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Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Incorporated



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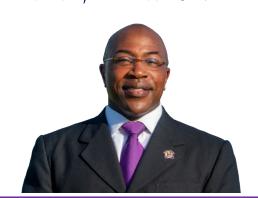
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OMEGA PSI PHI FRATERNITY, INC.





FAMILY — FRIENDSHIP — FRATERNITY

Greetings Friends and Family of Lambda Beta Beta Chapter

On behalf of the FY19-20 Executive Council and members of Lambda Beta Beta (LBB) Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Incorporated, Mahalo nut loa for your continued support of our mandated programs and community efforts. Contributions and donations from the community makeup the vast majority of our mandated program funding, and your support will assist in funding programming and scholarships for Oahu's youth.

This is an exciting and challenging time for LBB as we celebrate 109 years of Manhood, Scholarship and Service, and continue to perpetuate our chapter's legacy of Family, Friendship and Fraternity. This past year, we were able to be laser focused on youth initiatives, and in helping those less fortunate in our community. We were also able to initiate the Omega Project Aspirations Foundation, Inc. aimed at nurturing the minds of our young men to develop tomorrows leaders thorough targeted sessions in areas that build critical thinking skills, perfect oral communication and develop leaders. Additionally, we renewed our commitment to partner with a local school. Under our community service and empowerment pillar, our partnership with the Honolulu Meals on Wheels Program remained steadfast, and we remained committed to this effort until the pandemic. In addition, the men of LBB collaborated with the Honolulu Habitat for Humanity Program helping to build homes for those in need in our community.

I'm truly inspired by the continued support of our chapter's endeavors in the community, and we hope to see you at one of our upcoming programs and events. Please like us on Facebook and join our mailing list to receive updates on programs and initiatives.

Lastly, thank you to the elected officers, committee chairs, members, and friends of LBB. Thank you all for your steadfast service to the Oahu Ohana.

Mahalo nui loa!

Basileus - Immediate Past

Bryce Pringle 6-XE-95

6-XE-95 Bryce Pringle



OMEGA PSI PHI







Greetings Brothers of the Lambda Beta Beta Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Incorporated, better known as the "Tropic Lightning Ques." I want to thank the brothers for allowing me the opportunity to serve as your Vice Basileus over this past year. It has indeed been an honor.

Although marked by the COVID pandemic, this year has been very successful for the Chapter. The members of our fraternity and especially Lambda Beta Beta Chapter come from all walks of life civilian, enlisted, and officer alike. What makes us special is that we ALL took an oath and remain committed to serving our community by upholding the fraternity's four cardinal principles: Manhood, Scholarship, Perseverance, and Uplift. I am proud to say that we completed the task and job well done!

Some of a few Chapter accolades over the past year include increasing the financial stance of the Chapter from \$2K to over \$20K; giving out over \$8K to college-bound students in the name of Scholarship our second Cardinal Principle; winning Honorable Mention Social Action Chapter of the Year for the 13th District and bringing in nine new members into the fraternity to name a few.

Reflecting, it has truly been a productive year, and I am excited about the new Chapter leadership and this upcoming year. A year that I hope we can put our pity differences aside and rally around "Family, Friendship, and Fraternity!" Again, thank you, brothers for allowing me to be amongst the men of Lambda Beta Beta Chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Incorporated "Home of the Tropic Lightning Ques!"

Vice Basileus - Immediate Past
Landis Maddox

3-PHI NU-96

Landis Maddox

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Tropic Lightning Ques



FY21 Lambda Beta Beta Executive Council





Basileus



Greetings to the Brother's of Lambda Beta Beta Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Incorporated. "I AM" Brother Ajaya K. Martin, the Basileus elect for Lambda Beta Beta Chapter for the upcoming fiscal year 2021 (FY21). I, on the behalf of both the outgoing and incoming administrations, want to thank you ALL for your continued support, vote of confidence and the trust that you'll have invested in us, as your chosen Leaders, to continue to carry on the traditions and business of Lambda Beta Beta Chapter.

