



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."

ABC/PBS (PLUS)

Project Literacy U.S. (PLUS) is a major national media outreach project which focuses on the problem of adult illiteracy in the United States. PLUS is a collaboration of the ABC network and the Public Broadcasting Service. The project operates in two phases: the outreach phase and the national awareness phase.

Recently, there were over 400 PLUS Business Breakfasts held across the country to increase awareness of the kinds of effective involvement business can have in eradicating illiteracy. The National Outreach Office of the Public Television Outreach Alliance distributed 88,800 copies of the "Literacy: The Challenge for Business" booklets. For more information on this and other resources for literacy programming, contact 412-622-1491.

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. [See our Cover Story in this month's issue]. Information Contact: 2211 Cass Ave., Detroit, MI 48201.

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority

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 312-684-1262.

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity

Young men across the nation are learning about the responsibilities and risks associated with teen-age pregnancy in Project Alpha—a unique program co-sponsored by Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity and the March of Dimes.

Project Alpha allows volunteers like you to lead man-to-man discussions about the personal, economic and legal implications of becoming a parent. Project Alpha also teaches young men that teen-age pregnancy can affect them socially and economically for the rest of their lives. For more information please call (312) 373-1819.

Chi Eta Phi Sorority, Inc.

Our 43rd Annual Boule will be held July 10-17, 1988 at the Sheraton Hotel at St. Johns Place, Jacksonville, Florida. Host Chapter: Sigma Chapter. For more information please call Soror Beatrice Sorrell, Chairman, Public Relations Committee (202) 723-3384.

CME Church

The 12th Lambeth Conference will be held at the University of Kent at Canterbury, July 16-August 7, 1988. In his invitation to the participants, the Archbishop of Canterbury requested that a series of consultations on the Lambeth themes take place in each diocese, thus enabling the bishops to represent the views of a cross section of their people. A *Mission Audit or Evaluation for a Diocese* is available to help you bring your diocese with you to Lambeth. For a copy of the consultation document, contact Bishop Caesar D. Coleman, Senior Bishop CME Church, 2330 Sutter Street, Dallas, TX 75216.

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 community-oriented 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 (CNAA)

CNAA recently sponsored its 2nd Annual National Black College Alumni Hall of Fame Dinner and Induction Ceremony. An umbrella organization dedicated to

working together to ensure the survival and growth of the nation's Black colleges and universities, CNAA has been the driving force of this urgently-needed event. It is a very meaningful way to help secure the future of Black colleges and universities by recognizing and promoting the many successful alumni which they significantly helped to shape. For more information contact: Thomas Dortch, P.O. Box 396, Atlanta, GA 30301.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. is a private nonprofit organization whose purpose is to provide services and programs to promote human welfare. The organization is currently involved in national programs such as: Summit II; A Call to Action in Support of Black Single Mothers, Life Development Centers, African Diaspora and International Involvement, Child Development, "Just Say No" to Drugs, Assault On Illiteracy Program (AOIP). 39th NATIONAL CONVENTION July 8-14, 1988 in San Francisco, CA. Information Contact: (202) 483-5460.

Eta Phi Beta Sorority

We are a national service organization. We proudly claim as our motto "Not For Ourselves—But For Others." We display the dedication to that motto by service rendered in communities throughout the U.S. and the Virgin Islands. Information Contact: Elizabeth Anderson, National President, 1724 Mohawk Blvd., Tulsa, OK 74110.

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: Catherine T. Maxey, Imperial Recordress, 317-283-7230.

Iota Phi Lambda Sorority

We are a 5,000-member organization dedicated to the promotion of business and the encouragement of young Black women to prepare for careers and entrepreneurship by offering scholarship assistance to high school graduates. We also promote advanced education and training of our members through fellowship assistance. We encourage the development of all areas of leadership; and establish and promote civic and social service activities for youth and adults. Official meetings for remainder of 1988: Eastern Region, April 22-24, Hosted by Kappa Chapter, Tremont Plaza, Baltimore, Maryland; Central Region, April 29-30, Hosted by Gamma Tau Chapter, Hyatt Regency, Minneapolis, Minnesota; Farwestern Region, May 12-15, Beta Nu Chapter, Hostess, Denver, Colorado; Southwestern Region, June 16-19, Beta Pi Chapter, Hostess, Houston Galleria, Houston, Texas. **Biennial National Convention:** July 20-26, 1989 in Shreveport, Louisiana. Contact Person: Dr. Priscilla D. Thomas, National President, 912-236-0459.

Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity

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 (NAMW)

A national organization of women professionally engaged in all areas of journalism and mass communications. Xerona Clayton Brady, National President. For more information, write M. Pauline 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 University Women (NAUW)

These ladies have taken on a national project of conducting literacy training workshops around the coun-

try 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 Leadership Roundtable

The Roundtable national office has begun the year with a renewed commitment to implement our collective networking, economic and political empowerment goals. The Coalition for a Free Africa (CFA) international telethon project is still on course. Dick Griffey, co-chair, is busily crisscrossing the globe to raise funds for the project. The Invest America Mutual Fund now has preliminary SEC clearance and the prospectus for the Fund is ready for distribution. With respect to our political empowerment, the priority for the year is to increase by 20% voter registration and turnout in areas of greatest Black concentration. For more information, please contact (202) 331-2030.

