



State of Mississippi Virtual 2021 Annual State Meeting
Hosted by Eta Xi and Theta Delta Delta Chapters
Starksville, Mississippi
Saturday, August 21, 2021
State Marshal: Bro. Norris Bishop

From the Desk of the State Keeper of Records and Seal
Bro. Lucius Lewis, Jr.

Plenary Session I

Bro. Christopher Barnett, State Representative

Opening Ceremony

Bro. Christopher Barnett, 19th State Representative formally opened the annual state meeting at 8:30 a.m.

Prayer

Bro. Michael James, State Chaplain provided the opening prayer.

Roll Call

Bro. Lucius Lewis, Jr., State Keeper of Records and Seal documented the roll based on chapter signing into the Virtual Zoom meeting. Twenty-eight (28) were present during the initial roll call. A quorum was established.

Beta Alpha – Present
Beta Rho – Present
Beta Theta – Present
Delta Mu Nu – Present
Epsilon Kappa Kappa – Present
Eta – Present
Eta Tau – Present

Eta Xi – Present
Eta Zeta – Absent
Iota Omicron – Present
Iota Upsilon - Present
Kappa Beta – Present
Kappa Mu Mu – Present
Mu Lambda Lambda – Present
Nu Eta – Present
Nu Mu Mu – Present
Nu Xi – Present
Omega Mu Mu – Present
Phi Rho – Present
Psi Gamma Gamma – Present
Psi Mu Mu – Present
Psi Rho – Present
Rho Alpha Alpha – Present
Rho Epsilon – Present
Sigma Alpha Alpha – Present
Theta Delta Delta – Present
Theta Iota Iota – Present
Upsilon Delta Delta – Absent
Upsilon Epsilon – Present
Xi Kappa Kappa – Present

Memorial Service Reflections

Bro. Michael James, State Chaplain conducted the Memorial Service Reflections.

Omega Chapter

Bro. Robert Fitzpatrick	Beta Theta
Bro. David Johnson	Delta Mu Nu
Bro. Johnny Walker	Epsilon Kappa Kappa
Bro. Danny Moses	Epsilon Kappa Kappa
Bro. William Bell	Eta Tau
Bro. Badre Hannah	Iota Upsilon
Bro. Robert Woodruff	Kappa Mu Mu
Bro. James W. Fair	Phi Rho
Bro. Melvin Mack	Phi Rho
Bro. Harold Moman	Rho Epsilon

Adoption of the Agenda

Bro. Christopher Barnett stated the agenda was sent electronically and also posted on the State Website @ omegapsiphims.com. Bro. Gregory Strong made a motion to adopt the agenda. Bro. James Stubbs provided the second. The motion passed.

Adoption of the Standing Rules

Bro. Christopher Barnett stated the standing rules for the State Meeting was sent electronically and also posted on the State Website. Bro. Alvin Jackson made a motion to adopt the standing rules. Bro. Daryl Theodore provided the second. The motion passed.

Adoption of the Minutes

Bro. Christopher Barnett stated the minutes from the 2020 State Meeting was sent electronically and also posted on the State Website. Bro. Alvin Jackson made a motion to adopt the minutes from the 2020 State Meeting. Bro. Steven Crawford provided the second. The motion passed.

Registration Report

Bro. Lucius Lewis, Jr. provided the registration report to the body.

Registration: 295
Meeting attendance: 173

Credential and Voting Report

Bro. Marcus Everett served as the Credential Chair for the State Organization.

Total Voting Delegates: 110
Past State Representatives: 11
Standing Committees: 9
Executive Members: 8
Chapter Delegates: 82

Nominations

Bro. David Beckley

Bro. Beckley opened nominations for the election of state officers. All positions were declared vacated.

State Representative:

Bro. Derrick Cooper nominated Bro. Christopher Barnett for the office of State Representative. Bro. Jeremy Johnson provided the second.

No additional nominations were offered.

Bro. Gregory Strong made a motion to close the nominations for the office of State Representative. Bro. Alvin Jackson provided the second.

