

BLUE NOTES



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Gamma Alpha
Sigma brothers
getting it in!!!



Labor Day
workout class
@ NuLife
Fitness
Camp!!!

Bros. Duvall Brown, Frank Andrews, Lee Tate, Percy Turner, Craig Smith and Bobby Shepherd getting a holiday workout in at NuLife Fitness Camp promoting Sigma Wellness

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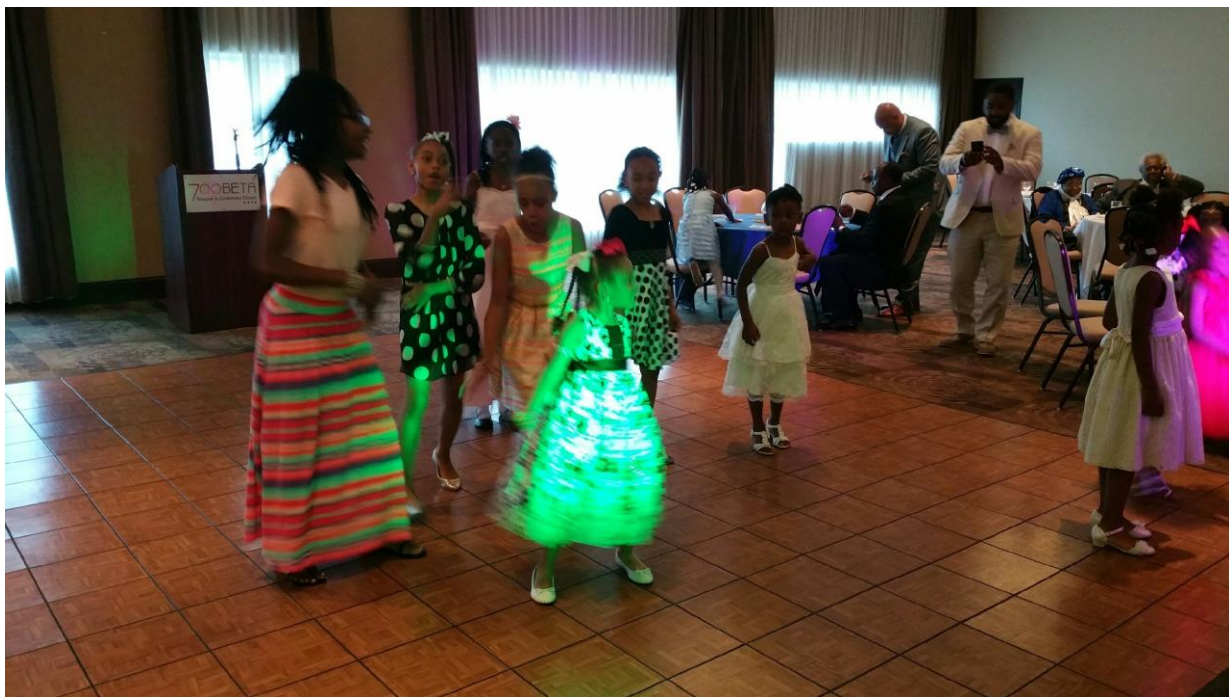
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Gamma Alpha Sigma Educational Foundation 3rd Annual Father Daughter-Dance



We want to thank all of the brothers of the chapter who brought their daughters and/or significant young ladies in their lives to the 3rd Annual Father Daughter-Dance which was held on Father's Day June 19th, 2016 at the Hilton Garden Inn in Mayfield Village, Ohio. The evening included dinner, a warm message brought by speaker of the evening Gamma Alpha Sigma's own Bro. Wayne Dawson of Fox 8 News, dancing and perhaps the most important part of the evening: the reading of the fathers pledge to their daughters that no matter what, they will be supportive, loving and continue to show them what a man should be. Special thanks to Bro. Ed Long who is the head of the Gamma Alpha Sigma Educational Foundation and his committee for continuing to put on this truly special event.