Basileus' Vision:

I intend to build onto the success of the previous administration through DEEDS not WORDS. I will continue support the international Mandated Programs, empower committees, and uplift the community of Oahu through charity, service, and our Project Aspirations mentorship program. I will employ the institutions of **FAMILY**, **FRIENDSHIP**, and **FRATERNITY** to further strengthen our bond and our commitment, from one Brother to another, to lift as we climb.

Basileus' Initiatives:

- #1 I want to get the new LBB Fall 2020 Brothers thoroughly immersed in the business of the Fraternity fresh off the burning sands, to show them what right look like from very beginning. This will be done by having them directly involved on the E-Council and each chapter committee as assistants or alternate to the Committee Chairs.
- #2 Regain the reclaimable Brothers on the island through the fraternity's reclamation and retention program.
- #3 Generate positive cashflow by any honorable means necessary. We'll be looking for recommendations from the body for outside of the box revenue generating ideas if the COVID-19 pandemic persists.
- #4 Attain 95%-member participation in all Chapter meetings.

#5 - Achieve 100% of Brothers on island financial on all 3 levels.

Ajaya K. Martin Basileus Lambda Beta Beta 8-XI PSI-94

Ajaya X. Martin

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Vice Basileus

My Brothers,

It is an absolute pleasure and honor to serve you as the Omega Year 2021 Vice Basileus. Thank you for the opportunity and your trust. I am excited about the new year, the new Executive Council, and new opportunities.

I come ready to serve. My walk with Omega began right here in Lambda Beta Beta in 2008 as the "five" on this chapter's biggest line. My experience in Omega is filled participating in all the Mandated Programs, several parties and fundraisers, and social action events. Driven by a love for our youth, I am passionate about our Scholarship and Talent Hunt Programs and have led them probably the most in fraternal career.

Outside of Omega, I have always lived a life of service. In 2017 I retired after a 30-year career in the Army. I am an active member of Inspire Church where I teach Children's Church and lead a connect group and Bible study for men. Previously, I volunteered with the American Cancer Society as a member of their event leadership team for the Honolulu Relay for Life. My first year I served as the fundraising chairman and took the role as the overall event lead for my second year.

I have a few goals as the Vice Basileus this year. First, the Executive Council will support the Basileus and his goals and support the Chapter. This means transparency and predictable planning. Simultaneously, I hope to uplift the traditions of this Chapter that so many around our Fraternity know and love about Lambda Beta Beta.

There is a lot of work to do and we need everyone. I want to know the passions of the members of the chapter. Where there is passion there is dedication. I hope to see everyone contributing where their passions lead them. By everyone I mean those currently active and inactive. We are stronger when we come together. COVID-19 remains a real and present threat, but we must learn how to operate withing this new environment. I hope to develop new and innovative ways to operate to earn funds and continue doing the business of Omega.

Finally, my biggest goal is to be a brother to my brothers. I believe that means open, honest, and transparent friendship, and it begins with me. Some brothers know I have suffered from mental illness, but I don't think it is widely known. I am not ashamed to share my story or talk about things; especially if it will help and uplift a brother. It is my aim that we, as brothers, can be open with each other and never let a brother endure on his own. This doesn't mean that we tell everyone everything. The hope is, however, everyone has someone to lean on, and we as a chapter will support. Again, thank you for your support. I am excited about all of us being better together!



Britton T. London, Sr. Vice Basileus 5-LBB-2008

Britton V. London





Keeper of Records and Seal (KRS)



Greetings Brothers of Lambda Beta Beta,

I am graciously humbled to serve as the 2020-21 Keeper of Records & Seal (KRS). I was initiated at Xi Pi Chapter in the Spring of 2019. I am currently a Master Sergeant (E8) active-duty military (16yrs) working as an Inspector General on Fort Shafter, Hawaii military installation. I am married to my Lovely wife Ykeara and we have a beautiful 14-year-old daughter named Gabrielle. I have a Bachelor's of Science in Psychology and a Master's of Science in Healthcare Management.