1st Vice State Representative:

Bro. Marvin Jones nominated Bro. Carlos Palmer for the office of 1st Vice State Representative. Bro. Steven Crawford provided the second.

Bro. Marvin Samuel nominated Bro. Jessie Smith for the office of 1st Vice State Representative. Bro. Embra Jackson provided the second.

Bro. Brian Barkley made a motion to close the nominations for the office of 1st Vice State Representative. Bro. James Stubbs provided the second.

2nd Vice State Representative:

Bro. Asishana Ajayi, current 2nd Vice State Representative submitted the name of Bro. Augustin Avouwadan for the office of 2nd Vice State Representative. This nomination was determined during the Undergraduate Caucus and Elections on Wednesday, August 18, 2021.

Option	Votes
Augustin Avouwadan (Eta)	53% 8
Jarred Singleton (Upsilon Delta Delta)	47% 7

Bro. Lamar Scott made a motion to cast one unanimous vote by the State KRS for Bro. Augustin Avouwadan for 2nd Vice State Representative. Bro. Alvin Jackson provided the second.

State Keeper of Records and Seal:

Bro. Jerome Gladney nominated Bro. Lucius Lewis, Jr. for the office of State Keeper of Records and Seal. Bro. Wilton Jackson provided the second.

No additional nominations were offered.

Bro. Gregory Strong made a motion to close the nominations for the office of State Keeper of Records and Seal. Bro. Steven Crawford provided the second.

State Keeper of Finance:

Bro. Jamal Jones nominated Bro. Tredrick Johnson for the office of State Keeper of Finance. Bro. Tony Smith provided the second.

No additional nominations were offered.

Bro. Charles Hall made a motion to close the nomination for the office of State Keeper of Finance. Bro. James Stubbs provided the second.

State Counselor:

Bro. Anthony Skipper nominated Bro. Oliver Clark for the Office of State Counselor. Bro. Kushna Damallie provided the second.

No additional nominations were offered.

Bro. Gregory Strong made a motion to close the nominations for the office of State Counselor. Bro. Lucius Lewis, Jr. provided the second.

State Public Relations Director:

Bro. Lucius Lewis, Jr. made a motion to nominate Bro. Kelly Martin for the office of State Public Relations Director. Bro. Melvin Bonds provided the second.

No additional nominations were offered.

Bro. Alvin Jackson made a motion to close the nominations for State Public Relations Director. Bro. Steven Wilson provided the second.

State Representative Address

Bro. Christopher Barnett

Key Points:

- Improved the State of Mississippi Organization footprint via Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube.
- Held a Spring Virtual revival “Revive, Restore, and Redeem.” Brothers Lamar Scott (Eta Tau) and Edgar Lewis (Beta Rho) were guest speakers for the event.
- Successfully worked with the Department of Revenue to add a motorcycle tag for purchase.
- Held a Winter State Council and State Undergraduate Summit Virtual meetings.
- Created an emergency and disaster response committee.
- Initiated sixty-four (64) brothers.

District Representative Address

Bro. Reginald Harris

Key Points:

- Rekindling the Essence of Omega (Friendship, District Policy Institute, Operational Efficiency, and Health and Wellness)

- Strategic Partnerships (St. Jude Campaign, Black Health Matters, American Diabetes Association, Omega Charities, Boreholes for Ghana)
- 2021 District Meeting Closeout (Survey Results)
- 2021 State Workshops (Delta Variants)
- Prohibition Lifting
- 2021 Fall MSP Timeline
- Get Right Program (Re-instated)
- Supreme Council Meeting(s)
- SEC Events
- 2022 85th Seventh District Meeting (Atlanta)
- International Grand Officers Candidate's Forum (Vetting Committee)
- 83rd Grand Conclave (Charlotte, July 21-26, 2022)

1st Vice District Representative

Bro. Christopher Brooks

Key Points:

- Dr. Ernest E. Just Undergraduate Advisor Award 7th District
Bro. Travarus Horton/Advisor to Beta Theta Chapter
Mississippi Valley State University, Itta Bena, MS
- Colonel Charles Young Military Leadership Award 7th District
Bro. Michael Clark/Beta Rho Chapter
Itta Bena, MS
- Graduate Omega Man of the Year
Bro. Robert R. Scott, III/Kappa Alpha Alpha Chapter
Decatur, GA
- Graduate Chapter of the Year - **Xi Mu Nu Chapter**, Statesboro, GA
- Large Graduate Chapter of the Year - **Phi Kappa Kappa Chapter**, East Point, GA
- Undergraduate Chapter of the Year 7th District - **Beta Theta Chapter**,
Mississippi Valley State University, Itta Bena, MS
- Attended Fall 2020 State Meeting Cycle (AL, FL, GA, and MS)
- Virtual Day at the Capital
- Participated in the 7th District FIMC Father's Day Program
- Participated in the 1st VGB standing committee meetings

2nd Vice District Representative

Bro. Jimmie D. Starkes

Key Points:

- District Involvement
- Committee Representatives
- District Wide Social Actions/Initiatives
- Social Media (IG:mty7d_ug)
- FIMC
- UG COVID Guidelines

- Compliance of all COVID Precautions
- MSP Vaccinations

District Keeper of Records and Seal Report
Bro. James M. Reed, IV

FY 2021-2022 7th District IHQ Chapter Status

Category	Alabama	Florida	Georgia	MS	Grand Total
Graduate Chapters	16	31	32	21	100
Active	16	29	28	21	94
Inactive		2	4		6
Undergraduate Chapters	15	13	21	9	58
Active	10	11	11	9	41
Hold	3	1	1		5
Inactive	1	1	8		10
Suspended	1		1		2
Grand Total	31	44	53	30	158

State Organizations

7th District Financial Membership

Alabama	716
Florida	1,419
Georgia	2,169
Mississippi	912
Grand Total	5,216

Statistics

IHQ Database Membership: FY 20-21 7,045
 7th District Membership: FY 20-21 5,216
 7th District comprise 24.26% (7,045) of the Total International Membership (29,038)

IHQ/7D Deadlines for Submission

Form 37, 50, 53 and 80 (Service Award)
 1st Qtr. (Nov – Jan) – Due February 15
 2nd Qtr. (Feb – Apr) – Due May 15
 3rd Qtr. (May – Jul) – Due August 15
 4th Qtr. (Aug – Oct) – Due November 15

District Keeper of Finance

Bro. Wilton “Chuck” Jackson

Statement of Activity, August 21, 2021
UN-AUDITED

Revenue:	\$534,038.85
Expenses:	\$399,122.54

Change in Net Assets: \$131,916.31

EIN Number Registration with IHQ Open 2021

www.omega-ein.org

Login - Omega (Chapter #) @oppf.org

Password: Omega @1911

All information MUST be completed.

District Counselor

Bro. Arnold Gaines, Esq.

Key Points:

- Explained duties and responsibilities
 - Reviewed elements of the Special Event Checklist (SEC)
 - Shared litigation status for Mississippi and Georgia
 - Provided contact information: 7thdistatty@gmail.com, cell (772)214-2512
- This information was also posted on the 7th District site at omegapsiphi7d.org.

District Public Relations

Bro. Sean Bland

Key Points:

- 7th District YouTube Channel
- The “Pearl” Newsletter Publication
- Submitted articles to The Oracle

District Chaplain

Bro. Roi Johnson

Key Points:

- Explained duties and responsibilities at District Chaplain
- Convened meetings with State Chaplains with the 7th District

District Marshal

Bro. Marcus Black

Key Points:

- 85th Seventh District meeting scheduled for April 6- April 10, 2022
- Location: Sheraton Downtown Atlanta, GA
- Host Chapters: Tau and Mu Mu Mu

IP District Representative

Bro. James Cistrunk

- Offered greetings to the members of the Mississippi State Organization
- Wished the State Organization a successful meeting

Grand Officers' Address

Grand Basileus

Bro. David Marion

Key Points:

