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# Growth - Our Never Ending Goal

by Supreme Council Vice President Kevin E. Virta (Western Michigan, Epsilon Psi '83)

Grow or die. It's that simple really. All living things are propelled forward by the basic drive to grow. If you are not growing then you are in decay. This principle is true for our bodies, our relationships, our businesses, and our Fraternity.

The founding fathers of our great Fraternity understood this principle. Indeed, the central idea of starting a fraternity was to promote the growth of its members. After documenting it in our Preamble, the founders followed suit with two key decisions: 1) to admit Augustus Washington Knox as the first initiate; and 2) to expand to other campuses by installing a chapter at Davidson, making it clear that Pi Kappa Alpha was meant not only to promote the growth of those in the room at the time of its conception but to also grow as an organization so that it could provide those same benefits to many more. How many more, I am sure the founders never could have envisioned.

The goal to grow has been with us in varying degrees of emphasis for the past 140 years. Growth is one of the four areas of focus in our current strategic plan. Our growth goals include increasing pledgings and initiations by 5% year over year and adding 12 new colonies every year. The purpose of setting these goals is to keep us focused and striving toward continual growth. Establishing colonies keeps the overall Fraternity growing with the primary responsibility resting on the shoulders of the international staff, while recruiting new members keeps the chapter growing.

Our chapters have embraced the 5% year over year growth goal. In the 2007-08 academic year our chapters exceeded this goal in the process of pledging 5,797 men and initiating 4,781 into membership. Both of these represent high water marks not seen since 1989-90. So far the chapters have come out of the blocks on pace ready to top last year.

A growing chapter is a prosperous chapter. It is through growth that average chapters become good chapters, good chapters become "Excellent Chapters", and "Excellent Chapters" are maintained. Growth brings with it so many rewards. It brings not just more resources, but newer and different resources. It is through growth that a chapter can improve its standing in academics, change its fortunes on the athletic field, or sow the seeds for the next great chapter leaders. Conversely, a declining or stagnant chapter often finds itself slipping from excellence and spiraling further downward. This brings a whole different set of problems to deal with, like financial debt, apathy, and poor participation.

I read long ago that in business there are only two real management challenges. Managing growth, or managing contraction. I have found it to be generally true when evaluating matters at a high level. Managing growth is not easy, but it can be fun and exhilarating. By contrast, managing contraction is



Kevin E. Virta

gut wrenching, where the choices available are few and often unpleasant. And so it is with a Pike chapter. Figuring out what to do with a growing chapter, where to dedicate abundant resources of time and money, is much more enjoyable than worrying about where the money will come from to pay the next bill, or the men to staff the next community service event.

Some might think that a 100 man chapter does not need to grow, that 100 men is already a good size for a chapter. In my opinion, it is not a question of whether 100 are enough or not enough. It's a question of whether or not you are growing. Not just maintaining but growing. One obvious reason for a 100 man chapter to set growth goals to exceed last year by 5% is that

it never knows how many men from the current chapter will return the following year. It might plan to recruit 30 men to replace 30 graduating members but find that an additional 10 members either transfer or leave school altogether. That obviously leaves the chapter with 90 men the next year and in a state of decline.

I think it is also important to note that recruiting more men who are not the right caliber is not true growth. Growth can only come when the chapter adds men who are of the character and conviction that it takes to build or maintain excellence. This of course requires the chapter to work doubly hard in rush – year round – to find and attract the men to meet its growth goals. Likewise, it requires the Supreme Council and International Fraternity's staff to do the same when it is choosing a university for expansion and recruiting the men on campus to represent

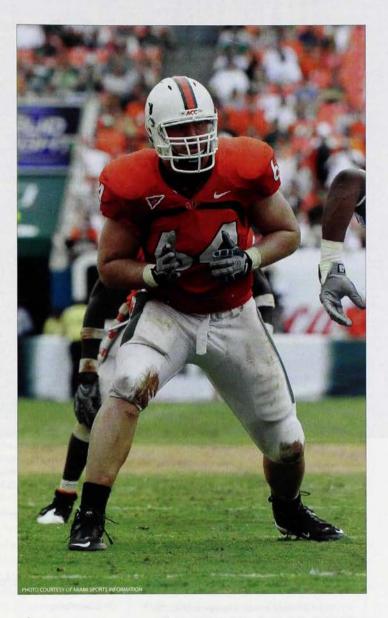
One of my favorite movie lines comes from *The Shawshank Redemption*. Andy Dufrense (played by Tim Robbins) has decided that after 20 years of wrongful incarceration he is ready to move forward with life and he says to his friend Red, "I guess it comes down to a simple choice really. Get busy living, or get busy dying." To me that translates into get busy growing, or get busy declining. Pi Kappa Alpha is busy growing. We have been since been March 1, 1868, and will be on into the future. We really have no other choice.

In the bonds,

Kevin E. Virta International Vice President

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#### Jason Fox in the thick of the action

Tri-captain/offensive tackle Jason Fox (Miami, Gamma Omega '07) started 12 games for the 7-6 Miami Emerald Bowl squad and was named to the NIC All-Fraternity All-American first team. The Annual Sports Review begins on page 7.

#### On the Cover:

#### Scott Van Pelt on the set of ESPN SportsCenter

Our brother at ESPN is probably one of the most watched figures on television in homes, dorms, and chapter rooms across the nation. Photos courtesy of ESPN. Story on page 3.

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#### **UPDATE**

#### **New Regional President Appointed**

The Supreme Council of The Pi Kappa Alpha International Fraternity is proud to announce



the appointment of Larry W. Eby as Heartland Regional President effective December 8, 2008.

Eby is a 1988 initiate of Epsilon lota Chapter at Southeast Missouri State University. He served the

Fraternity as a chapter consultant from 1992 -1993 and has served previously on the Epsilon lota house corporation and advisory boards.

Currently, he is the senior vice president of operations at NewWave Communications, headquartered in Sikeston, Missouri. Eby is also a member of CTAM and the Motorola Advisory

Committee. Eby has served on the Allegiant Bank Loan Advisory Committee and is currently on the board of directors for the National Cable Television Cooperative, where he serves as the chairman of NCTC's Finance Committee. Eby was recognized as Outstanding Young Alumni for Southeast Missouri State University in 2006.

Eby currently resides in Sikeston, Missouri with his wife, Anita, and two daughters, Lauren and Maggie, and can be reached at LEbynw@newwavecom.com.

The role of regional president is one that is vital to ensuring the success of Pi Kappa Alpha recruiting and supporting alumnus volunteers. Regional presidents serve as a representative of the Fraternity in a particular geographic region. Pi Kappa Alpha has 20 regions in North America.

#### Headquarters Staffer Recognized by Trade Magazine

Sherry Walker was one of 68 meeting professionals from across the country



nominated by destinations and meeting sites and recognized as a ConventionSouth Meeting Professional to Watch in 2009

Walker is the director of meeting and travel services

for Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity. She manages all site planning and logistical arrangements for Pike University events and Fraternity meetings, and coordinates international officer and staff travel. She says her greatest satisfaction comes "when an attendee tells me how much he

learned, how much he earned, or how much he enjoyed the event." A valuable and respected member of the Memorial Headquarters staff, Walker has been assisting consultants. officers, students



and coworkers with their travel plans for over 20 years.

#### LETTERS

#### **Greetings from Oxford**

Dear Brothers,

I wanted to take some time and give you an update from Oxford before I head to Rwanda.

I miss America very much when I am here. so it was really wonderful to spend my winter break back in the United States. I spent the holidays eating great American food, enjoying the company of loved ones, visiting friends at FSU, watching the changing political landscape of America, and relishing the warm sunshine. I was in Florida, Virginia, and for New Years I was with my girlfriend's family in New Orleans.

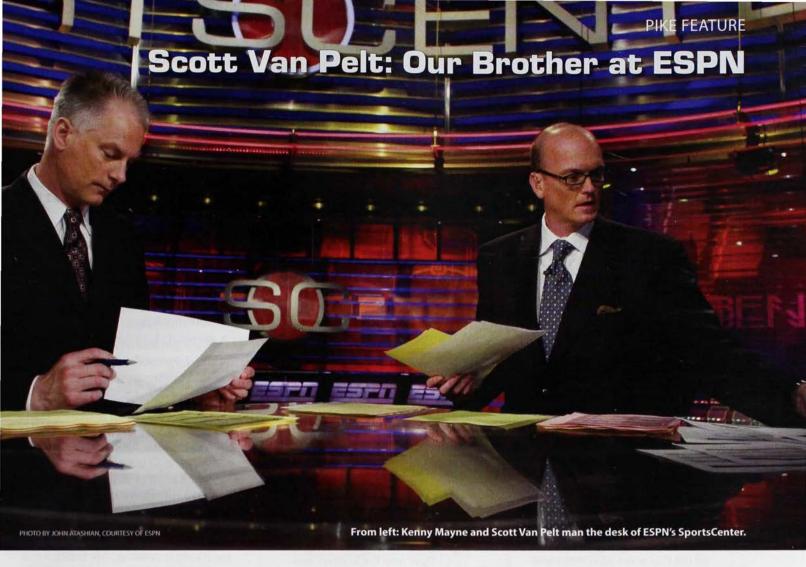
After coming from England to New Orleans, I couldn't stop eating. The food is so bland in England that I thought for a moment: if some of my British friends had the food from New Orleans, their taste buds would explode.

Leaving the warm and sunny weather of Florida to return to the U.K. was difficult, especially since I was greeted off the plane



Rhodes Scholar Joe O'Shea (Florida State, Delta Lambda '04) on the banks of the Thames with the London Eye in the background. O'Shea won the 2008 Robertson Most Outstanding Undergraduate Award.

in England with a cloudy, cold, drizzly day. To escape, a friend and I went to Valencia, Spain for a few days on a cheap flight before school started. It was my first time to continental Europe, and I really enjoyed my visit even though I am terrible at speaking Spanish and



ake a stroll through any IIKA house and there is a good chance you will find at least one television on ESPN at any time of day. That number increases significantly if it is time for a big college football game, basketball game, or Monday Night Football. "SportsCenter", ESPN's award winning sports news program, may in fact be the most watched television show among Pi Kappa Alpha undergraduates (and probably alumni for that matter).

On the set of SportsCenter you will find our very own Scott Van Pelt (Maryland, Delta Psi '88) most evenings, primarily hosting the 11:00 p.m. ET edition. As well as being one of the top rated hosts of the sports world's most popular show, Scott can also be seen hosting ESPN's coverage of golf's grand slam events. In April 2008, he was named co-host of ESPN Radio's "Tirico & Van Pelt Show" and solo host of "The Scott Van Pelt Show".

Brother Van Pelt was very gracious in granting the Shield & Diamond exclusive access to the ESPN studios for an interview and an all access tour of the ESPN campus. For a man who has Tiger Woods' and Lebron James' cell phone numbers readily accessible, it was easily apparent that Scott is an extremely humble individual who hasn't taken his successes for granted. An imposing figure at 6'6", he has an extremely quick wit, whether the discussion centers on ACC basketball or the awesomeness of Barry Melrose. His intellect is equally impressive as he is quick to weave in discussions on major current events in any conversation, and maintains a realistic perspective towards the role sports plays in society today.

Scott's sense of humor is always present, whether it is sharing classic stories involving some of the sports world's most recognizable names or putting you in your place by referencing an obscure statistic about your little known Division IA or Division II alma mater.

In the following interview, Brother Van Pelt shares some of his thoughts on career success, SportsCenter

commercials, the importance of working hard, and Pi Kappa Alpha. As you will read, Scott is quick to point out that some of his best friends in life today are those brothers from the "Pika" house back at the University of Maryland.

S&D: Scott, thanks for taking the time for Pi Kappa Alpha today.

SVP: I'm happy to do it. Thanks for coming up for a visit. It's always great to talk about my Fraternity experience. Some of my best friends in the world are guys I met at the Pika house at Maryland. So ask me whatever you want. Let's have fun with this!

S&D: We've seen you in over thirty SportsCenter commercials, Scott. Which one is your favorite?

SVP: Man, all of those SportsCenter commercials are fun. I think my favorite is probably the one that Rich Beem and I did in 2002 right after he won the PGA



This well known SportsCenter commercial features Boston Celtic greats Ray Allen (20), Paul Pierce (34) and Kevin Garnett (5). The basketball stars ask Scott's advice about calling themselves "The Three Amigos". Van Pelt suggest a better name: "The Boston Three-Party".

Championship. Beemer comes riding into the ESPN complex with his PGA Championship trophy in the passenger side. When he parks, he pops the trunk and I get out and thank him for giving me a ride to work. It was fun. But that was a BMW and it was tough for this 6' 6" guy to get in that trunk. We did that scene nine times and ended up using the very first take. It's amazing how much people love these commercials. I did one with Carmelo Anthony where I dressed up in a Captain America costume and we could hardly shoot the commercial without Carmelo laughing at me in that ridiculous costume. I have come to realize the athletes enjoy the commercials just as much as the viewers. In fact, it's almost become a rite of passage just to appear in one.

**S&D:** I'm sure that's a great part of your job. How did you get into broadcast journalism?

SVP: I was doing an internship at Channel 5 in D.C. and I met a producer who ended up leaving to work at HBO. Well, a couple of years later he recruited me to come work at The Golf Channel. So I left D.C. and moved to Orlando. It was a great gig. I co-hosted Golf Central and while following the PGA, I was really able to get in the trenches and meet players,

and learn a lot about the grind those players endure on the tour. It was a great time to be covering sports down there. I had the opportunity to cover the 1996 NCAA Championship and I met a freshman from Stanford named Tiger Woods. We developed a pretty good rapport, and the following year Tiger won the Masters and played the British Open for the first time – and I was there covering those events for the Golf Channel. We've just continued to foster that relationship to this day.

**S&D:** Tiger was probably a great athlete to meet early in your career.

SVP: Oh yeah. Absolutely. To be honest with you, I attribute my start at ESPN to having a connection to Tiger. In 2000, ESPN's Golf Analyst Jimmy Roberts left to work for another network and ESPN needed to replace him. If you recall, 2000 was an incredible year for Tiger Woods. He was in the middle of chasing down Ben Hogan's record by winning three majors in a year. ESPN wanted to bring someone on board that could access Tiger Woods, and I was the guy. They called, I accepted, and here I am.

**S&D:** Now, some would say that you were pretty lucky to be in the right place at the right time.

SVP: True. And I have been very

fortunate to have been given opportunities along the way. I actually had a conversation not too long ago with Lefty Driesell, the longtime men's basketball coach at the University of Maryland. I made a comment to Lefty about how lucky I was to have landed at ESPN, and Lefty responded that "Scotty, if it were luck it would have run out by now." That made me realize that maybe I have started to figure this thing out a little bit. One thing that I have learned is that you should treat normal people like they're famous and treat famous people like they're normal. That seems to work well for me. I learned that from my father.

**S&D:** Have you had any outstanding role models over the years?

SVP: My father and my grandfather were the guys who fostered my love of sports. I looked up to those men. I tell people all the time that I work hard but it is not hard work. It's remarkable to me that I get to talk about sports every day for a living. I'm basically doing something that I would probably be doing anyway. I just do it on television or on the radio and get paid to do it. It's really amazing. My father was a blue collar worker and he worked extremely hard. He passed away when I was in my twenties. There's no way that I would ever disrespect his memory by saying that my job is hard. But I tell you guys, I would give up every cent I've made doing this to be able to sit at the dinner table with him and my grandfather and thank them for fostering this love of sports, and for them to be able to see me doing my thing. I know they'd be proud of me. I have learned that you better appreciate the people in your life while they're around. Spend time with those people that you love and don't miss the opportunity to get as much knowledge as you can from them.

S&D: What part of your job do you enjoy most?

SVP: Oh, that is a tough question.

I enjoy all of it and I'll tell you
why. I feel blessed to be doing
it all and each phase of my job
allows me to express myself in a
different way. On TV, for example,

I'm doing highlights and have the opportunity to deliver the breaking news of the sports world to our viewers. But on radio, I'm able to have a free flowing conversation and dive into topics a little deeper while sharing some of my own opinions on various topics. That's fun for me. Of course, another exciting part of my job is being able to be on site at events and to interact with sports fans. I especially enjoy covering the golf majors. In February, I'll be down in Tampa covering the Super Bowl. I enjoy the interaction with the fans. So, all components of my job are enjoyable to me. I don't ever want to become complacent so I'm just looking for the next challenge.

**S&D:** Let's back up to your undergraduate years at the University of Maryland. Tell us what attracted you to Pi Kappa Alpha?

SVP: My story is probably similar to so many of our brothers. I had a very good friend from high school who was a member of Delta Psi Chapter and invited me to come over and visit the house. I found the guys at the chapter to be a very good, fun group of guys. This was an eclectic mix of people. We had guys from big cities and small towns. We had members from every religious background you can think of and we had members of different races. Pike, well we called it Pika, was a great group of men and I just tried to fit right in. Plus, I was a decent athlete and so that didn't hurt my chances of getting a bid either!

**S&D:** Did you hold officer positions in the chapter?

SVP: I was the rush chairman. It was very important to me. Rush is the lifeblood of our chapters and a very important deal. I have this belief that recruitment is like shaving. If you don't do it, you end up looking like a bum. So, I took it seriously and hope I was able to do a good job. One thing that I realized very quickly was that the Fraternity experience was much bigger than just the four years I spent at Maryland. We were recruiting guys to come in and perpetuate our chapter's legacy. I also developed a philosophy about holding chapter



Scott Van Pelt discusses the story of the day with fellow sportscaster Stuart Scott.

office. Don't underestimate the importance of your leadership position, but please do not overestimate the importance of your position either. I think that's a valuable teaching tool. I was exposed to guys who got into leadership positions in the chapter and it corrupted them. They just became demonstrative people and that's totally unacceptable. It is what it is. Enjoy the ride and do the very best that you can do.

**S&D:** Did you play intramural sports?

SVP: You better believe it. Sports were a big deal to us at the Pike house. We were a group of highly competitive individuals and intramural sports were our outlet. We always competed very well against other fraternities and won the big sports like football and basketball. But we usually finished in second place

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Scott Van Pelt (Maryland, Delta Psi '88) began his sports broadcasting career at WTTG-TV (FOX) in Washington, D.C. in 1990. Van Pelt later joined The Golf Channel (TGC) where he was an anchor and reporter from 1994-2000. At TGC, he was the co-host of Golf Central, Leaderboard Report and occasional host of Viewer's Forum. His first live assignment was covering a young Tiger Woods in his first successful defense of the U.S. Amateur Championship in 1995. He would later follow Tiger through his 1996 win at the NCAA Men's Championship, third consecutive US Amateur, and would continue on Tiger's tail during his road to success at the 1997 Masters and beyond.

Van Pelt joined ESPN in Spring 2001 as the network's lead professional golf reporter. He has since become a SportsCenter anchor. Before hosting his own radio show and his August 2003 move to the 11 p.m. SportsCenter, Van Pelt was a regular anchor on the weekday 6 p.m. program.

In 2001, Van Pelt sat down for a one-on-one interview with Tiger Woods after he won the U.S. Open to capture the "Tiger Slam," four majors in a row. The interview was featured on ESPN's Sunday Conversation.

Over his career, Van Pelt has covered all the major golf tournaments – the Masters, the U.S. Open, the British Open and the PGA Championship. Following Tiger Woods' victory at the 1997 Masters (his first at the tournament), Van Pelt conducted an exclusive half-hour interview with the young Woods for a critically acclaimed network special, Tiger Woods: In His Own Words. He has also covered numerous USGA events, NCAA Men's and Women's championships, BUY.COM Tour events and Senior PGA Tour events.

A native of Brookville, Maryland, Van Pelt graduated from the University of Maryland with a bachelor's degree in radio/television and film.

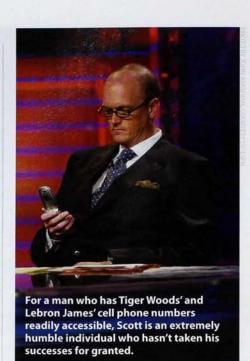
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overall because we didn't always participate in the other little sports. In my senior year at Maryland we got very organized and set a goal that we wanted to win the intramural sports championship. Sigma Chi had always won and we were determined to knock them off. You know what, we got ourselves organized, came together as a chapter and we won intramurals my senior year. That was an awesome experience. We rallied around each other for that common goal and that was a very special time for us.

S&D: That's a great story!

SVP: It is. But I think the lesson there is that the Preamble makes perfect sense: "For the mutual benefit and advancement of the interests of those with whom we sympathize and deem worthy of our regard..."

We certainly could not have accomplished our goals as individuals. But as a cohesive unit with one common goal, we got the job done. I love the Preamble. It's good stuff.



**S&D:** What part of your Fraternity experience have you carried forward in your life?

SVP: The best part of the Fraternity experience for me has been that twenty years later, my best friends are still my Delta Psi Chapter brothers. I'll go back to the Preamble again and quote "on a firmer and more lasting basis". It's real. I drop by the chapter house from time to time. The guys are in a different house now than the one I lived in. But I go by and visit with some of the guys and try to stress to them the importance of the Preamble. This is a lifelong commitment and I hope our brothers in the chapters today understand that.

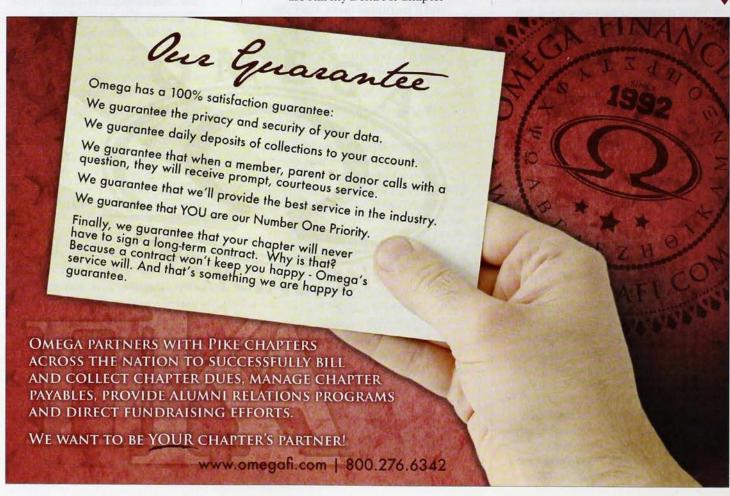
**S&D:** Scott, thanks again for your hospitality.

SVP: Anytime guys. I have enjoyed this.

This has been good for me. To be able to go back and remember so many special memories about my time in the chapter at Maryland has been humbling.

It has reminded me of just how important the Fraternity is. It's very special and I appreciate you guys reaching out to me in this way.

– Interview by Justin Buck (Southeast Missouri State, Epsilon Iota '96) and George Miller (Delta State, Zeta Beta '97)





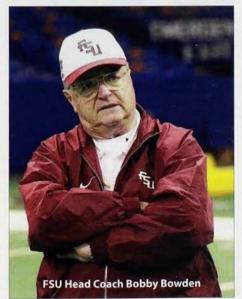
by Jay Langhammer

#### Football

Quarterback Corey Leonard (Delta Theta '06) of Arkansas State was named to the North-American Interfraternity Conference All-Fraternity All-American Division I FBS/FCS first team and the All-Sun Belt Conference second team. He completed 166 passes in 306 attempts for 2,347 yards and 16 touchdowns. Cory was also the third-leading rusher, gaining 516 yards on 157 attempts and scoring four TDs. Catching 15 passes for 228 yards and two scores was tight end Trevor Gillott (Delta Theta '07) and offensive tackle Zach Eichenberger (Delta Theta '06) played 11 games. ASU's backup QB was Travis Hewitt (Delta Theta '05), who scored two TDs. Defensive back Evan Van Dolah (Delta Theta '06) started every contest, made 52 tackles and broke up four passes. Playing in 11 games was linebacker Matt Taylor (Delta Theta '07).

Head coach Bobby Bowden (Samford, Alpha Pi '49) led his Florida State squad to its first nine win season since 2004

after winning the Champs Sports Bowl, 42-16. He now has 382 career wins and will return for his 34th season as the Seminoles' leader. Seeing action at quarterback was D'Vontrey Richardson (Delta Lambda '07), who rushed 35 times for 254 yards and three touchdowns,



including a 55-yarder. He also hit 23 of 44 for 315 yards and three scores. Seeing action at fullback was Joe Surratt (Delta Lambda '06) and linebacker Recardo Wright (Delta Lambda '07) made 18 tackles, forced a fumble and recovered a fumble. Tri-captain/offensive tackle Jason Fox (Gamma Omega '07) started 12 games for the 7-6 Miami Emerald Bowl squad and was named to the NIC All-Fraternity All-American first team. In the Florida State game, he took a backward lateral and ran in for a five yard TD. Hurricanes linebacker Colin McCarthy (Gamma Omega '07) had 18 tackles in the first four games but went out with an injury for the rest of the season.

