



2010 FOUNDERS DAY CELEBRATION

CELEBRATING THE DAWN OF OMEGA'S CENTENNIAL

NINETY-NINE YEARS of EXCELLENCE in COMMUNITY SERVICE

On November 19, 2010, the city of Wichita was under the influence of the men of Gamma Upsilon Graduate and Epsilon Psi Undergraduate Chapters of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Incorporated. The event marked the end of a great year in Omega and Wichita, and the brothers went all out to make this a very memorable celebration. The event was held in the Banquet Hall of Corporate Caterers, the finest dining and meeting facility in the city of Wichita. Brothers, wives, family, and friends spared no expense to make this an elegant event that will be remembered for years to come. Not only did the attendees look like members from the lifestyles of the rich and famous, but the dinner menu was appropriately fit for a King. The party feasted on grilled salmon and sirloin steaks that were prepared to satisfy even the most discriminating taste.

After the meal, immediate past Basileus, Bro. Curtis Whitten presented this year's Achievement Week Awards. As usual, this year's award winners were very deserving. The Citizen of the Year award went to Mrs. Emma Gene Patrick, the wife of our own Bro. Joe Patrick Sr. (Omega Chapter). Her hard work in our community has been unmatched for many years and she sets an example for many to follow. The Omega Man of the Year was presented to Bro. Roderick Gray, Sr. Unselfish in every aspect of his journey, Bro. Gray was a clear choice for this year's award. Rarely can you find a brother willing to serve on nearly every event sponsored by the chapter, but Bro. Gray is that exception. Last, but not least, Quapri Pitts, a high school senior at South East High School, was the recipient of our Achievement Week essay award. Her powerful essay led us all to think of our political agendas and our responsibilities as African-American voters.



Founders Day would not have been complete without loosening the ties and dancing the night away. The chapter hosted a dance after our dinner, and it was also an event to be remembered. Our very own Derrick (DJ) Judkins ('10) provided the music, and brothers, friends, and family partied until midnight. Those in attendance had a wonderful evening, and are looking forward to an even bigger and better celebration for our Centennial celebration in Wichita.