- The Grand Basileus completed his term as Chairman of the National Council of Presidents
- Membership goal is 30,000 financial members by the next Conclave which will be held in Charlotte, North Carolina on July 22- 26, 2022
- The Fraternity donated financial supports to the following HBCU's and other institutions of higher learning: Jackson State University, Tougaloo and Rust Colleges, Mississippi Valley State University, Alcorn State University, and Hinds Community College totaling over \$60,000
- Established a partnership with the Department of the Army
- Established additional Boreholes in Ghana. Initially established two (2), now the number is over thirty (30)
- The Fraternity assets reached \$13 million

1st Vice Grand Basileus

Bro. Ricky Lewis

Key Points:

- C Vent greatly reduced registration for our Undergraduate Summit and the Moses C. Norman Leadership Conference. The plan is to use C Vent for the 2022 Grand Conclave in North Carolina.
- Reiterated the Grand Basileus' plans to increase membership.
- Our theme continues, "Each one bring one." Start by encouraging your line bothers to become financially active, even better pay one of their dues.
- Encouraged brothers to donate to the "1,000 for \$1,000" HBCU donation which was an ongoing campaign to raise \$1,000,000. Current amount was roughly \$300,000.

Grand Keeper of Records and Seal

Bro. Mark Jackson

Key Points:

- The new IT system was fully operational
- Suggested submitting a Zen desk ticket when questions needed to be addressed. Access the Zen desk by clicking the blue question mark. It will appear in the lower right corner of the website.

Grand Keeper of Finance

Bro. Johnnie Smith

Key Point:

- The Fraternity invested \$1 million to aid in growing the fraternity money.
- The Fraternity cash position was \$13 million

- Quick Books made available to all chapters at a discount

Voting of State Officers

1st Vice State Representative

Option	Votes	
Bro. Carlos Palmer, Beta Rho	93%	92
Bro. Jesse O. Smith, Eta Xi	7%	7

Achievement Week Awards

Bro. Cyrus Vance

Dr. Ernest E. Just Undergraduate Chapter Advisor of the Year

Bro. Tredrick Johnson – Upsilon Delta Delta Chapter

Delta State University

Cleveland, MS

Undergraduate Omega Man of the Year

Bro. Christopher Calhoun – Upsilon Epsilon Chapter

Jackson State University

Jackson, MS

Undergraduate Chapter of the Year

Upsilon Epsilon Chapter

Jackson State University

Jackson, MS

Citizen of the Year

Judge Carlos Moore

Beta Rho Chapter

Greenwood, MS

Colonel Charles Young Military Leadership Award

Bro. Cornelius Powell, Lieutenant Colonel

Beta Alpha Chapter

Jackson, MS

Founders' Lifetime Achievement Award

Bro. Lawrence Horn

Beta Rho Chapter

Greenwood, MS

Superior Service Award

Bro. Troy Brown

Beta Rho Chapter

Greenwood, MS

Graduate Omega Man of the Year

Bro. Steven Crawford

Beta Rho Chapter

Greenwood, MS

Small Graduate Chapter of the Year

Kappa Mu Mu Chapter

Greenville, MS

Large Graduate Chapter of the Year

Beta Rho Chapter

Greenwood, MS

Service Awards Recipients

25 years

Theta Iota Iota Bro. Stephen Wilson

30 Years

Omega Mu Mu Bro. Ronald Stancil

35 Years

Beta Alpha Bro. Bobby Donald
Eta Tau Bro. Michael Keyton

40 Years

Beta Alpha Bro. L. Harmon
Beta Alpha Bro. Olger Twyner, III
Iota Omicron Bro. Eric Shelton
Iota Upsilon Bro. Randy McGee
Iota Upsilon Bro. Willie J. Smith

45 Years

Beta Alpha Bro. George Handy
Iota Omicron Bro. Ronald Earl
Nu Xi Bro. Theodore West
Nu Xi Bro. Wilbur O. Johnson
Omega Mu Mu Bro. Duane Jones