Two longtime Pike college coaches have gone through some changes in the last year. Former Marshall head coach Bob Pruett (Marshall, Delta Iota '62) came out of retirement last spring to become defensive coordinator at Virginia. Following the 2008 season,

he was promoted to assistant head coach. On January 14th, Bucknell offensive coordinator Harold Nichols (Presbyterian, Mu '88) was named head coach at his alma mater. A former quarterback for the school, he was an assistant coach following graduation and later went to Rhode Island as associate head coach and offensive coordinator. He had only been with Bucknell as offensive coordinator for a year before his university called him back home.



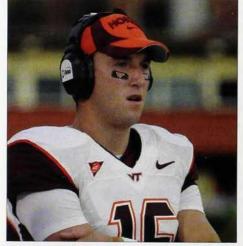
Virginia Tech's Matt Tuttle was also voted homecoming king.



**Kenny Younger** 



Jeff Wardach



VT's quarterback Jeff Beyer

The 10-4 Virginia Tech team, which won the Orange Bowl, featured fullback Kenny Younger (Epsilon '07), kicker Tim Pisano (Epsilon'08), quarterback Jeff Beyer (Epsilon '07), deep snapper Matt Tuttle (Epsilon '06) and defensive tackle Jeff Wardach (Epsilon'09). Defensive end Garrett Ryan (Gamma Iota '07) played for the 9-4 Mississippi team which won the Cotton Bowl. Defensive back Mike

Salvatico (Delta Psi '07) was on the 8-5 Maryland Humanitarian Bowl squad and wide receiver Sam Snyder (Gamma Alpha '08) was a member of the 12-2 Alabama Sugar Bowl squad. The 8-5 Wake Forest Eaglebank Bowl team's roster included deep snapper Collin Granger (Gamma Phi '08) and defensive back Peter Grimm (Gamma Phi '08). Wide receiver Nelson Faerber (Eta Alpha '07) played every game for the Clemson Gator Bowl team and won the Tigers' special team award. Taking over as Clemson head coach on October 13th was Dabo Swinney (Alabama, Gamma Alpha '89), who had a 4-3 record. Coach Howard Schnellenberger (Miami, Gamma Omega '84) led 7-6 Florida Atlantic to a Motor City Bowl victory and offensive tackle Kris Lena (Lambda Beta '07) saw action.

The third Pike on the NIC All-Fraternity All-American first team was Baylor punter Derek Epperson (Theta Nu '08), who won All-Big 12

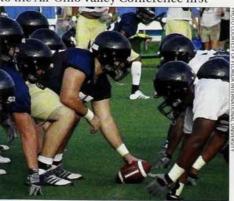
second team honors and was a Ray Guy Award semi-finalist. He ranked ninth in NCAA statistics with 49 punts for a 44.27 average (best of 65 yards) and 14 boots inside the 20 yard line.



**Derek Epperson** 

Tennessee-Martin offensive guard Kevin

Bannon (Epsilon Sigma '07) was named to the All-Ohio Valley Conference first



Florida International's center Brad Serini

team. Four Pikes were leading players for Florida International, led by All-Sun Belt Conference second team center Brad Serini (Kappa Gamma '08), who started all 12 contests. Starting the first five games before an injury was offensive tackle Chris Cawthron (Kappa Gamma '08). Key linebackers were Tyler Clawson (Kappa Gamma '06), who was fifth with 49 tackles, and Toronto Smith (Kappa

Gamma '08), who had 41 stops. Members of the Auburn squad were offensive guard Steve Gibbons (Upsilon '05) and defensive end Luke Farmer (Upsilon '07).

Twenty-three Pikes were on the 6-5 Drake squad. Winning All-Pioneer Football League second team honors was defensive end Dain Taylor (Delta Omicron '07), who made 34 tackles, 7.5 for losses. Receiving All-PFL honorable mention was lineman Andrew Asbell (Delta Omicron '06), who had 23 stops and two fumble recoveries. Other key defenders were end Sean Kitts (Delta Omicron '07), who had 33 tackles; linebacker Jeff Grovak (Delta Omicron '08), with 25 tackles; tackle Andrew Brooks (Delta Omicron '07), back John Van Cleave (Delta Omicron '08) and linebacker Jim Nelson (Delta Omicron '08). Quarterback Ben Ostermann (Delta Omicron '06) rushed for 324 yards and completed 72 of 160 for 831 yards. Running back Pat Cashmore (Delta Omicron '08) ran for 290 vards on 69 attempts behind linemen Preston Labbe (Delta Omicron '08) and Jonathan Jones (Delta Omicron '06).

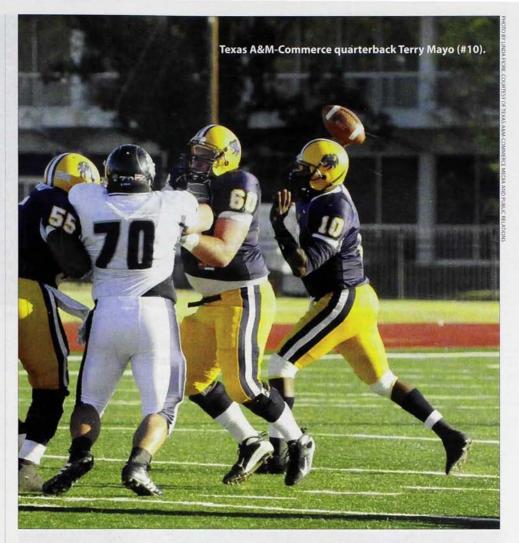
Starting the last five games at offensive guard for Purdue was Zach Reckman (Beta Phi '06). Fullback Joe Tronzo (Kappa Zeta '06) had two starts among 12 games played for Louisville and was a solid blocker. Linebacker Ross Connor (Kappa Eta '07) posted 18 tackles and played every game for New Mexico State. Defensive back Seth Sloan (Beta Zeta '08) got into every game for SMU and teammate Shaun Moore (Beta Zeta '07) also played. Wide Receiver Major Sosebee (Gamma Theta '06) was a member of the Mississippi State squad. Starting at offensive guard for Austin Peay was Stanley Brooks (Eta Tau '07) while defensive end Ben Collins (Eta Tau '07) played 11 contests. Trevor Charlston (Beta Pi '08) averaged 59.0 per kickoff for Pennsylvania and Matt James (Epsilon Iota '06) had four starts at offensive tackle for Southeast Missouri State. Playing for Louisiana-Monroe were defensive end Jameson Jordan (Eta Omicron '06), who had 21 tackles, offensive lineman Kyle Kersten (Eta Omicron '06) and deep snapper Alex Chace (Eta Omicron '07).

The 10-2 Central Arkansas squad featured seven key Pike players. Offensive tackle Lane Freiwald (Epsilon Phi '08) was chosen for the All-Southland Conference first team and offensive guard Brad Gordon (Epsilon Phi '08) earned All-SLC

second team honors. Defensive tackle Taylor Scott (Epsilon Phi '07) had 31 tackles and was on the All-SLC second team, as was punter Jonathan Beard (Epsilon Phi '08), who had 33 boots for a 40.8 average. Other defenders were linebacker Mike Neal (Epsilon Phi '07), who had 24 stops; lineman Kit Coleman (Epsilon Phi '08), with 17 tackles; and linebacker Brett Orr (Epsilon Phi '07), who had 12 tackles. Seeing action for Murray State were tight end Zach Knight (Epsilon Lambda '05), who caught 13 passes for 118 yards, tight end Tyler Brockman (Epsilon Lambda '06).

Seventeen Pikes on the Presbyterian team were led by wide receiver Brandon Clark (Mu '06) who won All-Big South Conference second team selection after catching 62 passes for 731 yards and five TDs. He had 10 catches for 125 vards against North Georgia and nine receptions for 106 yards versus VMI. Tight end Robert Bumgarner (Mu '07) caught 17 balls for 206 yards and was backed up by Sam Wilson (Mu '08), who had 10 receptions for 139 yards. Starting on the offensive line were center Jared Tavernier (Mu '08) and tackle Nic Lanzo (Mu '08). Handing the kicking was Cam Miller (Mu '08), who scored 38 points (three field goals, 29 extra points). Key line backups were tackle Michael Butler (Mu '08) and center Andrew Newton (Mu '08). Defensive leaders were lineman Matt Freeman (Mu '07) and Daniel Simpson (Mu '08) plus linebackers Josh Tavernier (Mu '07) and Jared Watts (Mu '08). The Cornell sprint team included defensive back Jeremy Walco (Beta Theta '06) and defensive lineman Danny Navo (Beta Theta '07).

Texas A&M-Commerce was led by versatile quarterback Terry Mayo (Theta Xi '08), who hit 127 of 255 for 1,659 yards and 10 TDs; ran for 118 yards and four scores; and caught a 20 yard TD pass. Missouri S&T offensive tackle Colin Douthit (Alpha Kappa '06) was named to the All-Great Lakes Conference second team and kicker Matt Dean (Zeta Beta '07) saw action for the 10-2 Delta State Division II quarterfinals team. The 11-1 Millsaps DIII playoff squad featured the talents of defensive back Mike Moore (Alpha Iota '06), who had 18 tackles, and defensive lineman James Tryforos (Alpha Iota '08), who played in 10 contests. UCLA transfer Stephen Black (Iota Pi '04) was the second-leading receiver for Tufts, catching 18 passes for 391 yards.



He also had 43 punts for a 33.7 average. including 20 inside the 20 yard line.

Head coach Steve Englehart (Indiana State, Theta Omicron '98) led Rose-Hulman to a second straight 7-3 season. One of his players was offensive tackle Clayton MacCrindle (Iota Delta '07), who played in six games. Key players for 5-4 Chapman were offensive lineman Octavio Dominguez (Theta Psi '06) and defensive tackle Randy Dowdy (Theta Psi '06), who had 16 stops. Playing offensive tackle for 8-3 Montclair State was Michael Fox (Lambda Gamma '07) and Rhodes defensive lineman David Mooney (Theta '05) made 17 tackles. East Central defensive end Jared Ledbetter (Epsilon Omega '05) had three sacks and Northeastern State offensive lineman Jacob Honeycutt (Theta Epsilon '06) played five games. Other Division III players included offensive lineman Eric Oyan (Pi '08) of Washington & Lee, offensive lineman Aaron Whitlock (Alpha Lambda '07) of Georgetown, quarterback Andrew Smith (Eta Sigma '09) of West Georgia and wide receiver Joe Cochran (Zeta Iota '06) of Old Dominion.

#### SOCCER

Missouri S&T featured 15 Pike players on the squad. Goalie Pat McNamee (Alpha Kappa '08) was named Great Lakes Conference Freshman of the Year after posting a 0.97 goals against average in 1,491 minutes of action. He posted 85 saves and had seven shutouts. Named to the All-GLC third team were Nick Landon (Alpha Kappa '07), who was second with nine points, and captain Andy Held (Alpha Kappa '06), who scored six points. Other contributors were Brandon Moore (Alpha Kappa '06), with six points; Garrett Stevens (Alpha Kappa '05), a five point scorer; Sam Shaffer (Alpha Kappa '08), Keith Beers (Alpha Kappa '05), Kenny Gravlin (Alpha Kappa '08), Dan Stokes (Alpha Kappa '08), Nick Mentesana (Alpha Kappa '06) Afif Najjar (Alpha Kappa '07), Brian Tucker (Alpha Kappa '07) and goalie Tom Lawton (Alpha Kappa '05). Starting 20 games for the 13-4-5 Division I California-Davis playoff club was defenseman Chris Beville (Theta Omega '08). Midfielder





Missouri S&T's Afif Najjar (right)

J.T. Tarrazas (Lambda Lambda '07) was a member of the 15-2-4 California-Irvine squad. Goalie Scott Goosens (Delta Alpha '07) and defenseman Mike Holland (Delta Alpha '07) saw action for George Washington.

Eight Pikes saw action for the Southwestern squad, whose top scorer (with 15 points) was All-Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference second team forward Josh Spencer (Alpha Omicron '08). Co-captain/defenseman Kevin Jordan (Alpha Omicron '06) was named to the All-SCAC first team. Co-captain/defenseman Kevin O'Neil (Alpha Omicron '06) was on the All-SCAC Sportsmanship team, the All-South Central Region third team and the All-SCAC third team. Other key contributors for Southwestern were midfielder Fernando Leon (Alpha Omicron '08), midfielder Suresh Thomas (Alpha Omicron 07), midfielder Jim Hord (Alpha Omicron '08), Phillip Stehling (Alpha Omicron '06) and Winston Pool (Alpha Omicron '06). Starting 16 contests for 9-8-3 High Point was defenseman Michael Earman (Delta Omega '06) while midfielder Kevin Strell (Epsilon Upsilon '08) played 10 games for 10-6-1 Gannon. Midfielder Zach Baeten (Alpha Lambda '08) was a member of the 10-7-1 Georgetown squad. Playing for the 11-1-2 Missouri team which went to the national club tournament were Ryan Burke (Alpha Nu '06), Matt Mulchel (Alpha Nu '05), Adrian Caye (Alpha Nu '05) and Brian Lindsey (Alpha Nu '05).

Defenseman J.L. Wilson (Lambda Mu '08) had 19 starts for the 9-6-4 Embry-Riddle squad and was named an NAIA

All-American Scholar-Athlete (3.80 GPA). Leading the Linfield team in scoring with 22 points (nine goals, four assists) was All-Northwest Conference first team forward Kurtis Wong (Delta Rho '07). Goalie Joe Locasio (Delta Rho '06) had a 1.35 goals against average, 39 saves and two shutouts in 730 minutes of action. Defenseman Colin Bebee (Delta Rho '06) had 16 starts and was on the NSCAA All-West Region Academic second team. Starting 12 contests for Linfield was defenseman Brad Hawk (Delta Rho '08). Key players for the 12-4-2 Chapman team were Alex Sewitz (Theta Psi '06), who scored eight points, Bryce Turner (Theta Psi '08 and Kevin DeCarvalho (Theta Psi '08). Forward Michael Riggle



**Dan Vignola** 

(Theta Beta '07) saw action for 15-6 Montevallo while goalie William Dorrance (Pi '08) allowed no goals in three games for 9-6-2 Washington & Lee. Other soccer players included forward Dan

Vignola (Lambda Zeta '07) of Drexel and the William Woods duo of Travis Foust (Lambda Eta '05) and Zach Hurst (Lambda Eta '08).

#### **CROSS COUNTRY**

Edwin Henshaw (Gamma Upsilon '06) of Tulsa competed in the 10K NCAA Division I championship and placed 144th out of 252 runners. He ran an 8K time of 24:05 to place fifth at the Conference-USA meet and was 16th at the NCAA Midwest regional meet.

Michael Murray (Beta Eta '06) of Illinois had a clocking of 27:15 at the 8K Big Ten meet and an 8K 25:35.2 at the NCAA Pre-Nationals meet. Jason Collett (Alpha Omega '05) of Kansas State ran in four events, including the Big 12 meet. Other meets included a sixth place finish at the 6K Illinois Challenge; 26th (25:40) at the 8K Sean Earl Invitational; and 31st (26:08) at the 8K Illinois Intercollegiate. Tim Bruhn (Beta Chi '08) of Minnesota had a top time of 26:06.1 at the Jim Drews Invitational and Brian Vallie (Beta Delta '08) of New Mexico placed 23rd (27:42) at the Lobo Invitational. At the 8K Southern Conference meet, Justin Hunter (Nu '07) of Wofford ran a personal best time of 28:15 and teammate Dusty Bateman (Nu '08) had a best of 27:42 at the Winthrop Invitational.

Nate Cormier (Zeta Omega '07) was a member of the Louisiana-Lafayette squad. Eric Mackay (Zeta Sigma '08) of Florida Tech placed 47th at the Sunshine State Conference meet, then competed in the Division II South Regional meet. Matthew Bump (Kappa Pi '08) of South Dakota was 31st (29.27) at the Great West Conference meet, Chris Moore (Theta '07) of Rhodes was 16th at the SCAC meet with an 8K clocking of 26:57. Teammate Robert McMillan (Theta '08) finished 33rd (27:46) at the SCAC event. Addison English (Alpha Omicron '08) of Southwestern ran his personal best 8K time (28:12) at the SCAC meet. Two Rose-Hulman runners ran at the 8K Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference meet. John Sullivan (Iota Delta '06) finished 20th (27:30) and Nicholas Corkill (Iota Delta '06) was 30th with a time of 28:01.

Teammate Andrew Storey (Iota Delta '08) also competed.

#### BASKETBALL

Western Kentucky guard Orlando Mendez-Valdez (Zeta Epsilon '08) entered his senior year this winter as the secondleading three-point career shooter (42.5%) in school history. Last season, he was second with 79 assists and fourth with 37 steals. Through this season's first 16 games, he led in minutes played (512) and assists (64) while ranking third in scoring with 203 points (12.7 per game average). His high game was 25 points against Florida State and 23 points versus Tulane. After a campus-wide tryout program, forward Eddie Vanderwerff (Delta Lambda '06) earned a spot on the 14-3 Florida State roster and has seen game action. Guard Joe Bailey (Epsilon Sigma '07) is on the Tennessee-Martin squad again after averaging 4.0 points a game in 2008. Playing for the Florida International team is forward Manuel Nunez (Kappa Gamma '08).

Guard Josh Johnson (Mu '08) is back on the Presbyterian squad this winter after receiving honorable mention on the NCAA Division I All-Independent Team last season. In late December, he was named the SAAC Student-Athlete of the Week after strong performances against Tulsa (14 points), California-Davis (22 points, nine rebounds) and Ball State (15 points, seven rebounds). Through the first 17 games, he was second in minutes played (610) and assists (36) while ranking third in scoring with 186 points (10.9 average). Center Daniel Blake (Lambda Mu '08) is back on the Embry-Riddle squad after averaging 5.9 points in 15 contests during the 2008 season. Returning head coaches are Kevin Stallings (Purdue, Beta Phi '80), who led Vanderbilt to a 26-8 record in 2008; Pat Kennedy (Florida State, Delta Lambda '88), in his fifth season at Towson State; and Matt Doherty (SMU, Beta Zeta '06), in his third year at SMU.

#### **SWIMMING**

Serving as captain of the Florida State squad is diver Scott Derner (Delta Lambda '05). Last season, he qualified for the NCAA Zone B diving championships and placed fourth with a teammate in the 3-meter synchronized competition at the U.S. Nationals. Returning to the Seminoles squad after redshirting while competing in the South Africa Olympic trials is backstroker Jarryd Botha (Delta



FIU forward Manny Nunez.

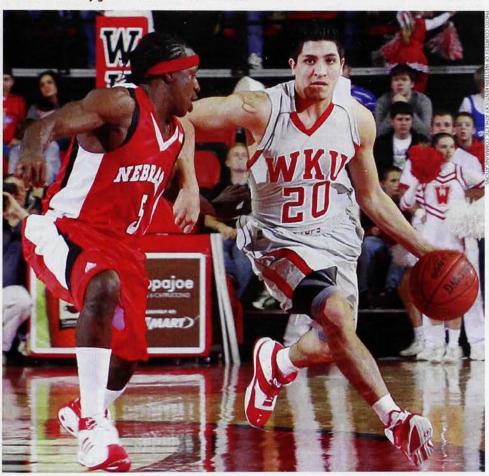
Lambda '06). Four standouts are on the Northwestern squad again. John Franklin (Gamma Rho '07) was on the Academic All-Big Ten team and placed 10th in the 200 meter breaststroke during the Big Ten meet. Peter Park (Gamma Rho '07) competed in three events at the Big Ten

meet and served as an ambassador at the 2008 Beijing Olympic youth camp. Diver Alex Kiale (Gamma Rho '07) placed 12th on the 3-meter spring board and platform at the Big Ten meet and Alex Tyler (Gamma Rho '07) finished 12th in the 400 IM at the Big Ten event.

Ten Pikes on the Washington & Lee squad this winter are led by returning All-American Brandon Barnds (Pi '07), who was on the 200 and 400 freestyle relays at the NCAA Division III meet. Other teammates are Matt Anderson (Pi '06), Dan Austin (Pi '07), Ian Childers (Pi '07), Tom Colicchio (Pi '08), Jonathan Giesen (Pi '07), Ryan Hanson (Pi '08), Winston Stagg (Pi '07), Nick Talluri (Pi '07) and Brandon Wilder (Pi '08). The Rose-Hulman squad features Clayton Shotwell (Iota Delta '07), Andrew Ulrey (Iota Delta '08), Michael Ulrey (Iota Delta '08), Jon Papp (Iota Delta '07) and Chris Routh (Iota Delta '07). Also in the pool are Cascade Tuholske (Delta Alpha '07) of George Washington, Erik Campbell (Theta '08) of Rhodes and Dustin McCammon (Alpha Omicron '08) of Southwestern.

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#### Western Kentucky guard Orlando Mendez-Valdez

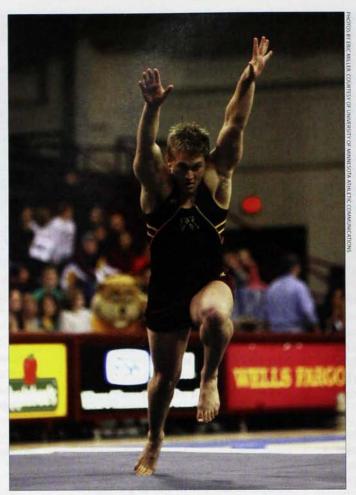


#### BASEBALL

Back for his 30th year as Florida State head coach is Mike Martin (Florida State, Delta Lambda '06), who led his squad to a 54-14 record in 2008 to run his career wins total to 1,538. Playing for the Seminoles again after sitting out the 2008 season is D'Vontrey Richardson (Delta Lambda '07), who batted .351 in 2006. He will see duty as an outfielder and Designated Hitter. Also on the FSU squad is infielder Stephen Cardullo (Delta Lambda '08), who hit .387 (24 of 62) last season and outfielder Robbie Stahl (Delta Lambda '08). The Fraternity's other outstanding head coach, Gene Stephenson (Missouri, Alpha Nu '64) is in his 32nd season at Wichita State after posting a 48-17 mark last season. Looking for mound duty in the Big Ten is Purdue pitcher Jeff Straub (Beta Phi '07) and Matt Yurus (Eta Zeta '06) returns to the pitching staff at Middle Tennessee State. The trio of Cody Powell (Delta Theta '07), Justin O'Brien (Delta Theta '08) and Caleb McClanahan (Delta Theta '08) hopes to eat up innings on the mound for Arkansas State.

Returning to the Washington & Lee infield is Jim Plantholt (Pi '08), who hit .355 (44 of 124) and ranked third with 31 runs batted in last season. He also pitched in 13 games as a reliever. All-Northwest Conference first team second baseman Shannon Chung (Delta Rho '05) of Linfield is back after hitting .312 (43 of 138) with 32 runs, earning him a spot on the NIC All-Fraternity All-American second team. Also on the Linfield roster is pitcherinfielder Andy Schwartz (Delta Rho '07). Missouri-St. Louis hurler

Kevin Sullivan (Zeta Psi '07) is back after a 3.86 earned run average in nine games last season. Others looking for playing time this spring include pitcher Will Todd (Lambda Iota '06) of Central Oklahoma, pitcher Jesse Hill (Iota Gamma '08) of Nebraska-Kearney, catcher Mike Huber (Lambda Mu '08) of Embry-Riddle, pitcher Nick Wingbermuehle (Kappa Epsilon '07) of Rockhurst and utility player Tyler Galloway (Lambda Eta '08) of William Woods.



Minnesota's gymnastic stars Adam Reichow (top) and Cole Storer (bottom).



#### **GYMNASTICS**

Shooting for All-American honors for the third straight year is Cole Storer (Beta Chi '08) of Minnesota. At the 2007 NCAA Individual Events championships, he placed fifth on the high bar and, last year, finished as runner-up in the high bar event after placing third at the Big Ten meet. He also had a 10th finish in the vault event at the NCAA meet after posting 12 top-three finishes at meets

during the regular season (five on the high bar, four on the floor and three on vault). Hoping to reclaim All-American status is teammate Adam Reichow (Beta Chi '08), who was 2007 national runnerup in floor exercise (9.550) at the NCAA meet and sixth on vault (8.975). Last season, he scored 15,000 or better in eight of ten meets on vault before suffering an injury in the event during NCAA team qualifying. In 2008, he was named to the Collegiate **Gymnastics Association's** Academic All-American second team after being named to the CGAA Academic first team in 2007.

#### **TRACK & FIELD**

Weightman Tyler Perkins (Zeta Pi '05) of South Florida is back after earning All-Big East Conference second team honors with a discus throw of 174'2". He also placed 19th in the hammer throw (141'6") at the Big East meet. Mike Murray (Beta Eta '06) of Illinois returns for his senior season after doing well in 2008. Indoors, he had the team's top mile run (4:09.9) in a 15th place finish at the Alex Wilson Invitational and was on the fourth place distance medley relay at the Big Ten meet. Outdoors, he won the 5,000 meter run (14:56.01) at the Southern Illinois meet and was second (3:56.54) over 800 meters at the Kansas Relays; eighth (1:57.70) at 800 meters during the Illinois Twilight meet; and ninth in the 1500 at the Big Ten event. Returning to Florida State, one of the nation's toprated track & field programs, are three Pike competitors. At last vear's Atlantic Coast Conference outdoor meet, weightman Matt

Wernke (Delta Lambda '04) placed sixth (181'11") in the hammer throw and was 13th in the discus throw (137'7"). Also back are javelin thrower Tommy Beltz (Delta Lambda '06) and hurdler Michael Fingado (Delta Lambda '05).

