

**OMEGA PSI PHI FRATERNITY, INC.**

**SIGMA BETA BETA CHAPTER**



**2011 ACHIEVEMENT WEEK PROGRAM &  
CELEBRATION**

**“CELEBRATING THE PAST ONE HUNDRED YEARS;  
SETTING THE COURSE FOR THE NEXT  
ONE HUNDRED YEARS”**

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2011**

**WESTBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
265 ASBURY AVENUE  
WESTBURY, NY 11590**

**2011 ACHIEVEMENT WEEK PROGRAM  
MASTER OF CEREMONIES—BRO. CALVIN D. NASH**

Procession	Men of Omega
Invocation	Bro. Edward H. O'Neil, Jr. Chaplain
Lift Every Voice & Sing	Audience
Welcome	Bro. Eric E. Harley Basileus
History of Achievement Week	Bro. Corey E. McBeth
Keynote Speaker	Dr. Clyde A. Anderson Chief Executive Officer CPRHE
Word & Song Selection	Bro. Edward H. O'Neil, Jr.
<b>ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS</b>	
<b>President's Volunteer Service Award</b> <i>presented by Bro. Thabiti Boone</i>	Bro. Dr. Robert L. Hylton
<b>Citizen of the Year</b>	Mr. Sidney R. Glee Donor Relations Director Salvation Army, Nassau County
<b>Superior Service Award</b>	Bro. Michael Martin
<b>Omega MEN of the Year</b> Westbury)	Bro. Tyrone C. Bryant *Upsilon Mu chapter (SUNY Old
	Bro. Edward H. O'Neil, Jr. Chaplain
	Bro. Jerry J. Mackey, Sr.
<b>Closing Remarks</b>	Bro. Eric E. Harley Basileus
<b>Omega Dear</b>	Men of Omega

\*\*Refreshments to be served at the conclusion of the program

## Lift Every Voice and Sing by James Weldon Johnson & John Rosamond Johnson

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 died?

We have come over a way that with tears have 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.

## **OMEGA Man of the Year Bro. Edward H. O'Neil, Jr.**

In the fall of 1966, an eager, idealistic and energetic sophomore entered the fraternity and brotherhood of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., Lambda Psi Chapter at Livingstone College (the Mighty Sixth District), Salisbury, North Carolina. Inspired by three high school educators in his hometown who exemplified character, dedication, community involvement and positive modeling, "Eddie" was ready to take the challenge of Manhood, Scholarship, Perseverance, and Uplift.

Edward Harrison O'Neil, Jr. is a product of the Burke County (Morganton, North Carolina) public school system. He was an honor student in high school and college, a 4-year letter athlete in football, basketball, baseball and track in high school and a member of the football team in college. He earned a BA from Livingstone College and a MSW from Hunter College School of Social Work. He migrated to New York and became the Director of Youth Services in the Corona, East Elmhurst, Jackson Heights and Flushing communities. He has also held positions as Supervisor of Pension and Retirement Annuities at Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, Director of Mental Health Services for Bedford Stuyvesant Community Mental Health Center and Services for the Underserved. He is currently Director of Rehabilitation and Employment Services for NADAP, a not for profit Work Force Development agency. In addition, he is a field instructor (SIFI certified) for MSW students and an adjunct professor for Columbia University.

Ingrained with the spirit for giving back, Edward O'Neil has taken his love of sports and desire to teach to serve as youth coach for the Springfield Rifles and the Elmont Cardinals football teams and the Cambria Heights Sports Association Youth Baseball League. He was also co-director of the Grace United Methodist Church basketball youth program. Through the years he has been a father figure and role model to countless young people. They still reach out to "Mr. Ed", "Uncle Eddie", "Pop O'Neil", "Mr. O'Neil" for advice or guidance. Fiercely proud of his African American heritage, southern upbringing, and the contributions of his ancestors, he has facilitated Kwanzaa presentations, with his wife, at several Queens public libraries, his home and different community groups. During these Kwanzaa presentations as well as church and civic events, he has included his passion for the written word through original poetry.

His spiritual growth was instilled by his parents at an early age at Gaston Chapel AME Church and further nurtured at the Greater Allen AME Cathedral of New York where he was a member of the Male Chorus. As an outgrowth of his love of singing for the Lord, he co-founded the vocal ensemble, Men Of Distinction, which ministered in song throughout the New York area and the east coast. The Men of Distinction were featured guests at Madison Square Garden during a WNBA Father's Day half time event. Among his most cherished achievements, Edward H. O'Neil, Jr. was awarded the Father of the Year award presented by the Progressive Circle of the Greater Allen AME Cathedral and the Jack and Jill Queens Chapter's Distinguished Dad's award. He is a member of the Sigma Beta Beta Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., where he serves as Chaplain.

