are exposed to new learning experiences through workshops, field trips and a yearly summer Leadership Camp in King, NC. The goal is to provide the mentees with the resources to be successful

inside and outside of school.

During the 2 hour program the groups work together on a reading program for the first hour. The 2nd half of the day the participants visited the Rock Hill Police department's Open House. They experience working in the Police computer command post and saw tools the police use in their training.

Both mentoring groups will meet every third Saturday from 10:00am -12:00pm at various locations and schedule community service events.

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2012 Vote: Get Involved

Kappa Alpha 4 Part Series on the upcoming 2012 Elections by: Brother JT Richardson

Truth vs. Myth – 2012 General Election.....

Myth: The new photo ID law is in effect, and if you don't have one, you can't vote.

Truth: The new photo ID law will NOT be in effect on November 6th. To vote on November 6th, you must have a S.C. Driver's License, a S.C. DMV ID card, or a voter registration card. The new photo ID rules won't take effect until January 1, 2013. Even then, there are safeguards in place that allow any voter to vote on Election Day, whether they have a photo ID or not.

Myth: South Carolina has "early voting," meaning anyone can vote early for any reason.

Truth: South Carolina has "absentee voting." You must meet one of 15 reasons for voting absentee. To vote absentee in person, visit your county voter registration and election office. To vote absentee by mail you need to apply first. Call your county voter registration and elections office to have one mailed to you.

Myth: Straight party voting does not apply to President. You must vote for President first before voting straight party, or your vote for President won't count.

Truth: Straight party voting applies to President and all other partisan offices on the ballot. It is not necessary to select President first. It will be very clear on the voting machine when your choice for President is selected. The names will be checked and highlighted. You can also verify your selection on the review screen at the end of your ballot.

Myth: Absentee votes don't count unless the election is really close.

Truth: Every vote matters, and every vote counts. Absentee ballots are usually the first votes counted on Election Day.

Myth: If you go to the polls wearing a t-shirt supporting your candidate, you won't be allowed to vote.

Truth: It is true that the display of campaign material is not allowed within 200 feet of any entrance to a polling place on Election Day. This law applies to posters, pamphlets, brochures, signs, buttons, hats, t-shirts, etc. Voters with campaign material will not be turned away, but will be asked to remove the material, cover the material, or otherwise cause the material not to be seen before being allowed to vote.

Myth: Due to so many people voting and long lines, the election is being extended until Wednesday.

Truth: There are no Election Day extensions. Election Day is November 6th, 2012. Polling places will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. **If you are in line at 7:00 p.m.**, you will be allowed to vote.

Myth: I can't vote because I'm disabled and need assistance.

Truth: Voters with disabilities and voters who are unable to read or write may vote and may request assistance in the voting booth. If you need assistance in marking your ballot, ask the poll manager. You can choose the person you want to assist you as long as they are not your employer or officer of your union or an agent of your employer or union.





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..... PRESENTS

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Friday November 16th, 2012 Event Starts at 7PM \$25.00 Advance Tickets

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Keynote Speaker :

Brother Antonio E. Knox, 1st Vice Grand Basileus

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Omega's Biblical Reading

by: Brother Derrick Barksdale

Model Jesus' Self-Discipline

Greeting Brothers,
Jesus modeled self-discipline in being obedient to the Father in Heaven for all those who followed Him. Jesus states, "For whosoever will save his life shall lose it; but whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the gospel's, the same shall save it".

Jesus always specifies the object of his faith, God's good news, and that God's rule will come to past, even as He lived.

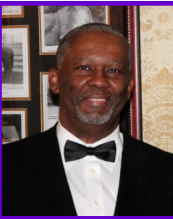
In the post-resurrection church, to dedicate one's life to the risen Lord is to dedicate oneself to the gospel, that is, the good news of the kingdom of God.

And with Jesus being the liv-

ing word, His disciples are to dedicate themselves to Him and His commands just as He has the Father.

Brothers let's re-dedicate our lives to God, our family, our community, and our service!