Two of the top distance men at New Mexico are Pikes. In 2008, Ryan Steadman (Beta Delta '08) was on the second place distance medley relay at the Mountain West Conference indoor



**Shawn Spalding of Louisville** 

meet and placed eighth (1:50.80) in the 800 at the MWC outdoor meet. His 2008 best time in the 400 was 49:31 and he was also on the school's 1600 meter relay. Brian Vallie (Beta Delta '08) ran a best indoor mile (4:13.70) in an 11th place finish at the Husker Classic. Outdoors, his best 1500 meter time (3:53.75) placed him 16th at the Stanford Invitational and his top 800 time was 1:52.33. Back on the Kansas State squad is Jason Collett (Alpha Omega '05), who placed third (1:51.96) in the 800 at the indoor Big 12 meet. Outdoors, he placed second in the 800 at the Kansas Relays and 10th at the Drake Relays. John Lautzenheiser (Theta Omicron '08) of Indiana State had his team's top 2008 distances in the long jump (22'4 1/2") and triple jump (45'8"). Also back for ISU is high jumper/long jumper Julian Chike (Theta Omicron '07).

Returning to the Drake squad are pole vaulter Rob Fechner (Delta Omicron '07), weightman Wyatt Murray (Delta Omicron '08), who was 13th in the shot at the Missouri Valley Conference meet, and sprinter/hurdler Rick Van Dillen (Delta Omicron '07). Competing for Division I schools this spring are 400 meter runner Shawn Spalding (Kappa Zeta '06) of Louisville, pole vaulter Kyle Logue (Xi '07) of South Carolina, distance runner Nathan Cormier (Zeta Omega '07) of Louisiana-Lafayette, distance runner Justin Hunter (Nu '07) of Wofford, Jonathan Burke (Zeta Tau '08) of Eastern



Ryan Steadman of New Mexico

Kentucky, sprinter Devraj Dasgupta (Kappa Theta '08) of George Mason and high jumper Matt Watkins (Zeta Eta '07) of Arkansas-Little Rock.

Two Pikes are leading distance runners for Southwestern. Last season, Avery Sheppard (Alpha Omicron '07) was on the winning 400 meter relay at the SCAC meet and placed third in the high jump, 400 meter dash and 110 high hurdles. Teammate Austin English (Alpha Omicron '08) was 15th in the SCAC 1500 meter run. Anthony Brantley (Phi '07) is the top returning sprinter for





Mike Murray of Illinois

Roanoke, recording a 100 meter time of 11.10 at last year's Old Dominion Athletic Conference meet. Rensselaer high jumper Dan Jiminez (Gamma Tau '07) returns after placing second in the high jump during the indoor and outdoor Liberty League meets. The Rose-Hulman squad has a number of Pikes this spring, including top weightman Vince Forcellini (Iota Delta '06), shot put and javelin thrower Tim Orr (Iota Delta '08) plus distance runners Eric Clark ((Iota Delta '07) and Will Reilly (Iota Delta '07).





Other competitors are Carlos Sumpter (Theta Sigma '06) of Winthrop, Josh Morris (Kappa '08) of Transylvania, Jason Nardella (Lambda Nu '06) of Boston, Amir Fayek (Iota Tau '08) of Johns Hopkins and the Rhodes duo of Chris Moore (Theta '07) and Robert McMillan (Theta '08).

#### GOLF

One of the top golfers in the Atlantic Coast Conference is Drew Kittleson (Delta Lambda '08) of Florida State, who tied for sixth (210) at last year's ACC tournament as the Seminoles won their first-ever ACC title. He then placed second at the 2008 U.S. Amateur championship, which qualified him for the Masters and U.S. Open this year. Over nine rounds last fall, he averaged 72.78. Charles Van Sicken (Kappa Nu '05) of Pacific is back for his final season after

averaging 74.9 over 23 rounds last year. His best tournament finish was 20th (including a 69) at the Del Walker meet. Last summer, he won the Stockton City Amateur title by shooting a final round 63. Brett Rendina (Beta Pi '06) of Pennsylvania also returns after averaging 77.1 over 17 rounds. He tied for fifth at the Big 5 Classic and placed 30th at the Ivy League meet. During 10 fall rounds, he averaged 77.6. Playing for the Marshall squad is Patton Couch (Delta Iota '08) and Josh Grossman (Epsilon Alpha '07) continues to be the top player for Trinity. Steve Hocker (Eta Sigma '06) is back on the West Georgia squad.

A leading player this spring for Delta State is Austin Smithers (Zeta Beta '07), who averaged 74.88 over eight fall rounds. Also among

the team's top players is Jordan Breaux (Zeta Beta '07). Jack Rader (Alpha Iota '06) serves as captain of the Millsaps squad and tied for 20th at the fall Mississippi College Invitational. Eric Fritz (Gamma Tau '08) played well in fall competition for Rensselaer, placing seventh at the Manhattanville-NYU Classic and 24th in the Liberty League meet. Pikes again dominate the golf team at William Woods. Chris Bahr (Lambda Eta '05) was co-medalist with 143 (71-72) at the fall Arris' Pizza Invitational while Kyle Kovar (Lambda Eta '06) tied for third (144). Also playing well in the fall was Brandon Stallo (Lambda Eta '05), with a tworound 143 total at the William Woods Fall Invitational. Other teammates include Gabe George (Lamda Eta '05), Derek Swinford (Lambda Eta '08), J.D. Nash (Lambda Eta '08), Bobby Mayer (Lambda

Eta '08), Zane Garr (Lambda Eta '07) and Jaron Lucchesi (Lambda Eta '08).

#### **TENNIS**

Back for his final season is David Galic (Theta Nu '06) of Baylor, who won All-Big 12 honors after posting a 21-14 record in doubles last year. His singles mark was 21-22 and he is on the Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll for academics. A top player at New Mexico State is Stefan McKinney (Kappa Eta '07), who posted marks of 23-15 in singles and 15-8 in doubles. Jake Lysgaard (Gamma Beta '08) of Nebraska hopes to see action on the court. Keith Embree (Delta Lambda '08) is on the Florida State squad. Sam Sherrill (Phi '07) is the top returning player for Roanoke after posting records of 13-4 in singles and 10-7 in doubles last year. A leading player for Rockhurst is Adam Bales (Kappa Epsilon '06), who was 12-3 in singles and 8-7 in doubles play last year. Also on the squad are teammates Ryan Field (Kappa Epsilon '06) and David Maddox (Kappa Epsilon '08). Other players this spring include Zack Schneider (Kappa Theta '08) of George Mason, Jonathan Moreno (Theta '07) of Rhodes, Morgan Hopson (Pi '08) of Washington & Lee, David Ballage (Theta Kappa '05) of Indiana-Southeast and Alexander Champoux (Epsilon Alpha '08) of Trinity.

#### LACROSSE

Attack Corey Noonan (Delta Lambda '06) returns for another season as the leading scorer for Florida State. Last year, he scored 72 goals and 20 assists as the top player in the Southeastern Lacrosse Conference. Teammates playing for the Seminoles this spring include Matt Buckhalter (Delta Lambda '07), Tony Papagikos (Delta Lambda '08) and Brian Cosgrove (Delta Lambda '08). Attack Devin Arnold (Gamma Tau '07) returns as the top Rensselaer scorer (33 points, including 24 goals). Midfielder Bryant Taylor (Gamma Tau '07) is also back after starting 13 contests in 2008. Other Pikes playing this spring for RPI include defenseman Tim Bender (Gamma Tau '07), defenseman Nick Helinski (Gamma Tau '08), midfielder Taylor Inman (Gamma Tau '08), midfielder Ian Lonsdale (Gamma Tau '08) and defenseman Jason Liu (Gamma Tau '08). Defenseman Stephen Simmons Phi '07) is playing lacrosse for Roanoke again after scoring 11 points and collecting 63 ground balls (second on the team) in

2008. Playing for the Missouri lacrosse club team are attack Chris Nagel (Alpha Nu '05) and midfielder Zach Graves (Alpha Nu '08).

#### **OTHER SPORTS**

A leading fencer for Duke is Marc Shepsman (Alpha Alpha '08), who won 21 matches in epee last season as a freshman and looks to better that number this spring. Playing water polo last fall were Brett Gall (Delta Alpha '08) of George Washington and Bob Keifer (Lambda Lambda '08) of California-Irvine. Competing in wrestling are Eric Oyan (Pi '08) of Washington & Lee, Brandon Castronovo (Lambda Nu '08) of Boston, Shay Paintal (Iota Tau '08) of Johns Hopkins and Anthony Finigan (Iota Delta '09) of Rose-Hulman.. Scott West (Delta Alpha '08) was a member



Liam O'Neill

of the George Washington squash team. Pikes on rowing or crew teams include Max Greenbaum Delta Alpha '06), Doug Farren (Delta Alpha '08), Taylor Lindman (Delta Alpha '08) and Jake Miner (Delta Alpha '08)

of George Washington and Liam O'Neill (Lambda Zeta '07) of Drexel.

#### **OLYMPICS**

The top U.S. medal winner at the Beijing Olympic Games, Michael Phelps, credits his success to the man who first began training him at age 11: Bob Bowman (Florida State, Delta Lambda '85). In 1996, the two met at the Meadowbrook pool in Baltimore and continued working together after Bob became the swimming coach at Michigan in 2004 following the Athens Olympics. He since has moved back to Baltimore where he and Phelps are partners in Aquatic Ventures, LLC, which took over controlling interest In Meadowbrook and the North Baltimore Aquatic Club. Since Michael plans to compete in the 2012 Olympics, Bob will continue to train him at Meadowbrook.

Two Pikes trained and competed at the Olympic Trials last summer but did not make it to the Games. U.S. record javelin thrower Breaux Greer (Louisiana-Monroe, Eta Omicron '95) was considered the top contender for a spot on the U.S. javelin team but suffered an injury during the Trials and was only able to make one throw. Jarryd Botha (Delta

Lambda '06) of Florida State competed at the swimming trials in his native South Africa but did not make the squad. He is swimming again at FSU this winter. The Fraternity's next Olympic candidate has been there before. Bobsledding silver medalist Todd Hays (Tulsa, Gamma Upsilon '90) officially returned to national sledding recently by winning the driver's competition at the Bobsled Push championships in Calgary, Alberta and will seek a spot on the U.S. team going to the 2010 winter Olympics in Vancouver. Jacob Miller (Florida State, Delta Lambda '82) will compete as a push athlete for the 2008-2009 Olympic men's bobsled team.

#### PIKES IN THE PROS

The 2008 football season was a very good one for the Fraternity as ten players saw action in the NFL and first year Miami Dolphins general manager Jeff Ireland (Baylor, Theta Nu '89) received a tremendous amount of credit for elevating his team to NFL playoff status. Fifteen year veteran Gus Frerotte (Tulsa, Gamma Upsilon '90) had his busiest season since 2005, starting 11 games for the Minnesota Vikings. He completed 178 of 301 for 2,157 yards and 12 touchdowns. He has now thrown for 21,291 career yards and 114 TDs. Chicago Bears quarterback Kyle Orton (Purdue, Beta Phi '02) had his best pro year, completing 272 of 465 for 2,972 yards and 18 scores. In his 21st NFL season, New York Giants punter Jeff Feagles (Miami, Gamma Omega '86) went to the Pro Bowl after booting 64 punts for a 44.0 average, including 23 downed inside the 20 yard line. He also extended his NFL record for consecutive games to 336. The Fraternity's other stellar punter, Dustin Colquitt (Tennessee, Zeta '01), had another superb season for the Kansas City Chiefs, booting 70 punts for a 44.4 average, with 27 inside the 20 yard line. Green Bay Packers offensive tackle Chad Clifton (Tennessee-Martin, Epsilon Sigma '01) played his ninth season and started 15 games.

Two other Pike former college teammates were starting offensive linemen on the same NFL club. Tackle Eric Winston (Miami, Gamma Omega '03) and center Chris Myers (Miami, Gamma Omega '03) both started every game for the Houston Texans. Linebacker Josh Stamer (South Dakota, Kappa Pi '97) joined the Tennessee Titans and played in all 16 contests. After spending most of the season on the Titans practice

squad, offensive tackle Mike Otto (Purdue, Beta Phi '04) was activated and played in the last game of the season. Also activated from the practice squad after the season got underway was wide receiver Dominique Zeigler (Baylor, Theta Nu '04), who played in eight games for the San Francisco 49ers. Quarterback Preston Parsons (Northern Arizona, Theta Rho '99) spent part of the season on the Titans practice squad while rookie defensive tackle Ropati Pitoitua (Washington State, Gamma Xi '05) was on the New York Jets practice squad. Rookie kicker Julian Rauch (Appalachian State, Iota Psi '04) spent three months with the Pittsburgh Steelers before being released on August 2nd. Also in training camp before the start of the season was 49ers rookie wide receiver Cameron Colvin (Oregon, Gamma Pi '07).

Pitcher Seth Greisinger (Virginia, Alpha '95) continued his success in Japanese professional baseball last summer while pitching for the Yomiuri Giants. He led the Central League with 17 victories and had a 3.06 earned run average in 31 games and 206.1 innings. Lefthander Ben Kozlowski (Central Florida, Eta Phi '99) saw mound duty

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#### COLONY ATHLETES

Three Pi Kappa Alpha colonies have intercollegiate athletes competing during the 2008-09 school year.

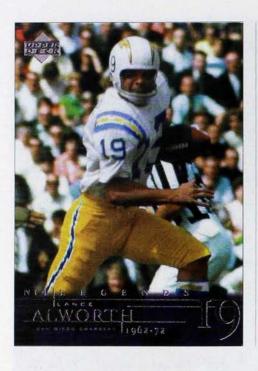
At Sam Houston State, decathlete Kelby Shandy-Kerby placed ninth in the javelin at the Southland Conference 2008 meet and wide receiver Felix Adeveye is on the football team again. Offensive lineman Jonathan Landry is on the McNeese State football team.

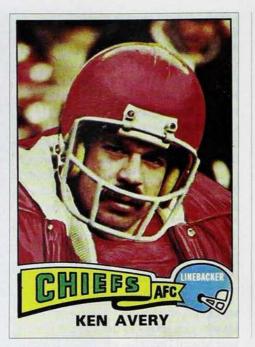
Stetson claims crew captain Will Grauel, golfer Michael Stewart and cross country runner Matthew Gort, who competed in the Atlantic Sun Conference 8K meet.

#### PLEDGE ATHLETES

Murray State kicker/punter Jordan Gay (Epsilon Lambda), who had 13 kickoffs for a 50.8 average and six punts for a 43.2 average

Presbyterian football: Matt Quinn (Mu) caught 17 passes for 174 yards.







# The Pike All-Time Pro Football Team

by Jay Langhammer

ince the early 1920s, Pi Kappa Alpha has provided some of professional football's greatest players. To honor our top stars, a panel of judges has reviewed the careers of leading candidates at each position and provided their choices for an all-time pro first team.

The judges are as follows:

Lance Alworth (Arkansas, Alpha Zeta '59) - Pro Football Hall of Fame inductee

Charlie Barnes (Florida State, Delta Lambda '65) - Seminole Boosters, Inc.

Bobby Bowden (Samford, Alpha Pi '49) -Florida State head coach

"Foge" Fazio (Pittsburgh, Gamma Sigma '82) - Longtime NFL assistant coach

Lee Gordon (Illinois State, Kappa Alpha '95) - TV sports director, anchor

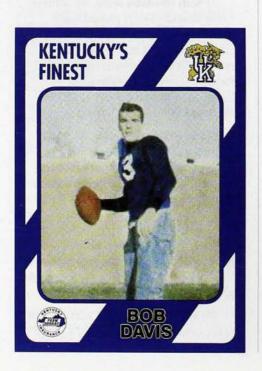
Jeff Ireland (Baylor, Theta Nu '89) -Miami Dolphins general manager

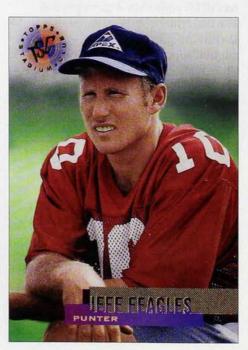
Ray Orians (Memphis State, Delta Zeta '66) - Pike Executive Vice President

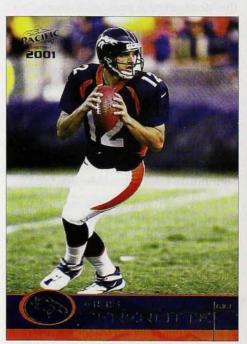
Howard Schnellenberger (Miami, Gamma Omega '80) - Florida Atlantic University head coach

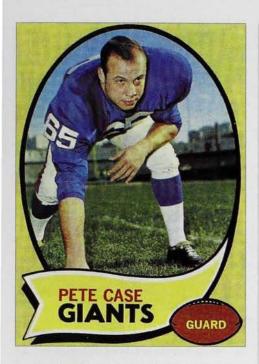
Steve Vincent (Missouri, Alpha Nu '83) former editor of Shield & Diamond

Steve Walters (Arkansas, Alpha Zeta '67) -Longtime NFL assistant coach



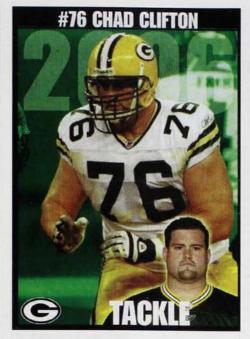






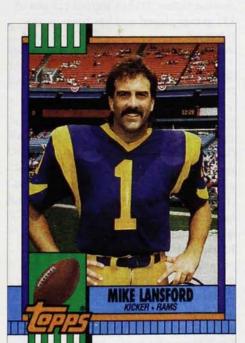
Leading the all-time first team offense is current NFL quarterback Gus Frerotte (Tulsa, Gamma Upsilon '90) who just completed his 15th season. A 1996 Pro Bowler, he has now completed 1,699 career passes in 3,106 attempts for 21,291 yards and 114 touchdowns. Glenn Dobbs (Tulsa, Gamma Upsilon '40) excelled as a tailback, quarterback, defensive back and punter during an eight year career in the All-American Football Conference and Canadian Football League. He was Most Valuable Player in the AAFC with the Brooklyn Dodgers in 1946, the league's first season, and CFL Western Division MVP in 1951. Heisman Trophy winner Frank Sinkwich (Georgia, Alpha Mu '41) of the Detroit Lions earned NFL honors

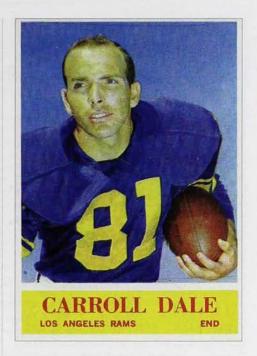




twice (1943-44) and was NFL Most Valuable Player in 1944.

The receiving corps is led by Pro Football Hall of Famer Lance Alworth (Arkansas, Alpha Zeta '59) who starred with the San Diego Chargers (1962-70) and Dallas Cowboys (1971-72). A member of the American Football League's All-Time First Team, he was an All-AFL first team choice eight times and played in six AFL All-Star Games, a Super Bowl and a Pro Bowl. Lance had 542 career receptions for 10,266 yards and 85 touchdowns. Carroll Dale (East Tennessee State, Epsilon Zeta '68) played for the Los Angeles Rams (1960-64), Green Bay Packers (1965-72) and Minnesota Vikings (1973). He caught 438 passes for 8,277

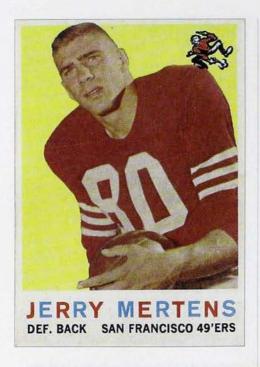




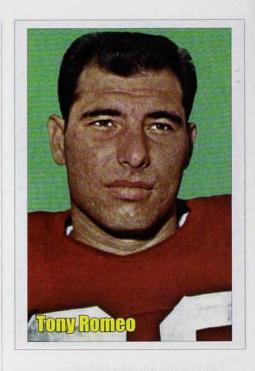
yards and 52 TDs while playing in three Pro Bowls and two Super Bowls. Tight end Tony Romeo (Florida State, Delta Lambda '59) played seven AFL seasons with the Dallas Texans (1961) and Boston Patriots (1962-67, catching 117 passes for 1,810 yards and 10 scores.

Anchoring the offensive line is seven year NFL center Dan Ryczek (Virginia, Alpha '69) who played in 102 games for the Washington Redskins (1973-75), the Tampa Bay Buccaneers (1976-77) and the Rams (1978-79). Playing in 190 NFL games and one AFL All-Star Game was Tom Neville (Mississippi State, Gamma Theta '63) who was with the Patriots









(1965-74, 1976-77), Denver Broncos (1978) and New York Giants (1979). Jack Johnson (Utah, Alpha Tau '31) played both ways for the Detroit Lions from 1934 to 1940 and gets the judges' vote on both offense and defense. He was an All-NFL first team selection in 1936 and was on the All-NFL second team in 1938-39. Guard Pete Case (Georgia, Alpha Mu '59) earned All-NFL second team selection in 1968 and played 117 games with the Philadelphia Eagles (1962-64) and Giants (1965-70). Current Packers standout tackle Chad Clifton (Tennessee-Martin.

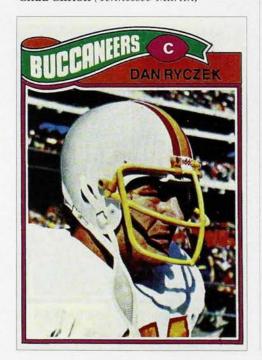


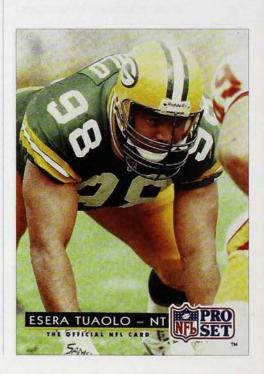
Epsilon Sigma '01) has started 126 out of 131 games played and has been to one Pro Bowl.

The defensive line is led by Tom Scott (Virginia, Alpha '51), a two-time Pro Bowler who was an All-NFL first team choice in 1955 and on the All-NFL second team in 1956. He played 14 seasons with the Eagles (1953-58) and Giants (1959-64). Nine year lineman Esera Tuaolo (Oregon State, Beta Nu '90) played in 111 NFL games for the Packers (1991-92), Vikings (1992-96), Jacksonville Jaguars (1997), Atlanta Falcons (1998) and Charlotte Panthers (1999). Jack Johnson (Utah, Alpha Tau '31) is the only player named on both offense and defense by our judges. He played both ways over seven seasons with the Detroit Lions and was on the All-NFL team three times. Rounding out the front four is Craig Veasey (Houston, Epsilon Eta '87),

who played 69 games for the Pittsburgh Steelers (1990-91), Houston Oilers (1992-93, 1995) and Miami Dolphins (1993-94).

Mike Lucci (Tennessee, Zeta '60) leads the linebacking crew and had a good 12 year career with the Cleveland Browns (1962-64) and Lions (1965-73) over 154 games. He had 21 career interceptions for 308 yards and four TDs while earning All-NFL second team honors in 1969 and going to one Pro Bowl. Garth Jax (Florida State, Delta Lambda '84) excelled on special teams





and was a solid performer in 143 games with the Dallas Cowboys (1986-89) and Arizona Cardinals (1990-95). Ken Avery (Southern Mississippi, Delta Mu '66) was in 123 contests over a nine year career with the Giants (1967-68), Cincinnati Bengals (1969-74) and Kansas City Chiefs (1975).

Bob Smith (Tulsa, Gamma Upsilon .. '43) leads the defensive backfield with 33 career interceptions for 748 yards (including a 102-varder in 1949). He spent two seasons in the AAFC then became an All-NFL first team choice with the Detroit Lions in 1952. He played 78 games and was a member of two NFL championship clubs. Bob Davis (Kentucky, Omega '36) had 19 career interceptions for 240 yards and led the NFL in punt returns (22 for a 12.3 average) in 1944. He played in 49 games over five seasons (1938, 1942-45). Injuries ended the pro career of Rodger Bird (Kentucky, Omega '65) after just three seasons with the Oakland Raiders (1966-68). He was named to the All-AFL second team in 1967, had eight career interceptions and ran back 94 punts for an 11.1 average. Carl Brumbaugh (Ohio State, Alpha Rho '25) played both ways over seven seasons with the Bears (1930-34, 1936-38) and was an All-NFL second teamer in 1930-31.

