

WHAT IS HAPPENING NATIONALLY

To Complete The Unfinished Work of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

The Assault On Illiteracy Program (AOIP) is a networking coalition of organizations engaged in an overall community-building approach to addressing the root causes of illiteracy among Black and similarly-situated minorities. In essence they are committed to the rebuilding of our communities into such secure, productive, value laden and hope-filled entities that everyone will be motivated to want to learn and lead responsible lives. AOIP has a redemptive mission of completing the "unfinished work of the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr." And, information listed below about your organization should (as best possible) be focused on what your group is doing to help complete that "unfinished work.

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority is America's premiere Greek-lettered organization for Black women. Organized in 1908, AKA is a service organization of approximately 100,000 women, with 700 chapters in 46 states, as well as in West Africa, the Bahamas and the Virgin Islands. AKA's current programmatic thrust is 'Service With A Global Perspective." which reflects its international service scope. AKA's national president is Janet J. Ballard. For more information, contact 312-684-1282

A.E.A.O.N. Mystic Shrine (Shriners)

This is a charitable and fraternal organization whose main thrust is to provide monies for hospitals, schools and educational grants. Information Contact: 2211 Cass Ave., Detroit, MI

Association of Black Sociologists

For information, contact Sandra V. Walker, Secretary/Treasurer, Association of Black Sociologists, 4825 Troost - Room 215, Kansas City, MO 64110. Telephone: 816-932-4499.

Chi Eta Phi Sorority, Inc.

We are pleased to announce our 42nd Annual Boule to be held July 5-12, 1987 at the Columbus Hilton Hotel in Columbus, Georgia, hosted by our Kappa Chi Chapter. Our theme for this year's Boule is "Power Through Commitment and Communication." For more information, call Soror Beatrice Sorrell, Chairman, Public Relations Committee, 202-723-3384.

Conference of Grand Masters Prince Hall Masons

The Conference of Grand Masters Prince Hall Masons is an umbrella organization consisting of the 43 Prince Hall Grand Lodges of the USA, Canada, Bahamas and Africa. Besides providing college scholarships (primarily to Black students), contributions and donations are usually made to communityoriented groups such as the United Negro College Fund, Assault On Illiteracy Program, blood banks, food banks, clothing banks, Aid to Africa, youth training and camping sessions. Information Contact: P.G.M. John D. Howard, P.O. Box 2826, Washington, D.C. 20013.

Council of National Alumni Associations, Inc. (CNAA)

CNAA is working in support of the National Black College Alumni Hall of Fame Foundation. This is a programmatic initiative by Blacks to ensure the survival of their own institutions of higher education. The Foundation seeks to serve as a supplemental role in relation to other organizations dedicated to supporting Black colleges. Information Contact: Thomas Dortch. P.O. Box 396, Atlanta, GA 30301.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority

Current Delta projects include African Diaspora, a four-year (1984-1988) awareness travel-study program in the African Diaspora; Summit II: A Call to Action in Support of Black Single Mothers, which consists of assistance and support to single mothers; Adopt A Black Business, chapter initiatives to sign agreements with Black businesses to utilize their services and buy products from them; Maryland Educational Opportunity Center, secondary education and training motivation opportunities for low and moderate income individuals; and Delta Towers, a \$6 million housing development center for senior citizens. Information Contact: Mary B. Hendrick, Executive Director, 202-483-5460.

Imperial Court Daughters of Isis

Organized in 1910, the Daughters of Isis unite in one common bond of friendship to practice charity and benevolence, to promote general welfare and to inculcate honor and integrity. Information Contact: Grace T. Brooks. Imperial Recordress, 317-283-7230.

lota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc.

Our National Convention will be held on July 23-29, 1987 at the Picadilly University Inn in Fresno, CA. For more information contact Mrs. Glover, National President, 205-727-5210.

Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.

Current Kappa projects include the Kappa League, which stresses talent, scholarship and career preparedness for high school and college students; C. Rodger Wilson Leadership Training, undergraduate workshops on leadership development: Kappa Alpha Psi Foundation, a non-profit arm for funding social action and self-help projects in the Black community; Student Revolving Loan Fund makes loans available to college students on campuses with Kappa chapters; and Social Action which responds to socio-economic issues affecting the Black community. Information Contact: 215-228-7184

National Association of Media Women, Inc.

