



College Park/Sandy Spring Alumni Chapter
Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.

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Reclamation & Retention Newsletter
February 12, 2023



"Charting Our Path, Controlling our Legacy."

Brothers of the College Park/Sandy Spring Alumni Chapter:

Greetings! As Chairman of the CPSS Reclamation & Retention Committee, I am honored to send you the 8th Reclamation & Retention Newsletter of the 2022-2023 fraternal year. These newsletters are intended to keep all CPSS brothers up to date on ongoing chapter events and activities.

The below is an update since last newsletter dated January 10, 2023. Previous newsletters are posted on the Reclamation & Retention page on the CPSS website: <https://www.cpsskapsi.org/reclamation-and-retention/>.

On January 14, 2023, CPSS brothers attended **Winter Takeover 2023**



Photo 1: At Winter Takeover 2023

On January 16, 2023, CPSS brothers and Kappa Leaguers participated in the **MLK Jr Service Project with Silver Spring & Gaithersburg-Rockville**

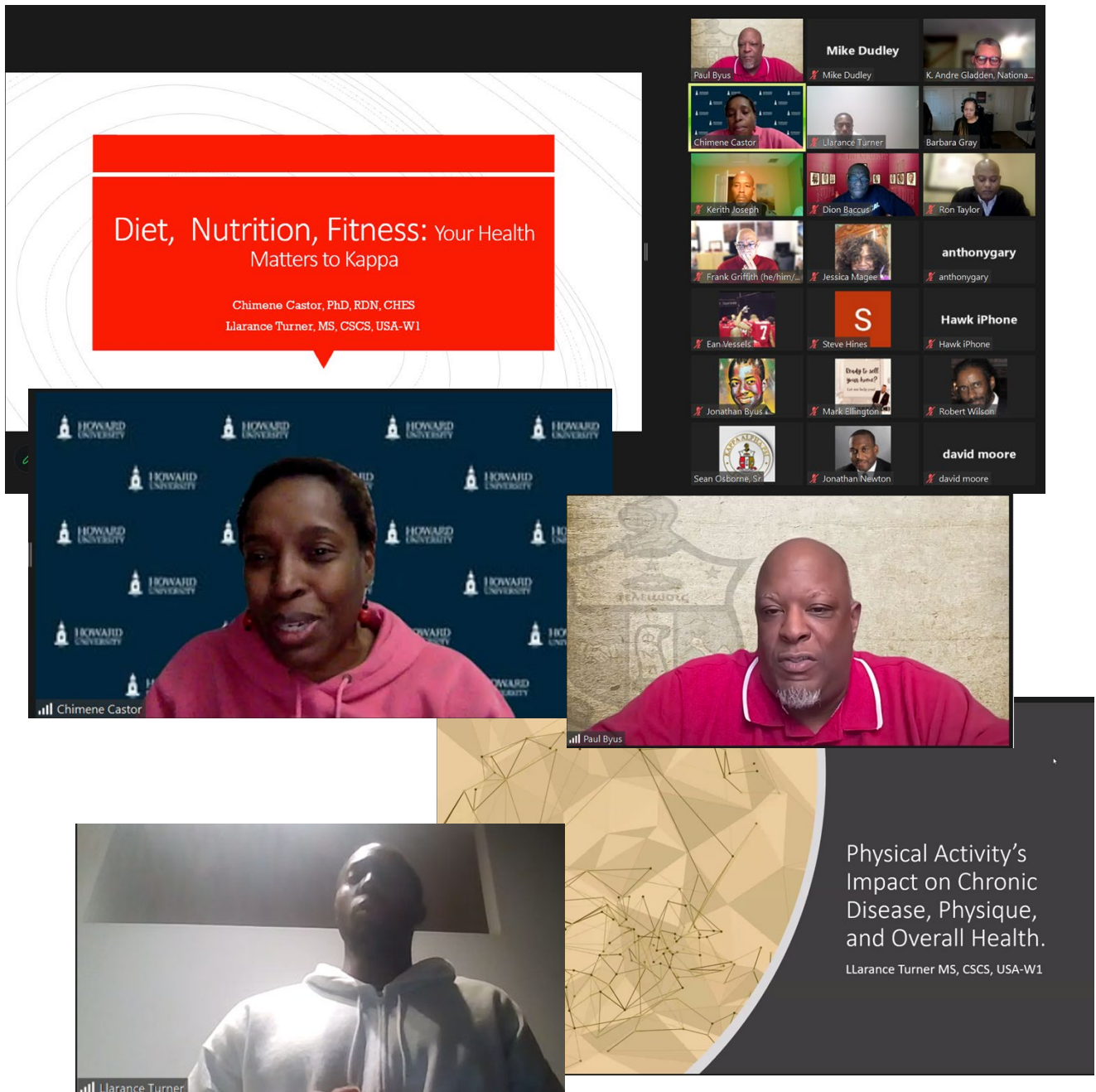


Photos 2-6: At MLK Jr Service Project



Photos 7-8: At MLK Jr Service Project

On January 17, 2023, CPSS brothers and guests gathered virtually for a **CPSS Health and Wellness Seminar on Diet and Nutrition**. The content and discussion were outstanding. Significant positive feedback was provided by attendees. Useful info, links, and a video of the presentation are posted in the **#health-wellness** channel on Slack.



Photos 9-13: Health and Wellness Seminar on Diet and Nutrition Screenshots

On January 17, 2023, CPSS brothers gathered for a **Chapter Community Service Project** at Rainbow Community Development Center.