His greatest blessing has been the love and support of his family. He and his wife of 42 years, Sheila, are the proud parents of Kimberly of Fort Worth Texas, Edward III of Charlotte, North Carolina and the doting grandfather of Tristan James O'Neil.

Brother Edward O'Neil's mantra can be summed up with the words of his favorite song - "May the work I've done, the life I live, and the service I give speak for me."

## **HISTORY OF ACHIEVEMENT WEEK**

National Achievement Week is a mandated program of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., that was originally designed to promote the study of African American life and history. Its beginnings date back to the 1920 Grand Conclave (national convention) in Nashville, Tennessee. Fraternity brothers Bro. Dr. Carter G. Woodson, Bro. Col. Charles Young and Bro. Garnet C. Wilkinson were discussing the need for Black people to recognize and celebrate the contributions of their culture. All three men enjoyed literature, music and history, so the discussion was quite lively and thought provoking. Upon further discussion, they agreed that if Blacks were informed of their past achievements and accomplishments, they would feel more pride and confidence. Woodson suggested the brotherhood of Omega Psi Phi should do something about this issue. Woodson volunteered to address the Grand Conclave and explain to the body why he felt the brotherhood should formally celebrate Black history.

During his address, he urged the brothers of Omega Psi Phi to devote more time to the study of Negro life and history. His speech was moving. Many proclaimed it "one of the most eloquent, forceful and brilliant ever delivered . . ." Upon the conclusion of his address, the fraternity voted to create and adopt a Negro Achievement Week. Every chapter of the fraternity would designate one week a year to the study of black literature and history. The first Negro History Week was observed April 24-30, 1921, by undergraduate chapters of Omega Psi Phi in Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Georgia and Virginia. In 1949, the program was renamed "National Achievement Week" in order to incorporate the achievement of all people regardless of ethnic differences.

The National Achievement Week is a precursor to what we know and celebrate today as Black History Month.

## **Keynote Speaker**

### **Dr. Clyde A. Anderson**

*Chief Executive Officer*

*Clergy and Providers for Racial Healthcare Equality*

*Dr. Clyde A. Anderson* currently serves as the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Clergy and Providers for Racial Healthcare Equality. CPRHE seeks to dramatically reduce the growing number of racial healthcare disparities and other diseases that disproportionately affect people of color. Under his leadership CPRHE has created win-win relationships with the healthcare and pharmaceutical industry; maximizing the repositioning/training of clergy and laity in the 5 boroughs of New York City to care for those who are underserved in their congregations. He conducts weekly media type conferences with pastors and other community leaders around harnessing the Power of Community to Impact the Health, Wellness & Lifestyle of the people in our churches and communities.

His ministry commenced in 1974 as a student pastor in the South Carolina Conference where he received his deacon's orders in 1978 and his elder's orders in 1980. As a member of the New York Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church, he formerly served as the Executive Director/CEO of The United Methodist City Society of New York, a multi-ethnic community based organization that works cooperatively with other denominational and ecumenical agencies to develop human and financial needs to empower and transform urban churches and communities throughout the five (5) boroughs of New York City. Humanitarian and world traveler, he also served as *Executive Secretary* for the General Board of Global Ministries in both the National and World Program Divisions with specific mission responsibilities throughout the United States, Africa, Middle East and Europe. Born in Mayesville, South Carolina, **Anderson** is one of twelve children of George Anderson, Sr. and Sarah Plowden Anderson. Though both were blue collar workers, the Andersons also owned and managed a successful family farm. Impacted by his parent's moral fortitude and strong work ethic, coupled with his own conviction and commitment to achieve academic excellence, **Anderson** believed that his journey in life would take him far beyond his humble beginnings. Even at the early age of 15, he stated in an essay that he "wanted to work with all races and classes of people regardless of their station in life." He never knew the broader implications or prophetic reality of his words, until he traveled to Africa decades later.

