

Polemarch's Welcome



Brothers All,

It is indeed a pleasure to welcome you all back to another exciting year of Service, Fraternity and Fellowship!!! It is also a pleasure to greet you from within the pages of our Hamer Observer Newsletter. In an effort to bring you more information about all things pertaining to NYA's activities, we have brought this quarterly newsletter back for your enjoyment. Please allow me to take this moment of personal privilege at this time, to also thank you for re-electing me as your Polemarch for the ensuing year. It is an honor and privilege that I take very seriously and I will do my best to lead this chapter with prudence and vigor. Together with the members of the Executive Board, Board of Directors, Past Polemarch's Council and Committee Chairmen, I can assure you that WE will do all within OUR power to guide this Kappa Ship that we call

New York Alumni through another year of success as we blend time honored tradition and history with all of the cutting edge, technology at our disposal to ensure that you as members are better served in the areas of communication, responsiveness and membership administrative services. Kappa as we used to know it is starting to fade away – we are now required to submit online reports to IHQ and our Northeastern Province officials. WE ARE ALL NOW MANDATED TO REGISTER THE CHAPTER, EVERY MEMBER OF THE CHAPTER AND ALL PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS OF THE CHAPTER IN KAPPAORG.COM. We will do our best to make sure that we get all our Senior Brothers registered either at our monthly chapter meetings or by phone call where we can create the account for them from the comfort of their homes.

Within the pages of this newsletter, you will read about some of the exciting things that the chapter, officers and Brothers of NYA have been involved with over the past few months. Before that, I want to call your attention to the following upcoming events.

11/5/2016 Is our Senior Kappa Chapter Meeting and Chapter Photo. We ask all Brothers to come out and honor our Senior Members and fellowship with them as we hear about what Kappa was like in the times when they pledged. Also – please bring your Crimson Jacket (White if you're a 50

Year Member), so that we can take our annual chapter photo.

11/19/2016 The George Rodriguez Annual Guide Right Game Day. Out of respect for our fallen Brother George Rodriguez – we have named the Guide Right Game Day in his honor. Please join us while we entertain the children in our Guide Right Programs.

LATE NOVEMBER – We will be assisting with our usual Pre – Thanksgiving and Thanksgiving activities at Dunlevy-Milbank Center and Convent Avenue Baptist Church.

MID – LATE DECEMBER NYA Holiday Party & Toy Drive; NYAF Adopt-A-Family Program; Toy Giveaway Visitations To Local Hospitals, Shelters, Etc.

JANUARY – National and Metro Founders Day Observances & Fundraisers

FEBRUARY -The 80th Anniversary Celebration of The New York Alumni Chapter. The administration and I are asking ALL BROTHERS to come and celebrate the 80-year existence of NYA!!! We are now planning and staging house restorations – your generous donations are and will always be greatly appreciated in helping us to get the house repaired and renovated in time for our 80th anniversary. We will also have a Community reception on February 20th 2017 and we are asking all Brothers to attend as we unveil the new changes that we have made in the Kappa Kastle.

Again, on behalf of myself and the 2016 – 2017 Administration, we thank you for your confidence in electing us to represent you and we thank you in advance for your assistance in what we are sure will be a fantastic year for us all as we embark upon a journey of “Unswerving Fidelity To Kappa While Displaying An Unsurpassed Commitment To The Communities That We Serve”!!!



I hope that you will enjoy reading of the great work that we have been doing as a chapter and that it serves to empower you to assist us as we “Inspire Service In The Public Interest”.

As your humble servant leader, I faithfully remain...

Yours in the Bond,

Brother Gregory D. Thomas Polemarch

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