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### Xi Beta Sigma, Graduate Chapter History

Four (4) medical doctors and a real estate broker began the history of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, INC, Xi Beta Sigma Chapter in 1937. These five (5) founding brothers were Dr. S.H. Jenkins, Dr. W.M. Orr, Dr. G.A. Preston, Dr. Charles Williams and realtor, S. B. McQueen.

The charter for Xi Beta Sigma Chapter was approved and signed by the National President of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., George Lawrence on June 22, 1940.

Noteworthy brothers of Xi Beta Sigma are as follows:

Harry C. Arnold, Herman Cathings; Thomas Wimberly; James Streeter; Lawerence Duncan; Marcena Taylor (the first African-American firefighter and later the first African-American fire captain in the city of Detroit); Dr. Lionel Swan a co-founder of the Detroit Chapter NAACP Freedom Fund Dinner. Sunnie Wilson, who owned and operated the Mark Twain Hotel for several years; Randolph Wallace, owned and operated the Garfield Lounge and the Randora Hotel successfully for years; Joseph B. Thompson, owner of Thompson Funeral Homes; and Clyde Cleveland who served on Detroit City Council.

Arthur Johnson came to Detroit in the late 1950's as Field Secretary for the NAACP. Through the years he became visible in the community as Vice-President and trustee of Wayne State University. Dr. Charles Morton pastored the Metropolitan Baptist Church, and taught at Oakland University and served on many company boards.

Harold C. Arnold served Xi Beta Sigma as President in the late fifties and attracted a number of new brothers to the Sigma Fold.

O.B. Krause, Charles Bankston, Leroy Rice, William Sanders, Robert L. Wolfe, Sr. Fred Banks, Elon Mickels, Elton Clifton, Sr., Floyd Cox, Jesse Hunt, Carl Turner, Rueben Vaughn, Samuel May, Tom Lee, Leon Burton, Austin Ligon, James Darby, Allen Bibb, Carl Bolden, Sr., James Grant, Lesavel Howell and Charles W. Pecke (the first African -American to teach in the Oak Park, MI School District).

Reuben N. Vaughn was elected chapter president in 1970 and he also served as editor of the Crescent Magazine, the Official National Organ of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. Eugene Lester, Sr. served as chapter President during the 1975 Conclave in Detroit.

In 1980 Xi Beta Sigma chapter purchased the Sigma Plaza. The Sigma plaza was a building that was used mainly for chapter activities and hall rentals.

Brothers serving as president of Xi Beta Sigma chapter in the 1980's and 1990's were Leon Burton, Christopher Carswell, Robert L. Wolfe, Sr., Carl Turner, Wade K. Davis, Dr. Alsce Johnson and Ben J. Hearns.

Eddie F. Sanders was re-elected to serve as President of Xi Beta Sigma Chapter for the year 200. He has the distinct honor as being the last chapter president of the 20th Century and the first chapter president of the 21st Century.

he National Board of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. chose XiT Beta Sigma Chapter as Host Chapter for Conclave in 2001.



# Chairman's Greetings!

Welcome, Welcome and Welcome! Thank you for coming out to support our 110th Founders' Day Event. As a second semester freshman, I had a life forming event. I began a journey with three other young men, Phillip Gibbons, Jerron C. Hill and Robert H. Thompson (Deceased). Pledging helped shape my understanding of the world. It introduced me to a new concept of brotherhood, even though I have/had five older brothers.



I was also introduced to Phi Beta Sigma, Fraternity, Incorporated's concept of "Scholarship and Service and Culture for Service and Service to Humanity." This created a foundational bedrock and understanding of how I should move within the world. It has shaped my professional, academic and even ministerial career.

It gave me the belief that I was not alone in my thoughts and journey. The principles that were instilled within me while pledging, provided fuel for helping me change the part of the world in which God had/has placed me. In every academic setting in which I was blessed to matriculate, I discovered and immediately bonded with a fellow Sigma, which was also in the midst of gaining skills and knowledge in their preparation for service. I encountered a kindred spirit; someone who shared many of the values to which I pledged.