As The KRS, my duties include maintaining all records of official proceedings, send and receive correspondence, funds, maintain biographies for all members, transferring memberships and serve as an email correspondent with the 13th District and IHQ among many more things. Most importantly my duties are to support the Chapter and the Basileus for her cause.

Every Fraternal year is another opportunity to re-new our commitment to Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc. and to re-new our spirits for service. The community and our families and friends are encouraged by our presence and talents to bring out the best of humanity. This fraternal year I expect nothing less; let Lambda Beta Beta Chapter be the lamplight that leads the efforts for a positive and progressive way forward not only for each other but the community and our families.

Thank you again for this opportunity to serve as you Keeper of Records & Seal. I am honored.

Douglass Wilson

Fraternally,

Douglass Wilson

1-Xi Pi-19

LM#9728



Keeper of Finance (KF)





Greetings Brothers of Lambda Beta Beta,

First and foremost, I'd like to wish everyone a happy new Omega Year. As a member of the incoming E-council, I am humbled and appreciate the opportunity to serve as your Keeper of Finance. Although this is my first opportunity to serve the chapter in such a capacity, I bring an unwavering passion for financial management. As the Chapters Keeper of Finance, I'd like to sustain your trust through methodical guardianship, and tangible transparency.

I was initiated into the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Incorporated., In Spring of 2018 through the Lambda Xi Chapter located in the Republic of Korea. Since then, I have served as the Keeper of peace; chaired the Health Initiative committees for Lambda Xi and LBB; served as the Chapter Reporter (LBB); and recently became a Life Member of the Omega Psi phi Fraternity, Incorporated. Also, I was recipient of the Col Charles Young Leadership Award recipient for Lambda Xi (2018-2019).

Collectively, I have served in the Armed Forces for 26 years. I began in the United States Marine Corp, subsequently transitioned into the United States Army. Currently, I serve as the Command Sergeant Major (E-9) for the 599th Transportation Brigade, located at Wheeler Army Airfield. I am single and have a nine-year-old Daughter (Lauren). I have a BA in Business management (Magna Cum Laude) and MΑ Organizational Leadership.

As the Keeper of Finance for the upcoming Omega Year, I intend to maintain absolute accuracy through and accountability. transparency Additionally, ľd like promote to technology by socializing our financial records through modern tracking and distribution systems. Modernized initiatives may cause uncertainties but cooperatively I have faith we will enhance the chapters financial records maintenance.

Once again, I am humbled by the opportunity to serve as your Keeper of Finance. It's going to be a great Omega Year. Peace and Blessings to you and your families.

Randy Brown



Fraternally, Randy Brown 4-Lambda Xi-18 LM#10516





Chaplain

Military and Civilian Education: Master Gunnery Sergeant Wilson enlisted in the Marine Corps in February 1993 and completed recruit training at MCRD, Parris Island, South Carolina Master Gunnery Sergeant Wilson earn a Bachelors of Theology from North Carolina College of Theology in Wilmington N.C. He is also a graduate of The Career and Advance Staff Noncommission Officer Academy and Senior Enlisted Professional Military course. Master Gunnery Sergeant Wilson is currently the 3d Marines Regiment Motor Transport Chief on Marine Corps Base Kaneohe Bay. Master Gunnery Sergeant Wilson is married to the former Lisa Bearden their children are J'Ira, Emmanuel, Nahla and grandchildren Angel, Aisaac and Aliyanna.

Chaplain's Vision: To Strengthen the Lambda Beta Beta Chapter through **Leadership** and **Prayer**. With the focus always being on **Fraternity** and **Friendship**.

Expectations: As the returning chaplain for the 2021 fraternal year. My prayer is that the Lambda Beta Beta chapter will continue to serve the community of Oahu with Enthusiasm and Ingenuity. By putting God first and Empowering Families by using fraternal resources in order to build a stronger community.