Wrapping up the all-pro first team selection are two outstanding specialists. Punter Jeff Feagles (Miami, Gamma Omega '86) has spent 21 seasons with five NFL clubs and holds the NFL record for consecutive games (336) and most career punts (1,649). This fall with the New York Giants, he was named to his third Pro Bowl after a 44.0 average for 44 boots and has a career average of 41.6 per punt. Kicker Mike Lansford (Washington, Beta Beta '79) kicked in 124 games for the Rams between 1982 and 1990. He earned All-NFL first team honors in 1989 after scoring 120 points and finished his nine year career with 789 career points on 158 field goals and 315 extra points.

A number of other brothers got votes from our judging panel. Offensive players named on ballots were quarterback Lamar McHan (Arkansas, Alpha Zeta '53); running back Doug Cunningham (Mississippi, Gamma Iota '65); receiver Bill Anderson (Tennessee, Zeta '56); tight end Jamie Asher (Louisville, Kappa Zeta '95), and linemen Bruno "Bree" Cuppoletti (Oregon, Gamma Pi '33); Guy Dennis (Florida, Alpha Eta '66); Cameron

## The Pike All-Time Pro Football Team

#### **OFFENSE**

Quarterback - Gus Frerotte (Tulsa, Gamma Upsilon '90)

Running Back - Glenn Dobbs (Tulsa, Gamma Upsilon '40)

Running Back - Frank Sinkwich (Georgia, Alpha Mu '41)

Wide Receiver - Lance Alworth (Arkansas, Alpha Zeta '59)

Wide Receiver - Carroll Dale (East Tennessee State, Epsilon Zeta '68)

Tight End - Tony Romeo (Florida State, Delta Lambda '59)

Lineman - Tom Neville (Mississippi State, Gamma Theta '63)

Lineman - Jack Johnson (Utah, Alpha Tau '31)

Lineman - Ronald "Pete" Case (Georgia, Alpha Mu '59)

Lineman - Chad Clifton (Tennessee-Martin, Epsilon Sigma '01)

Center - Dan Ryczek (Virginia, Alpha '69)

#### DEFENSE

Lineman – Tom Scott (Virginia, Alpha '51)

Lineman - Esera Tuaolo (Oregon State, Beta Nu '90)

Lineman - Jack Johnson (Utah, Alpha Tau '31)

Lineman - Craig Veasey (Houston, Epsilon Eta '87)

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Back - Bob Davis (Kentucky, Omega '36)

Back - Carl Brumbaugh (Ohio State, Alpha Rho '25)

Back - Rodger Bird (Kentucky, Omega '65)

#### **SPECIALISTS**

Punter - Jeff Feagles (Miami, Gamma Omega '86) Kicker - Mike Lansford (Washington, Beta Beta '79)

Spikes (Texas A&M, Theta Theta '97); Len Szafaryn (North Carolina, Tau '48); and Rex Tucker (Texas A&M, Theta Theta '97).

Receiving votes from the panel as defensive players were linemen Ray Hamilton (Arkansas, Alpha Zeta '37) and Owen "Cookie" Tackwell (Kansas State, Alpha Omega '27); linebackers "Bree" Cuppoletti, (Oregon, Gamma Pi '33) and Josh Stamer (South Dakota, Kappa Pi '97); and back Chuck Detwiler (Utah State, Gamma Epsilon '67).



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Langhammer has also been involved in music and broadcasting since the 1960s. He has written magazine features covering people in the motion picture industry, television, radio, the stage and music (with an emphasis on rock, oldies and country artists). His home reference library includes nearly 1,000 books and media guides relating to sports and entertainment.



Florida State's Chief Osceola



Oklahoma State's Pistol Pete

# TEAM MASCOTS

#### As Portrayed by Pike Brothers

A highlight of most college football games is the appearance of the team mascot. These highly identifiable symbols of team spirit are beloved by fans of all ages.

Many brothers of Pi Kappa Alpha have had the honor of playing the part of the team mascot for their universities. Here we'll take a look at some of our brothers and the mascots they play.

#### Chief Osceola - Florida State University

Florida State University students know Chief Osceola as their football mascot, a stoic figure in war paint who rides onto the home field atop an appaloosa named Renegade.

But Chief Osceola was a real man, the resistance leader of the Seminole Indians, not just a student dressed in traditional Indian garb on game day. He is a revered figure in Florida state history. So, in early August 2005, when the NCAA included FSU on a list of 18 colleges using "hostile and abusive" American Indian references, the leaders of the Seminole Tribe of Florida made clear their support for FSU's Chief Osceola tradition, and FSU was taken off that list by the NCAA.

The first Chief Osceola for Florida State was portrayed by Pike brother Jim Kidder (Florida State, Delta Lambda '79), and more recently by Josh Halley (Florida State, Delta Lambda '01). Halley is the 13th person to carry on the tradition since it began in 1978, and last season was his third year riding as Chief.

Raised in Tallahassee, Halley became interested in becoming a part of the tradition while at a football game.

His senior year of high school, Halley approached the Renegade Team at the stadium and began asking questions. Soon after, they sent him an application.

The team came and watched Halley ride. He also went through the interview process with Durham and Booster members.

The application process took about six months between initially hearing back from them to the time Halley was told he was going to do it. Upon finding out he would apprentice, Halley was more than excited.

"I was ecstatic," said Halley. "I've been an FSU football fan since I was knee high. This was dreamlike."

Besides staying on Renegade, Chief Osceola must plant the spear into the ground signaling the start of every home football game.





Cy the Iowa State Cardinal

The Clemson Tiger

The task is harder than it looks. Halley has to remain calm, and Renegade must trust him. Practice consumes anywhere from 15 to 30 hours weekly, depending on the season and condition of Renegade.

#### Pistol Pete - Oklahoma State University

Frank Eaton, upon whom Oklahoma State's mascot "Pistol Pete" is based, was a larger than life figure. Born in 1860, he lived the life of a true cowboy, said to "pack the fastest guns in the Indian Territory", he usually carried a loaded forty-five and often said "I'd rather have a pocket full of rocks than an empty gun". His quick-draw was the source of much interest throughout his later years, and Glenn Shirley of Stillwater, Oklahoma remembers taking him to an Indian Territory Gun Collectors Association meeting to show off his skills. He was also known to throw a coin in the air, draw, and shoot it before it hit the ground according to H.F. Donnelley of Stillwater, who saw it himself. When Eaton died, his obituary appeared throughout the country, in the New York Times, Newsweek Magazine, the Atlanta Journal-Constitution, the San Francisco Chronicle, The Cattleman, and the The 1959 American People's Encyclopedia Yearbook among others, each listing him as a former Deputy U.S. Marshal. In addition, according to his daughter, Elizabeth Wise of Perkins, Oklahoma, his family received sympathy letters from as far away as Germany, Canada and Japan and was besieged with visitors at his home for many months following the funeral.

Oklahoma State University selected this well known Oklahoman as their mascot for his tenacity and determination to never give up.

The current Pistol Pete is portrayed by Rhys Gay (Oklahoma State, Gamma Chi '05). He is a third generation OSU student. Gay was selected for the part of Pistol Pete in 2008. He follows in the footsteps of other Gamma Chi Chapter Pistol Pete Mascots: Richard Forshee (Oklahoma State, Gamma Chi '71) (1971-72), Wendell Hicks (Oklahoma State, Gamma Chi '77) (1977-78) and Scott Noble (Oklahoma State, Gamma Chi '85) (1986-87).

#### The Tiger - Clemson University

In 1896, football coach Walter Riggs came to Clemson, then Clemson Agricultural College of South Carolina, from Auburn University . He had always admired the Princeton Tigers, and hence gave Clemson the Tiger mascot.

As an undergraduate, Chris Peters (Clemson, Eta Alpha '88) was the Clemson Tiger mascot for three years. "Serving Clemson as the Tiger mascot was a terrific honor and a truly amazing experience on multiple levels. Being in the Tiger suit in front of 85,000 people at football games was an incredible rush and more fun than you can imagine. It was well worth all the heat and hard work. (The Tiger suit weighs 40 pounds dry, and I would lose at least 10 to 15 pounds on a September football Saturday). I had the best seat in the house for ACC sporting events, I met famous people and dignitaries, I traveled all over the country, I earned my college varsity letter, and perhaps the best part was the ability to make kids of all ages smile. Being the Tiger was like being a celebrity on campus in many ways which was very useful to the Pike Chapter when it came to Rush and campus leadership."

Peters worked for the Pi Kappa Alpha Educational Foundation as director of development. During his days in Memphis, he was also the Memphis Maddog mascot for the Canadian Football League franchise for one year. Today, Peters has returned to his alma mater as major gifts officer for the Clemson University Foundation.

Jay Williams (Clemson, Eta Alpha '88) portrayed the Tiger Cub mascot from 1993 through 1995. The Tiger's nephew, the Cub, was an immediate hit with the young Clemson fans.

As the first ever Tiger Cub, Jay Williams stated, "It was an honor to be the first Tiger Cub, and I had a hand in helping create the character and personality of this mascot. It was exciting to create a personality and see the kids faces. The Tiger is more traditional, a fighting Tiger, but the Cub is an innocent, playful childlike mascot that the smaller kids really enjoy. The Cub adds a new dimension and means of interacting with the crowd."

"Having the opportunity to represent Clemson University was a great honor," says Williams. "Being in the suit was work but it was a lot of fun. I had a unique access to events and met a lot of great people, the overall experience was unbelievable."

#### Cy - Iowa State University

An industrious group of Iowa State University students brainstormed in 1954 about ways to build school spirit. The Pep Council got the go-ahead from ISU alumni director "Red" Barron, sports information director Harry Burrell and Cyclone Club director Ray Donels to pursue the creation of a mascot.

Since a cyclone was difficult to depict in costume, a cardinal was selected from the cardinal and gold of the official school colors.

A cardinal-like bird was introduced at the 1954 homecoming pep rally. A contest was conducted to select a name for the mascot, and the winning entry of Cy was submitted by 17 people. The first to submit the name, Mrs. Ed Ohlsen, won a cardinal and gold stadium blanket.

Daniel Boden (Iowa State, Alpha Phi '05) and his mascot squad were named Mascot of the Year in the annual Capital One Mascot Challenge. Boden beat out 11 other challengers in the vote based contest and received a \$10,000 scholarship from Capital One to help fund ISU's mascot program.

When asked about his game day work as Cv, Daniel says "I really enjoyed my three years as Iowa State's mascot. It is a year-round obligation that has taken me all over the country. Iowa State has a great athletics program and it's a once in a lifetime opportunity to be a part of that experience.'





**Big Stuff the Winthrop Eagle** 

This award came on the heels of winning a 2007 online competition hosted by CBS Sportsline that named him and Cy 'The Most Dominant College Mascot on Earth.' In this competition Cy went head to head with 63 other mascots in a bracket style competition.

Daniel Boden is actually a legacy mascot as well as a legacy Pike - his father, Doug Boden (Iowa State, Alpha Phi '77) portrayed Cy in the late 70s.

#### **Big Stuff - Winthrop University**

"Big Stuff" the eagle hasn't always been Winthrop's mascot. Before 1974, each incoming freshman class chose their own mascot. In the late 70s the official mascot, the eagle, was elected. In the mid-80s the mascot was named Big Stuff.



Big Red the Western Kentucky mascot

Pike Brother Shane Canup (Winthrop, Theta Nu '07) has portrayed Big Stuff for the past three years.

#### Big Red - Western Kentucky University

"Big Red," Western Kentucky's athletic mascot, was born in the fall of 1979. The huge, furry, red creature made its debut during the Hilltoppers' 1979-80 basketball season.

The ultimate fan and supporter of all of WKU's intercollegiate sports, Big Red was named to the Capital One All-America Mascot Team in 2006 and made it to the final four of the competition.

The red creature is portrayed by Pike brother Gef Cherwak (Western Kentucky, Zeta Epsilon '04).

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for the Hiroshima Carp in Japan and will be back with the club this season.

In professional golf, Lonnie Nielsen (Iowa, Gamma Nu '72) was one of the top players on the PGA Champions Tour, finishing 11th in earnings with \$1,224,014. His best finish was a tie for second at The Ginn Championship. Also playing three Champions tournaments was Hubert Green (Florida State, Delta Lambda '65), who won \$30,895. Matt Hansen (Pacific, Kappa Nu '00) played on the Nationwide Tour and ranked 67th with a total of \$99,828. Pro basketball center Jake Voskuhl (Connecticut, Iota

Chi '96) is playing his ninth NBA season with the Toronto Raptors, his fifth club. Thoroughbred horse trainer Todd Pletcher (Arizona, Gamma Delta '86) was second in earnings with his horses bringing in \$14,084,546 in 1,091 starts during 2008. He had 208 wins, 146 second place finishes and 140 third place finishes.

Outfielder Jay Miller (Washington State, Gamma Xi '03) split his third season with the Philadelphia Phillies organization between two clubs. He hit .251 over 80 games with Clearwater of the Florida State League and Lakewood of the South Atlantic League.



# CHAPTER EXECUTIVES CONFERENCE

January 8-11, 2009

s undergraduate members, Avolunteers, distinguished faculty, and staff filtered into Memphis' famous Peabody Hotel, there was a tangible level of excitement for the fifth installment of Pi Kappa Alpha's Chapter Executives Conference (CEC). This, the premier event of Pi Kappa Alpha's educational programming (Pike University), brought together the best of the best of chapters from all over North America, from Alberta to Texas, California to Maine, and Washington (the state) to Florida. Not only was the best of the best represented - the Presidents, Treasurers, and Recruitment Chairman from their respective chapters - it was the most of the best, as 479 undergraduates made this the largest CEC on record.

While it takes the entire Fraternity to make this event a success, the hard work of Director of Education and Pike University, Rick Burt (Georgia State, Epsilon Nu '00) was essential for the continued growth and success of the conference, and it was appropriately his honor and privilege to kick off the proceedings at the opening banquet on Thursday night. After the dinner, each chapter and colony went to its respective

Not knowing anything about the initiation I really didn't know what to expect. My expectation was for a relatively brief ceremony with me answering some questions and making some commitments. I had no idea that the initiation would be so deep and spiritual. I also was extremely impressed with Frank Smith's incredible passion for the Fraternity as displayed in the initiation. I also was very moved by the attention I received all weekend from my undergraduate brothers. They were constantly coming up to Michael and myself, welcoming me into the fraternity. I am very honored to be part of the best Greek organization in the world.

- Bob McMillan



During Session II of the President's Track, attendees participated in a simulation of Situational Leadership. Facing one another, they sought to put their lessons into practice.

Launch Meeting where their consultant facilitated discussion about the consultant role as well as a question and answer session regarding the activities of the conference.

The evening culminated in a powerful way with the initiation of Robert S. McMillan, father of Pacific Coast Regional President Michael McMillan (California-San Diego, Kappa Phi '97). Robert, who attended UCSD and the University of California-Berkeley, currently resides in southern California is the COO and CFO of Relax The Back Corp. The expertly executed ceremony was led by A. Frank Smith (Florida, Alpha Eta '66), a man with the distinct honor of initiating more men into Pi Kappa Alpha than any other individual in the history of our Fraternity. At the end of the ceremony, both Michael and Robert spoke to the incredible emotion of the Ritual and how it had brought a father and son that much closer to one another, bringing a packed Continental Ballroom to its feet. Michael summed it up best at the end, "This means more to me and my father than you will ever know."

Friday kicked off with a morning recruitment session that undoubtedly captured the attention of the attendees.

Executive Director Justin Buck (Southeast Missouri State, Epsilon Iota '96) got the track started off with a spirited and inspiring speech that instilled in each man the incredible importance of recruitment to the success of their chapters. During this time the other attendees had their choice of sessions ranging from Alumni Relations to Ritual Care & Use to a Year End Summary and Awards roundtable which was standing room only. The highlight of the entire conference was the Executives Forum, which in the past has featured such famous alumni as Jeff Taylor (Massachusetts, Theta Mu '79) and Neal Patterson (Oklahoma State, Gamma Chi '68). This year the conference was honored by the presence of two industry leaders in Joseph Caruso (Florida Tech, Zeta Sigma '70), President and CEO of Omnifirst Capital Group and James Thomas (Florida Tech, Zeta Sigma '69), President of Coastal Dominion. These men spoke about their extensive business experience and also engaged the undergraduates in discussion about their leadership styles and shared recommendations for success in any profession. The attendees broke out into their individual Executive Tracks



The Pike Rush session, presented by Darius Sidebotham, is a perennial favorite for conference attendees.

after lunch, followed by a very relevant and educational presentation on Risk Awareness and Prevention by Mark Robertson (Southern Methodist, Beta Zeta '82). The day ended with everyone taking part in an extensive tour of the Pi Kappa Alpha Memorial Headquarters, a perennial fixture of the CEC. With a free evening to themselves, conference-goers were free to explore downtown Memphis' tourist hot spots such as the Gibson Guitar Factory, FedExForum and the National Civil Rights Museum.

International Historian Dr. Jerry Reel (Tulane, Eta '57) led off the Saturday sessions with his always informative, members-only presentation on The Origins and Meanings of Ritual, an in attendance. The second Executive Track breakout session followed shortly thereafter, this time focusing much more on interaction between the undergraduates. This interface allowed the men to utilize the skills that they had been taught, and the benefits

essential treatise for each and every Pike

were evident in the energy and zeal

I wanted to share a compliment we received during the Chapter Executives Conference. As I was getting coffee in the lobby of the Peabody, there was a lady getting coffee as well. She asked if I was part of Pike University, and I said yes. She then stated, "I'm a high school teacher and it's a great surprise to see a large group of students dressing so nicely and being so friendly. I work with kids all day and it's good to see that they grow up and become gentlemen like you."

Her statement is a testament to our efforts making a difference.

> - Clint Bartman Senior Director of Real Estate

with which the attendees attacked their tracks. Kyle Russell (Purdue, Beta Phi '07) found that "The leadership programming was great. It really showed me how to deal with matters in the chapter, whether a problem is coming from a younger or older member - they may expect different treatment from the president." The last session before lunch was a stimulating conversation on Strategic Leadership open to all attendees. The audience was in for a treat as the presentation was given by the Senior Vice President for External Affairs at Mercy Health Partners, Dr. Jerry Askew (North Carolina, Tau '73). The afternoon comprised the third and final Executive Track for presidents, treasurers, and recruitment chairmen which led into the Success Meetings, ensuring that the material learned was synthesized into quantifiable goals for each chapter. Darius Sidebotham (Florida Tech, Zeta Sigma '94) ended the Conference programming on a high note with his eagerly anticipated energized presentation on Pike Rush. The 2009 Chapter Executives Conference closed in appropriate fashion at the Leadership Banquet, with International President Patrick A. Talley, Jr. (Armstrong Atlantic, Eta Mu '74) providing the keynote address. His reminder to persevere at all times toward the end goal of excellence in all aspects of our lives serves to illustrate the strong connection between the work of our great Fraternity and success in the broader context of life.



# THE TRUE PIKE CHALLENGE

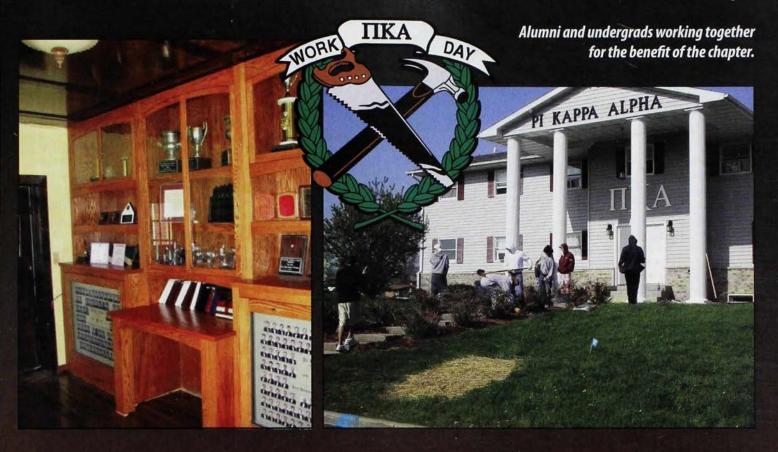
Boulder, Utah - June 14-20, 2009

The True Pike Challenge is an outdoor leadership event held at the Boulder Outdoor Survival School, the oldest and largest survival school in the world. Pike U Certified undergraduate attendees take part in a seven-day field course experience that pushes them to the limit and beyond. The True Pike Challenge focuses on individual development as outlined in the True Pike. The experience is physically demanding and participants must be in good physical condition.

> For more information and to download an application, visit www.pikeuniversity.org

> > "Will you accept the challenge?"

# Join Us For 2009 International Work Day!



Chapters and house corporations are setting aside one day in the spring for students, alumni, parents and guests to work together and improve their chapter house and grounds. Groups plan constructive projects, food, and fellowship for all who participate and the event has become an annual tradition for many chapters. Since its creation in 1997, the International Work Day program has accomplished over \$2.3 million in housing improvements throughout the Pike nation. This year should also be a huge success as 154 chapters are registered to participate as of February 1, 2009.

#### **How Can I Get Involved?**

To find an International Work Day event near you, visit our website, www.pikes.org, under the Real Estate section.

Through the website, you can then contact the project coordinator of the event you wish to attend. He can provide you with specific information regarding time, location, and supplies.

If you have difficulty contacting a project coordinator or need any additional information please contact Gena Straub at pikehouse@pikes.org or 901-748-1868 x 116.







# A Historic House and the Woman Who Kept It

#### Alpha Sigma Chapter (California-Berkeley)

n April 16th, 1912, the news of the Titanic's fate two nights prior was spreading like wildfire. Although the event undoubtedly cast a shadow over the proceedings, Pi Kappa Alpha's Grand Secretary, Tulane Atkinson had no choice but to move forward with the ceremony. So, that very evening in the regal Techau Tavern, Alpha Sigma was chartered, and its first 31 members were initiated. The founding of Alpha Sigma came at a high point in the Greek movement. Fraternities were expanding nationally, chapters were buying housing like it was going out of style, and no campus seemed more ripe for Pi Kappa Alpha expansion than the University of California-Berkley.

The founding fathers of Alpha Sigma were all members of a local pre-med fraternity known as the Calimdeico Club. Continuing the Fraternity's expansion westward, Calimdeico Club's petition to charter was accepted in 1912. The new men of Alpha Sigma immediately began a search for a facility to house their chapter.

The prospect of finding a fraternity house, can often lead groups to make hasty decisions. The young Alpha Sigma's however showed remarkable patience in their search for the perfect facility. Ultimately, they would not find the perfect location for eight years, but shortly after chartering(the specific date is not known) they did find a house mother, Mother Camper.

Mother Camper was born on March 17, 1877. Beyond that, we know very little about the lady herself. For instance, she is always referred to as "Mother Camper" in all correspondence and records, but her first name is nowhere to be found. There is reason to believe that her initials were H.H., but beyond that there are no clues. There are several alumni of Alpha Sigma who met



Mother Camper, pictured here in the early 1900s, has been called the best membership recruiter the Fraternity ever had.



Mother Camper kept this service flag, which she donated to the chapter in 1919. The single gold star is for Elwynn H. "Mannie" Mannhart '16.



The Alpha Sigma Chapter house in 1920, when it was purchased for the price of \$32,000.

Mother Camper late in her life, who even remember going to her house as pledges for tea, but even they never recall hearing her first name.

It is unclear how the chapter convinced Mother Camper to become their house mother, despite the lack of a house, but it turned into a long lasting relationship. By the end of 1916, the chapter had been with Mother Camper, but without a house for four years. What must have initially seemed a setback became a blessing as the United States entered "The Great War" (WWI) in 1917. With every active member enlisting, any house they might have had would undoubtedly have been lost.

During the chapter's absence, Mother Camper kept her eye on her boys by maintaining a service banner, which she hung in front of her home. This is a tradition still practiced today by families with loved ones in military service during times of war. The banner had a blue star for each member who was serving in the military, ninetyone stars in all. By the end of the conflict, only one of the ninetyone blue stars had been covered in gold, the sign for a soldier who paid the ultimate price for the sake of his country.

Upon the conclusion of the war, the chapter picked up right where it left off, largely thanks to the help of Mother Camper. In April of 1920, Alpha Sigma alumni took one step closer to owning a house by starting the Pi Kappa Alpha Building Association, one of the first house corporations on the west coast.

In June of that same year Alpha Sigma wrote into the Shield & Diamond to say that "All of our hopes for the past eight years have crystallized in the wonderful home which we have selected as a permanent "Chateau". Words fail in a description of the future house."

The house on the corner of Piedmont and Durant, an ideal location, was purchased for the price of \$32,000. The site was expanded when the property next door was acquired in the early 1960s. The current market value of the whole Pike corner is estimated to exceed \$2,000,000. Of the purchase price(for the original house), \$25,000 was raised through selling shares of the corporation to alumni. The remaining balance was supposed to be raised by the chapter members during their summer jobs.

There is no evidence to show that this goal was actually reached, and with just over thirty members at the time, it seems unlikely. There is a rumor that the chapter did fall short, and Mother Camper helped to foot the bill. In fact, in the files at Memorial Headquarters, record was found of a loan from Mother Camper to the House Corporation. There was no evidence of what the loan was for, but in 1921, just a year after their purchase, the remaining balance was \$3,450 at six percent simple interest, with an additional \$1,000 being dispersed in 1922.