I am grateful to A. Langston Taylor, Charles I. Brown, Leonard F. Morse, Ronald E. Williams and Warren Jose Black. I thank God that I was introduced and received into this "Wondrous band." God Bless you all; and may you be rekindled, revived, challenged, and determined to go forth and serve. After all, "Our cause speeds on its way! Chase It!

Fraternally,

Rev. Dr. Gary A. Williams

Gary A. Williams

Phoenix 2.11.79 Gamma Iota



#### Phi Beta Sigma Michigan Graduate and Undergraduate Chapters

#### Michigan Graduate Chapters

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Alpha Alpha Beta Sigma	Phi Rho Sigma	Zeta Tau Sigma
Alpha Rho Sigma	Pi Lambda Sigma	Nu Alpha Sigma

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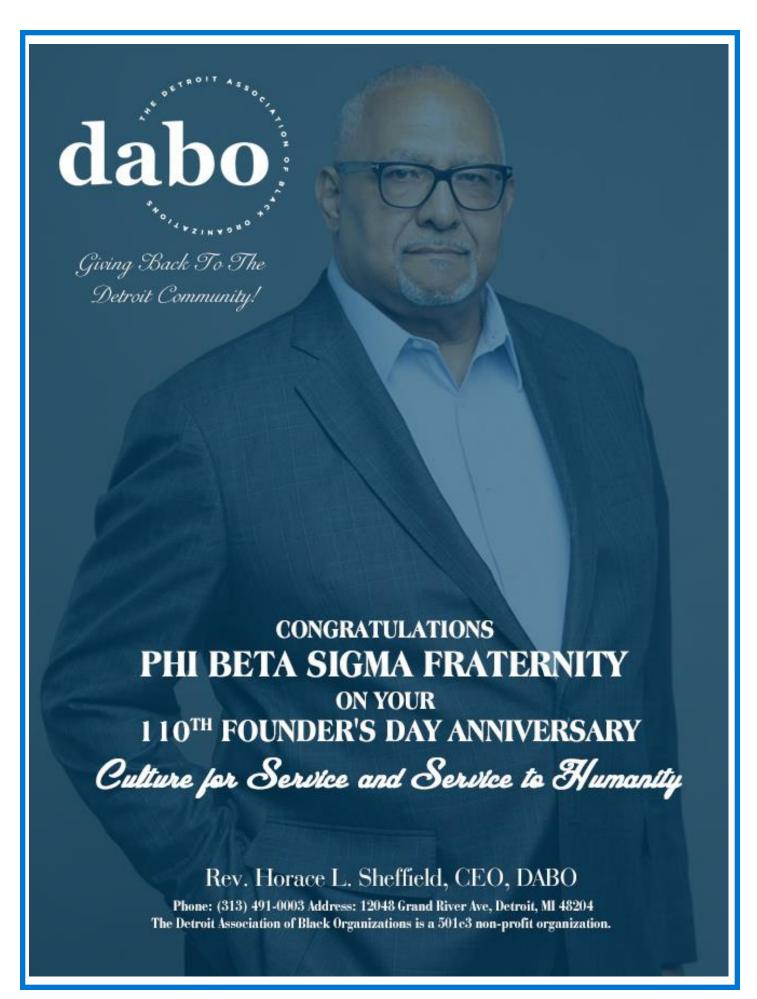
## THE HANDKERCHIEF



The hanky first emerged in 2000 BCE Egypt, like white linen cloths, used as a mark of status. There is mention of them in China, around 1000 BCE, worn as scalp protection. The Romans called them 'sudariums,' from the root sudore/to sweat. In India, the telia rumal (hanky) of Andhra Pradesh, used initially to clean temple statues, became a massive export to pilgrims going on Hajj, as did the RMHK, or real madras hanky, which was exported to Africa in huge numbers.

Hankies are not just something we use to sneeze or dab our faces. They have a long history, intimately connected to the culture and sociology of the era they come from. They are still given at weddings as a symbol of marital fidelity, so in Othello, the whole plot revolves around one. They were waved in farewell, used to wipe tears, associated with cowboys, given as keepsakes or as prizes to gladiators.