The guest of honor, having fun dancing at the father/daughter dance

3rd Annual Gamma Alpha Sigma Chapter Scholarship Gala and Dance

We want to encourage all brothers to come and support the chapter as we prepare and get ready to host our 3rd Annual Scholarship Gala and Dance. This year's scholarship gala will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn in Mayfield Village, Ohio on Saturday October 8th, 2016. This year's theme "Celebrating the Legacy of Civil Rights: Past, Present and Future". Rev Todd C. Davidson, pastor of the Antioch Baptist Church will be the guest speaker for the evening. Tickets for the evening's event are \$65.00 for individual, \$120.00 for a couple and, \$480 for a table. If any brother hasn't purchased tickets and wants to purchase tickets, please get in contact with any member of the exec board. We hope to see everyone there as we look to further raise funds for the Gamma Alpha Sigma Educational Foundation, Sigma Beta Club and continue our mission to assist our young brothers financially in their post-secondary endeavors.



3rd Annual
PHI BETA SIGMA FRATERNITY, INC.
SCHOLARSHIP
Gala
DINNER AND DANCE

October 8, 2016 | 6pm - Midnight
Hilton Garden Inn | Banquet & Conference Center
700 Beta Drive Mayfield Village, OH 44143
(Special room rates available for \$119 use code PBS3 call 440-646-1777
or visit www.hgiclevelandeast.com and enter code)

Celebrating the Legacy of Civil Rights, Past, Present, and Future

6:00pm - 7:15pm - Cocktail/Networking Hour | Cash Bar
\$65 for Individual Tickets | \$120 for Couples | \$480 for a table (8)
Ticket info:
216-200-8646 or pbsscholarshipgala@gmail.com

Keynote Speaker:
Rev. Todd C. Davidson
Sr. Pastor
Antioch Baptist Church



Proceeds to Benefit the Gamma Alpha Sigma Education Foundation and
the Sigma Beta Club (Chapters Youth Affiliate)



Community Service @ University Settlement



The brothers of Gamma Alpha Sigma are were back at it again doing our part in contributing our time to help those a bit less fortunate by assisting in serving a hot meal to the individuals at University Settlement during the summer months. For those brothers who are unaware of what University Settlement is, it is a neighborhood center that provides social services to the Broadway-Slavic Village neighborhood of Cleveland, Ohio. On specific Tuesdays each month University Settlement serves a hot meal to those in the neighborhood who may not know where their next meal is coming from. The brothers of the chapter on these day go and assist in the preparation, serving and cleaning up of the facility. The brothers who have participated can attest that the simple hour that we usually spend down there is well worth the trip and knowing that something as simple as handing a person a hot plate and a cold drink goes a long way. The brothers will be back at University Settlement on Tuesday September 27th, 2016 at 6:00pm so don't hesitate to come out join us as we do our part in this worthy endeavor.



Bros. Percy Turner, Samuel Morris, Michael Brown and Marricio Wilson serving up plates at University Settlement

2016 Ohio Blue and White Weekend Toledo, Ohio

This year's Ohio Blue and White Weekend was held in the Glass City of Toledo during the weekend of August 12th through August 14th. The following chapters served as the host for this year's event:

- Beta Phi Sigma chapter of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Inc. (Toledo Alumni)
- Lambda Epsilon chapter of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Inc. (University of Toledo)
- Zeta Xi Zeta chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc. (Toledo Alumni)
- Alpha Pi chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc. (University of Toledo)
- Epsilon Phi chapter of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Inc. (Bowling Green State University)
- Psi Epsilon chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc. (Bowling Green State University)

**FRIDAY
AUGUST 12TH**
Blue & White Mixer
BOWLERO LANES
7PM-11PM
**4398 MONROE ST.
TOLEDO, OH 43613**

**SATURDAY
AUGUST 13TH**
Cookout
FEAT. STROLL OFF &
BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT
WINTERFIELD PARK
1pm-6pm
**4511 Hill Ave
TOLEDO, OH 43615**
COMMUNITY SERVICE SCHOOL SUPPLY
DRIVE AT THE PARK PLEASE
BRING SCHOOL SUPPLIES, DONATIONS
ACCEPTED AS WELL.

