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KA 2012 Miss Mardi Gras

Kappa Alpha Chapter's 2012 Miss Mardi Gras



2012 Miss Mardi Gras contestants (L-R): Ms. Lanita Monroe, Ms. Jessica Perry, Ms. Willie Jamerson, Ms. Tamika Sanders and Ms. Georshawn Marshall

On Friday May 4, 2012, the Kappa Alpha Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. held its annual Mardi Gras celebration.

Guest wobbled to the sounds of Million Dollar DJ Tab Diba\$\$i as well as enjoyed the wonderful menu set by Darby's Catering.

Guest raved over a new item for the Mardi Gras "A Candy & Dessert Bar", sponsored by Sweet Sensations of Rock Hill.

The moment of the night was the crowning of 2012 Miss Mardi Gras.

This event was a part of the Mardi Gras in years past and the committee wanted to bring it back and make it a permanent segment during the celebration.

Mardi Gras Chair, Carl Dicks said, "We are very thankful for the tremendous efforts of our contestants. We also have to thank all of our sponsors: Bill Berry All State, Robinson Funeral Home, Sweet Sensations, Plant Peddler, Edible Arrangements, Dawn Johnson State Farm, A Quality Smile for You, Founders, Accurate Engraving. Parker Funeral Home as well as all guest who supported our events.

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2012 MISS MARDI GRAS

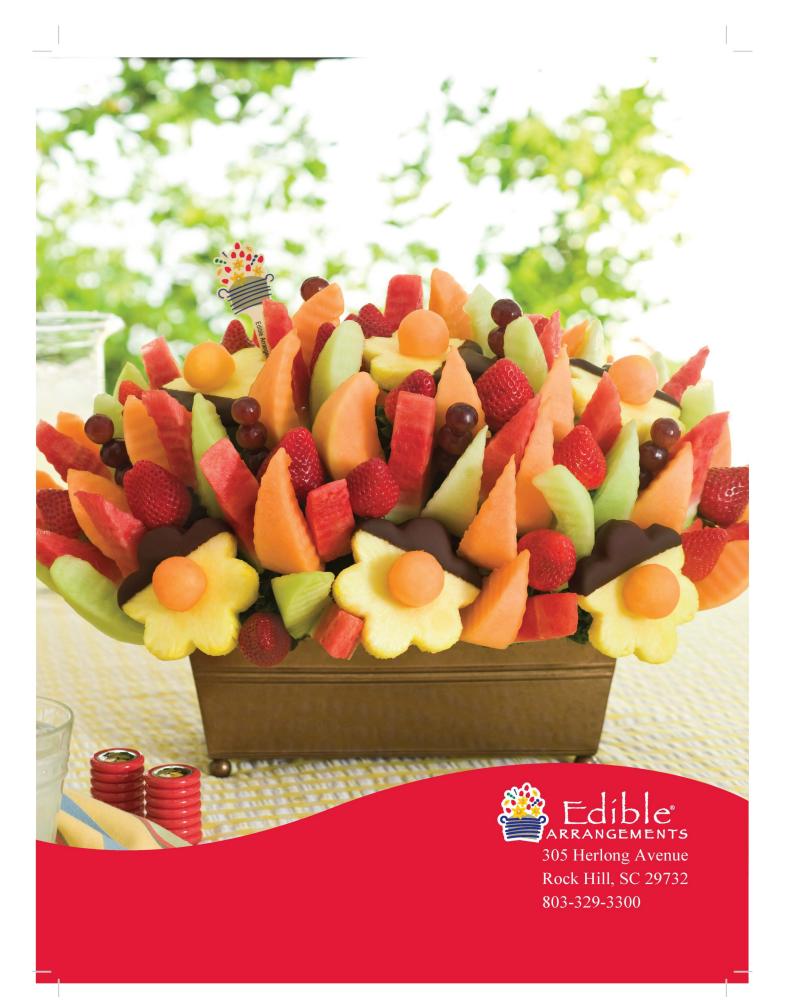


MS. WILLIE JAMERSON



Jessica Perry Tamika Sanders Georshawn Marshall Lanita Monroe





Omega Men 2012 Spring Graduates



Reginald Powell, Jr.