A Hankerchief is a square of cotton or other finely woven material, typically carried in one's pocket and intended for blowing or wiping one's nose. Handkerchiefs have come to be a fashion statement. It is a sign of distinction and gentlemanly tendencies.



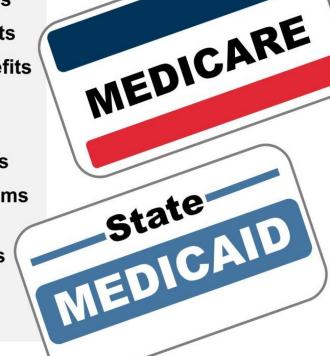
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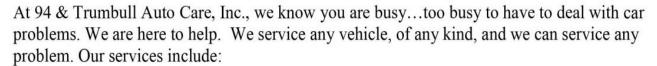


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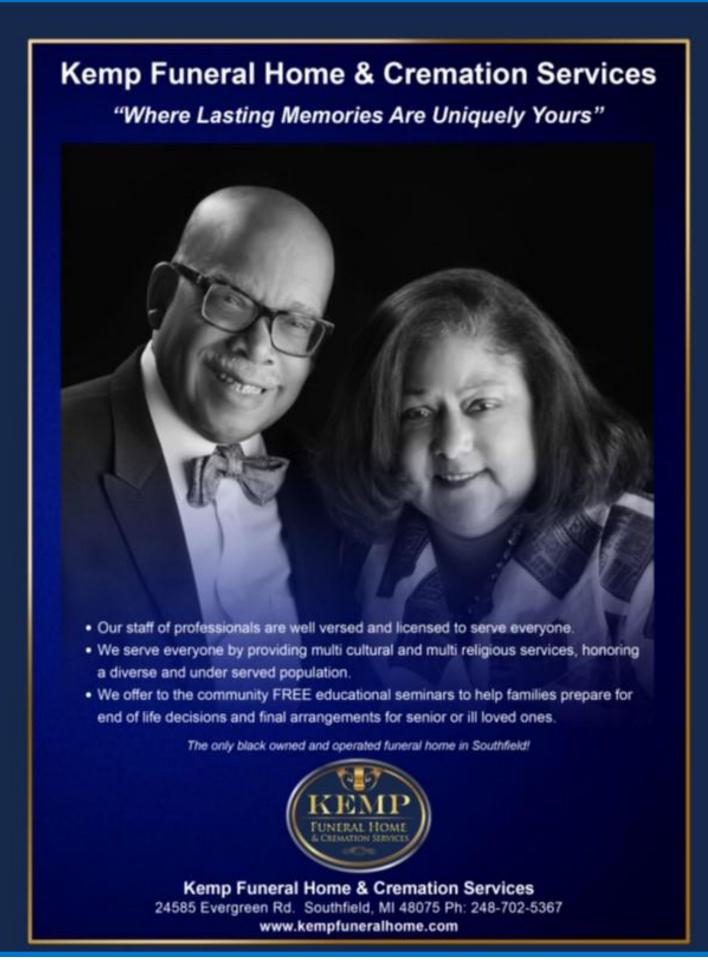
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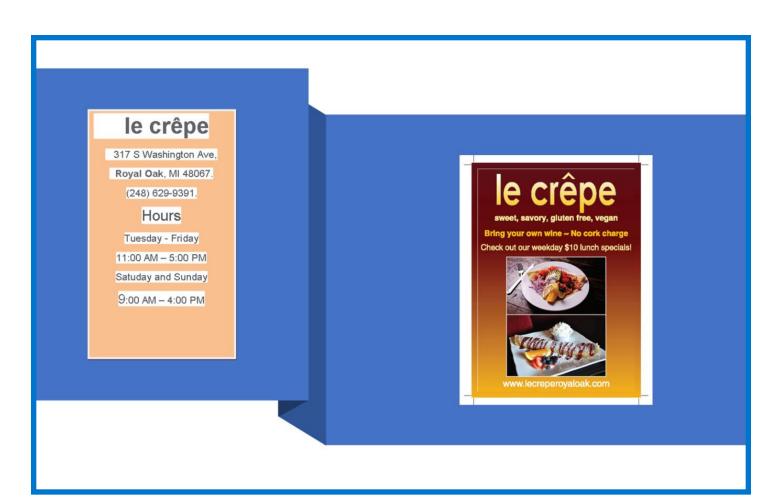
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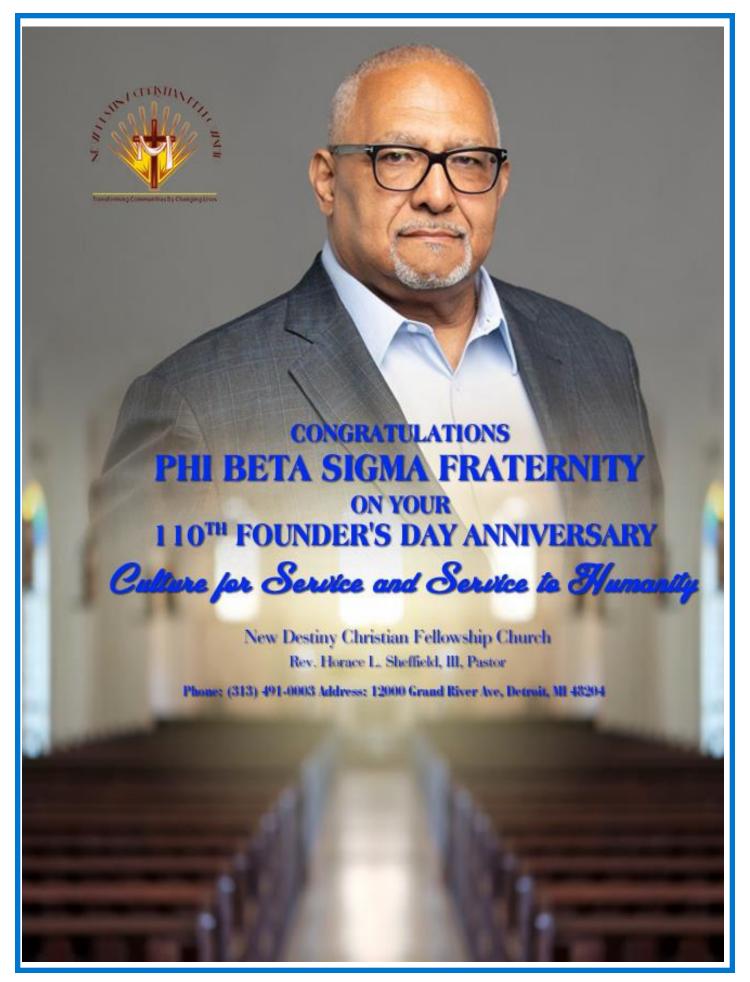