Blue & White AFTERPARTY
The Peacock Cafe
10pm-Until
2007 MONROE ST.
TOLEDO, OH 43604

**SUNDAY
AUGUST 14TH**
Church Service
CORNERSTONE CHURCH
1520 S REYNOLDS RD
MAUMEE, OH 43537
10am-Noon

Brunch
FIREPIT GRILLE
7723 AIRPORT HWY
HOLLAND, OH 43528
Noon-3pm

The weekend included various events around the city of Toledo, ranging from bowling, the annual picnic/cookout, church services and night time events at various location to cater to the older and younger generations of Sigma and Zeta.



Clockwise in picture to left
Taurean Adams (Lambda Epsilon)
Evone Grimes (Xi Gamma)
Shaun Scott (Lambda Theta)
Tatiana Jones (Psi Epsilon)

All Spring 2008 initiates, reconnecting at the picnic during Blue and White Weekend in Toledo, Ohio

Picture Below
Blue and White at the Sunday Farewell
Brunch at Fire Pit Grille





Blue and White in Toledo, Ohio during the
Blue and White Weekend cookout

Sigma Beta Club Updates & Information



The Sigma Beta Club has a pretty hefty schedule going into the last couple of months of the year.
The current schedule of events for the club are as follows:

Saturday September 24th, 2016:
Breakfast Meeting and Movie Outing

Saturday October 8th, 2016:
3rd Annual Gamma Alpha Sigma Scholarship Gala & Dance

Saturday October 22nd, 2016:
2016 Jack and Jill Teen Legislative Summit @ TRI-C Eastern Campus

Saturday October 29th, 2016:
*******Fall 2016 Sigma Beta Club New Member Induction Ceremony*******

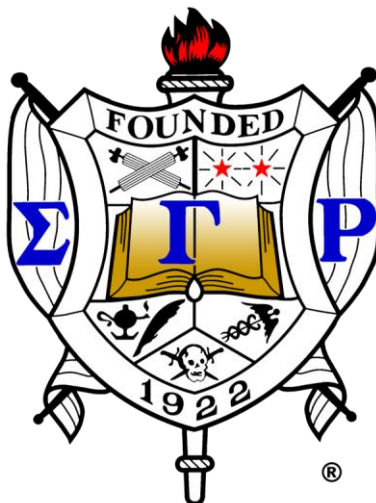
Saturday November 19th, 2016:
14th Annual HBCU College Fair and Step Show @ Warrensville Heights High School

December 10th 2016 (tentative date):
Annual Sigma Beta Club / Zeta Youth Auxiliary Holiday Party

The Sigma Beta Club with all the events scheduled to take place are very happy about one in particular, speaking in regard to the Fall 2016 New Member Induction Ceremony which will be taking place at the South Euclid-Lyndhurst branch of the Cleveland Public Library at 11:00 am on the date listed above. We are encouraging all brothers to come out and be a part of this joyous occasion. The advisors of the club are looking forward to finishing out the year strong and moving into 2017 with many ideas and plans already being worked on for our young men to participate and put together in the near and distant future.

We also want to share information in regard to the Sigma Beta Club coming from our State Director Bro. Percy Turner. Bro. Turner was contacted by recently appointed Great Lakes Regional Coordinator of Sigma Beta Clubs Bro. Lamar Hylton with him stating that he wanted the State Director to appoint a brother in the state of Ohio to serve in a newly created position as the Sigma Beta Club State Coordinator. Bro. Percy Turner appointed Gamma Alpha Sigma's own Bro. Taurean Adams to serve in the role. Congratulations to Bro. Taurean Adams in being chosen for this role, as he will look to hear from Bro. Hylton in the near future to further go over in detail the duties and expectations of the position.

Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority Inc. 56th Biennial Boule Cleveland, Ohio



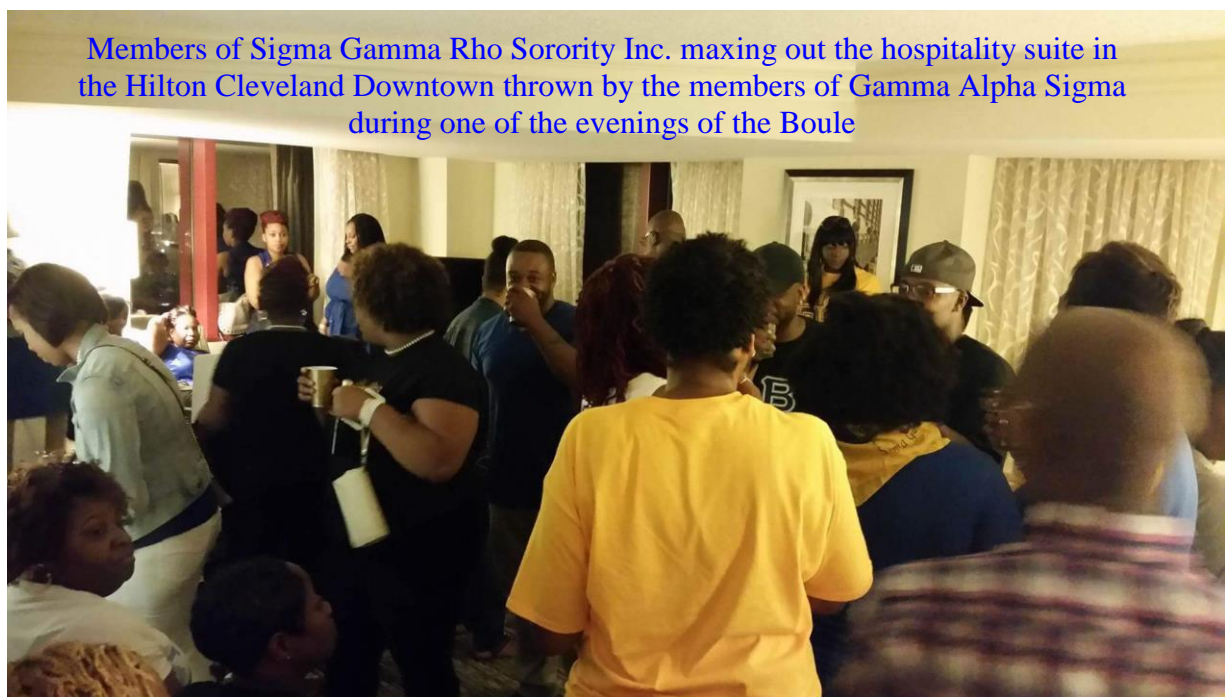
We want to thank all of the brothers who were able to come out and support the women of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority Inc. during their 56th Biennial Boule which ran from July 29th through August 2nd at the Hilton Cleveland Downtown. The local alumni chapter, Alpha Lambda Sigma who hosted their boule this year reached out to the brothers of Gamma Alpha Sigma to host a hospitality suite during one of the evenings of the week-long event. The brothers of the chapter showed up and showed out in grand style making sure our sisters in greekdom were well accommodated after a long day of meetings and conferences. Thanks once again to all those brothers involved in the SGRho's Boule and showing true Sigma hospitality.



Brothers of Gamma Alpha Sigma during
the Public Meeting / Opening Session of
the SGRho's 56th Biennial Boule



From left to right
Bros. Issa Arney, Michael Brown and,
Greg Parker at one the award
ceremonies during the SGRho's Boule



Members of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority Inc. maxing out the hospitality suite in
the Hilton Cleveland Downtown thrown by the members of Gamma Alpha Sigma
during one of the evenings of the Boule

NPHC of Greater Cleveland 2016 Reunion Weekend



**NPHC of Greater Cleveland
2016 Reunion Weekend**

Friday, August 12th
Friday Night Meet and Greet
 7-11p.m.
 The Blue Breeze Sports Bar-located at
 16826 Lakeshore Blvd, Cleveland, OH 44110
 \$10.00 per person

Saturday, August 13th
Greek Picnic at Woodhill (Luke Easter Park)
 12-7 p.m.
 Pavillions 3,4 and 5
 Hot dogs and hamburgers will be provided.
 Games and activities. Feel free to bring your own games.