Mother Camper served the Fraternity as house mother at Alpha Sigma in some capacity for no less than 40 years. She saw the Pikes at Berkeley through The Great War, the Berkeley Fire of 1923, the Roaring Twenties, the Great Depression, World War II and the Korean War. During that time she is reported to have never missed a single house dance or exchange dinner. She regularly had the chapter members over to her house with their girlfriends for dinner, and even as she was approaching 90, continued to have the pledges over for tea.

Today the Alpha Sigma chapter still resides at 2324 Piedmont Avenue. Their quest to find the perfect "Chateau" for the benefit of their chapter took eight years of hard work, and sacrifice, but ultimately resulted in a house that has been occupied by the same group of men for nearly 90 years. Unfortunately, house mothers are a rarity in fraternity housing today. The likes of Mother Camper are simply hard to come by these days, but I think it is safe to say, that she has a permanent place in the heart of any Alpha Sigma, even if they don't know her first name.

> - Story by Nathaniel T. Steinhoff (Wyoming, Iota Alpha '03)



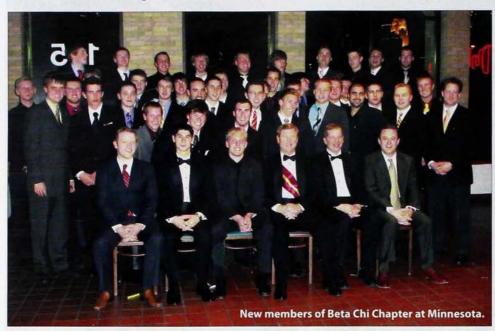
Late in life, Mother Camper still enjoyed visits from her boys.



The Alpha Sigma house, circa 1950, had been improved and freshened through work of the chapter. Look familiar? The front of the house received a make over on HGTV's Curb Appeal home improvement show in November of 2002.

Do you have an interesting story about Pi Kappa Alpha's chapter houses that you'd like to see featured in Myths and Legends? Contact Nat Steinhoff at nsteinhoff@pikes.org.

## Beta Chi Chapter Rechartered at University of Minnesota



n Saturday morning, November 8, 2008, Pi Kappa Alpha welcomed Beta Chi Chapter back into the bonds of phi phi kappa alpha. The charter group consisted of forty outstanding gentlemen who represent all that Pi Kappa Alpha stands for.

On Friday night, brothers from Iowa State (Alpha Phi), Wisconsin (Beta Xi), and Wisconsin-Whitewater (Kappa Omega) assisted in individually initiating each member of the colony. The initiations took place in their newly acquired chapter house. The official installation of Beta Chi Chapter, led by International President Patrick A. Talley, Jr. (Armstrong Atlantic State, Eta Mu '74) and Great Plains Regional President James A. Yolch (Minnesota, Beta Chi '93) followed on Saturday morning.

On Saturday evening, the chartering banquet recognized the colony's accomplishments over the previous year.



International President Talley gave the keynote address.

International officers, alumni, chapter members and guests joined together to celebrate Beta Chi's accomplishments. In Talley's keynote address, he encouraged the new chapter to continue to strive for excellence and to always look for areas in which they can improve.

#### **Colony to Chapter**

In fall 2006, Expansion Consultants Eric Miller (Tulsa, Gamma Upsilon '02) and Vince Drieling (Nebraska-Omaha, Delta Chi '01) arrived at the University of Minnesota to establish a colony with an eye to rechartering Beta Chi Chapter. They interviewed nearly 150 potential candidates and by the end had narrowed down their field to the 24 outstanding gentlemen to whom they extended bids for membership.

The time spent as a colony produced numerous obstacles, but the members stepped up to the challenges that faced them and prevailed. They became one of the most recognized fraternities on campus and worked to bridge the gap between Greeks and non-Greeks. By the time they received their charter, the colony had an impressive 3.35 GPA, recruited the second largest new member class on campus, maintained a 98% collection rate, dominated the intramural fields, had brothers on four D1 varsity athletic teams, accumulated over 2,700 hours of community service. and donated over \$12,000 to charity.

When all was said and done, the colony had proven that they excelled on campus and were worthy to be initiated into the brotherhood of Pi Kappa Alpha.

> - Story by Eric J. Hren (Toledo, Epsilon Epsilon '04)

#### Greetings from Oxford

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embarrassed myself many times. FSU has a campus in Valencia, so there was a little "home away from home" building there.

We are now back in full swing in Oxford for our second term (called Hillary term). My professors have us very busy with work now. For this term, I am focusing on education policy around the world, so hopefully I will have a comprehensive grasp of the subject by the end. I am currently working on applying to transition to the Ph.D. program for next year, but coming up with an original research topic has been quite the challenge. I think I finally have one, but I will wait until everything is for sure before I send out the good news.

I am rowing again this term for my college, and I am really looking forward to this term's boat race (called Torpids) at the end of February. Also, I finally signed a lease for next year with two other American Rhodes Scholars on an apartment in a great spot in Oxford known as Jericho. It is a nice neighborhood with an



eclectic atmosphere, and the two guys are great so I know I will have a wonderful time there.

Soon I will head to Rwanda to continue some work with FSU and our developing educational partnership with the country and its president. In late February, I will travel to Austria with friends, and in March after term ends I will visit Egypt and Israel. For almost all of my travels, my friend from Princeton comes along, and he can speak many languages so I feel like I have a U.N. translator with me. It is great!

I am really looking forward to spending another term in Oxford making friends and seeing the world!

> Fraternally, Joe O'Shea

#### Mean Green Goes Garnet and Gold

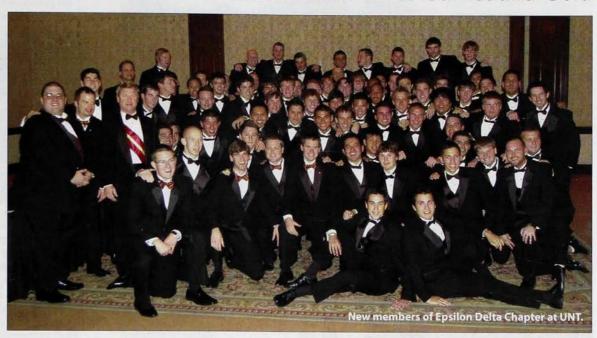
fter a 15-year hiatus, the Pikes are back at the home of the Mean Green - the University of North Texas - and stronger than ever. International President Patrick A. Talley, Jr. (Armstrong Atlantic State University, Eta Mu '74) installed the new rechartered Epsilon Delta Chapter at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in downtown Dallas on November 22, 2008, bringing the colony of 79 members to full chapter status in just over one vear.

Immediately following the installation of Epsilon Delta Chapter,

International Fraternity representatives, university officials, and area alumni gathered in the Reunion Ballroom of the hotel to celebrate with a three-course banquet, awards, and dancing. Speakers included UNT Colony Alumni Advisor Jeff Carrington (North Texas, Epsilon Delta '89), former Colony President Kyle O'Keeffe (North Texas, Epsilon Delta,'08), UNT Greek Life Advisor Alex Seltzer, UNT Colony Expansion Consultants Michael Brown (Western Kentucky, Zeta Epsilon '00) and Ryan Collett (Kansas State, Alpha Omega '04), Colony President Dustin Joost (North Texas, Epsilon Delta,'08) and International President Talley.

The previous evening, Collett (currently Pi Kappa Alpha director of expansion) and Brown returned to the UNT campus in Denton, 35 miles north of Dallas, to initiate the colony members with the assistance of area alumni and initiation teams from Gamma Chi (Oklahoma State), Beta Omicron (Oklahoma), Lambda lota (Central Oklahoma), and Eta Upsilon (Texas-Arlington) Chapters.

Collett and Brown, as expansion consultants, originally traveled to Denton in fall 2007 and assembled 86 students to form the UNT Colony. In order to recruit these scholars, leaders, athletes and gentlemen, they relied on a number of university officials and activity sponsors: Dr. Bonita Jacobs (vice president for student development), Maureen McGuiness (associate director for student leadership and judicial affairs), Alex Seltzer (Greek Life advisor), Kristen Hawes (president of Kappa



Kappa Gamma), Jillian France (president of Alpha Phi) and Renee Hebert (director of the Professional Leadership Program) among others.

In the ensuing year, the colony members worked diligently toward a number of goals, with the charter standing as the ultimate achievement at the end. In doing so, the colony became the largest fraternity (out of 16) on campus, raised over \$4,000 for various charities, counted Homecoming King and Mr. Pi Phi among its members, placed second in the Homecoming float competition, placed in the top three overall in intramurals and established a functioning and active alumni advisory board - all while maintaining the highest or second highest GPA during both of its colonization semesters. Subsequently, the chartering and banquet were welldeserved milestones.

Showing their support for Epsilon Delta and helping celebrate its accomplishments by attending the banquet were International Fraternity Executive Director Justin Buck (Southeast Missouri State, Epsilon Iota '96), former International President John Michael Williams (Oklahoma State, Gamma Chi '68), Lone Star Regional President Blake Monroe (Texas-Arlington, Eta Upsilon '93), and Northwest Regional President Brian R. Mann (Washington, Beta Beta '91).

The chapter was also proud to have the support of alumni who sponsored tables at the event to help defray the costs, including head table sponsor Michael Ewbank (North Texas, Epsilon Delta '89) and individual table sponsors Carrington, Terrence Hartwell (North Texas, Epsilon Delta '89), Branch Brinson (North Texas, Epsilon Delta '90), Todd Roeder (North Texas, Epsilon Delta '90), Jeff Loyd (Texas A&M-Commerce, Theta Xi '84), Nat Mucha (Washington, Beta Beta '94) and Mann.

In the coming years, the chapter has already set its sights on winning a Smythe Award by the time of the next International Convention, winning UNT Chapter of the Year in Spring 2009, helping to establish the DFW Alumni Association - Alumnus Theta, organizing a strong Housing Corporation to begin the process of building the largest house on the UNT campus, and continuing to expand as the largest UNT fraternity, reaching a 100 man chapter by fall 2009.

In its 53-year history, having originally been colonized at UNT in 1955 by local fraternity Pi Phi Pi, Epsilon Delta has weathered the trials of existing as a fraternity at a traditionally liberal arts, commuter school. As the school and region have grown in recent years, the fraternity outlook is much better; and the new founding fathers are building on that opportunity to continue being the biggest and best chapter on campus, giving the home of the Mean Green a lasting infusion of Garnet and Gold.

- Story by Jeff Carrington (North Texas, Epsilon Delta '89)

#### Alpha (Virginia)

Active chapter size: 48.

#### Beta (Davidson)

Active chapter size: 26.

#### Gamma (William and Mary)

Active chapter size: 40. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### **Epsilon (Virginia Tech)**

Active chapter size: 123. The chapter sent four men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Zeta (Tennessee)





Active chapter size: 129. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC. Five brothers participated in a study

abroad program in Australia last summer. They went three weeks before classes started and backpacked around New Zealand and up the east coast of Australia. Pictured above are Bo Howland '06, Hamilton Miller '07, and Tony Minardo '05. Also on the trip were Tony D'Amico '06 and Brian Trautshold '06.

#### Theta (Rhodes)

Active chapter size: 73. The chapter sent two men to the January 2009 CEC. Theta Chapter has the second highest GPA on campus for all fraternities. The chapter hosted a Founders Day event in March, welcoming all Memphis area alumni back to the house. Theta alumni are encouraged to visit the website at www.thetapikes. com and click on the alumni section to update your contact information and to get information on the Theta Alumni Association.

#### lota (Hampden-Sydney)

Active chapter size: 23.

#### Kappa (Transylvania)

Active chapter size: 27; pledges: 1. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CFC

#### Mu (Presbyterian)

Active chapter size: 37; pledges: 20. Mu brothers welcomed loyal Pike Harold Nichols '88 back to campus as the new football coach. The Mu Chapter is enjoying its largest membership since the 1960s.

Presbyterian College has six fraternities and only 625 male students, with a large percentage of the available students being Pikes they are the largest fraternity on campus. The alumni are very active and the chapter has a list serve with over 700 alumni online. The alumni big brother program provides each member with a personal alumni advisor to see him through school and to help with job placement upon graduation. Their spring project is to provide a reverse 911 computer system for the town of Clinton, South Carolina. The second annual Pike Highlander Festival will be held in conjunction with the spring football game. The festival will be open to the entire campus as well as to those in the Clinton community.

#### Nu (Wofford)

Active chapter size: 73; pledges: 5. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.



#### Xi (South Carolina)

Active chapter size: 129; pledges: 13. The chapter sent four men to the

January 2009 CEC. The chapter participated in its third annual Pike Presents philanthropy, providing gifts to over 400 students at a local elementary school. Several campus sororities assisted financially and by helping the men wrap the gifts that were presented to the



children. The teachers and students showed their appreciation by forming the letters of Pi Kappa Alpha on the school grounds. In another community service event, the chapter held its first annual Pike Rodeo bull riding competition that attracted ten teams from campus sororities. Local firefighters served as guest judges for the competition which raised \$4,000 for a charity that assists burn victims.

#### Pi (Washington & Lee)

Active chapter size: 40.

#### Sigma (Vanderbilt)

Active chapter size: 51; pledges: 1.

#### Tau (North Carolina)

Active chapter size: 54.



#### **Upsilon (Auburn)**

Active chapter size: 133. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Phi (Roanoke)

Active chapter size: 42; pledges: 14. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC. The men were proud to achieve the second highest GPA on campus. Phi Chapter hosted an alumni weekend in the fall, providing an opportunity for the alumni to visit with one another and to get to know the members of the active chapter. The event brought the brothers back to the chapter house to enjoy a cookout, volleyball and horseshoes.

#### Psi (North Georgia)



Active chapter size: 59. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC. The brothers of Psi Chapter recently banded together to show support for their brother, Michael Smolucha '05, in his fight against



Top Chapters in Initiations As of December 31, 2008		
Delta Lambda – Florida State University	42	
Xi Chapter – University of South Carolina		
Beta Eta – University of Illinois	38	
Gamma Alpha – University of Alabama	33	
Kappa Zeta – University of Louisville	33	
Gamma Theta – Mississippi State University	32	
Upsilon – Auburn University		
lota Psi – Appalachian State University	31	
Lambda lota – University of Central Oklahoma	31	
Zeta – University of Tennessee	28	
Lambda Mu – Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University	28	

cancer. Smolucha is currently living at home in Illinois while undergoing chemotherapy treatments, and his Psi brothers shaved their heads to show their support to him during his treatments. Smolucha, an avid marksman who won an Army shooting competition last spring, was surprised with a match grade AR-15 rifle that Psi presented to him during a recent visit with him in his hometown.

#### Omega (Kentucky)

Active chapter size: 85; pledges: 1. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Alpha Alpha (Duke)

Active chapter size: 91. The Pikes at Duke University achieved an outstanding 3.617 GPA for the fall 2008 semester.

#### Alpha Gamma (Louisiana State)

Active chapter size: 48. The chapter sent four men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Alpha Delta (Georgia Tech)

Active chapter size: 52; pledges: 16.

#### Alpha Epsilon (North Carolina State)

Active chapter size: 75; pledges: 24.

#### Alpha Zeta (Arkansas)

Active chapter size: 126. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Alpha Eta (Florida)

Active chapter size: 40. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC. The intramural flag football team, "Lockdown", won the school championship and advanced to play in the Georgia Dome before the SEC Championship. Several brothers are coaching a Pop Warner football team in Gainesville. Three attendees enjoyed the Chapter Executives Conference in Memphis. The men were joined at the CEC in Memphis by Alpha Eta alumni A. Frank Smith '66 and Keith Ketchman '74. Although the chapter is small by design as they work on comprehensive plans for future rebuilding, members are active in IFC, Florida Blue Key, student senate and intramurals.

#### Alpha Theta (West Virginia)

Active chapter size: 58. The chapter sent one man to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Alpha lota (Millsaps College)

Active chapter size: 36; pledges: 1. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC. The men hosted a barbeque and silent auction to benefit the Don Fortenberry Endowment, Scholarship and Award at Millsaps College. Reverend Fortenberry is a 1959 Alpha lota initiate who served as College Chaplain for more than 32 years. The event raised over \$11,400 for the endowment which funds a scholarship for a freshman, as well as a service award for a graduating senior. This endowment also helps perpetuate the legacy of Rev. Fortenberry, a legend who unselfishly offers his life in the service to less fortunate communities and persons.



#### Alpha Phi (Iowa State)

Active chapter size: 62. The chapter sent two men to the January 2009 CEC. On January 18, 2009, Alpha Phi Chapter gathered for their brotherhood snow football game. This is an annual event in which the chapter battles one another for house bragging rights. The game challenges members as a way to build brotherhood among the new and active membership. New recruits are always welcome and it is a great way to promote brotherhood to potential members.

#### Alpha Kappa (Missouri S&T)

Active chapter size: 96; pledges: 23. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Alpha Lambda (Georgetown)

Active chapter size: 25.

#### Alpha Mu (Georgia)

Active chapter size: 137.

#### Alpha Nu (Missouri)

Active chapter size: 119; pledges: 9. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Alpha Xi (Cincinnati)



Active chapter size: 105; pledges: 4. The chapter sent five men to the January 2009 CEC. On November 8, 2008, ninety members of Alpha Xi Chapter boarded two chartered buses to Morgantown, West Virginia, to watch the UC Bearcats take on the WV Mountaineers in a battle for first place in the Big East, and a leg-up in the hunt for a league championship and a BCS bowl bid. The group filled three rows in the stadium, and it was a trip that both the actives and pledges will remember for a long time. In December 2008, three members of Alpha

Xi traveled to El Salvador with Serve Beyond Cincinnati, a University of Cincinnati campus group which sends student on mission trips. The group worked on a housing project in San Luis Talpa, mixing concrete for sidewalks and gutters as well as digging septic tanks. When the project is complete, it will provide homes for nineteen families. Max Schneider '06, Jon Doerger '08 and Alex Glutz '06 enjoyed being able to experience El Salvadorian culture, visit historic sites and interact with locals. Alpha Xi is expanding its community service program as they send ten brothers on a mission trip to Costa Rica in June 2009.

#### Alpha Omicron (Southwestern)

Active chapter size: 34. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Alpha Rho (Ohio State)

Active chapter size: 58; pledges: 1. The chapter sent four men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Alpha Sigma (California-Berkeley)

Active chapter size: 48.

#### Alpha Tau (Utah)

Active chapter size: 76. The chapter sent one man to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Alpha Upsilon (New York)

Active chapter size: 101. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Alpha Chi (Syracuse)

Active chapter size: 51.

#### Alpha Psi (Rutgers)

Active chapter size: 47; pledges: 10.



Beta Phi (Purdue)

Active chapter size: 116. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Alpha Omega (Kansas State)

Active chapter size: 115; pledges: 10. The chapter sent four men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Beta Alpha (Pennsylvania State)

Active chapter size: 79. The chapter captured first place honors in the third annual Holiday Lights Tour which featured fraternity houses on and off campus decorated for the holidays. The contest was hosted by the Off-Campus Student Union along with the IFC, and houses were judged on holiday spirit, creativity, difficulty and originality with possible bonus points being awarded to those houses that go above and beyond.

#### Beta Beta (Washington)

Active chapter size: 88; pledges: 6. The chapter sent one man to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Beta Gamma (Kansas)

Active chapter size: 29.

#### Beta Delta (New Mexico)

Active chapter size: 45. The chapter sent one man to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Beta Zeta (Southern Methodist)

Active chapter size: 91. The chapter sent two men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Beta Eta (Illinois)



Active chapter size: 156. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC. In December 2008, the chapter

sponsored the fifth consecutive Pike Presents

elementary school in Champaign. More than 80% of the families in this school are below the poverty line, so the gifts received during this event were important to the children.

#### Beta Theta (Cornell)

Active chapter size: 72.

#### Beta Mu (Texas)

Active chapter size: 97; pledges: 1.

#### Beta Xi (Wisconsin)

Active chapter size: 57; pledges: 2. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Beta Omicron (Oklahoma)

Active chapter size: 46. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Beta Pi (Pennsylvania)

Active chapter size: 52. The chapter sent one man to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Beta Sigma (Carnegie-Mellon)

Active chapter size: 37; pledges: 11.

#### Beta Tau (Michigan)

Active chapter size: 129; pledges: 5. The chapter sent one man to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Beta Upsilon (Colorado)

Active chapter size: 95. The chapter sent two men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Beta Chi (Minnesota)

Active chapter size: 39; pledges: 8. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.



#### Gamma Alpha (Alabama)

Active chapter size: 102.

#### Gamma Beta (Nebraska)

Active chapter size: 70. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC. Gamma Beta Chapter is currently in first place in all-university intramurals and Mike DaSilva '08 is in first place for the men's Athlete of the Year. The chapter is preparing for the April 2009 ten year anniversary celebration, and all Gamma Beta brothers are encouraged to attend. The Omegafinancial system was adopted to improve dues and accounts receivable collection, and the result was 100% collection rate for dues. The men are all involved in at least two other campus organizations, with leadership positions including senator of the Architecture College, senator of the College of Business Administration, head of the campus Wellness Committee and new student orientation leader.

#### Gamma Epsilon (Utah State)

Active chapter size: 42; pledges: 7. The chapter sent one man to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Gamma Eta (Southern California)

Active chapter size: 119; pledges: 5. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.



#### Gamma Theta (Mississippi State)

Active chapter size: 113; pledges: 13. The chapter sent two men to the January 2009 CEC.



#### Gamma Iota (Mississippi)

Active chapter size: 169; pledges: 48. The chapter sent two men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Gamma Kappa (Montana State)

Active chapter size: 35; pledges: 1.

#### Gamma Mu (New Hampshire)

Active chapter size: 64. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Gamma Xi (Washington State)

Active chapter size: 68; pledges: 15. The chapter sent four men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Gamma Omicron (Ohio)

Active chapter size: 36; pledges: 12. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Gamma Pi (Oregon)

Active chapter size: 31; pledges: 4. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC. Gamma Pi athletes include one brother on the club ski team and another on the club snowboard team. The fall chapter GPA was 2.94 and the chapter has four men on the Dean's List. In an effort to stay in touch with alumni, the men held a phone-a-thon to collect updated alumni contact information. Alumni who were not contacted are encouraged to send their contact information to the alumni relations chair at egeving@uoregon.edu. In community service, the men completed 422 man hours for the fall term and raised enough money to purchase 4,000 pounds of food for the local food bank.

#### Gamma Rho (Northwestern)

Active chapter size: 74. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC. It has been an excellent year for Pike athletics. Last year Pike won Team of the Year - a great honor which is given to the best overall intramural team. The brothers use intramural sports effectively in order to meet potential new members, with several winter and spring pledges beginning their ties with Pike during intramurals. Several members have become referees, increasing the intramural experience and allowing the men to give back to the intramural community. Gamma Rho has implemented a program to help connect members of the same majors/minors by using an innovative new beta sharing program, Dropbox. This program allows users to share notes from classes and work in groups on study sheets for exams. The alumni relations program continues to grow. Each month the actives meet with those from the alumni association for First Friday, a casual lunch at a local restaurant. They keep alumni informed of news, events and pledge drives through emails and newsletters. Gamma Rho brothers volunteer at an after school program one afternoon a week, typically with six to eight brothers spending two hours tutoring or organizing recreational activities. Several brothers also volunteer weekly at the local YMCA coaching basketball for children in kindergarten through second grade. A large majority of members are involved in campus organizations and the chapter participated in Dance Marathon, Relay For Life and they hosted an event benefiting Wings for Life.

#### Gamma Sigma (Pittsburgh)

Active chapter size: 77. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Gamma Tau (Rensselaer)

Active chapter size: 71; pledges: 5. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC. December 2008 brought the third annual Pike Presents to the 400 children at Public School 2. While the chapter held various fundraisers to purchase the gifts, most of the money came from Gamma Tau members and their families. This event is very personal for the men and they enjoy seeing the process through from start to finish - raising money, buying the gifts, wrapping each one and delivering them. School 2 is located in one of the city's poorest neighborhoods, and the members see this as a way of giving back. The men also work in a mentoring program at School 2, in the Unity Sunshine Program and with the programs at the Troy Boys & Girls Club.

#### Gamma Upsilon (Tulsa)

Active chapter size: 73; pledges: 3. The chapter sent one man to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Gamma Phi (Wake Forest)

Active chapter size: 70.

