



Tappan Zee Lodge No. 79

Free And Accepted. Masons (Prince Hall)

Chartered December 17, 1932

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

Regular Communications: 1st Saturday each month

May 10, 2010

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Daryl Handberry

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Greetings:

Please allow me to introduce myself, my name is Darryl Handberry. I am truly honored to say that I was elected by my peers to serve as the leader of the Fraternal Order of Free and Accepted Masons in Rockland County. As Prince Hall Masons, we pride ourselves on being family and community oriented. Some of the community things that we do are: award college scholarships to graduating high school students, send needy children to summer camp and serve as mentors while tutoring reading at a local elementary school along with other outstanding community projects.

As a community oriented organization, we see a lot of things that are going on in our community. This includes the good things as well as the bad. Unfortunately, we have witnessed the alarming number of youth who either enter the criminal justice system or become part of the revolving judicial doors. During these economic times characterized by high unemployment along with school and recreational budget cuts, we fear that this criminal cycle will only get worse. In an attempt to stop or at least curtail this terrible cycle, my organization has agreed to assist me in a major project that I am very excited about. We are in the process of putting a program together for the entire Rockland County community entitled "KEEPING IT REAL". We are attempting to make this program a reality on Saturday June 19, 2010 at the Palisades Mall. The Program will be in three parts and take approximately 3 hours. It will start at 3pm with an introduction and layout of the program followed by reverse role-playing. We want our community youth to play the role of police officers and the police officers will play the role of the area youth. We hope to get Police officers from as many police departments involved as possible. We will deal with every day issues that are troubling our community, which are leading to our youth entering the criminal justice system. After each roll play, we would like to discuss the pros and cons of how the situation was handled and possibly a better way to deal with that type of situation.

We are now appealing to you for your assistance. We would like your written endorsement for this desperately needed program. We have met with the Palisades Mall executives and they advised us that with certain endorsements coming from various community leaders, they might be willing to assist us with a location for our venue. We would also greatly appreciate any type of donations that you deem appropriate, including free informational public services in order to make this program successful for our community.

I thank you in advance.

Respectfully,

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