

Students Speak Out!

What Does Black History or Black History Month mean to you?

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During Black History month, it is a time when black people as a whole get together and celebrate the past accomplishments of our forefathers. It is a time when the black race celebrates the stepping stones in which we have overcome.
Dana Slade
New Bern, N.C.
Junior



Black History month is important because we can look back into history and the accomplishments of our ancestors and the way they were treated and what they fought for.
Felicia Morris
Winston-Salem, N.C.
Freshman



I feel Black History month is the one time famous blacks such as Dr. Martin Luther King, Rev. Jesse Jackson and many more get recognized for th achievement they had made to the black society.
Letha Capel
Blackstone, Va.
Sophomore



Black History Month means a lot to me. Our historians have fought long and hard for us. WE ought to know more about them and their struggles and their achievements.
Karen Buchanan
West Indies
Sophomore



It means a reminiscing of our Black unique experiences, an excessment of our past, present and future. It helps to reconstruct a self awareness of a union or unity of the black community.
Rev. Edward Leroy White
Thomasville, N.C.
Senior



I feel Black History is important because it lets us know the history of our forefathers and lets us know, we as black are important too.
Renae Smoot
Winston-Salem, N.C.
Senior

Greek Corner

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Zeta Phi Beta

Zeta Phi Beta was founded on January 16, 1920 at Howard University and founded on the Winston-Salem State University campus on May 8, 1948. The motto for this sorority is "Finer Womanhood and True Sisterhood". Some of the many programs the Sorority has helped and sponsored is a Film on Sexual Harassment and Rape. The sorority Donated Clothing to the Battered Women's Shelter and Holly House.

The Zeta Phi Beta Sorority is not planning to have a Spring line this semester.

"We are looking for Young Ladies who are interested in building strong bonds of sisterly love, active programs of community service and have outstanding records of Academic Achievement" stated Norma McIlwain, Dean of pledgees.

Officers of the Omega Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta are Rosalind Love, president; Sharon Burns, secretary; Vicky Robinson, assistant secretary; Alice Lewter, treasurer; Sherry Lenard, reporter; Pamela Knox, parliamentarian; Norman McIlwain, dean of pledgees; and Freda Green, Miss Zeta Phi Beta.

The advisor of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority is Dr. Adnee Bradford, Associate Professor of English at Winston-Salem State University.

Kappa Alpha Psi

According to the Kappa history, the fraternity was founded at the turn of the century when Black students were being actively dissuaded from attending college, and because of the obstacles that were erected to prevent the few who enrolled in integrated schools from assimilating into co-curricular campus life.

Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity was founded at Indiana University on January 5, 1911. Delta Chi the chapter here at Winston-Salem State University was chartered on December 9, 1960.

The fraternity's moto is "Achievement in every Human Endeavor".

Some of the many programs the fraternity has helped and sponsored are the Tutorial Programs, Supporting the Needy and Polling during the Election. The fraternity is planning to visit Juvenile Campuses as one of their upcoming activities.

The Fraternity is planning to have a Spring line this semester. According to Mark Sadler, the chapters reporter, fraternity is looking for men that have Leadership Ability and are Outgoing.

National honors are given by the fraternity to salute individuals for outstanding achievement and service. The Laurel Wreath Award, offered first in 1925, is the fraternity's premiere honor. Other awards are The Elder Watson Diggs Awards, the Guy Levis Grands Award, The Humanitarian Award and The Distinguished Citizens Awards.

Officers for the 1985 Fraternity year include: Frank Lawson, polemarch; Sylvester Howard, vice polemarch; Leon Powell, historian; Mark Sadler, reporter; Kelvin Walton, exchequer keeper of records; Gerald Oakley, strageus; Jonn Thomas, secretary; and Veronica Spencer, Miss Kappa Alpha Psi.

Dr. Alex Johnson is the advisor for the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity.

In asking this question, two fraternity members both agreed that pledging was a worthwhile involvement to them.

"Pledging opens up your mind and helps you to face reality", says Rhett Butler an Omega Psi Phi Fraternity member.

Terry Anderson feels that pledging helped him academically. "I pledged Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity because I possessed leadership ability that I could apply to the fraternity itself".

Do people change after the pledge period is over? Rhett feels that some people do change, but he hasn't. But the attitudes and treatment by others has changed toward him.

Is pledging what it used to be? According to instructors Beaufort Bailey, a member of the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity and Roland Watts, a Kappa Alpha Psi member. Pledging had changed greatly.

"Academics should be stressed more along with a more constructive purpose in the sorority and fraternity organization", said Bailey. "He also feels that hazing should be cut out."

Watts feels that being a part of sorority or fraternity gives you a sense of belonging and promotes manhood and womanhood. He also concedes that organizations used to be a little more worthwhile primarily because things were more versatile than they used to be.

Pledging is left up to an individual along with deciding the sorority or fraternity in which one should be a part.

What are your view points on this subject? Do You Really Think That Pledging Is Worth it?

Is Pledging Worthwhile?

By Rita Archer
Staff Reporter

Is pledging really worth it? This question pops into minds when students see John Doe marching down the street singing "We're going to fight we're going to stand til we reach frat land."