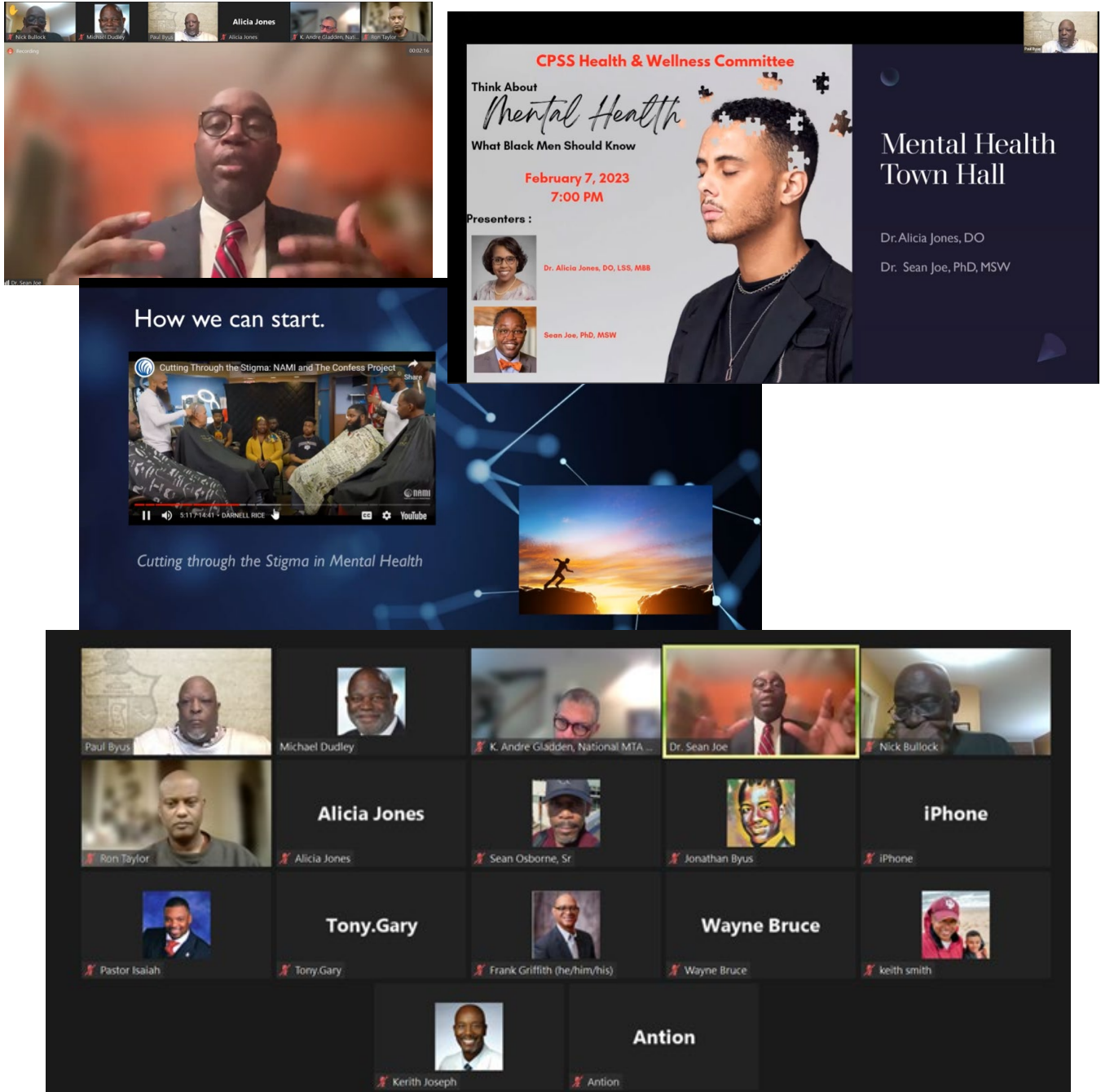
Photo 14: At Rainbow

On February 4, 2023, CPSS brothers and Kappa Leaguers gathered for the monthly **Kappa League Meeting**. There was a presentation by Kappa Leaguer Christopher Ballinger, who became one of the youngest Black pilots. Our Kappa Leaguers also participated in a focus group in response to the death of Tyre Nichols.



Photos 15-16: At Kappa League Meeting

On February 7, 2023, CPSS brothers and guests gathered virtually for a **CPSS Health and Wellness Seminar on Mental Health**. A video of the presentation is posted in the **#health-wellness** channel on Slack. The next seminar is scheduled for February 28.



Photos 17-20: Health and Wellness Seminar on Mental Health Screenshots

Bright and early on February 11, 2023, CPSS brothers gathered for a **Chapter Community Service Project** at Rainbow Community Development Center. "IMPACT!! CPSS came out this morning at Rainbow and we helped provide 221 carts of food to people of need." – Brother Ronnie Keller



Photos 21-25: At Rainbow

On February 11, 2023, CPSS brothers and Kappa Leaguers attended the **EP Kappa League Conference at Virginia State University.**



Photos 26-27: At EP Kappa League Conference at Virginia State University

On February 11, 2023, CPSS brothers gathered for a **CPSS Senior Kappa Breakfast**.



Photos 28-32: At CPSS Senior Kappa Breakfast

On February 11, 2023, over 50 CPSS brothers and guests along with many DC Metro Area Kappa Alumni and Undergrads gathered for the **CPSS Wizards HBCU Night Basketball Game**. Brothers gathered before the event at Clyde's and afterward at TG's Cigars.



Photos 33-36: At the CPSS Wizards HBCU Night Basketball Game



Photos 37-42: At the CPSS Wizards HBCU Night Basketball Game



Photos 43-44: At the CPSS Wizards HBCU Night Basketball Game

Benefits of CPSS Membership: The Reclamation & Retreat Committee developed the below to outline benefits of membership with CPSS. This slide is posted on slack in the **#reclamation** channel. Please feel free to share:

Benefits of College Park/Sandy Spring Alumni Chapter Membership