Anderson's parents believed that education is the greatest deterrent to racism. They worked hard and encouraged each of their twelve (12) children to reach their highest level of achievement. Dr. **Anderson** was called to the ministry in his pre-adolescent years. Following his passion and his parent's advice, Anderson enrolled at Clafflin University in Orangeburg, South Carolina where he received his Bachelor of Arts in Religion and Philosophy; his Master of Divinity Degree from Gammon Theological Seminary and the Interdenominational Theological Center, Atlanta, Ga., his Doctor of Ministry degree from United Theological Seminary, Dayton, OH, and an Honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from his undergraduate

## **OMEGA Man of the Year**

### **Bro. Jerry Mackey, Sr.**

Jerry J. Mackey Sr. is a Financial Advisor with Citi Personal Wealth Management. Prior to joining the financial industry over 18 years ago, he owned and operated a small family owned business where he secured contracts with local and state governments. As a financial advisor, Jerry has worked with leaders in the industry to create products and services specifically designed for the African American church community. As a Financial Advisor with a major financial company, he lectures and conducts wealth-building workshops throughout the country. The black church has always held a special place in Jerry's heart as he comes from a long line of ministers on Long Island in the Freeport/Roosevelt area. He grew up in Mount Sinai Baptist Church, the fellowship founded by his grandfather Walter Mackey Sr. Jerry's brother, father, uncle and cousins are also ministers of the Gospel.

Jerry's mission is to build trusted relationships with his clients. He focuses his business on estate planning analysis, financial planning, tax-related investment strategies, superb service and portfolio management. His goal is to help his clients meet their financial and investment objectives. Jerry has the ability and resources to bring the corporate world to the church community via information, to help pastors build stronger ministries and communities.

Jerry is a graduate of Hofstra University where he earned a BBA degree in Business Administration and holds several financial licenses and certifications. A native of Roosevelt, New York, Jerry resides in nearby Freeport with his family.

**OMEGA Man of the Year – (Upsilon Mu chapter)**  
**Bro. Tyrone C. Bryant**

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Tyran and Charlene Bryant on July 7th, 1987, Tyrone Charles Bryant is the second oldest with two other siblings. He is an aspiring artist of many facets. He spends countless hours writing, editing, and recording music as he is working toward his dream A&R career. He hopes to make Tyrone Bryant a household name sooner than later.

During his high school career, he was on the wrestling team, as well as being a member of the Freeport Hose 5 Volunteer Fire Department. High School is where Tyrone became influenced in the arts of music and began recording and writing music.

He started his college journey at Nassau Community College. He later transferred to Delaware State University in 2007, where he was in the newspaper for Student Spotlight of the month for music, and received awards for radio personality of the month as well. Today, Tyrone is a dedicated Media & Communications student in his senior year at SUNY College at Old Westbury. Actively involved on campus and within the community, Mr. Bryant is a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., and currently serves as Basileus (President) of the Upsilon Mu chapter - the only undergraduate chapter in Nassau County. Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. is an organization dedicated to uplifting young African American men and serving the community.

To get his foot in the entertainment industry door, Tyrone became an intern at Amoe Music Studios. Through this internship, he is learning to master audio/visual recording and editing for various film artists. After graduation, Tyrone plans to further advance his career and eventually obtain a position in music.

Tyrone credits his parents, members of his family, friends, and the brothers of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. for unconditional support through his trials and accomplishments. His faith base is rooted in Bethel AME Church of Freeport, NY, the city where he was raised.

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alma mater, Claflin University. He was certified as Congregational Development Leadership Specialist by University Associates of San Diego, CA.

Appointed by the Reverend Jesse L. Jackson, Sr. eight years ago, Dr. Anderson continues to serve as President of the NY Chapter of the Rainbow Push Coalition. He has led demonstrations against gun violence, protest against British Petroleum Oil, which demanded greater minority involvement in the corporate business practice, "Foreclosure Prevention Rallies/ Forums, Voter Registration and Youth Empowerment/Transformation/Technical Training. He was a key spokesperson at the General Motors Minority Partnership rally where he called for greater inclusion of minority presence in the company at the executive level. He was proactive in fighting to eradicate police brutality as people of color in the city of New York. Through the Wall Street Project, Dr. Anderson serves as co-convenor of the annual economic summit. He works with a host of other leaders on Wall Street to fight for racial equality, economic justice, minority inclusion and participation.

