Iota Nu fraternity honors achievements of teen, preteen

The brothers of Iota Nu Chapter recently awarded a scholarship to a resilient 17-year-old girl for the best essay submitted in Harford County and recognized a 12-year-old girl as the remarkable citizen of the year.

Both teen and preteen attended the Achievement Week Scholarship and Awards Luncheon of the Iota Nu Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc. along with community members, chapter brothers and supporters. The luncheon served as the finale to a full week of activities celebrating the successes of community’s and Iota Nu’s charitable social initiatives.

The Iota Nu Chapter’s winner of the International High School Essay Contest was 17-year-old Ezimma Adiele. She is an active senior attending Edgewood High School who plans to major in international relations at a yet-undecided university next year.

The Citizen of the Year was 12-year-old Grace E. Callwood. She is a resident of Harford County and founder and chairwoman of the WeCanCervce Movement Inc., an organization that creates giving opportunities that can be supported by the community to bring happiness to homeless, sick and foster children. WeCanCervce has teamed with the Iota Nu Chapter on several creative acts of giving.

Joining the young ladies as awardees was Brother Aurilio Burton, 2016 Omega Man of the Year, for his service to Iota Nu and Harford County; Brother Leonard Newman, Founders Award; Brother Michael Bennett, Superior Service Award; and Brother Brig. Gen. Alfred Abramson, the Colonel Charles Young Leadership Award.

The award program included a reading by Adiele and a keynote address by lawyer Brother Rashied Ali Cromwell, founder and president of the Harbor Institute, who delivered a motivating message on “Living the Founders’ Vision.” The celebratory event was attended by 85 members of the community which included the awardees, government officials, brothers and families. In attendance were Lawanda Edwards, representing Harford County Executive Barry Glassman, and the Senior Mission Commander of Aberdeen Proving Ground, Omega Psi Phi Brother Maj. Gen. Bruce T. Crawford.

Achievement Week began with a Sunday worship service at Saint James AME Church in Havre de Grace. On Monday the brothers gathered for football and fellowship in Bel Air and on Tuesday, thanksgiving baskets destined for needy families were staged. The brothers conducted a regular chapter meeting on Wednesday. On Thursday, Iota Nu’s Past Basilus, Brother Dwayne Adams, hosted a Founders’ Day Fellowship event which included a rededication ceremony celebrating 105 years of the fraternity’s existence. The penultimate event for Achievement Week was delivering thanksgiving baskets laden with turkeys and all the trimmings to families selected by the Boys & Girls Clubs of Harford County.

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Shop the work of starving artists at Main St. gallery

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The Harford Artists Gallery presents Starving Artists Sale through Feb. 26. A reception will be Saturday, Jan. 14, 1 to 4 p.m. All hanging art is $99 or less. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Our new gallery: 37 N. Main St., Armory Marketplace. Phone number 410-420-9499.

The Mission Committee of the Dublin United Methodist Church will be collecting laundry items throughout January. Detergents, fabric softeners, stain removers (Shout & Out, Oxi; Clean spray) chlorine bleach and non-chlorine bleach are needed. The food pantry we serve (Darlington Thrift Shop & Mason Dixon Community Center) is always in need of peanut butter, jelly, cereal and tuna. If you wish to include with your other donations, it would be greatly appreciated.

Maryland and Pennsylvania Seniors welcome to Highland Senior Center. Come join us for many activities.

Come join us for many activities. The second Monday of the month, Upper Chesapeake Health Link is there from 10 to noon. Every Tuesday we offer slate painting with Miss Ellis, and the second Thursday we have the Harford County Public Library Internet Class. Helps seniors access and use the Internet on their wireless devices. The fourth Thursday of the month is Ornament of the Month with Miss Janet at 10:30 a.m., and then on the first and third Friday, we hold a non-denominational prayer session from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.