- **Tangible**
 - Fellowship Events – at Reduced/Subsidized Cost
 - Hospitality (Meals) After Chapter Meetings
 - Retreat Food and Hospitality
 - Charter Day Food and Hospitality
 - Christmas Holiday Party
 - Conclave Hospitality
 - CBC Hospitality
 - Chapter Cookout
 - Kappa League
- **Intangible**
 - Communication and Connection
 - (via Slack “Members Only” App)
 - Professional and Business Connections
 - Community Service
 - Health and Wellness Activities
 - Spiritual Wellness Activities
 - Political Action Activities
 - Emotional Support
 - Brotherhood and Fellowship
 - A Sense of Belonging

3-time (2017, 2018, & 2020) Eastern Province Large Chapter of the Year! More info on Website: <https://www.cpsskapsi.org/>
For Overall Benefits of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Inc. Membership, go to Kappa IHQ Website: kappaalphapsi1911.com



Benefits of Kappa Alpha Psi Financial Membership: IHQ has also published the below 3 graphics defining the benefits of financial membership:

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FINANCIAL MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

What are the benefits of being financial with Grand Chapter by October 1 of each year?

- Support for the Philanthropic Arm of the Fraternity (The Kappa Alpha Psi Foundation)
- Support for Kappa Kamp–Summer Enrichment Program
- Support for the National Guide Right/ Kappa League Program
- Support for Kappa League TV
- Support for the Undergraduate Leadership Institute (Iota Klass)
- Support for Undergraduate Chapter Advisors
- Support for Learn to Live
- Support for Room to Read
- Support for Health and Wellness
- Support for Financial Literacy
- Support for the infrastructure of the International Headquarters and much more.....



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FINANCIAL MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS: THREE ADMINISTRATIVE LEVELS

What are the benefits of being financial on all three administrative levels in combination (Grand Chapter, Province of jurisdiction and a local alumni/undergraduate chapter)?