Be Blessed!
Chaplin Barksdale



Are you in Good Hands?

by: Brother William "Bill" Berry, *All State Agent*

As we commute to and from work, pick of the kids, or do a little traveling, there are some techniques we can incorporate into our routine to decrease our chances of having accidents. Here are a few tips to keep the integrity of their vehicles intact, as well as becoming to safer, smarter drivers.

Watch the weather. If there has been a change in weather, adjust your route and give yourself plenty of time to get where you are going safely.
Have a Plan B

If the route you usually take involves traversing an area where there are frequent accidents, look for a way round

the problem spot.

If you get stuck in an unexpected tough spot, look for a way out. Ask yourself some what-ifs. If you plan what you would do, when and if the problem happens, you will respond automatically.

Try not to freeze Many accidents happen because inexperienced drivers waste the seconds between seeing a problem – for instance, a car that pulls out in front of them — and doing something to avoid it.

Don't fly over the top of a hill
Lots of accidents happen in hilly areas when a driver is giving it all he's got going up a hill. Always slow down as

you crest the hill and see what's ahead of you.

Keep your eyes on the road and your hands on the wheel
Too many people drive when they are distracted, stressed out and not paying attention to what's going on around them.

Sometimes you just can't avoid a fender-bender. Make sure that when you are behind the wheel, you always carry your driver's license, registration and your insurance card.



Thoughts for Your Future

Kappa Alpha's Financial Corner by: Brother Isaiah Venning



What are budget goals?

Think of your budget goals as your financial wish list and your spending plan as a way to make those wishes a reality. Without clear budget goals, your financial life may remain in disarray. Like any other goals in life, your budget goals help you turn your wish list into an action plan. Your budget goals also help you take the drudgery out of following the budget because now, when you give up any immediate desire, you know that you are one step closer to something you really want. For example, when you give up having dinner in a nice restaurant, you know that you are closer to being able to take a dream vacation next spring. With clear goals in sight, you can chart your course of action and change your direction when needed.

Start by listing your goals

Setting your budget goals requires forecasting your future needs and dreams. Involve every member of your family and discuss each possible goal with them. If possible, find a time when everyone in your family is relatively free. Have a brainstorming session with your entire family and ask each member to make a list of three to five of their possible needs and dreams as individuals and as a family. At this stage, keep in mind that you want to list all of your goals and dreams. Examining them and prioritizing them will come later. Strive to be as specific and unambiguous as possible so that they become easier to plan. For example, instead of listing a goal of "taking a family vacation somewhere within next five years," list "taking a vacation to Florida next summer." Once each member has made the list, go over all the goals and see if you want to make any changes before you incorporate them into your budget.

Divide up your goals according to how long it will take to meet each goal

Divide your budget goals into three categories: short-term goals (less than a year), medi-

um-term goals (one to five years), and long-term goals (more than five years).

Short-term goals are your immediate needs and wants, such as buying a dishwasher next month or buying a new car next year. Since these goals are, by definition, less than a year from being realized, they are relatively easy to estimate and plan.

Medium-term goals are things that you and your family want to achieve during the next five years, such as taking a vacation to Florida or renovating your home. These goals require more planning and careful estimation of their costs.

Long-term goals extend well into the future, such as planning for your retirement or for your child's education. These goals require the most planning, including estimating the cost, forecasting your income, and estimating the growth of your investments. You may need expert help to plan for these goals.

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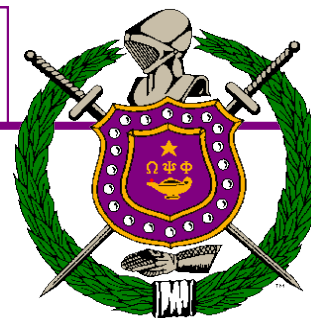


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				Eric Jordan		
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		Byron Reese				
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Chapter Meeting	Moses Burkett				FOUNDERS BALL	 Happy Birthday QUES!!!!
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
			Claude T. Williams			
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	Nate Barber		Byron Putman			

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