

Portfolio

Chapter Name: Theta Chapter

Chapter Basileus: Dr. Donna M. Sowerby

Supreme Basileus: Margarett Galloway

National Youth Coordinator: Marian Wilson

Regional Director: Anona Huntley

Member-at-Large: Tiffany Ladson-Lang

Regional Chairperson: Tanisha Dorvil, Dr. Cassandra Holcomb

Chapter Advisor(s): Kisha Banyan-Shepherd, Vanessa Parkinson

Xinos President: Uyi Amadasu

Kudos President: Jayden Ball



Activity #1: 2024 NYSABPRHAL 53rd Annual Legislative Conference

Youth: Kayode Simmons,
Kaylah Scott, Jayden Ball,
Melissa Vanzie

Sorors: Vanessa Parkinson,
Yvette Grant

Description: Youth listened and participated in dialogue about issues and policies that have an impact on their daily lives and communities through workshop forums.

Activity #2: Bowling

Outing at Bowl360

Youth: Melissa Vanzie,
Kaylah Scott, Amina Moses,
Jayden Ball

Soror: Kisha Banyan
Vanessa (behind camera)

Parent: Renee Cook

Description: The Xinos,
Kudos, and their advisors
gathered for a bowling
outing, strengthening bonds,
sharing laughs, and
celebrating teamwork



Activity #3: Initiation Ceremony at St. Peter Claver

RCC. on March 9th, 2024

Youth: Melissa Vanzie, Kaylah Scott, Amina Moses, Uyi Amadasu, Anari Manders, Emanuella Kayode, Jayden Ball, Jalen Hutson, Kayode Simmons

Sorors: Vanessa Parkinson and Kisha Banyan-Shepherd

Description: A structured ceremony where inductees demonstrated their understanding of the group's values, such as leadership, service, and community. The ceremony involved reciting pledges, a candle-lighting ritual, learning about the history and mission of Xinos and Kudos, and receiving symbols of membership.



Activity #4: NSPDK Eastern Region Youth Conference 2024

Youth: Melissa Vanzie, Kaylah Scott, Amina Moses, Uyi Amadasu, Anari Manders, Emanuella Kayode, Jayden Ball,
Kayode Simmons

Sorors: Vanessa Parkinson and Kisha Banyan-Shepherd

Description: A gathering of Xinos and Kudos members from different chapters, focused on leadership, academic excellence, and service. The conference features workshops, competitions, and multiple networking opportunities that empower youth to both develop their skills and build meaningful connections.





Activity #5: Pantry at Bethel SDA Church

Youth: Anari Manders,
Melissa Vanzie, Jalen Hutson

Sorors: Vanessa Parkinson

Description: Xinos and Kudos
members volunteered at the
Pantry at Bethel SDA Church,
assisting with sorting, packing,
and distributing food to
families in need.





**Activity #6: Luncheon
at Gargiulo's Restaurant
in Coney Island,
Brooklyn**

Youth: Melissa Vanzie

Sorors: Vanessa Parkinson

Parent: Marisa Vanzie

Description: Xinos

Melissa Vanzie received a scholarship from the National Association Of Business & Professional Women's Clubs, Inc.



Activity #7: End of Season Gathering 2024 at Southern Baptist Church in Brooklyn

Youth: Melissa Vanzie, Jalen Hutson, Megan (past Xino), Kayode Simmons, Oliver & Nijid (both past Kudo & Anth.)

Sorors: Ms. Parkinson, Ms. Banyan-Shepherd, Ms. Dorvil, Ms. Yvette Grant, Ms. Moore, Ms. Fennel, Ms. Cook, Ms. Christie, Ms. Durham-Wilson

Parents: Mr. Hutson, Ms. Cook, Ms. Vanzie, Ms. Parkinson-Gilbert, Mr. Simmons

Description: Youth, sorors, and parents celebrated the a year of growth, service, and achievement with inspiring reflections, fellowship, and recognition of our members, closing the season on a high note.



**Activity #8: Thanksgiving Turkey Giveaway in conjunction
with Councilwoman Crystal Hudson**

Youth: Kaylah Scott, Jalen Hutson, Matthew Vanzie, Tianna
Kelly

Sorors: Ms. Vanessa Parkinson, Ms. Kisha Banyan-Shepherd, Ms.
Tanisha Dorvil, Ms. Yvette B. Grant, Ms. Yvonne Douglin, Ms.
Cathleen Snyder, Ms. Marsha Lane, Ms. Lorna Christie, Ms.
Annette Durham-Wilson, Ms. Karen Bull

Description: The Thanksgiving Turkey Giveaway, in partnership
with Councilwoman Crystal Hudson, brought together Xinos,
Kudos, and community volunteers to package turkeys and other
Thanksgiving essentials for families in need. Youth played a vital
role in spreading holiday cheer and giving back to the community.



**Activity #9: Meetings at
Sorority House - January 2025**

Youth: Tianna Kelly, Kaylah
Scott, Uyi Amadasu, Ethan
Smith, Jayden Ball, Kayode
Simmons

Sorors: Kisha Banyan-Shepherd
Vanessa Parkinson

Description: Meetings include
discussions on upcoming
activities, teamwork on event
planning, and preparation for
upcoming events like the youth
conference. Members collaborate
with advisors to stay organized,
and set goals.