A national organization of women professionally engaged in all areas of journalism and communications. Xernona Clayton Brady, National President. For more information, write M. Paulyne Morgan White, Director of Public Relations and Convention Services, 257 West Lake Ave., N.W., Atlanta, GA 30314 or call 404-799-5609

National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc.

Our 52nd National Convention and Celebration will be held August 12-15, 1987 at Bally's, Reno, Nevada. For information, call 202-483-4206

National Association of University Women (NAMW)

These ladies have taken on a national project of conducting literacy training workshops around the country to help provide a missing link for the needs of inner-city education. For more information, please contact Carrie Haynes, National President, 1205 West 80th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90044. Telephone: 213-752-0663. Women wishing to join a Branch already existing in her locale should contact Mrs. Lillian E. Ross, National First Vice-President, 2320 Monroe Street, Northeast, Washington, D.C. 20018.

National Black Police Association

15th Anniversary—Annual National Education & Training Conference on "The Role of the Black Police Officer in the New Society' August 23-30, 1987, Bond Court Hotel, Cleveland, Ohio. For information call 202-457-0563.

National Coalition of Title I/Chapter 1 **Parents**

One of the most important elements of Title I (now Chapter 1) is the requirement that parents be involved in the design, implementation, and evaluation of programs. The involvement of parents, considered a radical provision in the early days of Title I, has now been documented as the most important element in a child's education. Here are some of the key areas you may want to consider in Parent Involvement: How are parents currently involved in your school district? Is this involvement organized? How are parents elected/selected for participation? Do parents make their own determination on how best they can be involved? Is training a part of that involvement? Do you receive adequate information on your program? For more information, contact the National Parent Center, 1314 14th St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005.

National Council of Negro Women, Inc.

NCNW's Black Family Reunion Celebrations was held in Atlanta on June 13, will be in Los Angeles on July 25 and Detroit on August 22. The National Celebration will be in Washington, D.C. on Sept. 11-13, 1987. For more information, call 703-684-5733.

National Pan-Hellenic Council

Announcing our 54th National Convention: "Unity: Strategies for Success", October 1-4, 1987 at the Oakland Airport Hilton in Oakland, CA. Information Contact: Dr. Ada Jackson, 2222 Albion Street, Nashville, TN 37208

National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa

National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa is con-

tinuing and expanding upon its service role nationally of writing articles for AOIP's umbrella motivational and ego-strengthening tool...The ADVANCER. Currently, these ladies have produced over 175 consecutive issues on an allvolunteer basis. Information contact: Mrs. E. Lucile Minor, 216-321-4880.

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Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity

The men of Phi Beta Sigma share a two-fold goal: to promote brotherhood and community service, and to pursue scholastic excellence. Specific program support is given to education (through scholarships and tutoring services), Black business development and social welfare projects. Information Contact: 145 Kennedy St. N.W., Washington, DC 20011.

Sigma Gamma Rho

A community service organization with chapters across the United States, Bermuda, the Bahamas and the Virgin Islands. In July, sorority members and affiliates will meet in Atlanta, Georgia to focus on issues concerning the Black Family. For more information, contact Bonita Herring, 312-873-9000.

United Black Fund of America

This organization was recently recognized for its important community service work by Zeta Phi Beta Sorority. It was the only organization to receive a double award. Information Contact: 202-822-9116.

Women's Missionary Society/AME Church

Quadrennial Convention July 11-16, 1987 in Atlanta, Ga. Information Contact: 202-337-1335.

Youth Organizations USA (YOUSA)

The Bergen County (NJ) Coalition for YOUSA (Youth Organizations USA) is stressing unique self-employment opportunities for teenagers. These opportunities should lead to some solid community-based entrepreneurships in the near future. The time has come for some serious introspection. For more information, contact YOUSA, 19 Humphrey St., Englewood, NJ 07631, (201) 836-1838.

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority

Current Zeta projects include Project Hunger, relief for Ethiopian and other famine victims; Stork's Nest, services, including transportation, clothing and legal consultation for mothers-to-be at area clinics; National Education Foundation, annual scholarships for students and support for the United Negro College Fund; Media Watch, monitoring of bias in news reporting on issues affecting minorities; and training and resources to improve reading and writing skills. We are also

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