

## **HARRISBURG (PA) ALUMNI CHAPTER HISTORY**

**The following Brothers petitioned the Grand Board of Directors (April 18, 1960), Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., to establish an alumni chapter in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania to supervise the Pennsylvania State University chapter, the Delta Theta of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity. Inc. Charles T. Sampson, Jr. (Beta Psi); Barton A. Fields (Delta Theta/Philadelphia Alumni), Bennie I. Frey (Topeka Alumni); William R. Atkins (Alpha Psi/Pittsburgh Alumni); Leroy N. Craig (Alpha Theta); Harold W. Neighbors (Alpha Upsilon); H. Garnett Lee (Epsilon/Langston Alumni); Horatio F. Leftwich (Tau); Clarence Henderson (Pi/Philadelphia Alumni); and Robert J. Hanna (Delta Eta/Grand Chapter). NEP Polemarch was Brother Jackson W. Campbell for the chartering.**

**The Harrisburg Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. was chartered on May 28, 1960. The charter members were Attorney William Atkins, Leroy Craig, Barton Fields, Robert Hanna, Rev. Clarence Henderson, Rev. H. Garnett Lee, Horatio Leftwich and William Thompson. The chapter thrived until 1967 when many of the members who were government employees were relocated; thus, the chapter was inactive for three years.**

**With the assistance of Past Province Polemarch Albert Oliver, the chapter was reactivated. Members at the time were William Adkins, William Diggs, Michael Drake, Barton Fields, Homer Floyd, Donald Gibson, Ike Golden (Chapter Invisible), Rev. Clarence Henderson, Steve Howard, Robert Jackson, Rev. H. Garnett Lee, Horatio Leftwich, Willie Nelson (Chapter Invisible), Attorney Richard Scott (Chapter Invisible) and Herman B. Thomas, Jr. (Chapter Invisible)**

**In April 1971, Harrisburg Alumni answered the roll at the 40th Annual Northeastern Province Council that was held in Hartford, Connecticut. Delegates to this meeting were Polemarch Robert Jackson, Michael Drake, Ike Golden, Willie Nelson (Chapter Invisible) and Herman B. Thomas, Jr (Chapter Invisible). Harrisburg Alumni has not missed a single roll call since. Some ten years later, Harrisburg Alumni hosted its first Province Council Meeting in 1981, and again in 1993.**

**Will always strive for excellence as its members uphold the true virtue of this most noble clan. Harrisburg Alumni has initiated over forty new brothers into the chapter: Sam Cooper, John Coy (Chapter Invisible), Chukwudi F. Igwe, Rev. Dr. Roosevelt Green (Chapter Invisible), Richard Gilchrist, Dr. Howard Hall, Hyland Hubbard, Raymond Janifer, Kenneth Johnson, Larry Jordan, Oliver La Grone (Chapter Invisible), Larry Lawson (Chapter Invisible), Robert Lynch (Chapter Invisible), Andrew Marshall, James Mathis, Jimmie McFarland, William McKeever, Melvin Melendez, Isom Mobley, Reizdan Moore, Johnny Pearce, LaShawne Pryor, Carlton Randolph, E. Ramone Segree, Charlie Sears, Gerald Thomas, Lonnie Tolbert, Lonnie Walker, Warren Whitaker, Brian White, Jerome Williams, Irving Wright, Jaison A. Williams, Carl E. Anderson, Justin V. Thomas, Mark Cobb, Ian Tate, Fateen Bullock, Dontie Brooks, Laine Jordan, Keywuan Caulk, Gary Pittman, David L. Archer III, George E. Bresnihan, Michael Williams, and Rayshawn Littlejohn**

### **Northeastern Province and Grand Chapter Officers**

**Attorney Richard Scott served as 18<sup>th</sup> Province Polemarch of the Northeastern Province and as a member of the Grand Board of Directors; Attorney Reginald Guy served as Senior Vice Polemarch of the Northeastern Province; Brother Herman B. Thomas Jr., served as Northeastern Province Keeper of Records and 21<sup>st</sup> Province Polemarch of the Northeastern Province.; Brother Jeffrey Mack has served as the Southern Region Board Member of the**

**Northeastern Province; Brother Koreem Bell has served as the Assistant Keeper of Records for the Northeastern Province; and Brother Earl F. Merritt is the current Advisor Chairperson for the Northeastern Province. Finally, on the National level, Brother Herman B. Thomas, Jr. (Chapter Invisible) served as Chair of the Grand Chapter Nominating Committee and Brother Earl F. Merritt has served as National Achievement Academy Chair.**

**Past Province Polemarch Richard Scott, Province Polemarch Herman B. Thomas, Jr., and Earl F. Merritt are also recipients of the Highest Award that the Northeastern Province can bestow, the James M. Kidd Award for Distinguished Service. Brother Earl F. Merritt was conferred as the 121<sup>st</sup> Elder Watson Diggs Awardee at the 86<sup>th</sup> Grand Chapter Meeting in Tampa, FL**

**Harrisburg Alumni was awarded the Northeastern Province Alumni Chapter of the year in 1984, 1985, 1986 and 1987. Harrisburg Alumni's most recent chapter Polemarchs include Chris Hailey (1999-2001), Jeffrey Mack, (2001-2004), Earl F. Merritt (2004-2007, 2011-2013), and Koreem Bell (2007-2011). Harrisburg Alumni Chapter has been responsible for the supervision of the following Harrisburg Area Chapters: Delta Theta (Penn State University), Kappa Omega (Shippensburg University), Lambda Alpha (Bloomsburg University), Lambda Tau (Millersville University), Mu Beta (East Stroudsburg University-until 2015), Nu Phi (Lock Haven University), Xi Eta (Mansfield University), Xi Kappa (Bucknell University), and Pi Psi (Penn State University- Harrisburg Campus).**

#### **Polemarchs of Harrisburg Alumni Chapter 1972-2024**

##### **Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.**

**1972 -1976                      Herman B. Thomas**

**1976 -1978                      Reginald A. Guy Jr.**

<b>1978 - 1980</b>	<b>Homer Floyd</b>
<b>1982 – 1984</b>	<b>Charles L. Sears III</b>
<b>1984 - 1987</b>	<b>Larry E. Lawson Sr.</b>
<b>1987 - 1989</b>	<b>B. Aaron Crosson</b>
<b>1989 - 1990</b>	<b>Leonard J. Hubert</b>
<b>1991 - 1992</b>	<b>Kent L. Owen</b>
<b>1992 - 1994</b>	<b>Craig Martin</b>
<b>1995 - 1997</b>	<b>Alfonza Mays</b>
<b>1998 - 2000</b>	<b>Chris Hailey</b>
<b>2000 - 2004</b>	<b>Jeffrey C. Mack</b>
<b>2004 - 2007</b>	<b>Earl F. Merritt</b>
<b>2007 -2011</b>	<b>Koreem Bell</b>
<b>2011 - 2013</b>	<b>Earl F. Merritt</b>
<b>2013</b>	<b>Marlon Carter</b>
<b>2013 – 2014</b>	<b>Robert Cooper</b>
<b>2014 - 2016</b>	<b>Jeffrey C. Mack</b>
<b>2016 - 2018</b>	<b>Dwayne Wright</b>
<b>2019-2021</b>	<b>Raymond Janifer</b>
<b>2021-2023</b>	<b>George Little</b>
<b>2023 -2024</b>	<b>Jeffrey C. Mack</b>
<b>2024 -</b>	<b>Wilfred Bentley</b>