Curtis Wilson
Fraternally,
Curtis Wilson
1-SGG-18







Tropic Lightning Ques



LBB FALL '20



9 Sons of The Great Pandemic









Lambda Beta Beta Fall '20





9 Sons of The Great Pandemic

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- 2. Bro. Tavarris Andrews "QUERΩLLA"
- 3. Bro. Christopher Butler "L $\Omega\Omega$ SESQREW"
- 4. Bro. Emmanuel Banning "QUEMΩNGER"
- 5. Bro. Kamal Johnson "ΩWTQRY"
- 6. Bro. Josiah Graham "QUEBΩTIQ"
- 7. Bro. Brian Wharton "PERSENDΩ"
- 8. Bro. Erik Stith "QUESUIT"
- 9. Bro. Garland Moore "BLAQΩWT"





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FY21 CALENDAR

The Next 90 Days



















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Achievement Week 2020

SUN 15 NOV	Golfing with Da Bruhz 8:00AM Clipper Golf Course MCBH
TUE 17 NOV	Rededication Night (Virtual Bruhz Only) 7:00PM (Platform TBD)
THUR 19 NOV	Virtual Award Ceremony (Open to Public) 7:00PM (Platform TBD)
SAT 21 NOV	Virtual Day Party w/ Tik Tok Probate 2pm-5pm Purple Passion Party
SUN 22 NOV	Virtual Church Service w/Hurrican Henderson Time-TBD



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The Thirteenth District **NEW**





Greetings Brothers of the Tenacious Thirteenth,

I trust that this meets you and your families doing well and staying safe.

I am please to announce that at a duly constituted meeting of the 13th District Council convened on Saturday 19th September 2020, the District's proposed Life Membership Program was unanimously approved. We encourage you to consider taking advantage of this economically viable opportunity as you support our beloved District.

The cost of the District's Life Membership is US\$800. As a reminder, if you were a paid registrant for the 27th Annual 13th District Conference this past July, \$100 of your registration fee will be applied to your life membership. Please make the necessary adjustment when you are processing your payment.

The link is now active - to make payment and complete your application, please visit oppf13th.org >>> Donations.

By clicking the Life Membership image, you will be taken to the application form. Please complete and forward appropriately to <u>lifemembership@oppf13th.org</u>. Be sure to include your Receipt Ref # on the form.

As part of your exclusive membership package, you will receive the following:

- -Exclusive 13th District Life Member T-Shirt
- -Exclusive 13th District Life Member Cap
- -Exclusive 13th District Life Member Lapel Pin
- -Exclusive 13th District Life Member Annual Event
- There are limited places, so do not hesitate. Become an inaugural Life Member of this historic initiative in the 13th.
- Thank you in advance for your generosity and for your support of this great District!

Fraternally,

Brother Trevor V. Hodge Ed.D.

Tenth 13th District Representative

17 2020 VIRTUAL FOUNDERS DAY YOUTUBE.COM/OFFICIALOMEGAPSIPHI

This year Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. will celebrate 109 years of enthusiastic service. On November 17, 2020 at 19:11pm ET, we will pay homage to our Founders, our Fraternity, and our Friendship. We invite you to join us for this auspicious occasion.

The Founders' Day celebration will be conducted virtually and aired live on the official Omega Psi Phi YouTube Channel @officialomegapsiphi for all to participate. During this program, you can enjoy messages directly from our founders! You will also hear from our senior brothers, the International Headquarters, and our leadership. You will have an opportunity to learn about the essence of friendship and how Omega men can usher in social change.

You don't want to miss this. The Founders' Day celebration team has worked tirelessly to produce an extraordinary project that takes a glimpse into the past on our journey to the future. We know you are going to enjoy!

NOVEMBER 17, 2020

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FROM THE DESK OF THE GRAND BASILEUS



November 4, 2020

Dear Brothers,

These are the current facts related to COVID-19: 1) as predicted, rates of infection continue to rise this fall; 2) the number of Covid-19 deaths continues to rise; and 3) after eight months of this pandemic, there is still no cure and no vaccine or effective means of treatment.

I have conferred with the Supreme Council, our International Medical and Health Initiatives Committee, experts on the 2nd District Weekly Covid-19 Call, and our Grand Counselor. Based on these discussions and in the interest of protecting the entire brotherhood and the communities in which we serve, effective immediately, all district meetings during the upcoming 2021 District Meeting Cycle will be conducted virtually.