50 Years

Eta Xi Bro. Ronald Cole
Iota Upsilon Bro. Parker Cherry
Nu Xi Bro. Vincent Greene
Phi Rho Bro. Malcolm Curtis
Psi Rho Bro. James W. Dye
Theta Iota Iota Bro. Ricardo Gillispie

55 Years

Theta Iota Iota Bro. George Hardaway

State of Mississippi Scholarship Winners

Bro. Cyrus Vance

Graduate Recipients

Bro. Jamarcus Everett, \$1,000

Bro. Asishana Ajayi, \$1,000

Undergraduate Recipients

Bro. Aaron Weddington, \$1,000

Bro. Brian Carmichael, \$1,000

State Life Members

Bro. Ted Anderson, Chair

MS0068	Anthony K. Kelly	Eta Tau (HT)	Central	09/24/20
MS0069	Curtis C. Johnson	Beta Alpha (BA)	Central	09/24/20
MS0070	James M. Reed, IV	Xi Kappa Kappa (ΞKK)	Central	09/29/20
MS0071	Harry B. Harrell	Out of State	Florida	10/01/20
MS0072	Willie J. Smith	Iota Upsilon (IY)	South	10/05/20
MS0073	Perry L. Cartlidge	Epsilon Kappa Kappa (EKK)	South	10/14/20
MS0074	Omega Hart	Xi Kappa Kappa (ΞKK)	Central	10/29/20
MS0075	Amos Hamlin, Sr.	Epsilon Kappa Kappa (EKK)	Central	11/11/20
MS0076	Amos Hamlin, Jr.	Epsilon Kappa Kappa (EKK)	Central	11/11/20
MS0077	Roy McKenzie	Theta Iota Iota (TII)	Central	01/02/21
MS0078	Jeffery Turner	Beta Alpha (BA)	Central	02/07/21
MS0079	Andrea Alexander	Beta Alpha (BA)	Central	03/01/21
MS0080	Stephen Wilson	Theta Iota Iota (TII)	Central	03/06/21
MS0081	Bobby J. Donald	Beta Alpha (BA)	Central	03/12/21
MS0082	Leroy Lee	Xi Kappa Kappa (ΞKK)	Central	04/06/21
MS0083	Craig Morton	Eta Tau (HT)	Central	04/09/21
MS0084	Steven Crawford	Beta Rho (BP)	Central	04/12/21
MS0085	Darian L. Knox	Epsilon Kappa Kappa (EKK)	Central	06/02/21
MS0086	Alvin Jackson	Epsilon Kappa Kappa (EKK)	Central	06/16/21

Talent Hunt

Bro. Derrick Cooper, Chair

1st Place - Payton Cocroft, \$500

2nd Place - DeAndre Deener, \$300

3rd Place - Kelton Con, \$200

Plenary Session II
Bro. Carlos Parlmer, 1st Vice State Representative

1st Vice State Representative Report
Bro. Carlos Palmer

Key Points:

- Participated in the Florida, Georgia, and Mississippi State Virtual Meetings
- Participated in the 84th 7th District Meeting
- Attended Intake Ceremonies: Southaven, Hattiesburg, Tupelo, Cleveland, and Jackson
- Conducted Zoom Training of Vice-Basilei
- Facilitated MS State Council Winter Meeting
- Conducted Zoom Training of State Committee Chairs
- Collaborated with Brothers Christopher Barnett and Creston Burse to establish compilation of chapter committee chairs
- Compiled State Meeting Booklet

2nd Vice State Representative Report
Bro. Asishana Ajayi

Key Points:

- Ensured UG chapters/brothers check-up
- Maintained an active undergraduate directory (District and State)
- Facilitated recruitment of UG brothers in district committees
- Streamlined communication to UG chapters
- Facilitated submission of UG chapters GPA verification

State Keeper of Records and Seal Report
Bro. Lucius Lewis, Jr.