Grand Chapter:

- Eligible to receive Membership Discounts.
- Eligible to access your KappaAlphaPsi1911.com secure account.
- Receiving the Kappa Alpha Psi Journal four times a year (Fall/Winter/Spring/Summer) along with a special Conclave Edition during a conclave year.
- Receiving the Confidential Bulletin twice a year, along with a special edition during a conclave year.
- Eligible to register for National Founders' Day.
- Eligible to register for the Grand Chapter Meeting during a conclave year.
- Eligible to run for a Grand Chapter Office.

Province:

- Eligible to register for a Province Council.
- Eligible to register for the annual Charles Rodger Wilson Leadership Conference (CRWLC).
- Eligible to run for a Province Office.

Alumni/Undergraduate Chapter:

- Eligible to vote on chapter matters.
- Eligible to write a MTA letter of recommendation.

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FINANCIAL MEMBERSHIP DISCOUNTS & PERKS



What are the benefits of being financial with Grand Chapter by October 1 of each year?

1-800-Flowers | 10% Discount with Coupon Code KAPPA



AARP | Discounted Membership Fees



Delta Airlines | Discount for Grand Chapter Meeting Air Travel



Enterprise Car Rental | 10% Car Rental Discount with code XZ17993



Regions Bank | Kappa Debit Card



Avis | \$25 off with Coupon Code MUWA010



Listings in MyBlack.Biz filtered for brothers.

And More

Verification of membership may be necessary for benefit(s).

Revised 10/1/20

Upcoming Events Links:

Feb 18 Billiards Night



CPSS Billiards Night

7pm ~ February 18, 2023

Triple Nines Bar and Billiards

Elkridge, MD 21075

Free

[CPSS Chapter Dues Payment Link](#)

Upcoming Events: There is a robust schedule of upcoming events and activities that has been developed in coordination with the Events Committee. The schedule is updated often. It is known that brothers cannot attend every event and activity, however the schedule is intended to provide awareness for planning purposes.

It is color coded so events and activities of interest can be identified easily whether they be community service, frat/chapter business, or Guide Right/Kappa League. The full schedule posted to the **#calendar** channel on slack. You can also find it on the Reclamation & Retention page on the CPSS website:

<https://www.cpsskapsi.org/reclamation-and-retention/>.

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Month	Date	Event	Sponsoring Organization	Purpose
<i>All Year</i>	<i>Varies</i>	<i>Weekly Chapter Prayer Zoom Call, Sundays 7pm</i>	<i>CPSS</i>	<i>Spiritual Renewal</i>
February	4	Monthly Kappa League Meeting	KCDF/CPSS	Guide Right/Kappa League
February	7	Health and Wellness Seminar on Mental Health	CPSS	Health and Wellness
February	10-11	Kappa League Conference at VA State University	CPSS	Guide Right/Kappa League
February	11	Senior Kappa Breakfast	CPSS	Senior Kappa Affairs
February	11	Chapter Food Distribution Community Service @ Rainbow (RCDC)	CPSS/RCDC	Community Service
February	11	Wizards Basketball Game	CPSS	Reclamation & Retention
February	17	Monthly Chapter Meeting	CPSS	Frat/Chapter Business
February	18	Billiards Night	CPSS	Reclamation & Retention
February	18	Kappa League Alumni Panel Discussion	CPSS	Guide Right/Kappa League
February	25	Chapter Food Distribution Community Service @ Rainbow (RCDC)	CPSS/RCDC	Community Service
February	28	Estate Planning Seminar	CPSS	Senior Kappa Affairs
March	4	Monthly Kappa League Meeting	KCDF/CPSS	Guide Right/Kappa League
March	10	Monthly Happy Hour	CPSS	Reclamation & Retention
March	16	Kocktails and Konversations	CPSS	Events Committee
March	17	Monthly Chapter Meeting	CPSS	Frat/Chapter Business
March	18	Monthly Kappa Walk	CPSS	Health and Wellness
March	18	Elementary School Clean up	CPSS	Community Service
March	18	Kappa League College Fair at Bowie State University	CPSS	Guide Right/Kappa League
March	22-26	Eastern Province Council	Eastern Province	Frat/Chapter Business
March	25	Chapter Food Distribution Community Service @ Rainbow (RCDC)	CPSS/RCDC	Community Service

Conclusion: Thank you for reading. See you at our **next 22-23 frat year chapter meeting** on Friday, February 17, 2023. If you have any questions or feedback, please do not hesitate to contact me. In addition to my email below, questions can be sent to reclamation@cpsskapsi.org. Follow us on Twitter at **@CollegeParkSan1**.

Yours in the Bond,

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