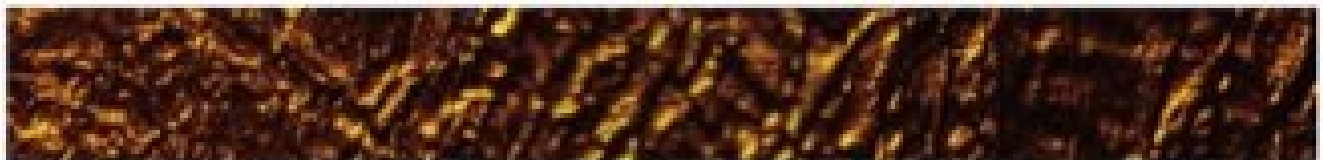
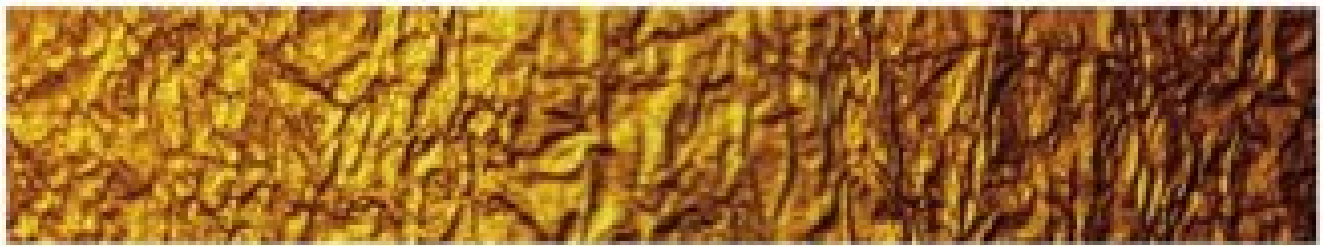


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Nov 1963 was a wonderful time to be young, Black, and a scholar in the us. At MorganState College (within look at of the memorial statue of Frederick Douglas) Albert Hicks, Lonnie Spruill Jr. It had been students who loaded the buses and had taken the freedom rides in the deep south.

Slade, Barron Willis and Webster Lewis congregated on the methods of Hurt Gymnasium and conceived IOTA PHI THETA. But in 1963 the motion was completely swing. For African-Americans, wish was not only alive, it had been brighter than ever., Charles Briscoe, Charles Dark brown, Louis Hudnell, Charles Gregory, Elias Dorsey Jr., Michael Williams, Frank Coakley, John D. Sometimes these were jailed, injured andkilled.



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An honest and engaging perspective about the BGLO experience I'd first like to say that We received this book very soon when i placed the purchase. There are several consistent errors in punctuation that have been annoying at first, but I got used to after the delving in to the content. I under no circumstances expected to learn some of the information about the founders that someone else may have wanted to hide. Iota is the only NPHC business founded at Morgan State University, or even in the city of Baltimore. It displays how amazing this organization really is. Perhaps most importantly is that Iota is finally represented in mainstream media, within an affordable format designed for the general public through this medium. Great job. I most appreciated this book's honesty. Despite the fact that the book was compiled by a founder of the business, it remains mainly unbiased. In a few ways, the author may have been more important than he had a need to have been. This is not to say that he should have hidden some areas of the fraternity's background, but that maybe in his work to remain unbiased, perhaps there were times where he was a touch too crucial and/or opinionated. The historical aspects of the 1960s were an important injection in to the book. I would suggest this reserve to anyone curious as to how Iota Phi Theta had

become. Therefore, it is critical to get constant reminders of the time period in which the firm was established. More essential still perhaps may be the founding location of the business. Iota Phi Theta was the just BGLO of the NPHC that I had not studied closely because of a lack of obtainable data. The representation of Baltimore in this book is important, especially in light of the honest (though stinging) portrayal of the town in more modern media. Does the book need some function? Sure. Would I've liked to have seen even more concrete data and evaluation of the organization's history, especially in the early years? Certainly. Nevertheless, what the publication lacks at length (compared to "Searching for Sisterhood" or some chapters of "Our Fight Offers Just Begun") it more than makes up for in honesty and eloquence through anecdotes and recollections. The external and internal design of the book is professional and visually appealing. It had been a treat to learn and to support. A lot more than I expected. Aside from the small typos the content of this publication is amazing. As students of Dark Greek Letter Organization background and culture (however, not an Iota myself), I try to purchase books such as for example these as soon as they become available. Iota also appeared (more so than any additional fraternity) less likely to contribute to the entire scholarship of BGLOs. Iota Phi Theta is defined aside from other BGLOs since it was founded in the 1960s instead of 1906-1922.

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