

- Body Meeting, February 16th
- SSE Gala, March 14th
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- Body Meeting, April 20th
- Tau Anniversary, May 1st

Basileus Angus Wilson



For nearly 100 years Omega Psi Phi has been one of the worlds' flagship organizations for developing leaders, promoting brotherhood, and achieving academic excellence.

The driving force of our actions as Omega men is found in our dedication and commitment to serving the needs of our community. In pursuing that goal we men of Tau chapter will always work hard to enhance the quality of life of those that we touch.



Thunderin' Tau Chapter Newsletter



Tau Lends a Hand to Project Open hand

It was an unseasonably warm December day, a day made for donning beleaguered paraphernalia beset in royal purple and ole gold, emblazoned in gothic Psi Phi print in a funky monolith font; or perhaps a day for wearing resurrected tattered sleeveless tees with facsimiled caricatures of camouflage clad mud-munching, melancholy GDI's, face down enduring the physical rigors of the push-up position. Regardless, the setting could not have been a more befitting one for some good old fashioned community service.

Of all the internationally mandated programs, some will readily admit that the social action programs are oftentimes some of the most rewarding. Of these, Tau chapter has shown a great affinity for one service program in particular, namely, Project Open hand, a nonprofit organization "that helps people prevent or better manage chronic disease through comprehensive nutrition care."

Project Open hand's prepared meals program administers freshly cooked meals to low-income men and women living with chronic, critical and terminal disease. They also deliver to homebound seniors. Needless to say the thrust of what has made this organization so effective in the community is volunteerism; enter the men of Omega Psi Phi!

Roz Tucker, director of volunteer services for Project Open hand beamed with gratitude when questioned about the commitment and loyalty that the men of Tau displayed in their frequent service at the site. Tau chapter men routinely meet an 1,800 meal quota with each passing visit, thus contributing greatly to the 5,000 meal figure amassed by the Open hand staff on nearly a daily basis.

Needless to say, brothers D.J McCord, Baron Banks, Ed McAfee Augustus Jordan and Alex Malone had a great deal to do with the chapter's visibility that mild December afternoon. They prepared diabetic meals of Santa Fe fish over pilaf brown rice, while sifting through half pint containers of Mayfield butter, chocolate and 2% milk. And though hair netting is not the most becoming accessory among the brotherhood it did not diminish their effectiveness nor the brotherhood's commitment to service on that golden afternoon.

Reflecting on the afternoon's events it is probably McCord's words that resonated most with me. When questioned as to why he would wake up, early on a gorgeous Saturday morning, and drive across metro Atlanta with his 7 year old daughter Lauren, in tow he humbly replied, "because, social action is required of all men in Omega Psi Phi fraternity, incorporated."

Written by Genghis Shakhan

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High Aspirations Foundation, Inc. presents the 5th Annual SPRING SCHOLARSHIP EXTRAVAGANZA

Upcoming Event

03.14.09

Featuring "The Teddy White Band"

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Are you ready for the 2009 Spring Scholarship Extravaganza?

"An Evening with Omega"

Saturday March 14th, 2009

8:30 p.m-2:00 a.m

America's Mart

"Penthouse Theater"

250 Spring Street

Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Tickets: \$45.00/person

Contact: Gene Toodle

www.thunderintau.com

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AMERICA'S MART

"Penthouse Theater"

250 Spring Street

Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Convenient Parking Available in Parking Deck at Building 3

Tickets: \$45.00/person

ATTIRE: AFTER 6

Silent Auction

For More Info Visit <http://sse.thunderintau.com>
Or Contact the SSE Chair @ 404-638-3592



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College Prep 101: Kennedy Middle School: Mission Accomplished