As a political and social activist, Dr. Anderson co-founded and served as the first President of the Southern Leadership Conference and the first President of the NAACP in the Pee Dee Region of South Carolina. During this time he mobilized and unified communities who were sorely affected by the erosion of race relations as a legacy of slavery in the South. He monitored and analyzed developments in U.S. policy toward Africa as he mobilized grassroots pressure on Congress to promote sustainable development and peace-keeping in the African Continent. He became a lobbyist for the Africa Growth and Opportunity Act (*AGOA*) as he appealed to Congress to take important steps in passing legislation that would open a new era of US/African trade and investment relations, one that would encourage the United States to be a partner in Africa's prosperity.

Dr. Anderson is well known throughout the Continent of Africa where he spent more than a decade building bridges and strengthening partnerships between ecumenical and tribal groups under the leadership of mission board of the United Methodist Church.

An author and a monthly commentator for the New York City Spiritual Herald Newspaper, he is the recipient of numerous awards and citations from a plethora of faith-based institutions, corporations and foundations locally and globally. Among his numerous religious, civic, and fraternal relationships, he is a member of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc.

Dr. Anderson is married to the former Loretta Martino, an English teacher in the private sector of Queens, New York.

## **President's Volunteer Service Award**

### **Dr. Robert L. Hylton**

Dr. Robert L. Hylton, Ph.D. is a 1954 graduate of Central State University, majoring in Psychology. He is the holder of a M.A. degree in Clinical Psychology from St. John's University, Jamaica, NY and a Ph.D. degree in Professional Child Psychology also from St. John's University. Dr. Hylton did graduate work in guidance at Columbia University and post graduate studies at the William Allison Institute for Psychotherapy, New York, NY.

Dr. Hylton's professional and community involvement has been extensive. He was very involved in Little League Baseball, the Boy's Scouts of America and the North Shore Child and Family Association. After serving on the Westbury planning committee for North Shore Child and Family Guidance Association, he was appointed as the first black board member on a board consisting of fifty Nassau County community residents. Dr. Hylton also served on the Westbury Community Task Force and was cited by the Nassau County Executive for his 20 years of meritorious service of community involvement. He served as president of the Central State University Alumni New York chapter. He served on the National Board of Central State University also. He has received the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., Sigma Beta Beta chapter's Omega Man of the Year six times for service to the fraternity. He was cited for his outstanding work in social action projects, and the leadership to his fraternity. He has raised thousands of dollars in scholarship money for outstanding high school students. Dr. Hylton is in the CSU Achievement Hall of Fame.

Presently, Robert Hylton is the board chairman of A-1 Universal Care, Inc., a non-profit organization servicing individuals with special needs. Before he became involved, this agency had been cited for 45 infractions by the state of New York. Through his leadership, the agency has removed all of the infractions and is now considered as one of the best minority operated non-profit agencies on Long Island. In 2007, Dr. Hylton was awarded by North Shore Child and Family Guidance Center, the Family Life Award along with his wife, Dr. Betty Hylton. This award was for Community Service. Dr. Hylton currently is very active in the Westbury Branch of the NAACP and is a member of its Executive Committee. He also serves on the board of African Atlantic Genealogical Society, Inc.

Professional experiences include serving as a School Psychologist in the New York City school system, Director of counseling & Career Planning at the State University of New York, College at Old Westbury, and Consultant Psychologist for the following agencies: Parents-in-Action, Nassau County Drug & Alcohol Department, and Abundant Lift Agency. Dr. Hylton also maintained a private psychotherapy practice for many years. He retired as a School Psychologist from NYC with 32 years of service. For a period of time, he was the only black school psychologist for the entire borough of Queens, which serviced seven separate school districts. During this period, he committed himself in helping minority students and to insure that minorities were not overly placed in special education programs. Dr. Hylton is involved in senior track and field activities. He participated as a race walker and has won the 5K road race for his age categories several times, three times state championships and the national championship for his age category of 70 years. He was once ranked in the top four in the country in his age category for 5K, 10K, and 20K road races. During 28 years of racing, Dr. Hylton was 180 plaques and medals. His other interests include bowling which he has attained eight scores of over 255.

Dr. Robert Hylton is married to Irene Betty Hylton, Ph.D. a retired educator. They have three adult children and three grandchildren.

## **Superior Service Award**

### **Bro. Michael Martin**

Michael Martin was born on March 13, 1971 in Long Branch, New Jersey. He graduated from Long Branch HS in 1989. After completing high school, Michael attended Delaware State University, where he became a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. in 1994 via Psi Epsilon Chapter.

Michael graduated from Delaware State University in 1995 with a Bachelors Degree in Arts and Science and a Minor in Computer Graphics. He also attended the Hendrik's Institute in 2000 for Desktop Publishing, Computer Animation and Web design.