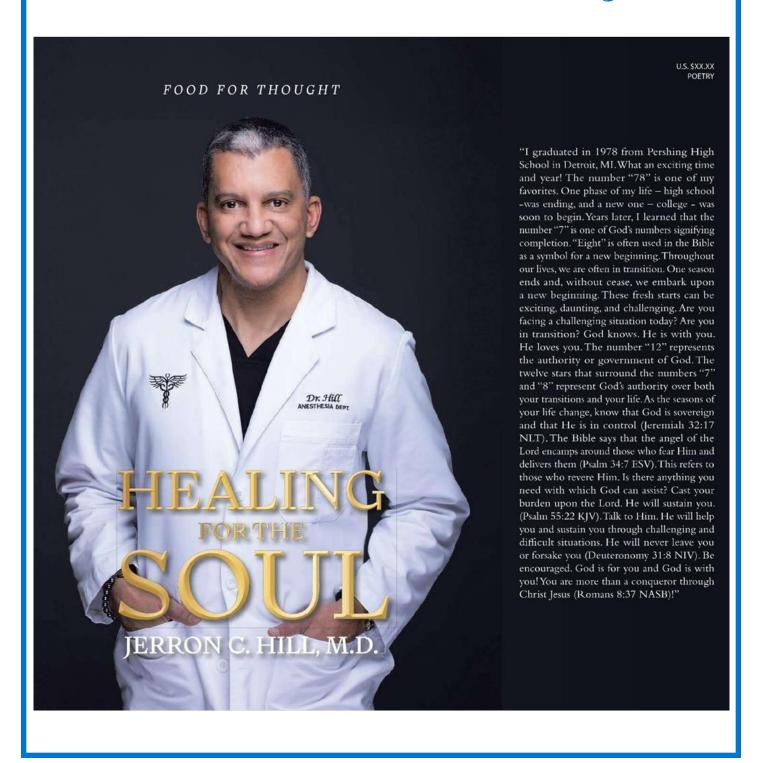
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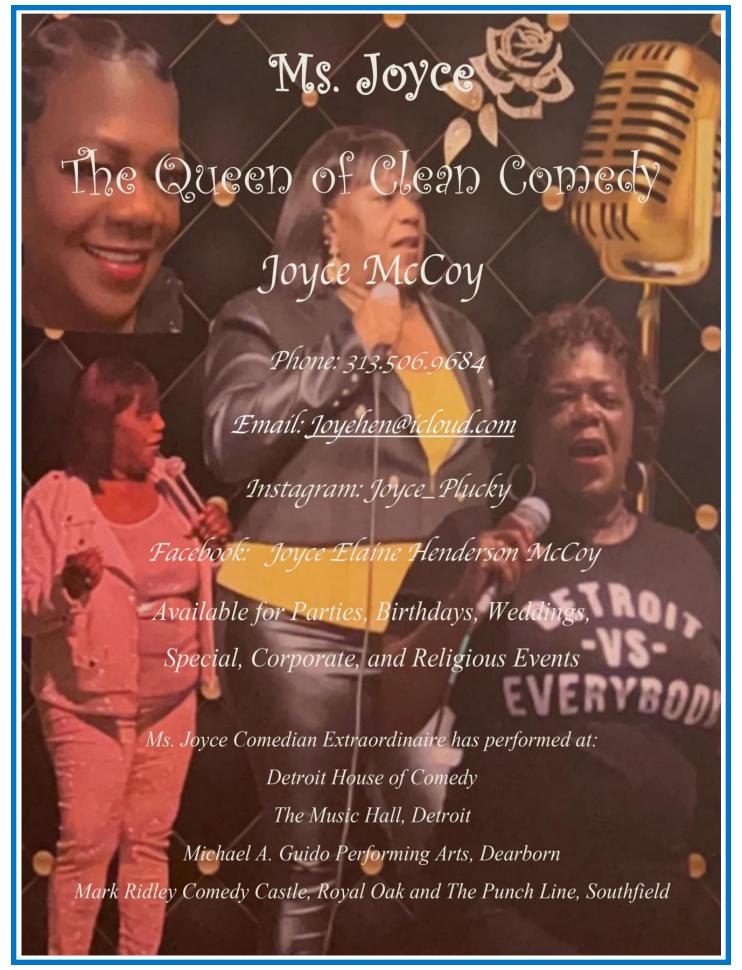


