

# Dallas Alumni Time Capsule

## The Mecca of the Southwestern Province

The decade of the 90's brought new ideas and new energy to the chapter. A closed Black Tie Dinner honoring then-Grand Polemarch Robert Harris was held in 1992. After many attempts to create a successful and lucrative fall fundraiser, The Guide Right Foundation began hosting an annual golf tournament. It has remained a popular event. During this period the chapter also began another tradition, the Prairie View/Grambling Tailgate Party. This would become an unofficial Kappa reunion, attracting Brothers from all over the province. It would also be another occasion for community service either through voter registration drives or health screenings. The chapter also capitalized on the popularity and success of "America's Team", by successfully operating a concession booth at Texas Stadium during Dallas Cowboys football games and raising several thousand dollars in the process.

During this period Brother Joseph Newton also emerged as a leader within the province by serving as the **Chairman of the C. Rodger Wilson Leadership Conference** from 1995 to 1998. Brother **Dewey J. Minor**, a 1990 Dallas Alumni initiate became the youngest Polemarch in the chapter's



history when he was elected to serve from 1995 to 1997 at the age of 28. It was Minor who introduced the chapter nickname "The Mecca of the Southwestern Province."

However, on a sad note, in May 1997, the last charter member of our chapter, Brother **Floyd Wilkerson** joined the Chapter Invisible.

**For a second time, Dallas Alumni hosted the 20th C. Rodger Wilson Leadership Conference at the Sheraton Brookhollow hotel from October 2 - 3, 1998.**

Following Brother Minor as Polemarch of the chapter from 1997 to 1999, Brother **Will Sennette III** a 1988 Zeta Psi initiate, served as **Chairman of the Texas New-Mexico Kappa Caucus.**



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Brother **Anthony Andrews** (1999 to 2001) succeeded Will Sennette as Polemarch and also went on to provide leadership within the state as **Area II Cluster Coordinator** from 2001 to 2003 and would



later be appointed as **North Texas Administrative Assistant** to the Province Polemarch in 2005.

Dallas Alumni was again involved in another Kappa first when the chapter welcomed the 30<sup>th</sup> Grand Polemarch, Brother Samuel Hamilton to Dallas for what would be the first in a series of Town Hall Meetings. This allowed the Grand Polemarch to promote his ideas and answer questions from the Brothers in attendance in order to create more dialogue within

the fraternity. This event was also held at the Sheraton Brookhollow on October 25, 2003.