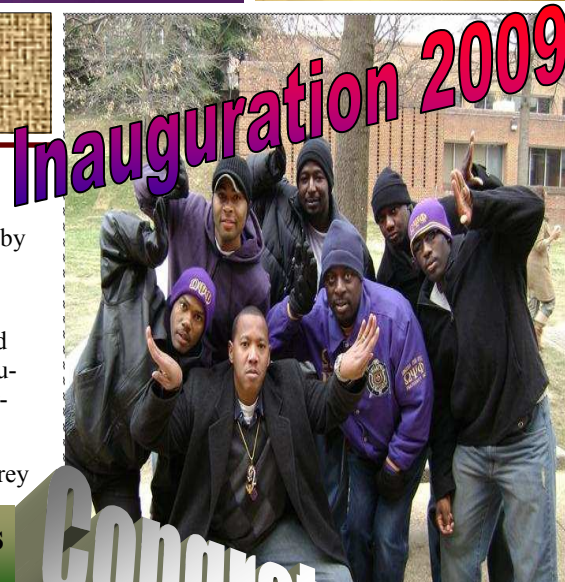
College Prep 101 serves as Tau chapter's coeducational service program designed to meet the needs of secondary students with aspiration of attending college.

This year's seminar offered several workshops created to improve the financial, entrepreneurial and interpersonal intelligence of its participants. Workshops were offered in: effective networking, dressing for success, financial/credit ad-

visement, entrepreneurship, college extracurricular activities and on Black Greek Letter Organizations, facilitated by the national executive director of the NPHC, Ms. Beverly Burkes.

The college fair was a huge success and served as an effective educational instrument for both participants and their parents.

Written by Keith Humphrey



Tau Brick Campaign

Have you purchased your brick? What are you waiting for? When drafting his article on College Prep 101 above, Keith referenced a poem by W.A Dromgoole, titled "Bridge Builder". It reads "...This chasm, that has been naught to me, To that fair-haired youth may a pitfall be. He, too, must cross in the twilight dim; Good friend, I am building this bridge for him."

Are you a bridge builder brother? What legacy will you leave for the coming generations. When will you begin to live your creed as Reginald Harris suggested to the general body.

Kelvin Hall authored a presentation that put forward a plausible goal of acquiring a new Tau chapter facility.

Contact Reginald Harris to discuss your monetary pledge to this worthy endeavor.

Tau 2008 Neos

1. Alex "Mc Rough" Malone
2. Lemetrius "Meat dog" Jones
3. Rob "Gully" Leach
4. Ralph "BlaQ Magic" Joseph
5. Rod "BaQdraft" Smith
6. Alvin "Rain man" Davis
7. Bruce "AlQtraz" Prunty
8. Chaz "ReQon" Johnson
9. Claudius "BrainiaQ" Wood
10. Reginald "Rock steady" Huff,

Congrats 2008





Kennedy Middle School Mentors Show up En masse

In 2008-2009, Brother Les, and the hard-working men of Tau have made a renewed commitment to working hand and hand with Kennedy Middle School and its stakeholders.

Teary eyed mothers and young men always welcome the sight of the professional, up-standing men of Tau, and their commitment to the youth in the metro Atlanta area. This year was no different.



Brother Les Etienne
Kennedy Site Director



Recent Moments In Tau History



- 5 Romantic Valentine Day Restaurants
1. Renaissance Waverly
 2. Park Tavern @ Piedmont Park
 3. Fogo De Chao
 4. Fire of Brazil
 5. Daily's on International

Book Club

August: *He Motions*, T.D Jakes

October: *Miracle @ St. Anna*, James McBride

December: *The Purpose Driven Life*, Rick Warren

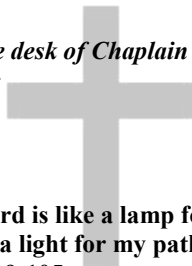
January: *Rich Dad, Poor Dad*, Robert Kiyosaki

How Well Do You Know the Tau Bruhs?



Jonathan Dunton "Red Bull," was born in Decatur, GA. He is a graduate of Talladega College. Bull was made at Gamma Psi in the Fall of 1994, where he served as Basilus from 1994-97. Red Bull has also served as the ADP for the 8 TEFOL of Thunderin' Tau Chapter in 2007 with DP Shafton Fraley.

From the desk of Chaplain Trammel Fox:



Your word is like a lamp for my feet and a light for my path.
Psalm 119:105

Celebrating the life of Bro. Asa Hilliard III

On August 13, 2007, we lost a great worldly brother of Omega in Dr. Asa. Grant Hilliard III, however, his soul continues to persevere in Omega Chapter.



This world renowned Pan-Africanist educator, historian, and psychologist passed away in Cairo, Egypt from a cause of death attributable to complications from malaria.

Written by Dr. Augustus Jordan

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