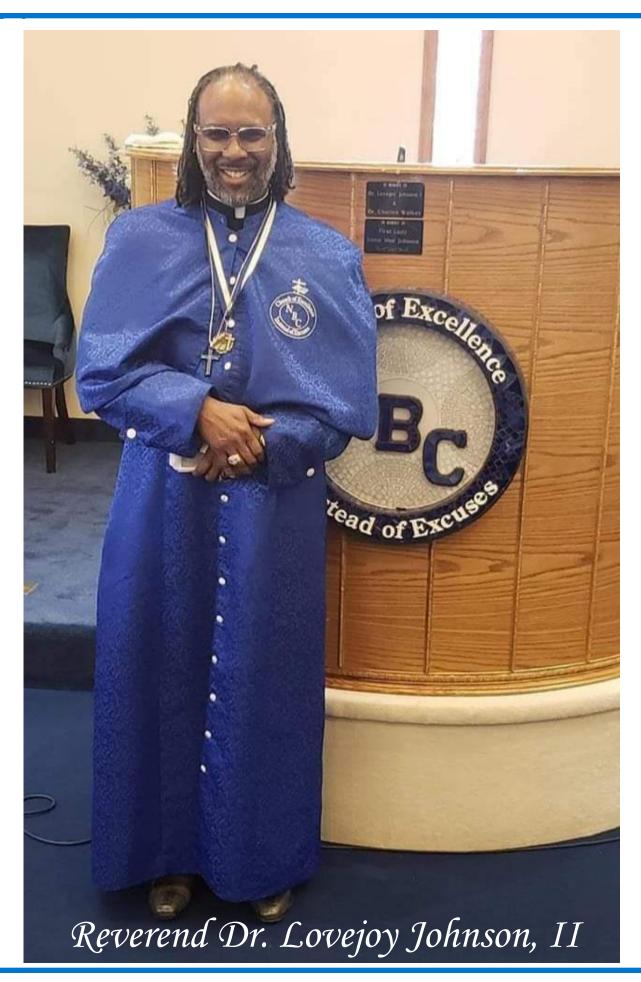
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# Happy 110th Founders' Day!







