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Bro. Steve Watkins laughs with Past Grand Basileus Bro. Burnel Coulon at the 69th Tenth District Meeting held in Pontiac, Michigan. Story and photos by Que Times Editor Bro. Milbert O. Brown, Jr.

Rho Gamma Gamma Wins 10th District's Chapter of the Year

Chapter's Bro. Steve Watkins Elected as Tenth District's First Vice District Representative

Over 25 years ago, a bright young student from Chicago began walked to his classes on the campus of Howard University.

Unknown to the young man at the time, he was walking in the immortal footsteps of Omega's Founders.

His academic path would one day prepare his life for a walk into Omega leadership.

The young man had all of the right gifts. He had brains, a good personality, a warm smile, and a commitment to serve others.

Today, he is still walking, but when he walks into the room now, we recognize him as one of Omega's and the Tenth District's leaders, Brother Steven Watkins, the newly elected First Vice District Representative.

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Omegas Showcased the Spirit of Song



story & photos by Q-T Editor Bro. Milbert O. Brown, Jr.

A pair of long dark-hued hands gently touched the light colored pearl piano keys. Almost simultaneously fingers quickly tap the ebony keys producing a celestial musical prelude that sets the mood.

The lights in the church's sanctuary were dimmed, but rays of light beamed when the performers' voices harmoniously soothe the ears of an audience of over 1500 people.

The twenty voices from the Mighty Warriors Choir echoed from the 200-foot church ceiling as they began singing, "I got to move in the way...Heaven is my goal."

The Mighty Warriors accompanied by Dr. Charles G. Hayes was one of the four featured choirs that performed at Rho Gamma Gamma Chapter's Purple and Gold Gospel Explosion on March 18.



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The Saint Alibe's Catholic Church's Children Choir performed at the Omega Gospel event.

Performer Darius Brooks signing one of his signature gospel songs.

Grammy Award Winner Darius Brooks was also one of the featured singers at the Omega's Gospel event held at the Christ Universal Temple Church on Chicago's south side.

The audience was presented with quick movement and a powerful new gospel featuring dancing and signing by the New Direction Choir.

The St. Alibe's Children Choir featured over 40 children voices. The Mt. Pisgah Jr. Sensationals Group sang several classical gospel spirituals.



Above: Omega Brothers Glenn Mathews, the First Vice District Representative and (on right) Kurmmell Knox, the 10th District's DR attended the Rho Gamma Gamma Gospel event. Brother Mathews was elected as the 10th District's DR in April.

Top: The youthful "New Direction" choir was also one of the featured groups at Rho Gamma Gamma's Gospel Explosion.







"Several people noted that the Omega Gospel Explosion was an enjoyable and quality event," said Brother Michael Roache, the chapter's Gospel event chairman.

Brother Roache also said that the brothers worked hard in making the event a great success.

"For this event we had to take on the role of the primary organizers and promoters. Through our hard work we have established a targeted audience, the gospel audience," also said Brother Roache.



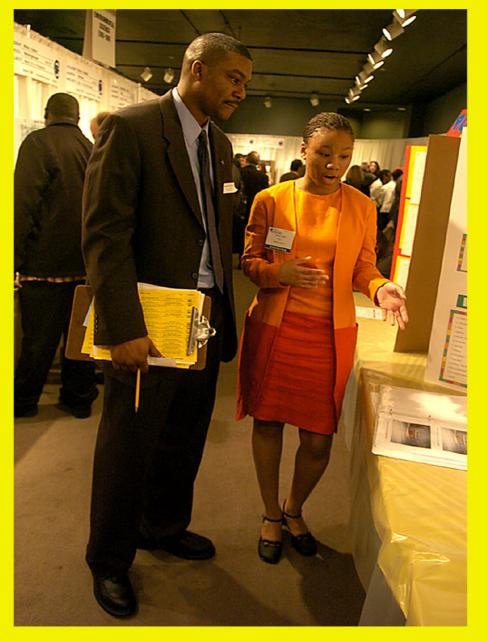
Brother Michael Roache

Photo (top):

The Mighty Warriors Choir.

Photo (center): Brother Willie Jones enjoying the performers featured at the chapter's Saturday evening Gospel event.

Photo (bottom): A man praising the Lord as he listens to spiritual songs.





Purple & Gold News

(on left) Brother Steven Hill at the Science Fair.

Brother Steve Hill again served as a science judge for the Chicago Public School's Annual Science Fair in March. The science fair was held at Chicago's Museum of Science and Industry. Brother Hill, an engineer looks over a student's science project.

Brother Kendall Franklin was recently chosen as a recipient of the "President Award." The award is given to the top one percent of employees world-wide for their superior job performance within the McDonald's Company. Brother Franklin is a senior business analyst in McDonald's Informational Technology Systems Department.

Brother Anton White, a Chicago Police officer received First Place in the Bench Press Award in the 181 lb. weight class at the American Powerlifting Federation Competition early this year.

Brother Milbert O. Brown was named as an adjunct professor at Northwestern University's Medill School of Journalism in March. The Chicago Tribune photojournalist also taught at Loyola University last semester.

Omega brothers with the featured performer Darius Brooks (center) at the chapter's Gospel Explosion held in March.



Rho Gamma Gamma brothers celebrate after the announcement that their chapter was selected as the "Tenth District Chapter of the Year" at the Achievement Awards Banquet held at the Tenth District Meeting in Pontiac, Michigan. The Chapter also was awarded the "Tenth District Reclamation Chapter of the Year" Award and the "African American Life & History" Award.

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Brother Steven G. Watkins, ESQ was initiated in Omega through Rho Gamma Gamma Chapter in 1993.

After working in the chapter as the social action chairman, the Keeper of Records & Seal and the Vice-Basileus, Bro. Watkins served as the chapter's 13th Basileus.

For 15 years Brother Watkins has been a very success Chicago lawyer. His office, Steven G. Watkins & Associates P.C. Law Firm is located on Chicago's south side.

Bro. Watkins graduated from Howard University with a B.S. in Psychology. He later received his Juris Doctor from Depaul University's College of Law.

Before Brother Watkins' newly elected post as the Tenth District First Vice District Representative, he served three-terms as the Tenth District Counselor.

Steven's other public service in the Chicago community includes: Little League Baseball Coach for the Jackie Robinson West team, Chairman of the Local School Counsel at Keller Regional Gifted Center and the Chicago Board of Education.

We are blessed that Steve has walked this way. Brother Steve Watkins is a promising leader both in the Tenth District and on Omega's national level.

He walks in the footsteps of Just, Cooper, Coleman and Love.