Key Points:

- Attended the Florida, Georgia, and Alabama Virtual State Meetings
- Attended the State Council Virtual State Winter Council Meeting. Provided a PowerPoint presentation/training on navigating the 7th District Payment Portal
- Served as member-at-large for the 7th District Rules, Protocol, and Credentialing & Voting Committees
- Revised the State of MS Organization Delegate Form 36

By the numbers: FY 2020-2021

State Membership:

Graduate	808
Undergraduate	102
Total	910

MSP:

Graduate	19
Undergraduate	55
Total	74

Chapters:

Graduate	21
Undergraduate	9
Total	30

State Keeper of Finance Report

Bro. Tredrick Johnson

This report will be disseminated at the State Meeting.

State Counselor Report

Bro. Oliver Clark

Key Points:

- There are no pending lawsuits.
- Report any unsanctioned events to protect the fraternity against litigation.
- Be specific and vigilant when completing SEC Forms.

State Public Relations Report

Bro. Kelly O. Martin

Key Points:

- Maintained and shared content via State of Mississippi Organization YouTube Channel
- Conducted Oracle interview with the Grand Basileus on his role as Chairman of the Council of President for the NPHC
- Participated and publicized “Purple Thursday” to bring awareness to domestic violence
- Attended and reported on the final stretch GOTV “Get Out The Vote”
- Submitted articles to the 7th District Pearl Publication

State Chaplain Report

Bro. Michael James

Key Points:

- Created a Memorial page on the State Website of brothers who entered Omega Chapter
- Conducted chapter training on Memorial Service Ceremonies
- Drafted resolutions for brothers who have entered Omega Chapter

Recommendations and By-Laws

Key Points:

- No new recommendation or by-law changes were offered.

Protocol Report

Bro. Gregory E. Strong

Key Points:

- Report found on pages 62- 64 of the state booklet.

Ways and Means Report

Bro. Enebeli Kanonu

Key Points:

- Report found on pages 83- 85 of the state booklet.

Budget Approval

Proposed Budget FY 2021-2022

Revenue- Categories

State Meeting Registration	\$11,200
MSP	\$17,800
State Dues	\$ 9,500
Life Membership Revenue	\$ 2,000
Tag Account	\$19,500
Miscellaneous Income	\$ <u>500</u>
	\$60,500

Ads, Contribution, Dues, Donation	\$ 1,500
Administrative Cost	\$ 500
Chapter Workshop	\$ 300
Grand Conclave	\$ 5,000
Undergraduate Summit	\$ 5,000
State Meeting	\$14,000
D M Mississippi	*
District Meeting	\$ 5,000
Leadership Conference	\$ 3,000
Miscellaneous	\$ 1,500
State Step Team/Scholarship	\$ 9,000
Travel	\$ 4,500
State Reclamation Picnic	\$ 1,000
State & executive council Meeting	\$ 1,000
Sate Hall of Fame	\$ 500
Tag Money Transfer	\$ 8,200
MS UG Honor Society	*
	\$60,000

Fav(Unfav)

\$ 500

Instillation of Officers

Bro. Reginald Harris

Bro. Reginald Harris, 7th District Representative swore in the state officers.

Bro. Christopher Barnett, State Representative

Bro. Carlos Palmer, 1st Vice State Representative

Bro. Augustin Avouwadan, 2nd Vice State Representative

Bro. Lucius Lewis, Jr., State Keeper of Records and Seal

Bro. Tredrick Johnson, State Keeper of Finance

Bro. Oliver Clark, State Counselor

Bro. Kelly O. Martin, State Public Director

Bro. Michael James, State Chaplain

Plenary Session III

Bro. Christopher Barnett

Time and Place

Bro. Brian Barkley

2022 MS State Meeting

Meridian, MS

August 26-28, 2022

Host Chapter: Theta Iota Iota

85th Seventh District Meeting

Sheraton Atlanta Hotel

Atlanta, GA

April 6-10, 2022

83rd Grand Conclave

Charlotte, NC

July 22- 26, 2022

Host Chapter: Pi Phi Chapter

Final Credentials Report

Bro. Marcus Everett

Registration: 295

Attendance: 193

Total delegates: 110

Chapters in attendance: 28/30

Formal Closing
Bro. Christopher Barnett

Closing Prayer
Bro. Michael James

Meeting adjourned