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Chapter holds joint Voter Registration and Blood Drive at Rock Hill Galleria Mall



The Community Blood Center's Blood Mobile

Rock Hill, SC - On Saturday June 30th, 2012, the Kappa Alpha Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. held a voter registration drive and their 4th Annual Dr. Charles Drew Community Blood Drive at the Rock Hill Galleria Mall.

The blood drive was a partnership with the chapter and the Community Blood Center of the Carolinas. Amanda Ballog, Sponsorship Developer for the Blood Center said, "We are pleased to be a partner with Omega Psi Phi. So far this summer our blood supplies are very low and we need as many donors as possible to keep up with demands."

Out of the 20 donors who signed up to give, only 13 were accepted. The Voter Registration Drive was



Citizens registering to vote at the Galleria Mall

equally successful as the fellow members of the Rock Hill National PanHellenic Council joined Kappa Alpha for the event. Some of the registrants will be first time voters, but the majority were people who recently changed addresses or just moved to York County, totaling 15 registrations. NPHC of Rock Hill President Sharon Wallace said, "We hope to do more joint adventures with our chapters. Some national programs are inline and we hope to take advantage of working together and supporting each other." The chapter is planning to hold another voter registration drive with Psi Kappa Chapter on campus at Winthrop University in September.

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Scenes from Social Action Saturday

Omegas of Rock Hill, Inc. Joint Blood and Voter Registration Drive



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KA Sends 4 Boys to Leadership Camp

YMCA Camp Hanes - King, NC



Brother Carl Dicks and the 4 members of Kappa Alpha Foundations Mentoring Program

King, NC - On Saturday June 30th, 2012, the Kappa Alpha Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., sponsored 4 young men to the Sixth District's Omega Leadership Camp at the YMCA Camp Hanes facility.

The attendees were: Mackenzey Hughes, a rising 8th grader at Saluda Trail Middle School; Jaden Rawlinson, a 7th grader Saluda Trail Middle School; Deonte Miller, an 8th grader at Dutchman Creek Middle School and Donovan McClinton, a rising 6th grader Saluda Trail Middle School.

This was the first time Deonte and Donovan participated in the camp.

Miller said, "I enjoyed the camp, especially all of the water

activities. I was scared a little when a storm came through."

"I want to go back next year, said McClinton, the zip line and the the pool was the best. I also liked watching movies and the food was really good."

The chapter is grateful to Williams & Fudge and Family Trust for their contribution helping fund the camp for the students.





Omega's Biblical Reading

by: Brother Derrick Barksdale

Greetings Brothers,

Cast thy burden upon the LORD, and he shall sustain thee: he shall never suffer the righteous to be moved.

(Psalms 55:22 KJV)

Are you striving to achieve your Christian best and be as perfect and righteous as you can be? Brothers we must habitually be the best that God desires us to be. We persevere through our persistence! Don't ever let yourself get tired of doing what is right in the sight of God. We are all creatures of weakness in the flesh, and we must pray daily, asking the Lord to strengthen us. Nobody has all the answers, but we all have the opportunity to be our best for God.

Right now you must take a stand against the devil, against your trials, against your circumstances; you can't quit and give up no matter what the problems are. Cast your burden upon the LORD, nothing is too big for him. Hold onto your faith and lean on God for strength.

Where do you focus the majority of your time, on self or on service? When the hardships of life show up at your door, do you back down or rise to the challenge? On your journey through life, will you allow yourself to be victimized, or will you be the one who claims victory over adversity and serve others out of your strength? Your strength is someone else's example.

We must always choose to get up rather than give up brothers. What do you choose?

Fraternally,

Chaplin Barksdale



Are you in Good Hands?

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

Greetings Brothers!

It is always a best practice to maintain a safe level of driving. Losing your temper when you're behind the wheel can be dangerous both for you and other drivers. Staying calm and making good decisions can help keep you safe. We have all grown familiar to the term "road rage", as it has made it into the headlines of the media across the country. The reports detail sad stories of car accidents and deaths involving someone who got angry behind the wheel and acted out aggressively. The bad news is that because road rage is aggressive in nature, it's often accompanied by negative consequences. The most unfortunate statistic is that instances of road rage are seen as on the rise. Out of out of 10,000 suspected road rage events over a 7-year time period, about 12,610 injuries and 218 murders happened as a result. On top of this, more than 26,000 traffic deaths that occur each year are said to be related to road rage and aggressive driving.