# Brotherhood, Scholarship and Service

# Our Honorees

*Trenten Arthur* is a senior at Wayne State University majoring in elementary education with a 3rd-6th grade specialization.





Matthew Underwood is a rising entrepreneur that sells Shea butter and other cosmetics. As a member of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Incorporated, Gamma Iota Chapter, Mathew states, "I have become a part of a community whose mission represents a cause larger than I could imagine. Being a Sigma allows me to further develop myself socially and professionally while also having the necessary resources to further uplift those that live within and surround my community."

## Founders' Day Food for Thought

"The value of this brotherhood has changed lives for the better. Young men in this brotherhood have found a family forever. As a result, the brother, community, and country are made better. This is why we celebrate such a special occasion."—Brother Andre Watson



"Culture for Service, Service for Humanity"

Alpha Alpha Beta Sigma Chapter is happy to celebrate the Founders' Day of our "Wondrous Band" with the Brothers of Xi Beta Sigma Chapter.

Congratulations to you on a successful Founders' Day program as you exemplify the meaning of our motto

"Culture for Service and Service for Humanity".







## Highlights and Honor About Pastor Lovejoy Johnson, II

Lovejoy Johnson, II was born and raised in New Bethlehem Church. When he was 5 years old, he confessed Christ and was baptized by his father, and Pastor, the late Lovejoy Johnson Sr. As a child, one of his favorite sports was playing football for the P.A.L League Eastside Cowboys as an outside linebacker and defensive back.

Pastor Johnson also played outside linebacker, defensive back, kickoff and punt return for John J. Pershing High School where he graduated from in 1986. He went on to play defensive back at Cheyney University in Cheyney, PA. where he con-



tinued his education and graduated in 1991. He also graduated from Philadelphia College of Bible in Lancaster, PA. While in Philadelphia, he joined the 19th Street Baptist Church under the leadership of Pastor Dr. Charles Walker.

Pastor Johnson preached his first public sermon on December 27, 1987 at 4 pm while on vacation from school. In 2000, he returned to New Bethlehem Baptist church to be successor to his father's church. On March 11.2001, Lovejoy Johnson II was installed as Pastor of New Bethlehem Baptist Church. With an unfinished building and a few dedicated members, he began holding services at Green Grove Baptist Church at 2 pm each Sunday. On April 10, 2005 Pastor Johnson marched his members into their new edifice at 19018 Hawthorne Street.

Pastor Johnson joined and became recording secretary for the Baptist Pastors Fellowship. He is also a member of the Council of Baptist Pastors of Detroit and Vicinity, Baptist, Missionary, and Education (BM&E) State Convention, the National Baptist Convention, USA Inc., Vision 2000 & Beyond, 21st Century Covenant of Pastors and served as the Vice moderator for the Christian Fellowship District Association. He is also a member of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc.

Pastor Johnson has traveled all over the country doing lectures, seminars and revivals.

