

OMICRON LAMBDA ALPHA

CHAPTER HISTORY

Omicron Lambda Alpha Chapter was officially chartered as a chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. on April 27, 1952 at Howard University. Alphasmen, fresh out of college and in graduate and professional schools sought to form a chapter where they could remain active, but not have to dive deep into the fraternal waters financially, bureaucratically and generationally.

“OLA” as the chapter is affectionately known, was established with the assistance of General President Belford V. Lawson and strong encouragement by Howard Law School student Nathan H. Beavers. In addition Bro. Beavers, the charter member include James R. Albernathy, II, Carl R. Andrews, C. E. Baxter, J. L. Echols, Edwardo Ford, C. Rodgers Greene, John C. Harvard, George F. Hill, Robert L. Hillard, Lewis R. Hurst, George L. Jackson, B. J. Kimbers, Jr.,

Harold E. Ramsey, R. R. Rawls, J. A. Rhinehart, Joseph B. Smith, L. G. Southwick, Herbert L. Thornhill, Jr., Manuel L. Walker, Claude R. Williams and Matthew A. Williams. In 1975, the General Organization eliminated the intermediate designation once given to chapters, thus making OLA a full-fledged alumni chapter since that time.

For over fifty years, OLA has fulfilled Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated’s mission. Brothers have taught young boys to be men, given worthy college-bound student financial aid and have politically and culturally empowered a citizenry. “OLA has continued to embody Manly Deeds, Scholarship and Love for All Mankind since 1952.”

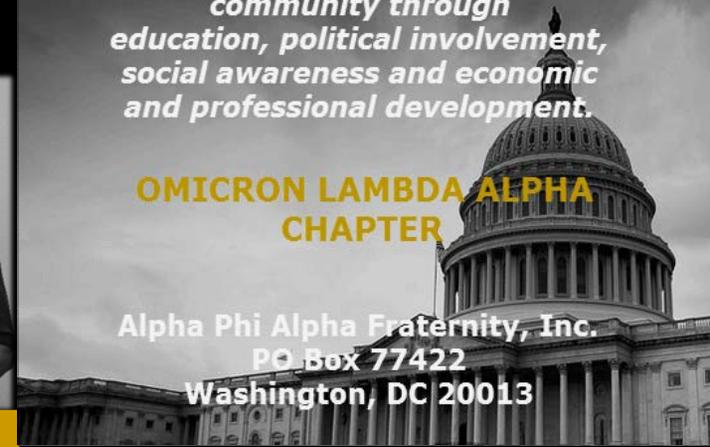


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OMICRON LAMBDA ALPHA CHAPTER
WASHINGTON, D.C.**

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OLA TODAY

The Omicron Lambda Alpha (OLA) Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. continues to strive forward in its efforts of being the premier Washington, DC alumni chapter with an established commitment to promoting the betterment of the community through education, political involvement, social awareness and professional development. OLA uses internal, as well as external, service programs as avenues to keep a perpetual presence in the community.



OUR VISION

To be the exemplary Washington, DC alumni chapter that provides value to our members, maintain an established commitment to promoting a strong brotherhood and uplift the community through education, civic and social engagement.

OUR MISSION

The Omicron Lambda Alpha Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated galvanizes the collective talents of its members through ensuring strong brotherhood bonds by maintaining strong relationships with community organizations and businesses and implementing programs that fulfill the Fraternity's mission while responding to the educational, social, economic and political needs of the Washington, DC population, particularly the underserved.



COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS

The Go-to-High School, Go to College program concentrates on the importance of completing secondary and collegiate education as a road to personal advancement. Statistics prove the value of this extra impetus in making the difference in the success of young African American men, given that school completion is the single best predictor of future economic success. Through this educational initiative, young men receive the information and learn strategies that facilitate success.

Alpha Phi Alpha collaborative with the March of Dimes Defects Foundation to implement Project Alpha. This project is designed to provide education, motivation and skill-building in issues of responsibility, relationships, teen pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases for young males ages 12 - 15 years. Project Alpha is designed to provide young men with current and accurate information about teen pregnancy prevention.

A Voteless People is a Hopeless People was initiated during the 1930s when many African Americans had the right to vote but were prevented from voting because of poll taxes, threats of reprisal and lack of education about the voting process. Voter education and registration has remained a dominant focus of this outreach activity for over 80 years. In the 1990s, the focus shifted to include political awareness and empowerment, delivered most frequently through town hall meetings and candidate forums.

The Distinguished Gentlemen's Club is an 8 - 10 month program design for college-bound high school juniors and seniors in the DC Metropolitan area. Through a series of informative seminars, social and cultural outings; the overall goal of the Distinguished Gentlemen's Club is to help prepare young men emotionally, socially academically and financially to be leaders as they transition to higher education and the professional world.

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