Michael has a wife, Nikita Marie Lattimore-Martin, and two children - Michael-Jalen Martin 10, and Madison Leigh Martin, 7. Today, Michael is formally a member of the Great Sigma Beta Beta Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., where he chairs the chapter's Website & Media Committee.

## **Citizen of the Year**

### **Mr. Sidney Glee**

*Donor Relations Director*

*Salvation Army of Greater NY, Nassau County Office*

Born and raised in Washington, D.C., Sidney R. Glee was taught the importance of serving others at an early age. From volunteering at Metropolitan A.M.E. Church, to serving on community youth programs, Sidney was encouraged by his parents to help others whenever possible.

Educated at Hampton Institute (now Hampton University) and after serving in the United States Army, Sidney never forgot the lessons of service imparted upon him by his family. Throughout his career, realizing how God had blessed him and his responsibility to bless others have been the cornerstones of his beliefs.

After relocating to New York and accepting a position in the Salvation Army, the Lord has continued to bless Sidney and further reinforce the importance of helping others. As Donor Relations Director, Sidney has played an important role in raising over one million dollars to fund rental assistance, feeding and youth programs throughout Nassau County. Ensuring that the Salvation Army is a good steward of these generous donations and the programs that they fund has been paramount during his career at the Salvation Army.

In his personal time, Sidney serves as a tutor and mentor to African-American young men. Serving others is Sidney's way of thanking God for the many wondrous things that HE has done for him.

## **President's Volunteer Service Award**

### **Dr. Irene E. Hylton**

Irene "Betty" Hylton has been a Westbury resident for over 40 years where she and her husband, Robert, raised their three children. As a longtime educator, Betty taught in the Westbury School District for twenty-two years. Betty is most proud of going back to school in her mid-fifties to get her Ph.D. in Educational Communication & Technology at New York University. After receiving her doctorate she taught at New York University, CUNY York College, St. John's University, and SUNY College at Old Westbury. She spent several years in Pennsylvania as Associate Dean of Teacher Education at the State University of Pennsylvania, East Stroudsburg University. Dr. Irene Hylton believes that we must make a difference in the lives of our youth and the community, therefore she has committed herself to volunteer her services to the Westbury-New Cassel community..

Throughout her four decades of involvement with North Shore Child & Family Guidance Center, the Pi Pi Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., the Westbury Chapter of the NAACP and the recent activity in the League of Women Voters, Dr. Hylton has been an incredible advocate and activist for the Westbury/New Cassel community. She joined the board of North Shore Child & Family Guidance Center in 1975. Since 2002, she has co-chaired that agency's Leeds Place Advisory Council, the group that organizes National Night Out Against Crime. From 2002-2004, Dr. Hylton developed the Math Project for girls at the Westbury Middle School. This grant enabled college students from the College at Old Westbury to tutor students in mathematics. In addition, professional women in various careers where mathematics is used spoke to the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls about their careers.

In 1987, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Pi Pi Omega Chapter was chartered to provide service to the Greater Westbury community. Dr. Hylton was instrumental in bringing the chapter into this community and is a charter member. She has been involved in or led a number of service initiatives that benefit the children and families, such as Advantage After-School program at the High School, the Powells Lane Saturday AKAdemy and the Emerging Young Leaders Program which is now at the Middle School. Under her leadership, the Westbury branch of NAACP was resurrected in 2006. Although she is 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President now, this branch has collaborated with several local organizations including NAACP Long Island Coalition, 100 Black Women of Nassau & Suffolk County and AKA, Pi Pi Omega chapter.

In an effort to encourage the community to become more conscientious of what is taking place in the political sector and the community at-large, Dr. Hylton and the members of her AKA Chapter revived the Greater Westbury League of Women Voters which was aging out and no longer active. As vice president of membership, Dr. Hylton is excited that New York State LWV has accepted this chapter and the Westbury chapter is considered a Member-at-Large chapter. All efforts are moving ahead to help men and women become more involved in the community.

Other awards and honors presented to Dr. Irene Hylton are the Soror of the Year, AKA, Pi Pi Omega, Family Life Award, North Shore Child & Family Guidance Center, Make a Difference Award, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, National Pan Hellenic Council of Nassau/ Suffolk Counties Community Service Award, Town of North Hempstead Women's Roll of Honor, Bank of America Local Hero Award, and Business and Professional Women Organization of Central Nassau Chapter.