

NEW YORK ASSOCIATION OF CHAPTERS OF ALPHA

31ST ANNIVERSARY CONVENTION

IN CONJUNCTION WITH

THE FIRST STATE FOUNDATION

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2020



QUALITY VS QUANTITY – WHICH TEAM ARE YOU ON?

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Greetings Brothers of NYACOA,

In accordance with Article IV, section 5.5 of the New York Association of Chapters of Alpha constitution, it is our distinct pleasure to issue the official Convention Call for the 31st Anniversary NYACOA/District III Convention, to be held on Saturday, November 21, 2020.

The theme for the 31st NYACOA/District III Convention is ***Quality vs. Quantity—Which Team Are You On?*** The purpose of this theme is to help brothers make a clear distinction between the two sides. Are you truly holding up to being that talented tenth and creating new legacies for those behind us to see and live up to, or are you just one of the many aiming to be legendary by affiliation and off the reputation of those who preceded you? Are you the quality or just part of the quantity? Our convention will help identify ways to better live up to the standards of Alpha and how to carry yourself to maintain the high level or quality which is expected of us. Registration is now open and will remain open until Tuesday, November 10th. We invite you to join us as we convene to conduct the business of Alpha here in the First State of Alpha. Registration will only be available online at our state website.

Under normal circumstances we would be set to meet this November in the Capitol District with the Brothers of Beta Pi Lambda, Rho Sigma, Pi Pi, Omicron Upsilon and Upsilon Kappa. Current restrictions on large gatherings and precautionary measures have led us to meet virtually for our convention this fall. We will aim to gather in Area 4 next year if the COVID-19 restrictions change. The Capitol District is filled with phenomenal brothers and we look forward to congregating with them next year.

Over the past year we have been through some of the most trying times of our generation, while dealing with a global pandemic. The work that you have put in to positively impact your respective communities, the stances taken, and shown by our Brothers in the fight for social and economic justice has been tremendous. We couldn't be more proud of the brotherhood. As we continue to live through these trying times, we hope that you and your families remain safe and sound. We look forward to your participation in competitions and on our virtual convention as we aim to develop leaders, promote brotherhood and academic excellence while providing service and advocacy to our communities.

REGISTER ONLINE ONLY: <http://www.nyacoa.org/convention>

Registration will remain open until Tuesday, November 10, 2020

College Brother & Alumni Brother Registration Rate: \$31.00

Fraternal,

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President, NYACOA
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1st Vice President, NYACOA

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OFFICER ELECTIONS



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- Elections for all NYACOA offices will take place at the 31st Convention.
- The positions of President, 1st Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Historian and Associate Editor to the “Sphinx” shall be elected to two-year terms.
- The position of 2nd Vice President shall be elected for a one-year term.
- Requirements and procedures for elections can be found in Article V of the NYACOA Constitution and Bylaws.
- If you wish to campaign for a position, you must contact the Chairman of Elections, Brother Les St. Louis, as elections@nyacoa.org, provide proof that you meet the requirement for the office you wish to be nominated for and receive confirmation from him of your eligibility to campaign.

AWARDS & COMPETITIONS

Competitions will be conducted virtually for the 2020 NYACOA Convention for the following categories:

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| * Outstanding College Brother of the Year | Outstanding Alumni Brother of the Year |
| * Outstanding College Chapter of the Year | Outstanding Alumni Chapter of the Year |
| * Belford V. Lawson Oratorical Competition | Charles H. Wesley Award |
| * College Brother with Highest GPA | College Chapter with Highest GPA |
- ◆ Contestants must submit a digital presentation of no more than five (5) minutes of their display to competitions@nyacoa.org no later than Tuesday, November 10th. (Late submissions will not be accepted)
 - ◆ Interviews for all categories will be conducted via Zoom on Saturday, November 14th. A schedule will be provided once all contestants have been identified.
 - ◆ Contestants must be registered and have their chapters full delegate strength registered.
 - ◆ The Awards & Competition committee is seeking one college and one alumni judge from each area. If you are interested, please contact your Area Director. **Judges may not be from a chapter with a contestant in any category.**
 - ◆ Competition winners will be announced during the NYACOA Convention.
 - ◆ Contact Brother Norman Martin at competitions@nyacoa.org with any questions.
 - ◆ Good luck to all contestants.



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AGENDA (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2020

8:30AM Convention Room Opens

9:00AM BUSINESS SESSION #1
Welcome & Prayer
Roll Call
Rules & Credentials
Review of 2019 NYACOA Minutes
Area Director Reports

10:35AM BREAK

10:50AM BUSINESS SESSION #2
NYACOA Officer Nominations
Proposed NYACOA Constitution Amendments
Eastern Regional Assistant Vice President Address
Eastern Regional Vice President Address

12:45PM LUNCH (On Your Own)

1:30PM BUSINESS SESSION #3
NYACOA Officer Candidate Speeches
NYACOA Treasurer's Report
NYACOA 2nd Vice President Address
NYACOA 1st Vice President Address

3:15PM NYACOA Officer Elections

3:45PM BUSINESS SESSION #4
Eastern Region Vice President Candidate Speeches
NYACOA President Address
Awards & Competition Results
NYACOA Officer Election Results
Installation of NYACOA Officers
Closing Remarks