National Black Nurses' Association, Inc.

Our 16th Annual Institute and Conference will be held August 7-11, 1988 at the Grand Hyatt in Washington, D.C. The theme: "Black America—Today and Tomorrow". For information, call (202) 898-5232.

National Business League (NBL)

NBL recently introduced America's newest bank: The Black Family. What does this mean? Well, this Bank is not a place where money or other valuables are deposited purely for personal gain or personal safekeeping. Instead, it is one in which money is invested for the use of the group, in its effort to accumulate group wealth, and increase the standard of living of the group—i.e., the extended African family. For more information, please call (202) 829-5900.

National Coalition of Title I/Chapter Parents

This organization puts out an excellent newsletter, with lots of good information for parents who wish to help their children. For more information, contact National Parent Center, 1314 14th St. N.W., Suite 6, Washington, D.C. 20005.

National Naval Officers Association (NNOA)

NNOA is a nonprofit, nonpartisan, and nonsectarian organization that is sanctioned by the Secretaries of the Navy and Transportation. Membership is composed of active duty, reserve, and retired officers of the Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard.

The purpose of NNOA is to support the mission of the naval services by encouraging maximum minority participation in all areas of the sea services and related military organization, promoting esprit de corps among members, and by assisting in establishing, maintaining, and improving positive images of the sea services in minority communities. Contact Person: Capt. B.J. Penn, 804-547-0979.

National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa

National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa is continuing 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 203 consecutive issues on an all-volunteer basis. Information Contact: Mrs. E. Lucile Minor, 216-321-4880

Opportunities Industrialization Centers of America

OICs of America is a network of training and employment programs committed to training the unemployed, poor, and underemployed all across America. Over the past 20 years over 1 million people have turned to OIC for support and over 800,000 have received skills training. Of those trained, 75 percent have entered the job market with full-time employment.

OICs have proven to be an essential part of the employment and training delivery system of the United States. OICs are recognized as innovative alternatives to established education and employment and training programs which may not reach those most in need.

Tragically, there are more than 8 million persons unemployed in this country. OICs are needed more

than ever to continue addressing this problem. It takes business and industry, government and caring people to support the work of OIC. For information, contact 215-951-2200.

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

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.

Youth Organizations USA (YOUSA)

YOUSA KIDS LEARNING THE BUSINESS! YOUSA kids are very busy, being productive and creative. All they need is a chance to serve you. We make LIFE-JACKET LAMINATORS, a new way to keep valuables like new for a lifetime. We are also making BUTTONS for yourself, your child, group or club. You design your own, and the YOUSA Kids will produce them for you, as many as you want, for pennies. For flyer and order form or for more information or to volunteer your services, please contact YOUSA, 19 Humphrey St., Englewood, NJ 07631 or call 201-894-1866.

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 deeply committed to the national Assault On Illiteracy Program (AOIP). Information Contact: Virginia Hansberry, 205-735-3511.

The following national community-building organizations are entitled to listings. However, we are awaiting information from them.

Academy on Human Rights and Peace
American Health & Beauty Aids Institute (AHBAI)
American League of Financial Institutions (ALFI)
American Women's Clergy
Association for the Study of Afro-American Life and History
Association of Black Sociologists
Association of Corporate Professionals
Auxiliary to the Nat'l Medical Association
Booker T. Washington Foundation
Congress of National Black Churches
Council of Construction Professionals
Drifters
Federation of Masons of the World
Gamma Phi Delta Sorority
Gospel Music Workshop of America
I.B.P.O. Elks
Lambda Kappa Mu Sorority
National Association for the Southern Poor
National Association of Black Airline Employees
Nat'l Assn of Black Reading & Language Educators
National Association of Black Social Workers
National Association of Black Women Attorneys
National Association of Colored Women's Clubs
National Association of Market Developers (NAMD)
National Association of Negro Musicians
National Baptist Convention U.S.A.
National Black Caucus of State Legislators
National Black Chamber of Commerce
National Black MBA Association (NBMAA)
National Black Police Association
National Black Republican Council
National Caucus and Center on Black Aged
National Committee of Black Chiropractors
National Council for Black Family and Child Development
National Council for Black Studies
National Council of Negro Women
National Dental Association
National Pan-Hellenic Council
National Student Business League
National United Affiliated Beverage Association
Omega Psi Phi Fraternity
Order of Eastern Stars
Operation PUSH
Progressive National Baptist Convention
Southern Christian Leadership Conference
Top Ladies of Distinction
United Black Church Appeal
Women's Missionary Society/AME Church