#### Gamma Chi (Oklahoma State)

Active chapter size: 71; pledges: 5. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Gamma Psi (Louisiana Tech)

Active chapter size: 51; pledges: 4. The chapter sent one man to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Gamma Omega (University of Miami)

Active chapter size: 73. The chapter sent two men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Delta Beta (Bowling Green State University)

Active chapter size: 67. The chapter sent four men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Delta Epsilon (Tennessee-Chattanooga)

Active chapter size: 50. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Delta Eta (Delaware)

Active chapter size: 39; pledges: 4. The chapter sent one man to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Delta Theta (Arkansas State)

Active chapter size: 66; pledges: 1. The chapter



#### Delta Alpha (George Washington)

Active chapter size: 124. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC. Several chapter members participated in the 22nd annual AIDS Walk Washington, an event that raised money for AIDS research and education. Delta Alpha presented a check for \$12,000 to the D.C. Burn Foundation, representing the money raised during their Fireman's Challenge events throughout the year.

sent three men to the January 2009 CEC. Delta Theta has several brothers who play for the Arkansas State football team. Alumni and active brothers made pledges for each touchdown scored by a Pike during the 2008 season. A total of 24 Pike touchdowns raised over \$4,000 for the Scoring for Scholarship fund. Delta Theta Chapter celebrated 60 Years of Excellence during Homecoming 2008. The chapter welcomed over 250 brothers and guests to the celebration. Jim Jenkins '48, founding father and #2 initiate, spoke on the 1948 founding

and those first Delta Theta brothers, mostly WWII veterans. John Bobango '74, former international legal counsel, international vice president, current member of the International Fraternity's Finance Committee and president of the Risk Awareness Foundation, highlighted Delta Theta becoming a Smythe Award winning chapter in 1976. During the Homecoming events the chapter presented for the first time the Chris Crye Memorial Scholarship.

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Delta Lambda (Florida State)

Active chapter size: 183. The chapter sent two men to the January 2009 CEC.



#### Delta Gamma (Miami University)

Active chapter size: 69. The chapter sent four men to the January 2009 CEC. This fall the chapter hosted a successful Twister philanthropy, raising over \$1,000 for Cancer Free Kids. During the holidays, the chapter took first place in an all-fraternity holiday house decorating contest. Twenty-four members participated in the second annual Pike ski trip in West Virginia.

#### Delta Iota (Marshall)

Active chapter size: 51.

#### Delta Mu (Southern Mississippi)

Active chapter size: 47. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Delta Nu (Wayne State)

Active chapter size: 77; pledges: 3. The chapter sent five men to the January 2009 CEC. In athletics, the men had a successful fall semester with campus sports, winning the floor hockey league, and they are the past winners of the dodge ball league. During the spring semester the men will play basketball, floor hockey, dodge ball and badminton. The chapter hosted a charity concert to benefit Cass Community Social Services in January 2009. The proceeds will be used to purchase bedding for CCSS, which has seen a rise in homeless people seeking shelter in recent months. The men also made a donation to Wayne State's athletic department. Delta Nu expects a strong winter rush due to the frequent networking and recruiting the actives participate in all year. Dean Bosley '05 was featured in a scholastic achievement magazine of Wayne State. A pre-med major and senior, Bosley serves the chapter as scholarship chair and is a leader on campus. Delta Nu Chapter hosted a successful Brother's Night with 40 alumni, 30 actives and several pledges. The group of brothers enjoyed the event, and look forward to celebrating Founders Day together. With the campus located in central Detroit, the chapter is surrounded with opportunities to help out those in need. The men recorded almost 6,000 community service hours in the first semester. Their dedication to the community and the motivation of the members makes community service a priority for the men of Delta Nu. The chapter has a program where senior members

mentor younger members with similar majors, providing an academic big brother to help them

#### Delta Xi (Indiana University)

Active chapter size: 59. The chapter sent two men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Delta Omicron (Drake)

Active chapter size: 43. The chapter sent two men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Delta Pi (San Jose State)

Active chapter size: 92; pledges: 4. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Delta Rho (Linfield)

Active chapter size: 33. The chapter sent two men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Delta Sigma (Bradley)

Active chapter size: 50. The chapter sent one man to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Delta Chi (Nebraska-Omaha)



Active chapter size: 75. The chapter sent two men to the January 2009 CEC. In intramurals, the men had a successful season in soccer, finishing second, and in football, where they finished undefeated, outscoring their

opponents 90 - 6. Delta Chi Chapter has enjoyed success on campus and within the chapter this year. In September, for the fourth consecutive year, a Pike was elected as the student body president. The chapter president was elected Homecoming King, and six Pikes were elected to senate seats in the Student Government.

#### Delta Psi (Maryland)

Active chapter size: 98.

#### Delta Omega (High Point)

Active chapter size: 43; pledges: 1.

#### **Epsilon Alpha (Trinity)**

Active chapter size: 45.

#### **Epsilon Delta (North Texas)**

Active chapter size: 77. The chapter sent four men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### **Epsilon Eta (Houston)**



Active chapter size: 70. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC. Most of the campus fraternities and sororities participate in the University of Houston Greek Park Halloween event, but Epsilon Eta Chapter went above and beyond the call of duty and rented a moonwalk, hosted a cookout and set up a haunted house for the children. Following the theme of a safe Halloween for the children, the Houston Fire Department made an appearance to talk with the children about safety.

#### **Epsilon Theta (Colorado State)**

Active chapter size: 63. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Epsilon lota (Southeast Missouri State)

Active chapter size: 89; pledges: 3. The chapter sent four men to the January 2009 CEC. Intramural championship wins for the fall semester included ultimate Frisbee, softball, flag football, racquetball and 3-on-3 basketball. In community service, Pikes hosted the Bowl For Kids' Sake annual bowling tournament to benefit the Cape Girardeau Big Brothers Big Sisters organization. There are several brothers involved in this organization and they have been diligent about volunteering their time this year. Epsilon lota has been actively involved with Big Brothers Big Sisters for almost ten years, and this marked the fourth year they have hosted the bowling tournament. The month of February continued with community service events as the chapter hosted two annual charity events, the Pike Spike tournament and the Homeless in the Park event. In recruitment, their spring rush events included a poker tournament, barbeque, blues game and paintball.

#### Epsilon Kappa (Lamar)

Active chapter size: 38. The chapter sent four men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### **Epsilon Lambda (Murray State)**

Active chapter size: 77; pledges: 4.

#### Epsilon Mu (East Carolina)

Active chapter size: 66. The chapter sent two men to the January 2009 CEC. The men once again won the Chancellor's Cup, awarded to the top fraternity in intramural sports. They have won this award five out of the last six years. Representatives from Epsilon Mu attended each summer orientation for freshmen and transfer students which allowed them to meet students prior to rush. Each member is involved in one or more campus groups. A new website is being developed so the actives, alumni and potential new members can keep up with chapter news and events.

#### Epsilon Nu (Georgia State)

Active chapter size: 17. The chapter sent one man to the January 2009 CEC.

Epsilon Omicron (Stephen F. Austin State) Active chapter size: 22.

#### Epsilon Sigma (Tennessee-Martin)

Active chapter size: 76. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### **Epsilon Upsilon (Gannon)**

Active chapter size: 46. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Epsilon Phi (Central Arkansas)

Active chapter size: 66.

#### **Epsilon Chi (Pittsburg State)**

Active chapter size: 29. The chapter sent two men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### **Epsilon Omega (East Central)**

Active chapter size: 17. The chapter sent four men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Zeta Alpha "A" (Kettering)

Active chapter size: 29. The chapter sent four men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Zeta Alpha "B" (Kettering)

Active chapter size: 32; pledges: 9. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Zeta Beta (Delta State)

Active chapter size: 43; pledges: 5. The chapter sent two men to the January 2009 CEC. Zeta Beta finished in second place in intramurals for the fall semester. The brothers of Zeta Beta had a memorable fall semester that culminated with the chapter's 45th anniversary celebration. Over the two day celebration, approximately 150 Zeta Beta alumni joined active members for an event that reunited decades of brothers in Cleveland, Mississippi. Ruff Turner '63, Zeta Beta's first chapter president, honored the chapter with his appearance and International President Pat Talley (Armstrong Atlantic, Eta Mu '74) was the keynote speaker. Over the weekend alumni saw the recently renovated chapter room, made possible by the successful fundraising drive. Also during the weekend, a scholarship was established for fallen brother Pat "Frenchie" Rapicault '90, who died in 2004 while serving our country. While the 45th anniversary



#### **Epsilon Epsilon (Toledo)**

Active chapter size: 108. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC. Epsilon Epsilon Chapter finished the fall semester in first place for campus sports for the third consecutive semester. Over 50 members received a GPA of 3.0 or higher, with 25 men on the Dean's List and two men with a 4.0. Through various events during the fall semester, the chapter raised over \$17,000 for the Children's Miracle Network and St. Jude Children's Hospital. On campus, brother Aaron Joplin serves as IFC president. The men participated in Pike Presents in December, providing gifts for children at a local elementary school.

celebration was the highlight of the semester, the chapter carried on a tradition of excellence on campus and continued to extend its philanthropic arm. In 2008, Zeta Beta held the first annual Longballs for Leukemia event, where participants gathered at the campus driving range for a long drive contest. A raffle was held for a new driver, t-shirts and refreshments were sold, and attendees bid on 2008 Ryder Cup memorabilia during a silent auction. The event raised over \$1,000 for the Ryan Gibson Foundation. The chapter raised an additional \$1,000 during the semester to benefit several charities including St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Methodist Children's Homes and the Children's Miracle Network. The men once again volunteered at the Parks Elementary Halloween Carnival to help ensure a safe trick-or-treating experience for the children. Brothers also volunteered at a local school harvest festival, participated in a canned food drive, worked to clean up several public school campuses, spent an afternoon working with Habitat for Humanity, participated in a Boy Scout day camp, and served as big brothers / pen pals for a local elementary school. They totaled over 1,000 hours of community service last semester. Academically, the chapter maintained an overall GPA of 2.0 while having two brothers inducted into Omicron Delta Kappa, a national leadership honor society. Ten brothers made DSU's President's List and Dean's List. Two brothers were chosen to represent the university as orientation leaders for the summer.

#### Zeta Gamma (Eastern Illinois)

Active chapter size: 49. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Zeta Epsilon (Western Kentucky)

Active chapter size: 91. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC. Pike began the

spring semester in second place in campus athletics, with hopes of narrowing the gap as the semester progresses. The annual hog roast was a successful kick-off for spring rush. A Thanksgiving dinner for Big Brothers Big Sisters of South Central Kentucky brought the chapter together with the youth of the community. Pike Tug, their fall philanthropy event, raised over \$3,000 for the Jimmy V Foundation.

#### Zeta Eta (Arkansas-Little Rock)

Active chapter size: 20. The chapter sent two men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Zeta lota (Old Dominion)

Active chapter size: 58. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC. Zeta lota Chapter won the intramural football championship for the record setting ninth year in a row. They anticipate next year bringing them a decade of athletic excellence. They have also won the University's all around Sports Cup every year that it has been in existence.

#### Zeta Kappa (Ferris State)

Active chapter size: 25. The chapter sent one man to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Zeta Xi (Western Carolina)

Active chapter size: 21; pledges: 3.

#### Zeta Omicron (California State-Northridge) Active chapter size: 53; pledges: 15. The chapter

sent two men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Zeta Pi (South Florida)

Active chapter size: 48; pledges: 1.

#### Zeta Rho (North Dakota)

Active chapter size: 39. The chapter sent one man to the January 2009 CEC. The men are enjoying their newly renovated chapter study room.



#### Epsilon Zeta (East Tennessee State)

Active chapter size: 64. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC. The chapter, paired with a campus sorority, placed first in the Homecoming competition. During the event week the group won six of the seven athletic events, raised \$3,200 for the Second Harvest Food Bank and sent out 2,000 donation requests letters to support the St. Jude Up 'Til Dawn fundraiser. At the conclusion of the week, they threw a victory Halloween party for children in the area. The structure they built for the party was featured in the local newspaper. In addition to all of the Homecoming activities, the men of Epsilon Zeta logged 400 hours of service to the community as they worked on a Habitat for Humanity house, and participated in other events raising over \$1,000 for charity. During the Christmas season the men delivered gifts to a local inner city school. Epsilon Zeta hosted their second annual Greek Worship Service which was open to the entire student body.

#### Zeta Sigma (Florida Tech)

Active chapter size: 60. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Zeta Tau (Eastern Kentucky)

Active chapter size: 32. The chapter sent two men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Zeta Phi (Missouri-St. Louis)

Active chapter size: 42. The chapter sent two men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Zeta Omega (University of Louisiana-Lafayette)

Active chapter size: 62. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Eta Alpha (Clemson University)

Active chapter size: 123. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Eta Epsilon (Angelo State)

Active chapter size: 39. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Eta Zeta (Middle Tennessee State)

Active chapter size: 59; pledges: 5. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Eta Eta (Morehead State)

Active chapter size: 38; pledges: 1.

#### Eta Kappa (South Alabama)

Active chapter size: 31. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Eta Mu (Armstrong Atlantic State University)

Active chapter size: 36. The chapter sent two men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Eta Nu (Northern Illinois)

Active chapter size: 92. The chapter sent two men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Eta Omicron (Louisiana-Monroe)

Active chapter size: 88. The chapter sent two men to the January 2009 CEC. As the spring semester began, Eta Omicron was in first place in the all-university and all-fraternity athletic standings. The fall semester chapter GPA was once again above the all-men and all-fraternity average. The fall 2008 pledge class average was the highest in six years and ranked in first place at ULM. The men are looking forward to hosting International Work Day on April 11, 2009. Founders Day, which is also the chapter's 37th anniversary, is April 24-25, 2009. The class of 1984 will receive their 25 year certificates, the class of 1994 will celebrate their 15th anniversary, and the founding fathers will celebrate their 37th anniversary. The chapter is well over half way to their goal of 6,000 hours of community service for the academic year.

#### Eta Rho (Northern Kentucky)

Active chapter size: 82; pledges: 7. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC. The fall semester ended with Eta Rho winning six out of seven intramural championships, leading the Director's Cup by 1,600 points. They were undefeated in fraternity football, indoor volleyball, sand volleyball and indoor soccer. They also won the fraternity dodge ball championship. Eta Rho brothers are proud to announce that they have maintained the highest fraternity GPA. On campus, the men are represented as student orientation leaders, residential assistants, president of the Order of Omega, IFC vice president, and members of the Collegiate Entrepreneurs Organization. The spring semester will be busy as the men host several events for the alumni which will include a dinner, golf outing, poker night and a Founders Day celebration. January began the semester with participation in the annual Relay For Life event benefitting the American Cancer Society, and they provided valet parking for another American Cancer Society event.

#### Eta Sigma (State Univ. of West Georgia)

Active chapter size: 45. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Eta Tau (Austin Peay State)

Active chapter size: 32.

#### Eta Upsilon (University of Texas-Arlington)

Active chapter size: 50. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Theta Alpha (North Alabama)

Active chapter size: 26.

#### Theta Beta (Montevallo)

Active chapter size: 29. The chapter sent one man to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Theta Gamma (Georgia College & State University)

Active chapter size: 63. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Theta Epsilon (Northeastern State)

Active chapter size: 26.

#### Theta Zeta (Northern Iowa)

Active chapter size: 37.

#### Theta Kappa (Indiana Southeast)

Active chapter size: 27. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Theta Lambda (Creighton)

Active chapter size: 71.

#### Theta Mu (Massachusetts)



Active chapter size: 53. The chapter sent two men to the January 2009 CEC. Theta Mu has always been committed to community

service events benefiting local charities and foundations such as Big Brothers Big Sisters of Hampshire County. Last semester the second annual Pike Strike event raised over \$5,000 for the organization. The brothers spent two months raking leaves and doing various community service projects to raise money for the event. Donations were accepted online, raffle tickets were offered and donations were taken at the door during the Pike Strike bowling tournament. During this economic downturn the men have made continuing their community service one of their top priorities. With expenses on the rise, the brothers made a decision to overhaul their budget and dues collection systems to ensure the financial success of the chapter. They distributed funds to the higher impact committees like community service and scholarship, cut unnecessary expenses, capped committee budgets to protect them from overspending and raised dues. The alumni have been great in assisting the chapter with housing and financial issues, and the men wanted to be proactive and show the alumni that they are a responsible and bankable chapter that can be seen as a strong investment.

#### Theta Xi (Texas A&M-Commerce)

Active chapter size: 19. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Theta Pi (Alabama-Huntsville)

Active chapter size: 45. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC. The men continue to hold the IFC overall sports trophy for the third consecutive year. Theta Pi Chapter has participated in events benefiting Big Brothers Big Sisters and the Up 'Til Dawn fundraiser benefitting the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. They are also organizing the Pikes on Bikes fundraiser for Lance Armstrong's Live Strong Foundation. On campus the men are involved with various organizations including TRUE Chargers Alumni Association, SGA, IFC and the student ambassador program. Pikes are also involved with the campus art program, AIAA and the Industrial and Systems Engineering Club. There are currently three Theta Pi brothers serving in the Marine Corp.

#### Theta Sigma (Winthrop)

Active chapter size: 50. The chapter sent one man to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Theta Tau (California State-Sacramento)

Active chapter size: 41. The fall 2008 initiation ceremony was especially meaningful as the son of one of the Theta Tau's founders was initiated. During the Christmas holidays the chapter provided over 40 gifts for the parents of the children at Shriners Hospital. The men volunteer with the campus service, Safe Rides, a program offering students rides to their destination to prevent anyone driving under the influence.

#### Theta Upsilon (Tennessee Tech)

Active chapter size: 82. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Theta Psi (Chapman)

Active chapter size: 120. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC. The Theta



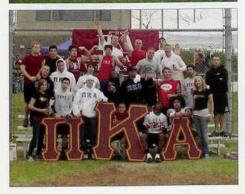
#### Theta Omicron (Indiana State)

Active chapter size: 62; pledges: 8. The chapter sent four men to the January 2009 CEC. Theta Omicron Chapter received top honors on campus with a chapter GPA of 3.0. The men accumulated over 4,000 community service hours during the first semester. One of their community service events, Change for Change, raised approximately \$1,500 for Bethany House, a homeless shelter for battered women and the homeless. During this November 2008 event, the men lived in cardboard boxes in Dede Plaza, spending a couple of very cold days and nights collecting monetary donations as well as canned food items. Pike won Homecoming Sweepstakes for the fourth consecutive year.

Psi intramural soccer team took first place in the spring and the intramural basketball team took first place in the fall. Theta Psi also took first place in the annual Chapman University Greek Life Turkey Bowl football tournament. The chapter uses an academic big brother program to increase scholarship among pledges, and the scholarship chair implemented chapter study hours. During Homecoming weekend, Theta Psi enjoyed a







wonderful day of brotherhood as the active chapter and pledges welcomed the alumni for the annual alumni barbeque. The chapter organized the second annual Pike Presents event for the children of the Orangewood Children's Home, a non-profit emergency shelter home for abused, abandoned and neglected children. The men raised over \$3,000, and on December 6, 2008, they hosted a Christmas party for the children where over 100 presents were distributed. Theta Psi is very involved on campus with members on varsity sports teams, Order of Omega, Alpha Kappa Psi, the Chapman Pre-Law Society as well as various other campus organizations. Several members also participate in a work-study program in the Chapman University Office of Admission serving as official campus tour guides. At the 2008 Chapman University Greek Life Awards ceremony, Pi Kappa Alpha brothers captured many leadership awards including President of the Year, Emerging Greek Leader, Greek Man of the Year, and the Theta Psi executive board was recognized as the Executive Board of the Year.

#### Theta Omega (California-Davis)

Active chapter size: 62; pledges: 14. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Iota Alpha (Wyoming)

Active chapter size: 32; pledges: 28. The chapter sent two men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Iota Beta (California State-Fresno)

Active chapter size: 63. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### lota Gamma (Nebraska-Kearney)

Active chapter size: 64. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC. Iota Gamma Chapter continues the tradition of athletic excellence as they are the reigning intramural champions for the sixteenth year. The house has a cumulative GPA of 2.98 and eighteen members are currently on the Dean's list.

## **The Competition Begins:**

# **Pike Awards** 2008-2009

The Pi Kappa Alpha Awards Committee will be sending out the 2008-2009 Year End Summary award application to all chapter presidents and secretaries on March 15th, 2009. Applications will determine the following awards and are due no later than June 15, 2009 to the Memorial Headquarters:

- **Robert Adger Smythe Award**
- Raymond L. Orians **Chapter Excellence Award**
- Harvey T. Newell Award
- **Chapter Programming Awards**
- **Recruitment Awards**
- **Real Estate Awards**
- **Pike University Awards**
- **Scholarship Awards**
- **Alumni Awards**

As the Fraternity continues to persevere towards excellence, begin to challenge, commit and empower your chapter to complete this year's application and become recognized for your achievements in the campus and community, on the field, and in the classroom.

Whether your chapter has already received a Raymond L. Orians Chapter Excellence Award or a Smythe Award, or if this is your first time completing the application, now is the time to start organizing and planning to help your chapter achieve excellence.

**Contact Director of Services** Eric Hren at 901-748-1868 ext. 106, pkaserv@pikes.org or your chapter consultant for questions and advice when preparing to complete this year's application.



The chapter sends out an alumni newsletter each semester, the latest one recognized the new alumni and highlighted the executive board members. Community service events which included Buddy Bowling, Top Soccer, a canned food drive in conjunction with their haunted house and participation in Honey Sunday have totaled over 2,500 hours for the chapter this year. Each member is involved in a campus organization with representation in over 50 different organizations, with the men holding leadership positions in many of these organizations. Some of the organizations include Student Court, SGA, IFC, Student Alumni Foundation, Sports Administration Club, AITP, Industrial Distribution Organization, numerous campus honors programs and Greek letter honors programs, Physical Education Club, Spanish Club, Health Science Program, Up 'Til Dawn, Relay For Life, Loper Legion, Chemistry Club and the Lock and Key Society.

#### Iota Delta (Rose Hulman)



Active chapter size: 121; pledges: 8. The chapter sent four men to the January 2009 CEC. The men are active in a number of sports teams and have captains on the ultimate Frisbee, lacrosse and rifle club teams. Several members are on the swimming, cheerleading, cross country, track and field and football teams. Iota Delta again earned a cumulative GPA higher than both the all-Greek average and the men's average this term, continuing a tradition of scholastic excellence in



place since the chapter's chartering. lota Delta Chapter and Theta Omicron (Indiana State) hosted a kickball tournament for Big Brothers Big Sisters. The Kick for Kids' Sake tournament raised almost \$400 for the children of Vigo County. In December, approximately 80 chapter members participated in the campus sponsored Bikes for Tykes event, helping to assemble the 450 bikes which were donated to area children for Christmas. The men are represented on campus on the IFC, SGA, two brothers serve as sophomore advisors and one brother is a resident advisor. In addition to these positions, past chapter president Whitney Zimmerman '06 was elected undergraduate vice president of the Pi Kappa Alpha Supreme Council.

#### Iota Theta (Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo)

Active chapter size: 100; pledges: 40. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009

#### Iota Iota (Michigan State)

Active chapter size: 92. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Iota Kappa (California-Santa Barbara) Active chapter size: 78; pledges: 8.

lota Lambda (Columbia)

Active chapter size: 36.

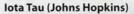
Iota Omicron (Santa Clara) Active chapter size: 77.

lota Pi (California-Los Angeles) Active chapter size: 68.

Iota Rho (Saint Joseph's)

Active chapter size: 34.

Iota Sigma (James Madison) Active chapter size: 55.





Active chapter size: 71. The chapter sent two men to the January 2009 CEC. The JHU Pikes participated in the Kite & Key Cookoff, a grilling competition hosted by Kappa Alpha Theta and Kappa Kappa Gamma to support the Maryland Food Bank in Baltimore.

#### lota Upsilon (Georgia Southern)

Active chapter size: 90. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Iota Chi (Connecticut)

Active chapter size: 43. The chapter sent two men to the January 2009 CEC. The chapter raised \$3,300 during the Pi Kappa Alpha Swim Against Cancer, with proceeds benefiting the Lance Armstrong Foundation. Working with a

campus sorority, the group took second place in the Homecoming float competition. On campus, the men are represented in GAMMA and Junior IFC, as well as on the IFC board. The chapter president and recruitment chair returned from the CEC with some valuable information which they will put to use in the chapter and during rush.



#### Iota Psi (Appalachian State)

Active chapter size: 87. The chapter sent four men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Iota Omega (Western Ontario)

Active chapter size: 46. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Kappa Alpha (Illinois State)

Active chapter size: 83. The chapter sent two men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Kappa Gamma (Florida International)

Active chapter size: 69; pledges: 1. The chapter sent two men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Kappa Delta (Northeastern)

Active chapter size: 75. The chapter sent two men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Kappa Epsilon (Rockhurst)

Active chapter size: 72. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Kappa Eta (New Mexico State)

Active chapter size: 79; pledges: 6. The chapter sent one man to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Kappa Theta (George Mason)



Active chapter size: 71; pledges: 9. The chapter sent four men to the January 2009 CEC. The chapter held a campus wide talent show to raise money for the young cousin of a chapter member who was diagnosed with leukemia. The event raised over \$4,000 for the family to use for medical expenses, and the chapter is still receiving donations via an online donation site they created. Over 30 alumni participated in the alumni vs. active football game which raised over \$400 for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. In another event, Kappa Theta's team won the dodge ball tournament sponsored by Stride Gum. As the spring semester began, the chapter had recorded over 1,000 community service hours, already surpassing last year's total hours.

