

Gamma Omicron Omega Alumni Chapter

Fall 2022 Community Newsletter

Constitution Day

September 17 is **Constitution Day**, designated as such by Congress on February 29, 1952. The day marks the signing of the United States Constitution on September 17, 1787. With recent efforts to overturn the 2020 presidential election and the attack on the United States Capitol on January 6, 2021, Constitution Day has more meaning than ever.

Key amendments to the Constitution related to citizenship for Black Americans are the Reconstruction Amendments, the 13th Amendment (abolishing slavery), the 14th Amendment (equal protection), and the 15th Amendment (voting rights).

Recommended Readings:

"Black Resistance/White Law: A History of Constitutional Racism in America" by Dr. Mary Frances Berry

"Slavery's Constitution: From Revolution to Ratification" by David Waldstreicher

> September is Prostate Awareness Month. Take care of your prostate health and get a PSA test. Do it for your family. Do it for yourself!

Founders' Day

September 19 is Founders Day for Iota Phi Theta Fraternity, Inc. On this day we honor our 12 Founders who assembled on the steps of Hurt Gymnasium at Morgan State College and created this great Brotherhood. Today, we pay homage to the legacies of our Most Honorable Founders, and recommit ourselves to the 5 Stars – **Scholarship**, **Leadership**, **Citizenship**, **Fidelity**, and **Brotherhood**.



Albert Hicks
Lonnie Spruill, Jr.
Charles Briscoe
Frank Coakley
John Slade
Barron Willis
Webster Lewis
Charles Brown
Louis Hudnell
Charles Gregory
Elias Dorsey, Jr.
Michael Williams

Gamma Omicron Omega Alumni Chapter commemorated Founders' Day on Thursday September 22nd with our friends and Baltimore area NPHC peers at Not Just Crab Cajun and Seafood Bar in Randallstown. A good time was had by all who were present.









Morgan State University Homecoming

Homecoming at Alpha Chapter, Morgan State University is **Saturday October 8**. The Morgan State Bears, under the direction of new Head Coach Damon Wilson, will take on the Norfolk State University Spartans at **1 pm** in Hughes Stadium. This will be the closest to a 'near normal' Homecoming in two years. If you are on campus for the football game, please wear paraphernalia.

Gamma Omicron Omega Alumni Chapter will once again sponsor a hospitality tent in Tent City, located at the Montebello Complex. This year Tent City will be open until 7 pm.

We are asking Brothers to contribute to the cost of the tent and food and beverage. As you know, the Iota Tent is always the focal point of Tent City. Cost for admission to the tent is \$35. Please contact Brother Craig Spencer at cispence35@gmail.com.

Homecoming Activities

Friday October 7

National Alumni Association Business Meeting

'State of the University Address' by President David Wilson

University Center Theater

11 am

*Open only to members of the Alumni Association

38th Annual Homecoming Gala

Sponsored by the Morgan State Foundation Martin's West

8 pm

*Brothers who are attending please assemble for a group photograph



Saturday October 8

Homecoming Parade

Kicks off at the Alameda Village Shopping Center, Reviewing Stand on Hillen Road in front of Richardson Library **9 am**

Life Members Brunch

Richardson Library Foyer **9 am**

*Open only to Alumni Life Members

Football Game
Morgan State v. Norfolk State
1 pm Kick-Off
Ticket Information:

https://morganstatebears.com/documents/202 2/8/1/2022 Football Ticket Info.pdf

Tent City

Montebello Complex Argonne Road

Tickets: \$35 (Contact Brother Craig Spencer)

Until 7 pm



Orange and Blue Extravaganza
Sponsored by the National Alumni Association
Reginald Lewis Museum
830 E. Pratt Street
9 pm

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/msuaahomecoming-orange-blue-extravaganza-thelegacy-continues-tickets-369241831257?aff=MSUAAEMAIL

Sunday October 9

Alumni Memorial Service

University Student Center Theater





Varsity M Club Hall of Fame Brunch & Induction Ceremony

GOO Brother Nathan 'Pearl' Mumford is among this year's inductees.

Martin's West

11 am – 3 pm

Tickets: \$100

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/morgan-stateuniversity-varsity-m-club-athletic-hof-banquetand-induction-tickets-404329830407

Community Service

Expungement and Re-entry Resource Fair

Gamma Omicron Omega Alumni Chapter partnered with the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Baltimore Metropolitan Alumnae Chapter on **Saturday September 24** for the **Expungement and Re-entry Fair**. The event took place at Our Daily Bread, 725 Fallsway between 10 am and 2 pm.



Ravens Season Opener

GOO Brothers traveled up Route 95 North to Met Life Stadium in East Rutherford, New Jersey to attend the Baltimore Ravens NFL season opener against the New York Jets. The trip raised money for scholarships for Baltimore area high school students. The Ravens were victorious over the Jets, 24-9.





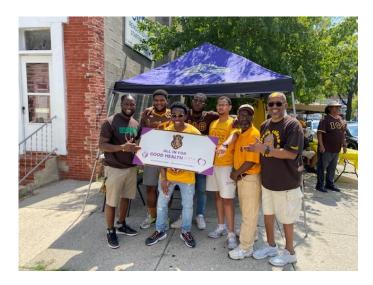


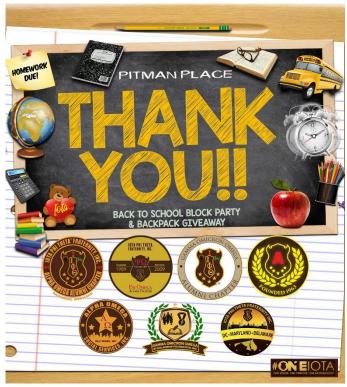




Pitman Place Book Bag Giveaway

Our Community Impact Team once again participated in the annual Back-to-School Block Party on Pitman Place on August 28 and distributed backpacks and school supplies, and information on health care and wellness as part of Iota's Goo Health WINS partnership. This event has become a hallmark of GOO's community service activities in the city of Baltimore.











Chapter Summer Brotherhood Activity

After a two-year hiatus due to the Covid pandemic, GOOSF held its Summer White **OWt Party** on July 9 at The Forum Caterers in Baltimore. Guests lined the sidewalk at the venue as early as 7 pm though doors did not open until 8 pm. A crowd of 400+ Brothers and friends dined and danced the night away as guests expressed their appreciation for the opportunity to attend an in-person event. The event featured a main dance floor, a room reserved for line dancing, and an outdoor cigar terrace. A large contingent of Morgan State alumni were also in the house. The White OWt Party is the kick-off to a season of Iota events, with the GOOSF Black-Tie Gala next up on September 24 and Morgan State University's Homecoming on October 8. Congratulations and thanks to Brothers Fitzhugh Alford, Marcus Reed, James Mobley, and Aaron Jacobs for

their hard work in planning and executing the event.









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