

# WSSU's Upward Bound program invites alumni to reconnect

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Students, parents of students, instructors and supporters who attended the Upward Bound program on the campus of Winston-Salem State University (WSSU) during the years 1975 through 1998 are invited to attend the reunion cook-out.

The gathering will be held on Saturday, May 23, at the Sedge Garden Recreation Center on Robbins Road from noon until 4 p.m. The colors for the event are red, black and white. Some of the activities will include sack races, a balloon toss, egg toss and Bingo.

"I am looking forward to seeing classmates from various schools. Upward Bound gave us the chance to meet students from all high schools in Winston-Salem. We built lasting friendships and have encouraged one another to keep making progress over the years," said Felecia Piggott-Long, who helped organize the event. "Our last reunion was held in 2013 at Paisley Magnet School as a luncheon. Following the luncheon, we later came together to socialize at Tony's Lounge. It was fun just to get back together again. I am so proud of the educational pursuits we have achieved over the years, and we are still reaching for success."

In 1965, the Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO), under the authority of Title IV of the Higher Education Act, conceptualized Upward Bound programs as a special type of entity. These programs were designed to generate skills and motivation necessary for success in secondary and post-secondary education for youth from low-income families. Although these youth have academic potential, they lack adequate secondary school preparation and effort toward their success.

"Upward Bound has made a difference for all of us who were first-generation college students," said Piggott-Long. "I would say that Mrs. (Addie) Hymes created a program that became a precursor to what we know today as charter schools."

In 1965, WSSU was the only college in North Carolina with an Upward Bound program. At that time, it was all-male, and the director was the late Dr. Archie Blount. In 1975, when her family relocated from Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Hymes was named director of the program and continued the tradition of excellence by enhancing the program in many ways.

Piggott-Long said she always wanted the students to be empowered to travel. Over the



The planning committee includes (L-R) Felecia Piggott-Long, Peggy Bitting-Hale, Marcia Piggott, Nell Perry, Addie Hymes, and Vera Jordan.

years, Upward Bound students have traveled to Atlanta, Washington, D.C., New York, New Orleans, Orlando, Nashville and the Bahamas.

To register for the cookout, attendees can pay their dues through a Paypal account by going to [www.paypal.com](http://www.paypal.com) and using the following email address as a link: [feleciapiggottlong@att.net](mailto:feleciapiggottlong@att.net). Dues should be paid by Saturday, May 16. Persons interested in attending can also email the same address for another mailing option for dues.

Hot dogs and fried fish are on the menu. Costs are for adults (ages 13 and above) \$20; for children ages 6-12, \$10; children under the age 6 are invited free of charge.

Hymes has been supportive of several of the planning sessions.

More than 50 students have already joined the (WSSU) Upward Bound Alumni page on Facebook. Melissa Pettigrew designed the Facebook page. Students have been sending photographs, contact information and career information for several weeks.

# Omega Psi Phi members read to North Hills Elementary students

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The Sixth District of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc. recently held its annual Quemunity Reading Day at North Hills Elementary School. The Sixth District of the fraternity is comprised of undergraduate and graduate chapters throughout North and South Carolina.

The event was organized by Brother Keith G. Pemberton, the chairman of the Sixth District Assault on Illiteracy Committee, and Brother Cornelious Flood, chairman of the local Psi Phi Chapter Assault on Illiteracy Committee.

This year the Winston-Salem Psi Phi Chapter was responsible for coordinating and hosting the district meeting held in Winston-Salem on April 23-26.

The Reading Day event is a nationally mandated program of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, and coincides with the districts' annual meetings. Brothers identify a local school in the host city that welcomes the experience of having a positive black male influence on campus to facilitate the program. Dr. Karen Morning Roseboro, the staff, and children of North Hills Elementary School "were gracious host and delighted that the fraternity chose their school to participate in the reading day initiative," an Omega Psi Phi official said.

Roseboro provided statistical information during a briefing of volunteers on the status of the school's academic performance and the diverse demographics as it relates to students attending North Hills Elementary School. Roseboro indicated that the school is progressing but needs the help of the community to continue to provide a well-rounded education for the students.

North Hills officials said they willingly and graciously



Members of the Sixth District of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc. recently held its annual Quemunity Reading Day at North Hills Elementary School.

accepts donations of belts, shoes, under garments for boys and girls, socks, khaki pants and polo or casual dress shirts. The school has a washing machine and dryer on campus to ensure that the extended needs of all students are met throughout the school day.

Volunteers are encouraged to come and share their time and talents with students that need help to continue to succeed and excel.

# Phi Beta Sigma repeats as WSSU Fraternity of the Year



Submitted Photo  
The Sigmas at Winston-Salem State University are shown with some of their awards won during this school year. Front Row (from left): Byron Hartsfield, Jeffrey Carmon, Joshua Maynor and Shanderus Stewart. Back Row (from left): Tashon Little, Reginald Brown, Troy Gray, Alex Sumner and Jelani Braziel.

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The Delta Alpha Chapter of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Inc. will have four brothers graduating on Friday, May 15, with bachelor degrees from Winston-Salem State University.

Those brothers are: Louis T. Brown with a degree in Therapeutic Recreation, Tashon A. Little with a degree in Sport Management, Mario F. Lynch with a degree in Information Technology and Joshua E. Maynor with a degree in Clinical Laboratory Science.

The greatest gift a collegiate Sigma brother can give back to Phi Beta Sigma is a college degree.

The chapter was named Fraternity of the Year at WSSU during the annual Student Activities and Engagements Awards banquet on April 22. This marks the second consecutive year the chapter has won this accolade.

The 2014-15 academic year has been an amazing one for the members of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Inc. "I never imagined what incredible heights our chapter would achieve in

the 83rd year of our existence on campus" stated chapter president Joshua E. Maynor. "Thanks to the commitment of the brothers, this school year represented a series of record-breaking accomplishments."

Here are just a few milestones the organization experienced:

- Elevated the chapters exposure and participation with the March of Dimes Foundation "March for Babies" and the American Cancer Society "Relay for Life" Walks.
- 2014 North Carolina Collegiate Chapter of the Year
- 2015 Southeastern Region Collegiate Chapter of the Year
- 2015 Southeastern Region March of Dimes Award (third-highest collegiate contributor)
- 2015 Southeastern Region Social Action Award
- 2015 Southeastern Region Education Award

• 2014-2015 Winston-Salem State University Fraternity of the Year

Other notable accomplishments this year include the initiation of five new members during the spring semester. Those new members were Jelani Braziel, sophomore majoring in mass communications; Jordan Davis, junior majoring in biotechnology; Joseph Goodson, junior majoring in elementary education, Tashon Little, senior majoring in sports management; and Alex Sumner, Sophomore majoring in computer science.

The Delta Alpha chapter will be competing for International Collegiate Chapter of the Year during the fraternity's International Conclave held in Little Rock, Arkansas on July 15-19.

The Delta Alpha Chapter of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Inc. was chartered on April 24, 1932 and was the first Greek letter organization to be chartered on the campus of Winston-Salem Teacher's College (now WSSU).

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