#### Kappa Kappa (North Carolina-Charlotte)

Active chapter size: 64; pledges: 3. The chapter sent four men to the January 2009 CEC. Kappa Kappa Chapter currently leads the entire Greek community at UNC Charlotte by just under 2,000 points in overall scoring, and they anticipate increasing this lead with softball and basketball results. The men have implemented several new rush events designed to bring out a larger group of quality men. One such event was held at the Charlotte Bobcats vs. Phoenix Suns basketball game where the group participated in a free throw contest on the main floor of the Time Warner Cable Arena after the game. They also arranged to have a VIP area at

the arena which gave them an opportunity to socialize and conduct interviews with potential members. A new financial system using ChapterBoard has been implemented, providing an online banking system to help increase collection rates as well as up-to-date account information for each brother.



Kappa Zeta Pikes active in Louisville sports include Shawn Spalding, track and field; Tim Dougherty, football kicker; and Simon Childs, tennis.





#### Kappa Zeta (Louisville) Active chapter size: 80. The

chapter sent four men to the January 2009 CEC. Scholastically the chapter ranks in the top three on campus, and one brother had the highest GPA in the all-Greek category. Kappa Zeta also boasts a McConnell Scholar and a Harlan Scholar. Several chapter members are involved in student government leadership roles and two brothers serve on the university orientation staff. In 2008, the chapter was ranked in first place on campus for community service hours per member. They organized a successful campus wide kickball tournament benefitting the Big Brothers Big Sisters organization. They have also adopted a local grade school where they mentor the students, coach athletic teams, helped with painting in the school as well as providing items for families in need.



#### Kappa Lambda (Western Illinois)

Active chapter size: 51. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Kappa Mu (Wilfrid Laurier)



Active chapter size: 51. The chapter sent four men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Kappa Nu (Pacific)

Active chapter size: 62. The chapter sent four men to the January 2009 CEC. Kappa Nu brothers spent three days collecting money and raising awareness about the community's homelessness and hunger needs during their annual Hit of Reality fundraiser. The men slept in boxes, were only able to eat food that was given to them and went without grooming and bathing as they submerged themselves in the conditions of the homeless. The proceeds from this community service event benefited Second Harvest Food Bank in Manteca, a distribution center that provides food to thousands of people every year through its 220 member

organizations in San Joaquin and Stanislaus counties, including churches, local charities and nonprofit groups.

#### Kappa Omicron (Nevada-Las Vegas)

Active chapter size: 42. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Kappa Pi (South Dakota)

Active chapter size: 20; pledges: 9. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Kappa Sigma (Slippery Rock)

Active chapter size: 34. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Kappa Tau (Maine)

Active chapter size: 64. The chapter sent one man to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Kappa Upsilon (American)

Active chapter size: 38. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Kappa Phi (California-San Diego)

Active chapter size: 78.

#### Kappa Psi (California Polytechnic State-Pomona)

Active chapter size: 35; pledges: 4. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Kappa Omega (Wisconsin-Whitewater)

Active chapter size: 59; pledges: 2. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC. Kappa Omega was the first time recipient of the Homecoming Spirit Cup, and won the all-campus Homecoming competition for the fourth consecutive year. On December 6, 2008, Kappa Omega Chapter celebrated



#### Colony at North Carolina-Wilmington

Colony size: 37. The colony sent two men to the January 2009 CEC. Just after starting their first full semester as a colony, the men decided to set the tone for a great semester with a community service project. On January 12, 2009, the colony members supported The Children's Museum of Wilmington with spring-cleaning. The men helped with painting, organizing, building, hauling away trash and other activities that aided the museum.



#### **Ten Kappa Omega Presidents**

its ten year anniversary. The event featured a documentary with reflections from each president and pictures of brothers from 1998 to present. The celebration provided a great opportunity for the chapter to acknowledge its past accomplishments and it was a perfect opportunity for alumnus and active brothers to visit. Please contact Jason Wiedenhoeft '00 at jwiedenhoeft@gmail.com if you would like to purchase a copy of the DVD with the photos and outtakes of all interviews about the chapter's history. The cost is only \$5.00 which will cover the cost of the DVD and postage. The Kappa Omega brothers trained for and sent two teams to assist in the initiation of the new brothers at the University of Minnesota's Beta Chi Chapter. The men organized the campus-wide volleyball event, Pike Spike, raising over \$700 for the Hope for Hailey Foundation which helps in the fight against PLGA, the most common form of childhood brain tumors.

#### Lambda Alpha (California-Riverside)

Active chapter size: 24; pledges: 20.

#### Lambda Beta (Florida Atlantic)

Active chapter size: 55; pledges: 2. The chapter sent one man to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Lambda Gamma (Montclair State)

Active chapter size: 36.

#### Lambda Delta (Vermont)

Active chapter size: 67. The chapter sent one man to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Lambda Epsilon (Alberta)

Active chapter size: 30; pledges: 4.

#### Lambda Zeta (Drexel)

Active chapter size: 84; pledges: 28. The chapter sent four men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Lambda Eta (William Woods)

Active chapter size: 29. The chapter sent four men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Lambda Theta (Dayton)

Active chapter size: 69.



#### Lambda lota (Central Oklahoma)

Active chapter size: 106; pledges: 1. The chapter sent two men to the

January 2009 CEC. Ten University of Central Oklahoma students qualified to join the university's chapter of Order of Omega, a national honor society recognizing the top three percent of Greek students nationwide. Three of the ten students selected are members of the Lambda lota Chapter.

#### Lambda Kappa (College of Charleston)

Active chapter size: 92; pledges: 1. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Lambda Lambda (California-Irvine)

Active chapter size: 116; pledges: 10. The chapter sent four men to the January 2009 CEC.



#### Lambda Mu (Embry-Riddle)

Active chapter size: 62; pledges: 1. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Lambda Nu (Boston)

Active chapter size: 69; pledges: 2.

#### Lambda Xi (Florida Gulf Coast)

Active chapter size: 105. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Lambda Omicron (Rogers State)

Active chapter size: 30. The chapter sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Lambda Pi (Hofstra)

Active chapter size: 34. The chapter sent two men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### THE COLONIES:

#### Colony at Oregon State

Colony size: 21. The colony sent two men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Colony at California State-Long Beach

Colony size: 52.

#### Colony at Sam Houston State

Colony size: 88. The colony sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Colony at DePaul

Colony size: 53. The colony sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Colony at North Carolina-Greensboro

Colony size: 45. The colony sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Colony at Rhode Island

Colony size: 54. The colony sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Colony at of Arizona

Colony size: 124. The colony sent six men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### **Colony at Stetson**

Colony size: 43. The colony sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Colony at Virginia Commonwealth

Colony size: 50. The colony sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Colony at Trinity

Colony size: 49. The colony sent three men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Colony at McNeese State

Colony size: 29. The colony sent four men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Colony at North Carolina-Pembroke

Colony size: 41. The colony sent two men to the January 2009 CEC.

#### Colony at North Carolina-Wilmington

Colony size: 37.

# **Pike Athletics: Victory in Competition**

Winning on the playing field

Pi Kappa Alpha is proud to announce that 122 chapters were ranked in the top three on their campuses in overall athletics, and an astonishing 89 chapters ranked first overall this past year!

Competition is defined as the act of competing, the act of supremacy, and the rivalry offered by a competitor. It is further defined as a rivalry between two or more persons or groups for an object desired in common, usually resulting in a single victor.

For chapters of Pi Kappa Alpha, that defined common desire in athletics is simple: be the best, win championships, and achieve the number one intramural ranking on their campus. Every year, Pikes across North America display their athletic abilities on the field, competing against their fellow fraternity men, and working as a team with their fellow brothers to achieve victory against the competition.

If there ever was a debate if the winning attitude towards athletics still existed today, an attitude Pikes long-established for decades, it was put to rest this past year by our undergraduate chapters! The desire to be the best, the winning attitude, and the results on the field put to rest any question of where Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity undergraduates rank in their athletic programs.

It sounds simple enough as a goal each year for a chapter: win the overall intramural ranking. As many men of the fraternity can attest, it takes more to win then simply showing up on game day.

The Shield & Diamond staff spoke with several of these athletic chairmen of our most dominant chapters across North America. The athletic chairmen all had different answers, but a common message on how to achieve and maintain that winning attitude with chapter athletics.

Recruit Athletes: Fill the weaker positions on your teams through recruitment. If you know you need better basketball players, go to the recreational center and meet men on the pickup courts. Confront the brutal facts of your situation and develop a plan to recruit better athletes.

Organized Practices: The best way to prepare for your competition on the field is to have organized practices before the start of each sports season. Encourage men who

> may not always participate in athletics to come to the practices and support the chapter by participating as the scrimmage team.

> > **Appointed Position:**

Have someone who is organized, diligent, and committed to that winning, competitive attitude. This person may

not always be the most athletic member of the chapter.

Registration Deadlines: Make sure you know when all the intramural registration deadlines are on your campus. Many campuses also require attendance at a captains meeting and it can easily hurt your chances of winning if you don't have anyone show up.

**Every Sport Counts: Participating** in every sport that is worth points is going to better your chances of taking home the overall intramural title. When it comes time to register for sports, do not let competitions like racquetball, wiffleball, or table tennis go under the radar. It doesn't matter how big or popular the sport is, a championship is a championship!

If you'd like to see the 89 chapters that placed first, please visit the Shield & Diamond online at www.pikes.org.



# The Pi Kappa Alpha Educational Foundation

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# The Pi Kappa Alpha Educational Foundation **Welcomes New Giving Society Members**

The Pi Kappa Alpha Educational Foundation is pleased to honor our newest members of the 1868 Society (cumulative gifts of \$100,000 or more) and the Junior Founders Society (cumulative gifts of \$25,000 to \$49,999).

**1868 SOCIETY** 



JOHN W. HEIN (Southern California, Gamma Eta '50)



Brother Hein is retired and resides with his wife, Mary, in Huntington Beach, California. Before his retirement, he was director for the Metropolitan Water

District of Southern California. As an undergraduate, Hein was a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Kappa Phi, and Pi Sigma Alpha Honor Societies. After earning his B.A. degree in political science, Brother Hein served Pi Kappa Alpha as one of the first field secretaries. now known as chapter consultants. He is a member of the Educational Foundation's President's Council and was recognized as an Order of West Range inductee in 2002.

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JUNIOR FOUNDERS SOCIETY



**JERRY W. ASKEW** (North Carolina, Tau '73)



Brother Askew is vice president for external affairs for Mercy Health Partners in Knoxville, Tennessee. Previously, he served as associate vice chancellor for development and

alumni affairs and dean of students at the University of Tennessee. Askew currently serves Pi Kappa Alpha as a member of the Educational Foundation board of trustees. He has served Pi Kappa Alpha in many other roles through the years. He served two terms as a national vice president on the Supreme Council before his election as National President in 1992. Askew has served as an undergraduate Supreme Council vice president, a member of the Memorial Headquarters staff, a member of the Educational Advisory Committee, and as regional president. He is a member of the Educational Foundation's President's Council. Brother Askew and his wife. Robyn, reside in Knoxville, Tennessee.

JOSEPH J. CARUSO (Florida Tech, Zeta Sigma '70)



**Brother Caruso** is the founder and principal of Omnifirst Capital Corporation, a private investment firm specializing in commercial real estate and investments

specializing in the communications, healthcare and entertainment industries. He is also the co-founder and owner of the Trenton Thunder, the AA baseball affiliate of the New York Yankees,

and the Lakewood BlueClaws, the A affiliate of the Philadelphia Phillies. As an undergraduate, Caruso served Zeta Sigma as rush chairman and vice president. Brother Caruso is a member of the Pi Kappa Alpha Educational Foundation's board of trustees and President's Council. He was inducted into Pi Kappa Alpha's prestigious Order of West Range in 2006. He and his wife, Lisa, have three children and reside in Moorestown, New Jersey.

#### MARK A. ROBERTSON (Southern Methodist, Beta Zeta '82)



Brother Robertson is an attorney and partner with Fulbright & Jaworski, LLP, where he practices business litigation with an emphasis on antitrust and international

arbitration. After his graduation from SMU, he served Pi Kappa Alpha as a chapter consultant in 1985-1986 and then he earned his law degree from Columbia University. Brother Robertson currently serves Pi Kappa Alpha as a member of the Educational Foundation's board of trustees. Previously, he has served the Fraternity as a chapter advisor and as a regional president. Brother Robertson is a member of the Educational Foundation's President's Council and Oak Trust. He resides in New York City.

#### JOHN L. WALKER (Missouri, Alpha Nu '65)



Brother Walker is an attorney with the Law Office of Ruth O. Schulte, LLC. He is a retired judge and a past Rotary District Governor. Brother Walker serves on the

University of Missouri at Columbia's Law School Foundation and the

Missouri Ozarks Community Action Partnership, which administers the Head Start program and other federal grants in south central Missouri. As an undergraduate he served Alpha Nu Chapter as president and currently serves as house corporation secretary. Brother Walker is a member of the Pi Kappa Alpha Educational Foundation's President's Council and Oak Trust. He currently resides in Lake Ozark, Missouri.

#### **BRUCE A. WOLFSON** (Pennsylvania, Beta Pi '71)



Brother Wolfson serves as general counsel to The Rohatyn Group in New York City. Wolfson received a B.A. in economics and a J.D. from the University of Pennsylvania. He

currently serves on the board of trustees of the Pi Kappa Alpha Educational Foundation. Prior to his appointment to the Foundation Board, Brother Wolfson served three terms as an International Vice President on the Supreme Council. During his law school years he served as assistant dean for fraternity affairs, as an advisor to Beta Pi, Jota Lambda (Columbia) and Gamma Rho (Northwestern). Since then he has served as chapter advisor and was the founding president of the Chicago Area Alumni Association. Brother Wolfson is a member of the Educational Foundation's President's Council. He and his wife, Ellen, reside in Scarsdale, New York, with their children, Sarah and Tamara.



# Welcome New PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL Members

The Pi Kappa Alpha Educational Foundation would like to welcome the following loyal supporters to the President's Council. These gentlemen joined the council between the dates of October 16, 2008 and January 15, 2009.

Samuel P. Black II (Penn. State, Beta Alpha) Francis Hall Chaney II (Virginia Tech, Epsilon) Charles R. Clark (Maryland, Delta Psi) Michael R. Corn (Tennessee, Zeta) Jeff Costellia (Missouri S&T, Alpha Kappa) Mark Warden Davis (Delta State, Zeta Beta) Bobby H. Dulin Jr. (Georgia State, Epsilon Nu) Michael Fladmark (Florida Tech, Zeta Sigma) Robert W. Foreman (East Carolina, Epsilon Mu) Bill Gentry (East Tenn. State, Epsilon Zeta) Kevin M. Griffith (Indiana, Delta Xi) Frank W. Guilford Jr. (Miami, Gamma Omega) Ralph L. Hawes (Wayne State, Delta Nu) Joseph C. Hess III (Pennsylvania, Beta Pi) Chad Hornik (Florida Tech, Kappa Gamma) Ronnie A. Howell (Arkansas State, Delta Theta) James R. Hughes (Florida Tech, Zeta Sigma) Alexander Hughes (New Mexico, Beta Delta) Christopher J. Inglot (Purdue, Beta Phi) James Paul Jones (Miami, Gamma Omega)

James R. Kanary II (Michigan, Beta Tau) Korey P. Kimball (Lamar, Epsilon Kappa) Dan Koniecko (Bradley, Delta Sigma) Jeffrey P. Labrecque (Virginia Tech, Epsilon) Anthony S. Lask (Kansas State, Alpha Omega) Uriel M. Lovelace (South Carolina, Xi) John B. McLellan (Florida Tech, Zeta Sigma) Matthew Moorman (Cincinnati, Alpha Xi) Keith R. Poole (Florida Tech, Zeta Sigma) Alan R. Ross (Washington, Beta Beta) Jeffrey D. Rubens (Miami, Gamma Omega) Eric P Salzman (Florida Atlantic, Lambda Beta) Richard M. Schorr (Pennsylvania, Beta Pi) Howard Sherwood (Kansas State, Alpha Omega) E. B. Vandiver III (Missouri, Alpha Nu) Steven Scott Vincent (Missouri, Alpha Nu) R. Earl Welbaum (Miami, Gamma Omega) John G. Wingfield (Kansas State, Alpha Omega) Joseph R. Zinser (Florida Tech, Zeta Sigma)

Brothers and friends can join the President's Council with an annual gift of at least \$1,000. Quarterly and monthly gifting options are also available and welcome. Please call the Pi Kappa Alpha Educational Foundation for more information.

# **Scholarships Available for Undergraduates**

#### The Robert D. Lynn **Memorial Scholarship**

Named in memory of former Executive Director and Shield & Diamond Editor Robert D. Lynn (Presbyterian College, Mu '31), this scholarship is awarded each year to an undergraduate member of Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity who demonstrates outstanding interfraternal leadership on his campus. All officers of interfraternity council organizations should apply for this scholarship.

Download an application for the Robert D. Lynn Memorial Scholarship at: http://www.pikes.org/media/documents/ Robert\_D\_Lynn\_Application.pdf.

The deadline for this scholarship application is April 30th of each year.

#### The Jack Lux Memorial Scholarship

Named in memory of former International Auditor John "Jack" Lux (Rhodes College, Theta '53), this scholarship is awarded each year to an undergraduate member of Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity who is a declared accounting major and has completed his junior year. Special consideration will be given to past and present chapter treasurers.

Download an application for the Jack Lux Memorial Scholarship at: http://www.pikes.org/media/documents/ Jack\_Lux\_Application.pdf.

The deadline for this scholarship application is April 30th of each year.

#### **Robertson Most Outstanding Undergraduate Award**

The Robertson Most Outstanding Undergraduate Award recognizes Pi Kappa Alpha's outstanding graduating senior each year. This award is named in honor and memory of Brother Jenkins M. Robertson (Clemson, Eta Alpha '71). Award decisions are made by a committee of volunteer alumni. One graduating senior of the Fraternity is selected as the recipient of the Robertson Most Outstanding Undergraduate Award each year. He receives a scholarship and a plaque. Up to five runners-up may be selected to receive scholarships and certificates.

Download an application for the Robertson Award at http://www.pikes. org/media/documents/robertson\_award\_ application.pdf

The deadline for graduating seniors to apply for the Robertson Award is May 15, 2009.

For more information about any of these awards, please contact Judy Bruno at (901) 748-1948 ext 102 or pkaef@pikes.org.



#### **ALPHA THETA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION West Virginia University**

The 10th annual Alpha Theta Alumni Association reunion was held in Morgantown in August 2008, with 25 members and their families traveling over 26,000 miles from fourteen states to attend. Traditionally held the second full weekend in August, the 2008 reunion featured a golf outing at Nemocolin Woodlands, the Rally at the Rock cookout at Cooper's Rock State Forest, a chapter house tour, business luncheon meeting and a Saturday evening dinner at Waterfront Place Hotel. Many also gathered for breakfast on Sunday before departing. There is already a lot of excitement about the 2009 reunion which will be held August 7-9. While the Saturday business meeting is in session, the spouses will enjoy a tour of Frank Lloyd Wright's Fallingwater and Kentucky Knob. As plans are finalized, more information will be available on the association website at www.wvupikes.com. Please update your contact information in the brother search section of the website so you will continue to receive news and event updates from the alumni association.

#### **OMEGA CHAPTER ALUMNI ASSOCIATION University of Kentucky**

The Omega Chapter will be hosting the 14th annual Bryan S. Clark golf scramble on May 16, 2009. The event honors the life and commitment of brother Bryan S. Clark '91, who passed away in 1996. The golf scramble has been quite successful over the past few years, and the alumni association encourages all brothers to participate. For more information about this event, or for further information about the alumni association, contact president Will Gaunt '01 at willgaunt@gmail.com. You may also email Will with your current contact information so you can stay informed of alumni news and activities.

#### **ALPHA GAMMA ALUMNI ASSOCIATON Louisiana State University**

The Alpha Gamma Alumni Association hosted the first annual Homecoming alumni and pledge breakfast with over fifty brothers in attendance in downtown Baton Rouge. The alumni association and the active chapter will host the second annual spring football crawfish boil and tailgate during the weekend of the LSU spring football game. Alumni Family Fun Day will be held the weekend of June 13, 2009, giving the alumni an opportunity to bring their families together for an afternoon and to rekindle old ties between brothers. If you are not receiving email updates from the alumni association, or if you would

like more information on the upcoming events, contact Scott Hammatt '98 at Scott. Hammatt@ge.com.

#### **ALPHA ETA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION University of Florida**

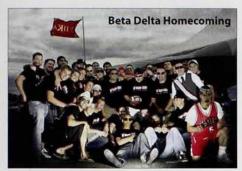
Over 50 Alpha Eta alumni participated in various tailgate parties before the BCS national championship football game at Dolphin Stadium. The largest group was put together by Paul Anderson '79, Robert Kretzschmar '77 and Chris Russell '79 with an RV as base camp, which started at noon and continued until well after the Gators big victory over Oklahoma. Orlando area alumni will be having another luncheon in March and plan to make this a quarterly gathering. If you are interested, please contact Claude Wolfe '53 at claudeinorlando@att. net. The eighth annual UF Pike alumni golf tournament will be held this summer at the Omni Orlando Resort at ChampionsGate, beginning with a Friday night event, with activities for the spouses and children provided on Saturday. If you are interested in the tournament, please send your contact information to Chris Peterson '91 at peterson712@yahoo.com. Plans are being made for the annual late 70s and early 80s reunion to take place during the weekend of the Florida vs Tennessee home game on September 18-20, 2009. To receive information about this event, send your contact information to Chris Russell at wcrussell@alcatel-lucent.com.

#### **BETA GAMMA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION University of Kansas**

Mark your calendars now for the 12th annual Beta Gamma Alumni Association golf tournament on October 23, 2009 at Falcon Lakes Golf Club in Kansas City. The tournament will be held in conjunction with additional activities over the weekend of the KU vs. Oklahoma football game. You may contact alumni association president Rod Eisenhauer '89 at rod.eisenhauer@pcg. com for more information on the October weekend plans.

#### BETA DELTA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION University of New Mexico

Upcoming association events include International Work Day on April 12, 2009, and a Founders Day weekend celebration. The alumni want to thank brother Turner Branch '57 and his wife, Margaret, for their continued support of Beta Delta Chapter. This past fall they made a donation to take care of some cosmetic repairs to the



Branch Room in the chapter house which included new window drapes, furniture, a fire place mantle, new door and new rugs. The Branch's are also donating a bronze plaque to commemorate 100 years of the chapter room at the Estufa, which is the oldest building standing on UNM's campus. The alumni association wants to expand their membership in 2009 by reaching out to all Beta Delta alumni. All are invited to the monthly association meetings which are followed by a social event. Meeting and event information can be found on the association website, www.betadelta-pikes. com or by contacting association president Rich Baca '98 at rdb1868@yahoo.com or 505-615-7424, or association secretary Ronnie Garcia '05 at rondawg@unm.edu or 505-319-6002.

#### BETA KAPPA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION **Emory University**

In January 2009, the Beta Kappa Alumni Association hosted a reception for local alumni interested in assisting with Beta Kappa's return to the Emory campus. Consultants from the headquarters office spent about five weeks on campus from January 25-March 1, 2009, establishing the new colony. Local alumni interested in assisting with the Alumni Advisory Board or any recruitment efforts should contact Larry Stoumen '82 at Istoumen@bellsouth. net. The advisory board will assist the colony members in the areas of finance, recruitment, risk awareness, housing and scholarship. All BK alumni, regardless of their location, interested in staying informed of the expansion project at Emory should contact bkpika-subscribe@yahoogroups.com.

#### BETA OMICRON ALUMNI ASSOCIATION University of Oklahoma

The Beta Omicron Alumni Association continues in their efforts to secure contact information for all alumni. Please take a moment to update your contact information with Hub Caldwell '79 at hub@sbcglobal. net or by mail at 2604 Woodruff Road, Edmond, OK 73013, or call him at 405-348-4478. All alumni are encouraged to meet at the chapter house on March 28 for the 2009 International Work Day and cookout. Remember to submit the names of quality high school seniors to the alumni



#### **ALPHA KAPPA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION** Missouri Science and Technology

The seventh annual Grains and Grapes BBQ was held on September 13, 2008, at the Edwardsville, Illinois home of Joan and Al Wentz '54. Everyone enjoyed smoked pork

and chicken, a variety of side dishes and a beautiful commemorative cake. The association also enjoyed a social event at Hodak's restaurant in January 2009. Those who braved the cold weather enjoyed stories, memories and the best fried chicken in the St. Louis area. As part of the continuing education program with the active chapter, Al Wentz '54 made a presentation on Wine Tasting in November 2008. The discussion included popular



wine regions of the world and an overview of the wine industry. In another presentation on career paths, the focus was on the need to define career aspirations with technical or management options. Employer selection, the need for additional education to enhance career potential, and staying flexible for changing interests, goals and personal situations were discussed.

association so they can pass them along to the chapter's rush chairman. The chapter had great success last summer with the rush recommendations provided from the alumni association.