Road rage is a dangerous behavior that can lead to accidents, injury, and even death. Do your best to remain calm behind the wheel, and don't antagonize other drivers. You never know who may be dangerous.

2012 Vote: Get Involved

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



Know your status..... It is election time again, with that being said, it is very important that we know our current status with South Carolina Election Commission. In order to vote in South Carolina one has to register by October 6th, 2012, which is **30 days prior** to the election. To be eligible to register in South Carolina you must: be a United States citizen. be at least eighteen years old on or before the next election, be a resident of South Carolina. that county and precinct, not be

under a court order declaring you mentally incompetent, not be confined in any public prison resulting from a conviction of a crime, have never been convicted of a felony or offense against the election, laws or if previously convicted, have served the entire sentence, including probation or parole, or have received a pardon for the conviction.

Have you moved since the last election? Does the address on your license match your voter registration card? If not, fill out a voter registration application and check the box for "Change in Registration Information". If there has been a change in vour address your precinct may have changed. You need to rectify this prior to the election or you will be given a "fail-safe" ballot (paper ballot) and you will not be allowed to vote via the voting machines. To check your current status you can go to:

https://info.scvotes.sc.gov/eng/ voterinquiry/

Putman elected to WU Alumni Association Executive Council



Brother Byron Putman Rock Hill, SC - On Monday July 2, 2012, Brother Byron

Putman was elected to the Winthrop University Alumni Association's Executive Board as an At-Large Member and will serve a 2 year term. The role of the Alumni Executive Board is to nurture the relationship between the University and its alumni sector, with alumni operations. They have three areas of focus according to the Alumni Association Constitution:

Promote the growth, progress

and general welfare of Winthrop University;

Foster among its former students a sentiment of regard for one another and continuing attachment to their Alma Mater; and

Interest prospective students in attending Winthrop University. The Executive Board provides leadership for the university's approximately 50,000 active alumni.



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Thoughts for Your Future

The Making Home Affordable ® Program (MHA) ® is an important part of the Obama Administration's comprehensive plan to stabilize the U.S. housing market by helping homeowners get mortgage relief and avoid foreclosure. To meet the various needs of homeowners across the country, Making Home Affordable ® programs offer a range of solutions that may be able to help you take action before it's too late.

Refinance and take advantage of today's low mortgage interest rates.

Reduce your monthly mortgage payments. Get mortgage relief while searching for reemployment. Get help when you owe more than your home is worth. Avoid foreclosure when homeownership is no longer affordable

Start today by learning more about the options available to you.

Depending on the situation, homeowners can lower their monthly mortgage payments. If homeownership is no longer affordable or desirable, there is a program that can provide a way out, avoiding foreclosure. There are also options for unemployed homeowners and homeowners who owe more than their homes are worth.

There are a variety of MHA ® programs that may help home-

owners having difficulty making mortgage payments.

If you are having mortgage issues call 888-995-HOPE (4673) for the Hearing impaired: 877-304-9709 TTY.

As you enter a process that can sometimes be overwhelming, it would be in your best interest to engage a housing expert to help you along the way. Let a HUDapproved housing counselor help you understand your options, prepare your application, and work with your mortgage company.

For more information visit http://www.makinghomeafforda ble.gov/aboutmha/faqs/Pages/default.aspx



Kappa Alpha Congratulates Brother LaTaj Linen and Mrs. Freda Linen on the birth of their son.

Lataj Verrell Linen, Jr.

On Saturday July 7 2012 at 9:56 am, Brother LaTaj Linen and Mrs. Freda Linen welcomed Master LaTaj Verrell Linen, Jr. into the world.

LaTaj, Jr. was 17 inches tall weighing 5lbs loz.

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			1	2	3	4		
						Keith Ashwood		
5	6	7	8	9	10	11		
		John Coleman						
12	13	14	15	16	17	18		
Dave Perry	Reginald Powell, Sr	21	Kinte Gordon	23	24	25		
	20	21		23	24 Psi Kappa's Yard Show Amphitheatre	23		
Chapter Meeting	27	20	Chris Washington	20	5pm			
26	27	28	29	30	31			
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