A decision is forthcoming on the 13th district meeting, the 2021 International Undergraduate Summit, and the 2021 Moses C. Norman, Sr. Leadership Conference. Please consult with your district representatives as we work through the specifics of these virtual meetings.

Be safe and be well.

Fraternally

David Marion, Ph.D.

DAVID Maron, PhD.

Grand Basileus



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November 11, 2020

Brothers/Veterans,

We greet you with gratitude for your service to America on Veterans Day. We thank you for all you have done for our country. We, who live in freedom will always be grateful to those who helped preserve it.

Veterans Day means freedom, sacrifice, and honor for those who served in the military. This day allows Americans to remember the sacrifices that were made by those who served. Some paid the ultimate sacrifice with their lives.

The first Veterans Day under the new law was observed with much confusion on October 25, 1971. It was quite apparent that the commemoration of this day was a matter of historic and patriotic significance. On September 20, 1975, President Gerald R. Ford signed Public Law 94-97 (89 Stat. 479), which returned the annual observance of Veterans Day to its original date of November 11th, beginning in 1978. This action supported the desires of the overwhelming majority of state legislatures, all major veterans' service organizations, and the American people.

Omega's Military History

The War Chapter at Fort Des Moines was up and running by June of 1916 with Omega men in attendance. This was followed by Students Army Training Corps (SATC). Omega men were in SATC and this was a War Department special training program established in 1918 for college students. Brother Campbell C. Johnson, 18th Grand Basileus, was assigned to the unit at Howard University and Brother John W. Purnell at Virginia College Institute (now West Virginia State University). This program was the predecessor for the present-day ROTC program and of the Army Specialized Training Program (ASTP) during World War II.

In addition, Omega's history with the military and veterans dates back to Colonel Charles Young, the second honorary member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., and an American soldier. He was the third Black graduate of the United States Military Academy, the first Black U.S. National Park superintendent, first Black military attaché, first Black man to achieve the rank of colonel in the United States Army, and the highest-ranking black officer in the regular army until his death in 1922. Brother Clarence F. Holmes, 6th Grand Basileus, gave a Testimonial Banquet in honor of Colonel Young in 1917. One of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.'s International Achievement Week Awards is named in honor of Colonel Charles Young.

A special thank you to:

- Ω Buffalo Soldiers originally were members of the 10th Cavalry Regiment of the United States Army, formed on September 21, 1866, at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. This nickname was given to the Black Cavalry by Native American tribes who fought in the Indian Wars. The term eventually became synonymous with all of the Black regiments formed in 1866.
- Ω The Tuskegee Airmen were a group of primarily Black military pilots and airmen who fought in World War II. They formed the 332nd Expeditionary Operations Group and the 477th Bombardment Group of the United States Army Air Forces.
- Ω The Golden Thirteen were the thirteen Black enlisted men who became the first Black commissioned and warrant officers in the United States Navy.
- Ω The Montford Point Marines are the first Black marines to enlist in the U.S. Marine Corps after President Franklin Roosevelt issued an Executive Order establishing the Fair Employment Practices Commission in June 1941. The recruits trained at Camp Montford Point in Jacksonville, NC from August 26, 1942, until the camp was decommissioned on September 9, 1949. The largest number of Black marines to serve in combat during World War II took part in the seizure of Okinawa, with approximately 2,000 seeing action.
- Ω In 228 years of Coast Guard history, Black men have been the first minority group to fight and the first to sacrifice. During the early years of the U.S. Revenue Cutter Service, many Black cuttermen were slaves as well as free men of color. Regardless of their status, Blacks served side-by-side with their white shipmates.

We say to those that are serving – "Continue coaching, teaching, and mentoring those that are coming behind you." Give them "uplift" so they may get to where you are and beyond.

Fraternally,

Conrado B. Morgan Colonel (Brother), U.S. Army Retired District Representative, Third District

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