

**The Diamond
Foundation Inc.**



2023

DR. GEORGE A. PATTERSON SCHOLARSHIP LUNCHEON NBA KAPPA LEAGUE GRADUATION

Saturday, May 13, 2023
Delta Hotels by Marriott
110 Davidson Avenue
Somerset, NJ

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THE DIAMOND FOUNDATION INC.



The Diamond Foundation Inc. was established in 2003, by the New Brunswick (NJ) Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. as a non-profit corporation. It is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization which receives tax-deductible contributions from members of the fraternity and generous donations from the community at-large.

Operating under the supervision of its Board of Trustees, the mission of the foundation is to advance and inspire by supporting the development of tomorrow's minority leaders. Along with awarding thousands of dollars in scholarships to deserving students in the greater New Brunswick area (~\$250,000 YTD), the Diamond Foundation provides computers, seminars, workshops, educational grants, sponsorships, and mentoring.

As the world begins to move beyond the pandemic, The Diamond Foundation plans to implement two new initiatives this year; The Youth Empowerment Training Program (YETP), a summer program designed to connect a selected student and a business that will foster real world work experience and a Youth Career Fair that targets middle-school students with career options, requisite skills and the types of courses needed for that field of endeavor.

To build a generation prepared to face the responsibilities and challenges of the 21st century The Diamond Foundation needs your support. You can support the foundation's programs and initiatives thorough donations by mail or electronically via our website.



NBA KAPPA LEAGUE



**Achievement
Happens Here**

Guide Right is the national service and mentoring program of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. Since its inception in 1922, the objective of Guide Right is to provide leadership and assistance to youth of the communities we serve. It is a year-round program, dedicated to the educational and occupational guidance of young men. The goal is to provide inspiration and information that provide young men with access they would otherwise be denied.

The Kappa Leadership League, founded in 1970 in Los Angeles, CA, falls under the umbrella of Guide Right. The program, commonly known as Kappa League, is the world's largest youth mentoring for African-American males. There are chapters all across the United States and abroad. Kappa League is oriented toward helping young men cultivate and develop their leadership talents. The organization provides challenging, yet rewarding experiences, which enhance the lives of the students. Since the fundamental purpose of Kappa Alpha Psi is achievement, it is therefore, the Fraternity's primary purpose to help these young men to achieve worthy goals for themselves and to make constructive contributions to the community and to become humble leaders who positively impact the community.

NBA Kappa League was established in 2004 and currently has 84 young men in the program, including 11 high school seniors. Since its inception, more than 200 young men have been exposed to leadership training and life readiness skills. We currently have students attending many exceptional colleges including Howard, Hampton, Brown, Rutgers, Morgan State, Texas A&M, Northeastern, and many others. Post secondary careers include culinary arts, engineering, military service, finance and medicine to name a few.

NBA Kappa League has been recognized by the Fraternity on the local, regional and international levels as a premier program which sets the example for other chapters across the country. The New Brunswick (NJ) Alumni Chapter was recently awarded the 2023 Guide Right Chapter of the Year by the Northeastern Province of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.

LIFT EVERY VOICE AND SING

Lift every voice and sing
Till earth and heaven ring,
Ring with the harmonies of Liberty;
Let our rejoicing rise
High as the listening skies,
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us,
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us,
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun
Let us march on till victory is won.

Stony the road we trod,
Bitter the chastening rod,
Felt in the days when hope unborn had died;
Yet with a steady beat,
Have not our weary feet
Come to the place for which our fathers sighed?
We have come over a way that with tears has been watered,
We have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered,
Out from the gloomy past,
Till now we stand at last
Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

God of our weary years,
God of our silent tears,
Thou who has brought us thus far on the way;
Thou who has by Thy might
Led us into the light,
Keep us forever in the path, we pray.
Lest our feet stray from the places, Our God, where we met Thee,
Lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget Thee;
Shadowed beneath Thy hand,
May we forever stand.
True to our GOD,
True to our native land.

– James Weldon Johnson

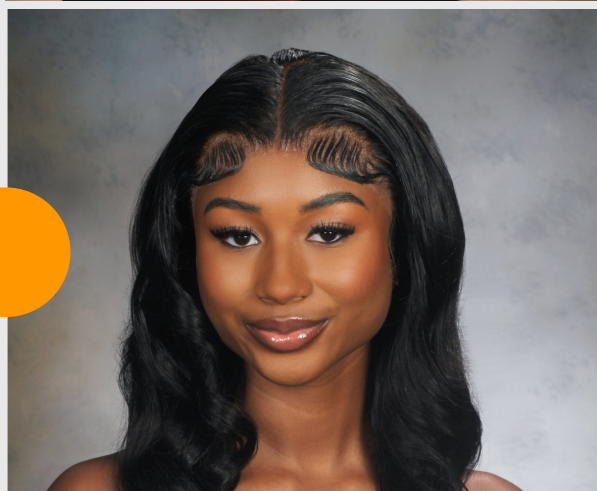
2023 DIAMOND FOUNDATION SCHOLARS

The Diamond Foundation Inc. is proud to announce the 2023 Diamond Foundation Scholars.



ALYSA COVINGTON
FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL

John D. Steline Jr. Memorial Award



MADISON ESSER
FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL

John D. Steline Jr. Memorial Award



YASIN STRICKLAND
SPOTSWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

Marshall B. Simmons Memorial Award



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AMANDA GUTIERREZ
FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL
Michael G. Greene Memorial Award



J.C. THOMAS III
PLAINFIELD HIGH SCHOOL
Charles L. McRae Award



AARON TAYLOR
FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL
Dr. George A. Patterson Memorial Award

NBA KAPPA LEAGUE CLASS OF 2023

Justice Ash

Piscataway High School

Austin Dumas

Montgomery High School

Yasir Barron-Harrison

High School

Jordan Howard

Somerset County Vo-Tech

Robert "JoJo" Huntley Jr.

St. Joseph's High School

Joshua Jordan

Piscataway High School

TyShawn Lloyd

Toms River South High School

Malcolm Marshall

Piscataway High School

Zahier Moya

Piscataway High School

Yasin Strickland

Spotswood High School

Jahsir Uwakwe-Rickards

Colonia High School

Aaron Turnbull

St. Joseph's High School

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