Bachelors of Science Degree

Physical Education



Brandon Thomas

Masters Degree

Sports and Fitness Administration



Kevin Williams

Masters Degree

Business Administration



Rev. Derrick Barksdale

Masters Degree

Divinity

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Coleman Publishes 2nd Book on Poetry



Brother Jeffrey Coleman

St. Mary's City, MD - Jeffrey Coleman, a Gaffney, South Carolina native and associate professor of English at St. Mary's College of Maryland, appeared on NPR's "The Tavis Smiley Show" on April 6, 2012, about Coleman's recently published poetry collection of the civil rights movement, "Words of Protest, Words of Freedom: Poetry of the American Civil Rights Movement and Era."

The interview included a poem reading by Coleman, who spent 20 years collecting poetry for the volume.

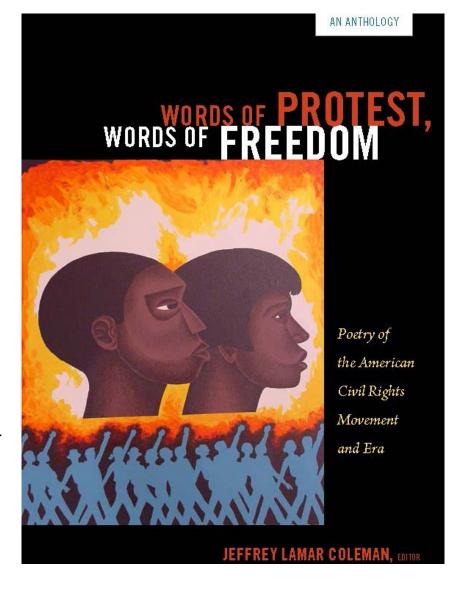
Coleman earned a B.A. from Winthrop University (Psi Kappa, Spring 1984), an M.F.A. in creative writing, with an emphasis in poetry, from Arizona State University, and his Ph.D. in American Studies from the University of New Mexico.

He is the author of another poetry collection, titled "Spirits Distilled: Poems," and his work has appeared in

numerous other publications. Coleman has also given lectures across the country on the history and poetry of the American civil rights movement.

He became inspired to compile poetry of the civil rights movement upon realizing during his graduate studies that no such compilation existed.

St. Mary's College of Maryland, designated the Maryland state honors college in 1992, is ranked one of the best public liberal arts schools in the nation by U.S. News & World Report. More than 2,000 students attend the college, nestled on the St. Mary's River in Southern Maryland.





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Omega's Biblical Reading

by: Brother Derrick Barksdale

Greetings Brothers,

I pray that you all are walking in the calling God has placed on you and that you are allowing God's word to continue guiding your life.

It is so important to have scripture written on your heart so that you are prepared to minister when the time arises. There are so many people that need to hear from GOD, and sometimes you may be their only avenue. I'm a firm believer that God's word is able to keep you through whatever

it is you face in life.

God tells us that Heaven and Earth will pass away, but HIS word will last forever! Your help is in the scripture. We often go to so many different places for help, but the scripture is rarely an option. There are devilish wolves waiting to devour us, and if we try to fight them with flesh, they will satisfy their desires. But if we fight them with the Sword of the Spirit, we shall reign victorious.

I challenge you to read one

chapter of scripture a day, this month. And watch the demons that begin to flee from your situation! The bible is "devil repellant" because he can't stand the sound of scripture on your lips.

Pray for the sick! Pray for the helpless! Pray for those who need to hear from God! And claim victory for these individuals in the name of Jesus!

Be Blessed, Chaplin Barksdale



Are you in Good Hands?

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

Every day, 3 motorcyclists are killed at intersections in the U.S.

How are you sharing the road during Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month?

Drivers of cars, trucks and vans are conditioned to look for other large vehicles on the road, especially when changing lanes and making turns. But with so many motorcycles on the road, especially in the summer months, drivers must pay extra attention to be aware of riders on two-

wheeled vehicles.

Motorcycles are obviously smaller, faster and offer the rider much less protection than a car, truck or van, and below are common rules by which both riders and drivers can abide to help improve the safety of our roads.