Sunday, August 14th
Sunday Worship
 Pastor Anthony Fryer
 Please arrive at 10:30 am
 East Side Christian Reformed Church
 23600 Emery Rd. Warrensville Heights, 44128

National Pan-Hellenic Council
<http://www.clevelandnphc.org/>
 For further information on the listed events contact Frater Steven H. Robertson (216) 780-1214

Although the 2016 NPHC Reunion Weekend was also the same time as the Ohio Blue and White Weekend this year, we still want to thank those brothers of the chapter and Sigma overall who participated in this year's NPHC activities. The NPHC Weekend and Ohio Blue and White Weekend may need to be further communicated to those involved in planning so that the weekends do not fall on the same day in the future to further promote blue and white turnout. Once again, thanks to all those who did participate and we will aim to see more of us at next year's NPHC weekend.

10th Annual WJW Fox 8 “Stuff the Bus” School Supply Drive



Bro. Ed Long and Bro. Michael Brown presenting a check to Cleveland Kids In Need during the morning broadcast at WJW Fox 8 during their “Stuff the Bus” school supply campaign

We want to thank all of the brothers of the chapter who donated to our cause to help support television station WJW Fox 8 10th annual “Stuff the Bus” school supply drive on August 4th. Cleveland Kids In Need is a local, independent nonprofit that helps to ensure that every child is prepared to learn and succeed by providing free school supplies to teachers of the students who are most in need. The organization has partnered for many years now with Fox 8 to get the word out and has for years collected necessary school supplies for those in the community. Not only was a check for \$200.00 presented from the 501c3 arm of our chapter but brothers also donated 60 backpacks full of school supplies. Once again thanks to all those brothers who were able to contribute, make it down to the television station that morning and we look to do even more next year.

11th Congressional District Annual Labor Day Parade 2016



Bros. Judge Michael Ryan and Marricio Wilson walking along the parade route

We want to shout out all the brothers of the chapter and our sisters of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc. who participated in this year's Labor Day parade. The brothers of the chapter, members of Zeta Phi Beta, members of the Zeta youth auxiliary groups and, the Sigma Beta Club all walked together in this year's parade, as they traveled down the parade route to Luke Easter Park.

Thanks to all those who participated and we will do it again next year.



Sigma Beta's Jovon Jones, Jay'llen Hathman and Kevin Byous III at the Labor Day Parade



Gamma Alpha Sigma with the Sigma Beta Club

Sigma Wellness-Living Well Brother to Brother: Labor Day Workout Session @ Nu Life Fitness Camp



Bros. Duvall Brown, Frank Andrews, Lee Tate, Percy Turner, Craig Smith and Bobby Shepherd getting a holiday workout in at NuLife Fitness Camp promoting Sigma Wellness

The Labor Day weekend was a busy day for the chapter. Not only were the brothers active in the annual Labor Day parade but brothers were also getting some exercise in as well. We want to thank all of the brothers who were able to come out to NuLife Fitness Camp that morning to support our own Bro. Frank Andrews in his Labor Day session! Bro Andrews also offers classes throughout the week so if you missed out on Labor Day, get in contact with Bro. Andrews for more information!



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Upcoming Events in Sigma and Info/Stories to look for in future BLUE NOTES:

*3rd Annual Scholarship Gala & Dance *

State of Ohio Fall 2016 State Meeting-Conference

Sigma Beta Club Activities & Events

*Fall 2016 Sigma Beta Club *
New Member Induction Ceremony

2017 Founder Day Celebration

Other Events & Information

Gamma Alpha Sigma chapter meetings are now the 2nd Saturday of every month at the Maple Heights Library located @ 5225 Library Ln, Maple Heights, Ohio 44137 starting at 10:00am

Whether you come all the time, haven't been in a while or haven't been at all...come on out frat, we have a chair waiting for you