

REGARDING NEGRO HISTORY WEEK
TO ALL NATIONAL SOCIETY SECRETARIES

Dear Brother:

The week of February 11 to 18 has been designated by the Negro History Foundation as a week devoted to Negro history. Unfortunately, in the past Negro history has, in the main, been the property of the Negro community. In reality the history of the Negro people is the history of America.

The knowledge and appreciation of the contributions of the Negro people to progress and democracy will do a great deal to further the common struggle of white and Negro Americans for the full citizenship of the Negro people.

We therefore suggest the following steps:

1. Write a letter to your lodges on Negro History Week and urge them to invite a progressive Negro leader in the community to speak on Negro history and problems of today.
2. We want you to write an article for your nationality group paper dealing with the problems of the Negro people and the responsibilities of your nationality group in the struggle for Negro rights.
3. We will send you a number of articles by leading Negro and white authors on this subject for your paper.
4. Advise your lodges to get in touch with the Negro History Committees in the respective cities and participate in the activities of the Negro communities.
5. Stress the Negro recruiting campaign and urge our builders to help make this campaign a success. Negro members recruited into lodges in the Negro community will be credited to the builders of your society.
6. As we informed you, we are publishing a 16-page pamphlet on the struggle for Negro rights by Max Bedacht. The pamphlet will sell for 5¢ (3¢ to the lodges). Please place your order immediately and popularize it in your press.
7. We are preparing an outline for speakers in bulletin form which will be mailed to the leaders of the lodges directly by the General Office.

Keep in touch with us on any questions regarding the campaign.

Fraternally yours,

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