- Assume a motorcycle is closer than it looks
- Take an extra moment to check your blind spot
- Be cautious when going

through intersections

- Assume a motorcyclist may slow down without visual warning
- Allow more following distance behind a motorcycle because it can't always stop on a dime
- When a motorcycle is in motion, don't think of it as a motorcycle; think of it as a person

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Foundations tour CN2

Omega Psi Phi Fatherhood Initiative and Mentoring Program



CN2 Sports Director Rob Jones and members of Kappa Alpha's Foundations mentoring group after the CN2 studios tour and chat with Mr. Jones

Rock Hill, SC – On Saturday May 19, 2012, CN2's Sport Director Rob Jones was the guest speaker for Kappa Alpha's mentoring program Foundations

Jones spoke about the im-

portance of the "3L's" in life to the young men. He said of you master the art of Listening you will be able to Learn which in turn will allow you to Lead

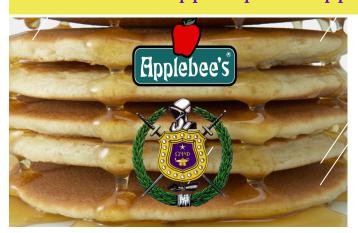
He drove home the first L

placing a large emphasis on listening. He said, "Many times in school, students frequently find themselves in situations simply because they were not listening and therefore could not follow the directions from their teacher."

After a question and answer session, Rob invited the group over to take a tour of CN2. The young men were taken throughout the facility and got a first-hand look at the entire operation. The group saw the newsroom, editing studio, master control room, as well as the main broadcast studio.

Jones, who moved to Charlotte, NC from Chicago, Il, to accept the sports director job with the cable company's local channel.

1st Annual Kappa Alpha & Applebee's Flapjack Fundraiser



All proceeds will go towards sending males to the Omega Boys Leadership Camp for males ages 8 - 15. The camp focus is on enhancing a camper's self-esteem, confidence, and ability to interact with others by providing its participants a wide variety experiences through its team building activities and adventures. Some of the projects/programs at Boys Camp include;









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Thoughts for Your Future

Kappa Alpha's Financial Corner by: Brother Isaiah Venning

Every homeowner has been a first-time buyer once in their life, so you're not alone. But buying a home is one of the largest purchases you'll make, so how do you know if you're ready to take that next big step? These home-buying tips can help reduce the stress of buying your first home Renting vs. buying: You want to have the flexibility to relocate put off homeownership for a while. If you're certain about settling in your city consider your opton How's your credit? Your credit standing will affect the

terms of your mortgage, so

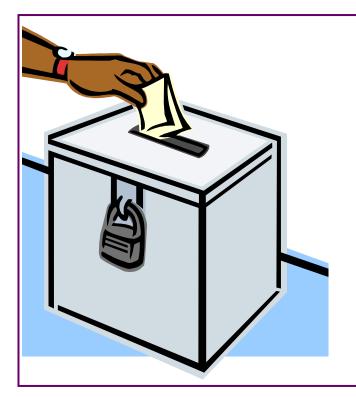
it's a good idea to try and

strengthen your credit rating before applying for a loan. You can help do this by paying your bills on time, reducing your total debt load and avoiding any unnecessary inquiries to your report.

Pinch those pennies: Besides having to save for a down payment, other expenses such as closing costs, homeowners insurance, and more often seem to come out of the woodwork when you're purchasing a home. Most lenders will also want you to have a "reserve"—money left in your savings account after you've covered all the costs. Frugality now will payoff later when

you're enjoying your new abode.

Tax advantage: Mortgage interest and property taxes are generally deductible. So, you may be making a larger monthly payment than renting, but remember to take into consideration the amount you're saving in taxes. See your tax advisor for details. Weigh your options: Are there any financial programs that may help you get into your first home sooner? Federal and state-backed loans may make it easier to qualify for a loan by offering programs with little or no money down.



R U Registered 2 Vote?

Omegas of Rock Hill Voter Registration Drive Saturday June 30th, 2012

The Rock Hill Galleria MallEntrance near Wal-Mart11 am - 2 pm



Omegas of Rock Hill Community Blood Drive

Date:

Saturday, June 30, 2012

Time:

11:00 am - 2:00 pm

Location:

Rock Hill Galleria

Appointments:

Email kappaalpha@omegasofrockhill.org



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June 2012

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1	2 Flapjack Fundraiser Applebee's 7am - 10am
3	4 Vincent Goree	5 Ray Singleton	6	7	8	9
10 KA Chapter Meeting	11 Anthony Sands	12	13	14	15 Kelton Sumter	16
	,	10	20	21		22
17 Father's Day	18 Maurice Sanders	19	Gerald Dixon	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	Carl Ratliff John King					Dr. Charles Drew Blood Drive Galleria Mall 11am - 2pm

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