# Founders Day Program

### Sunday, January 14, 2024 4:00 PM Private

How good and pleasant it is when brothers live together in unity!- Psalms 133:1

Rededication Ceremony

Carl Williams, State Director

Benediction

Fraternity Hymn

5:30 PM

National Black Anthem

Invocation

Welcome

Greetings

Statement of the Occasion

A Brief History of Phi Beta Sigma

Excerpts about Xi Beta Sigma Chapter

Selection

Words about our Founders

Abram Langston Taylor Leonard F. Morse

Charles I. Brown

written by: James Weldon Johnson
Brother Eddie Cooper
New Mount Moriah Baptist Church
Jeffery Liggens, President Emeritus

Gary A. Williams, I

Alex Allen, III, NPHC President

Kenneth B. Moore, Treasurer Emeritus

Forest Hudson Anthony Greene William Hurt

Selection Brother Angelo Gilmore

Keynote Speaker Brother Lovejoy Johnson, II, Pastor

Bethlehem Baptist Church

Presentations Warren Jose' Black

Brotherhood, Scholarship, Service, Culture for Service, Service to Humanity Awards

Presidential Remarks Brother Leon Wilkerson, Sr.

-Food is served-Social Gathering

Music provided by Brother Marty Bulger

## National Black Anthem

## Lift Every voice and Sing

Lift every voice and sing Till earth and heaven ring,

Ring with the harmonies of Liberty;

Let our rejoicing rise

High as the listening skies,

Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.

Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us,

Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us.

Facing the rising sun of our new day begun,

Let us march on till victory is won.

Stony the road we trod,

Bitter the chastening rod,

Felt in the days when hope unborn had died;

Yet with a steady beat,

Have not our weary feet

Come to the place for which our fathers sighed?

We have come over a way that with tears has been watered,

We have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered,

Out from the gloomy past,

Till now we stand at last

Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

God of our weary years,

God of our silent tears,

Thou who hast brought us thus far on the way;

Thou who hast by Thy might

Led us into the light,

Keep us forever in the path, we pray.

Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met Thee,

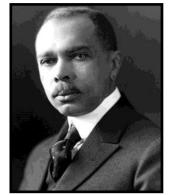
Lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget Thee;

Shadowed beneath Thy hand,

May we forever stand.

True to our God.

True to our native land.



By James Weldon Johnso

# Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. Xi Beta Sigma Chapter

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# Founder's Day Program

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Jeffrey Liggens, President Emeritus Leon Wilkerson, President Elect Reverend Dr. Gary A. Williams, Program Chairman

#### A BRIEF HISTORY OF PHI BETA SIGMA FRATERNITY, INC.



Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity was founded at Howard University in Washington, D.C., January 9, 1914, by three young African-American male students. The Founders, Honorable A. Langston Taylor, Honorable Leonard F. Morse, and Honorable Charles I. Brown, wanted to organize a Greek letter fraternity that would truly exemplify the ideals of brotherhood, scholarship, and service.

The Founders deeply wished to create an organization that viewed itself as "a part of" the general community rather than "apart from" the general community. They believed that each potential member should be judged by his own merits, rather than his family background or affluence... without regard to race, nationality, skin tone or texture of hair. They desired for their fraternity to exist as part of an even greater brotherhood which would be devoted to the "inclusive we" rather than the "exclusive we".

From its inception, the Founders also conceived Phi Beta Sigma as a mechanism to deliver services to the general community. Rather than gaining skills to be utilized exclusively for themselves and their immediate families, they held a deep conviction that they should return their newly acquired skills to the communities from which they had come. This deep conviction was mirrored in the Fraternity's motto, "Culture For Service and Service For Humanity".

Today, Phi Beta Sigma has blossomed into an international organization of leaders. No longer a single entity, members of the Fraternity have been instrumental in the establishment of the Phi Beta Sigma National Foundation, the Phi Beta Sigma Federal Credit Union and The Sigma Beta Club Foundation. Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, founded in 1920 with the assistance of Phi Beta Sigma, is the sister organization of the Fraternity.

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