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The President's Vision



Greetings, Brothers!

I wish you all a happy New Year and I hope that 2015 brings you only the best of the best. 2014 was certainly a year fully of success for the Zeta Rho Chapter, so I can only imagine what type of

growth we will see in our magnificent chapter for this year. If you have not already realized, 2015 marks ten years since the acknowledgment of the Zeta Rho Colony and the reactivation of Zeta Rho. To celebrate a ten consecutive years of Zeta Rho, please look out for updates on several events we will have this spring and summer. We are happy to expect the return of Fisk Idol, the Miss Red, Black, and Gold Pageant, the alumni barbecue, and a variety of musical events. There is no better time than NOW to once again be involved in what Zeta Rho has planned! As our chapter and alumni remain Unstoppable, I wish you success in 2015!

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Ras McCollough (Kappa), President of the Zeta Rho Chapter

The Fall Semester:

The Zeta Rho Chapter of Phi Mu Alpha promotes music. The Chapter hosted an open mic shortly after mid-term so that the campus could have the opportunity for free expression in music. Brothers and guests performed in the band and as back-up performers. During the week leading up to Halloween, the fraternity wrote a "real" history of the Harris Music Building and haunted the annex. Unsuspect-



ing (and paying) guests were treated to snacks and a movie on the anniversary of the murders. Then "terrified" by power outages, sounds of ghosts at pianos and organs, screams, evil laughs, and costumed ghouls.

Pictures:

Sinfonians and guests at the open mic session in the Dance Studio.

Stan Lassiter (Kappa) leads a session in Tai Chi for the Province 15 Phall Ball at Belmont University

Brothers, mark your calendar for July 8–12, 2015, when all Sinfonians (alumni, collegiate, and honorary) have opportunity to come together in the a great American musical city, New Orleans, Louisiana, for the 55th National Convention. Registration and program information will be published at www.sinfonia.org during the month of January, 2015. Accommodations at the Sheraton New Orleans Hotel will be included in the registration price. Save up, register up, and pull up to the Sheraton on July 8!

If you would like to assist a collegiate member in going, please contact Dr. Autry (pg15@sinfonia.org) about the Sinfonian Educational Foundation Chapter Fund. If you have a specific collegian in mind, contact him directly.

The Brother Corner

Winterbourne Harrison-Jones (New Theta) became engaged to Jillian Dicks on Sunday, January 18.



PJ Moton (New Epsilon) was selected by the National Black Justice Coalition as one of the 100 Black LGBTQ/SGL Emerging Leaders to Watch. He is a Team Leader for the Resource Center in Dallas at the United Black *Ellument* in the *Deep Ellum* arts district of Dallas, Texas.

Kent Wallace, Instructor in Physics, (OA Alpha Class) completed the Doctor of Education (Ed.D) degree from Lipscomb University.

Receive an award? Get married? Update your life with us. Your brothers want to know!

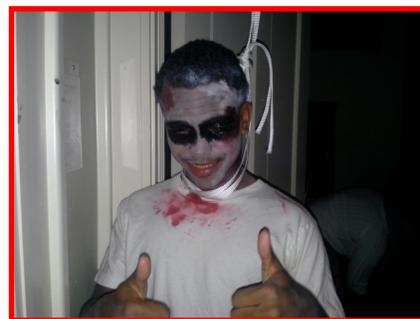


Zeta Rho concluded her 60th year on May 23, 2015. December 5, 2015 marks the tenth anniversary of the New Alpha class.

During the next fourteen months, we are asking our Sinfonia Alumni to set the precedent for ten-year anniversaries to come. Membership Pins are available for men who have been in the Fraternity ten years, twenty-five years, or fifty years.

The other activities of 2015-2016 include Fisk's sesquicentennial celebration. Zeta Rho will be fully visible during these landmark anniversaries.

Winterbourne Jones (New Theta) has agreed to chair the anniversary committee. Please contact him to volunteer for the committee.



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Above: Lyante Savala (Mu) and Evan Acklen (Mu) haunt the music building before Halloween.

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Alumni Events

Upcoming Events in Province 15
January 31, 1 p.m. Province Council, Murray, KY
February 8, 8 p.m. March 8, 8 p.m. and April 8, 8 p.m.
On the 8s at Blackstone's
April 10—12, Spring Fling Workshop, Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green KY
May 2, Alumni Barbeque (\$25/head)

A Word from the Facul-



January 25, 2005 was the date on the letter from Jeremy Evans, Assistant Executive Director of Phi Mu Alpha, recognizing Zeta Rho Colony. The Chapter has initiated 122 men; 59 between 1953 and 1984; the rest between 2005 and 2014. Some have passed away; some were expelled. The rest I hope are able to receive the newsletter and want to enjoy your Legacy.

What is the role of an Alumnus in Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia? Mentoring? Assisting? Providing financial assistance? All of these things are needed, and there is a lot of room for alumni in various stages of life. The first transition is the move from Collegiate status to Alumni status. No more paying dues, attending meetings, holding office (except ARO). There is a tendency to want to stay around and make sure the new Collegiates do things better than you did, but you need to build your own families, career, and move toward establishing your life and profession. Supporting events with your attendance and establishing the habit of giving regularly (you will not have much money) is important to maintain the connection throughout your lifetime. You gradually transition into your family and/or professional life and may seek the brotherhood with other alumni Sinfonians in an alumni association. As a retired Sinfonian, you will very likely have time and resources that can help your chapter and alumni association thrive, along with the wisdom to truly advise and mentor your young brothers. But with our Fraternal values, we cannot limit our vision to our influence on our young brothers. In the May *Sinfonica*, I will write about the influence that we, as Sinfonians, need to have on the world around us.

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Philip E. Autry (MΓ, '99, ZP '05, LLS #151), Faculty Advisor, ZP; Governor, Province 15