#### **BETA PI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION** University of Pennsylvania

The Beta Pi Alumni Association will be joining their undergraduate brothers to celebrate Founders Day on March 28, 2009. The alumni association will recognize all brothers celebrating five year anniversary dates, so if you were initiated in any year ending with a 4 or a 9, make a special effort to attend the Founders Day celebration. The Beta Pi Alumni Association maintains a large PiKA yahoo group at http://groups. yahoo.com/group/BetaPiAlumni with over 250 alumni spanning seven decades included. You may also visit the website at www.pika-upenn.org to update your

contact information, search the database, view event photos and catch up with news. For information on upcoming events and association news you may also contact Joel Catania '71 at jlclii@aol.com.

#### BETA PHI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION **Purdue University**

The sixth annual Pike reunion was held at Purdue in October 2008. On the first evening together, the group attended a reception and dinner at the new Dick and Sandy Dauch Alumni Center, which proved to be a great place to kick off the reunion as they were surrounded by Purdue memorabilia that rekindled the spirit and memories of days gone by. Kirk Cerny '89, current executive director and chief executive officer of the Purdue Alumni Association, served as the gracious host for the evening. Cerny is also the most recent addition to the Beta



#### ZETA BETA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION **Delta State University**

In October 2008, the Zeta Beta Alumni Association hosted the chapter's 45th anniversary celebration in Cleveland, Mississippi. The celebration began with a social gathering at Grover's Corner where the alumni and their spouses were entertained by the band Neked and the Nudies, composed of alumni of the 60s and early 70s. The band was celebrating their 35th anniversary, making the evening even more memorable. The following morning, alumni visited the recently refurbished Pike chapter room. Renovations were made possible thanks to a \$20,000 fundraising drive. The brothers enjoyed looking over the old photo albums and composites, and telling stories about their college days. Ruff Turner '63 Zeta Beta's first president, made a surprise visit to congratulate past and present brothers on 45 years of success. That afternoon, the alumni were given an opportunity to take a campus tour or play in an alumni golf tournament. Later, actives and alumni met at the university's chapel for the two special initiations of Rhett Nelson and Charles Fioranelli. At the evening banquet, international president Pat Talley, Jr. (Armstrong Atlantic, Eta Mu '74) served as the keynote speaker, and the new Patrick "Frenchie" Rapicault Memorial Scholarship was unveiled. Rapicault was a 1990 initiate who died in November 2004 while serving his country. The Zeta Beta Alumni Association held a meeting during the reunion weekend and looks forward to the 2010 Homecoming.

Phi Foundation Board which oversees the alumni association. The following afternoon the chapter hosted a pre-game hog roast. Each table was decorated with a beautiful flower arrangement, and guests of the alumni were presented with corsages by the pledges, who were sharply dressed in nice pants, white shirts and garnet and gold ties (see photo on page 32). The dining hall was filled with good food and conversation, and after the fine meal the group adjourned to the living room where Jim Thompson '56 led the brothers in a rousing group sing. The association then presented undergraduate members Aaron Smith '05 and Evan Schmitt '06 each with an \$800 scholarship for their outstanding leadership and scholastic performances.

After the game, many gathered for a banquet at the Lafayette Country Club where the undergraduate members honored Rich Russell '56, president of the Beta Phi Foundation, as the first recipient of the

Distinguished Alumni Award. Also honored were the three returning members of the class of 1958, Rich Russell, Don Rain '55 and Dale Frost '55, who were celebrating their 50th anniversary. Everyone had a great time and they are already making plans to return to the Purdue campus for the next reunion.

#### **GAMMA BETA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION** University of Nebraska

The weekend of April 3-5, 2009, the Gamma Beta Chapter will be celebrating the 10th anniversary of their re-chartering at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Many activities will be held throughout the weekend to provide actives and alumni the opportunity to celebrate the accomplishments of the chapter. For detailed information on the anniversary celebration, contact Kevin Klein '99 at pkaklein@cox.net.



#### **GAMMA XI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Washington State University**

On December 13, 2008, WSU Cougar men's basketball team was at the Key Arena in Seattle for the Cougar Hardwood Classic, taking on the Bobcats from Montana State. As usual, the Gamma Xi Alumni Association was in attendance to cheer the Cougars to a 70-51 win. Upcoming events include the 22nd annual alumni association golf tournament, scheduled for July 11, 2009, at the Willows Run Golf Course in Redmond. For upcoming event information, visit www. wazzupikes.com or association president Dan Studer '92 at wazzupikes@comcast.net or 425-333-5230.

#### GAMMA PSI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Louisiana Polytechnic

The Gamma Psi Alumni Association will host an alumni banquet on May 8, 2009, at Cantina Laredo. The following day, May 9, 2009, they will host the 5th annual alumni golf tournament at The Golf Club at StoneBridge in Bossier City. Please contact Ryan Williams '98 at pikealumnirelations@ yahoo.com for further information on these

#### **DELTA OMICRON ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Drake University**

The Delta Omicron Alumni Association invites all alumni to the 100th annual Drake Relays to be held April 24-26, 2009. The university is sponsoring the Big Fat Greek Reunion celebration on April 25, 2009. For more information on these events, contact pikes@deltaomicronalumni.org.

#### **EPSILON CHI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Pittsburg State**

The Epsilon Chi Alumni Association celebrated Homecoming with the active chapter, enjoying the win over Nebraska-Omaha 35-28. All brothers welcomed Pat Roberts (Kansas State, Alpha Omega '55) -pictured below in white shirt - to the celebration. For more information regarding the Epsilon Chi Alumni Association, contact



association president Don Hardin '89 at dhardin@fabrikind.com.

#### ZETA THETA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION **Texas State-San Marcos**

The Zeta Theta Alumni Association welcomes the following brothers back from their deployments to Iraq: Bryce Cole '99 (U.S. Army), Jarod Mund '01 (Texas Army National Guard) and Brad Frailicks '02 (Texas Army National Guard). These brothers received several individual awards for their efforts and valor which include Purple Heart, Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal and the Army Achievement Medal. While serving with Operation Iraqi Freedom, they also received the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Over Seas Service Ribbon, and Armed Forces Reserve Component Medal.

#### ZETA CHI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION **Missouri State University**

The Zeta Chi Alumni Association continues to see membership grow. Annual membership dues can be paid with the Paypal link at www.zetachipikes. com. Many brothers are hopeful that a Zeta Chi presence will be reestablished at Missouri State University in the future. In particular, Bob Mays' '74 enthusiasm to one day see the chapter back on campus has led the association to establish the Bob Mays Leadership and Brotherhood Fund for Zeta Chi. Alumni can make gifts through the Pi Kappa Alpha Educational Foundation and designate them to the Bob Mays Leadership and Brotherhood Fund for Zeta Chi. The money will be placed in an unendowed account which will allow the alumni association to determine how to use the money. Please take a moment to visit the Zeta Chi website to read more about this fund and to read Bob's post from December 2008. You can also catch up on association news or join the association through the links provided on the website.

#### **ETA OMICRON ALUMNI ASSOCIATION University of Louisiana-Monroe**

The Eta Omicron Alumni Association, along with the Eta Omicron Chapter, is looking forward to two big events this spring. International Work Day will be held on April 11, 2009, and on the weekend of April 24-25, 2009, the chapter will celebrate their 37th anniversary. The class of 1984 will receive their silver certificates, the class of 1994 will celebrate their 15th anniversary, and the founding fathers will celebrate their 37th anniversary. The annual donation request drive is underway with a goal this year of \$20,000 in support of the chapter. For more information on these activities or other association events, contact Tommy



#### **ETA OMEGA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION** University of North Carolina-Pembroke

Over 80 Eta Omega alumni, family members and friends met on the North Carolina-Pembroke campus during the October 2008 Homecoming for the second annual reuniontailgate party. Those in attendance included University Chancellor Dr. Allen Meadors (University of Central Arkansas, Epsilon Phi '66), staff members from the Memorial Headquarters, and potential new members as the chapter is establishing a colony at UNC-Pembroke after a 22 year absence. The alumni association's next meeting will be held April 23-26, 2009, in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. For information on news and events, contact association president Howard Hughes '78 at bigdaddy@sc.rr.com.

Walpole '80 at hopike@bellsouth.net or 318-343-7789.

#### **ETA SIGMA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION University of West Georgia**

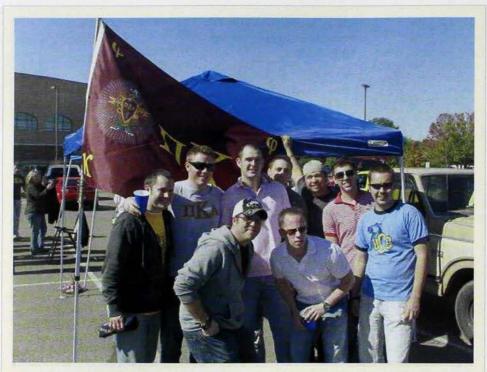


The 3rd annual Cavalier/Pike reunion was held at the Marietta Conference Center & Resort in July 2008. The event was attended by over 100 original Cavaliers and Eta Sigma Pikes, including founding members of Eta Sigma who attended West Georgia in the late 60's through the late 70's. There was also a good representation from the younger generations, as well as members of the current undergraduate executive council. This reunion brought together

brothers who have not seen each other, some since graduation, as well as many Cavalier Sweethearts and Pike Dreamgirls. Jake Adams '08, Harry Lyons '08 and Ron Puckett '08 were finally initiated into the bonds of Pi Kappa Alpha on August 16, 2008, by the undergraduate chapter at Kennedy Chapel on UWG's campus. These men were founding members of the Cavaliers, the interest group that eventually became Eta Sigma Chapter, but they graduated before the chapter was chartered at West Georgia. Ron Puckett, who was the first president of the Cavaliers, was initiated posthumously.

The Eta Sigma Alumni Association hosted the first Eta Sigma Open fall golf





#### LAMBDA IOTA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION **University of Central Oklahoma**

The Lambda lota Alumni Association is entering its third year, and anticipates another successful year. The brothers have set up a future housing fund to help subsidize the purchase or construction of a new house for the Lambda lota Chapter. The active chapter hosted a Homecoming cookout for alumni and guests with over 100 people joining in the festivities for the day. For information on upcoming alumni events, or for information on joining the Lambda lota Alumni Association, contact president Aaron Trahan '03 at atbplayer@yahoo.com, or secretary Chris Hutchison '02 at lambdaiotaalumni@hotmail.com or 405-503-5048.

outing in September 2008, with 39 alumni participating. The day featured a 4-man scramble, with Jim Sermonet '92, Mat Gilley '93, Pat Gilley '88 and Brad Roebuck '86 posting an -11 to take the 1st place prize. After the scramble the brothers enjoyed dinner, drinks and fellowship on the club's veranda. All proceeds went to the chapter housing fund to offset the parlor fee cost of the new Pike house being built in UWG's Greek Village.

Visit http://etasigmaalumni.googlepages. com or contact association president Jay Sjoholm '96 at jaysjoholm@gmail.com for more Information on the Eta Sigma Alumni Association.

#### THETA GAMMA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION **Georgia College & State University**

The association will host Alumni Weekend 2009 the weekend of April 17th in Hilton Head, South Carolina, at the Hilton Oceanfront Resort. To reserve your room, call 843-842-8000 or visit the hotel website at http://www.hiltonoceanfrontresort.com/. For more information on alumni association events, contact president Terry Richardson at terryleerichardson3@yahoo.com.

#### THETA OMICRON ALUMNI ASSOCIATION **Indiana State University**

The Theta Omicron Alumni Association was chartered on October 26, 2008, and will serve as an alumni association targeted at, but not limited to, Pi Kappa Alpha alumni from Indiana State. The association's purpose is to reconnect alumni brothers, assist the undergraduate chapter, and provide professional and social networking for Pikes of all generations. The association will host events throughout the year to support communications between alumnus brothers who have lost touch with one another or those looking to relive the memories of days past. Financial and time commitments are minimal unless you desire more involvement. Justin Barlow '04 will serve as the association president, Jason Cary '02 as vice president, Michael Winters '03 as treasurer and Al Perone '78 as secretary.

Theta Omicron Chapter will celebrate its 30th anniversary the weekend of April 24-26, 2009, in Terre Haute. Make plans to attend this celebration and help lay the foundation for many more successful years to come. For information on upcoming

events, you may contact Justin Barlow at thetaomicronalumniassociation@gmail.com or 812-797-3333.

#### KAPPA TAU ALUMNI ASSOCIATION University of Maine

Kappa Tau Alumni Association has started holding regional meetings, with the December 2008 meeting being held at Orleans restaurant in Boston. Those in attendance ranged from Kappa Tau founding fathers to recent graduates. They discussed the role the alumni association should have, and made plans for the next event. In January 2009, the alumni from Portland and Bangor regions got together. For information on upcoming events, contact association president Mark Mercier '00 at markdmercier@gmail.com.

#### KAPPA OMEGA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION University of Wisconsin-Whitewater

In December 2008, the alumni association and the active chapter celebrated the 10 year anniversary of the Kappa Omega Chapter. The association would like to thank all of the alumni who were able to attend and make the evening special and memorable. Please make plans to join other alumni and active chapter brothers at the chapter house for International Work Day on April 18, 2009, followed by an alumni association meeting. For more information on upcoming events, contact association president Adam Wehling '00 at bigadam22@ yahoo.com.

#### LAMBDA ZETA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION **Drexel University**

The Lambda Zeta Alumni Association held their annual holiday party in December 2008, with approximately 25 alumni and guests in attendance. Drexel University's alumni weekend will be May 1-2, 2009, and there will be events held at the chapter house to coincide with the university's alumni weekend. The chapter house is located at 210 N. 34th Street on the Drexel's campus. For more information on upcoming events, contact alumni association president Caleb Tollen '03 at caleb.tollen@gmail.com.

#### SIGMA ALPHA DELTA-PIKA ALUMNI **ASSOCIATION Ferris State University**

The Sigma Alpha Delta-PIKA Alumni Association began their busy fall with the annual Homecoming meeting and festivities. The main focus of the meeting was to kick off the fundraising campaign to renovate the existing chapter house. The existing house has served the chapter well, but has become outdated and difficult to maintain. Over the past two years the group has discussed what it would take to bring a first class fraternity

house to the Ferris State campus, and after many discussions they have decided to move forward with the project. If you are interested in helping with this project, or would like more information on the plans, contact association president Mike Llewellyn '98 at mllewellyn@fclbuilders.com.

#### ATLANTA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Atlanta Alumni Association is open to all Pikes in the Atlanta area. All are encouraged to attend one of the bi-monthly meetings held the third Saturday of every odd month at the Capital City Club in Brookhaven. The group begins with a 9:00 a.m. breakfast which is followed by the meeting. The fall auction and the Founders Day celebration were both successful events. The association will host a golf tournament on May 30, 2009, at the Trophy Club of Atlanta. The \$65 fee includes range balls, 18 holes and a box lunch. For more information on association events, including the upcoming alumni reception, please visit www.atlantapikes.org or contact Jason Richmond (Central Florida, Eta Phi '91) at jason@richmondfp.us.

#### **DELAWARE AREA PIKA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

The 2009 edition of Delaware's Pikes on Spikes golf outing will be held on selected golf courses in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, between March 31 and April 5, 2009. All Pikes are encouraged to contact Sal Sedita '75 at Ssedita@psre.com or 302-239-3014 for additional details and reservations. For more information on this event, or to view photos from previous Pike golf outings, visit http:// pikesonspikes.com. The 28th annual Delta Eta PiKA canoe trip on the Potomac will be held on April 24, 2009, in Cumberland, Maryland. Reservations are still being accepted for this event, held annually since 1981. For details and reservations, contact Paul Enterline '80 at enterline@ce.net.

#### **GARNET & GOLD ALUMNI ASSOCIATION** Western Illinois University, Kappa Lambda Chapter

Mark your calendars for the WIU International Work Day on April 25, 2009. In 2008, Kappa Lambda won the Best Overall Work Day Award for the incredible double sand volleyball court construction. They also installed a custom 42" firepit, welded by John Haavig '97, set on a heavy retaining block. John even welded Pike letters and phi phi kappa alpha into the top. They also completed landscaping projects and a general clean-up. The upcoming work day promises to be as successful as last year. In addition to the projects and general cleanup, there will be another great potluck lunch and cookout. For more information on the



#### JACKSONVILLE AREA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Jacksonville Area Alumni Association welcomed brothers from multiple generations and chapters on November 14, 2008, at the home of John Layton (Florida, Alpha Eta '51) for an evening of camaraderie and reminiscing. The evening was a great success as many brothers were able to catch up with old friends and make new ones. The younger alumni enjoyed seeing the composites from the 50's and hearing stories from that time, while older brothers enjoyed hearing new stories that happened more recently in the Pike house where they spent their college years. As the group departed, they were all looking forward to the next gathering. Alpha Eta Chapter launched this alumni connection as the first in a series of quarterly events for social and business purposes, and to foster communication among Pike alumni. All Pikes in the Jacksonville area are invited to participate in the events of the new Jacksonville Area Alumni Association. Please contact Aaron Kaufman (Florida, Alpha Eta '05) at aaron.kaufman@yahoo.com or John Layton at jlayton1415@comcast.net for information on upcoming events.

2009 work day, contact Eric Wells '96 at erictwells@hotmail.com or 847-769-3215.

#### LAS VEGAS AREA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Las Vegas Area Alumni Association once again hosted their annual tailgate party in the fall of 2008. This year, the successful tailgate event was held in conjunction with the UNLV vs. UNR football game. The annual golf tournament was held in December 2008, with Kappa Omicron Chapter members and alumni from the Las Vegas area enjoying a great day of golf at the Revere Golf Club. The alumni association continues to gather on the first Friday of each month for a happy hour/social hour at different locations in the Las Vegas area. Notices of the monthly events are sent out on the email list serve. If you are not currently receiving phone calls or emails about the events, contact association secretary John O'Connor (Kappa Omicron '97) at pikako12@hotmail.com, and provide your contact information.

#### **NASHVILLE AREA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

The annual Nashville Area Alumni Association Christmas party was held in December 2008, at Brentwood Country Club.



The cocktail buffet was enjoyed by over 40 alumni and guests. Upcoming events include the biennial organizational meeting and the Founders Day celebration. All alumni are encouraged to keep their contact information current with the Memorial Headquarters by sending all updates to pka@pikes.org. For more information on the Nashville Area Alumni Association, contact president David Graham (Tennessee-Martin, Epsilon Sigma '69) at gruder@comcast.net or 615-297-3858.

#### NATIONAL CAPITAL AREA ALUMNI **ASSOCIATION**



The National Capital Area Alumni Association continues to grow each month, now 70 members strong in its short existence. In December 2008, the association hosted a successful holiday event which included ice skating and dinner. There are over 2,000 local alumni and several local undergraduate chapters in the area, and the alumni association encourages all Pike brothers to attend an alumni event. Please visit www.ncaapikes.com for information about membership in the association as well as upcoming events.

#### SAN ANGELO ALUMNI ASSSOCIATION

The San Angelo Alumni Association is hosting the Eta Epsilon 38th anniversary and Founders Day celebration on May 2, 2009, at Brentwood Country Club, beginning at

6:30 p.m. There will also be a golf outing on Friday, May 1, 2009, at 1:30. Please contact Rick McKinney '71 at Pikaram@suddenlink.net for reservations to these events.

#### **TEXAS TECH ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

The Texas Tech Alumni Association has started its design stage for the building plans of their new home, which they hope to begin construction on after the re-colonization efforts in the fall of 2010. Anyone interested in helping should contact David Johnson '79, who is serving as the building committee chairman, at david@ cypressproperties.com, or visit the website at www.techpikes.com. All Epsilon Gamma brothers are encouraged to attend the annual alumni conference which will be held in Austin, Texas, on April 25, 2009. Discussion for re-colonization, unveiling of plans for the new lodge, and capital campaign efforts will be the focus of the conference. Please visit the website for the most current alumni association information.

#### **TOLEDO ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

Alumni association scholarships for the 2008-2009 academic year were awarded to seventeen Epsilon Epsilon brothers, including twelve Epsilon Epsilon Foundation Scholarships, four Memorial Book Scholarships and the Ron Born Scholarship.

The awards totaled \$22,275. Mark your calendars for the 2009 golf outing which will be held on August 29th. For registration information contact Dan Diekman '02 at ddiekman@rclos.com or 419-262-2611.

#### WILMINGTON AREA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Brother Lee Crouch (Wofford, Nu '74) hosted the Wilmington Area Alumni Association's formation event and family social where stories were exchanged across numerous generations, proving that they are all brothers, each living their lives through phi phi kappa alpha. The association already has 40 alumni who have participated in the first Thursday of the month alumni socials. The alumni association is excited by the Pike colony formed at UNCW in the fall 2008, and supported the colony's first volunteer efforts at the Wilmington Children's Museum, with help from the museum's executive director, Dr. Rick Lawson (Old Dominion, Zeta lota '66). The alumni association is planning a fall 2009 golf tournament for alumni and colony members. Information on the tournament will be sent as the details are finalized. All Pikes living in the Wilmington, North Carolina area are encouraged to join this new alumni association. Contact Scott Hammatt (LSU, Alpha Gamma '98) at Scott. Hammatt@ge.com or 910-508-6773 for more information on membership and upcoming events.

# Pi Kappa Alpha Welcomes New Alumni Associations

Join your brothers across North America in an alumni association. It's the perfect way to continue the fun and brotherhood you enjoyed as an undergraduate. Alumni associations may be formed for individual chapters, or for geographical areas. Either way, there's an alumni association near you! Check our website at www.pikes.org to find an alumni associtation.

The following associations have recently formed:

Theta Omicron Alumni Association **Contact: Justin Barlow** thetaomicronalumniassociation@gmail.com

**Wilmington Area Alumni Association Contact: Scott Hammatt** Scott.Hammatt@ge.com

Kappa Sigma Alumni Association **Contact: Christian Tronzo** ChristianTronzo@aol.com

For questions about starting an alumni association for your chapter or area, or for more information, contact:

> George C. Miller **Director of Development** 8347 West Range Cove Memphis, TN 38125 901-748-1948 gmiller@pikes.org

#### **APPALACHIAN STATE lota** Psi

Jeff Chandler '96 and his wife, Melanie, welcomed their third child, Reid Wallace, on March 13, 2008. Reid was welcomed home by his siblings, Sydney Elyse and Jeffrey Ethan. The family has relocated from Richmond, Virginia, to Winston-Salem, North Carolina, where Chandler is a physical therapist with Breakthrough Physical Therapy. He may be reached at jeff. chandler@ymail.com.

William Dedmon '02 and Mary Leigh-Ervin Stewart were married on October 11, 2008, in Asheville, North Carolina. Dedmon is a 2005 graduate of Appalachian State where he double majored in marketing and business management, and was also a member of the ASU football team. He is employed by LPL Financial Services.

#### ARKANSAS Alpha Zeta

James Arnold '64 is a captain, L-1011 TriStar and captain, Boeing 767-400 with Delta Air Lines in Atlanta. He may be reached at CaptJim2@ bellsouth.net.

Wesley Baden '83 resides in Stuttgart, Arkansas where he is the national sales manager with Alcan. He may be reached at wes.baden@alcan.

James Capps '60 is a retired Air Force flight surgeon. He lives in Conway, Arkansas, and may be reached at jcapps@aol.com.

Joe Culp '52 is retired from Rockwell International where he served as president, telecommunications group.

Andrew Doss '04 is an officer in the United States Army where he has received the Army Commendation Medal, Reserve Components Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal and the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal. He may be reached at Andrew.lee.doss@us.army.mil.

Pine Drewyor '93 is an attorney with Drewyor Law Firm, PLLC in Bentonville. He and his wife, Jill, have a daughter, Margot, and he may be reached at pine@drewyorlaw.com.

Kenneth Hirshey '78 serves as the CEO of Cyntergy AEC, and may be reached at khirshey@ cyntergyllc.com.

Gary Karnes '68 is the senior vice president, executive broker with Lindsey & Associates, Inc., serving the real estate needs of those in the Northwest Arkansas area. He may be reached at gkarnes@lindsey.com.

Kevin Moran '92 and his wife, Julie, announce the birth of their third child, Madeline Shea, on August 12, 2008. Welcoming Madeline home

were her sisters, Adrienne Brooke and Kaelyn Grace. The family continues to live in Red Bank, New Jersey, where Moran was recently promoted to director, IT, leading L'Oreal USA's enterprise business intelligence team in three simultaneous implementation projects to close out 2008. He may be reached at kdmoran72@ verizon.net.

Ernest Oakleaf '68 founded Opinion Research Associates, Inc., a full service marketing research company, in 1983. The company has conducted opinion studies for a wide variety of private commercial, governmental and political clients, as well as a variety of publicly released surveys.

#### ARKANSAS-LITTLE ROCK Zeta Eta

Brad Chambers '94 and his wife, Alison, welcomed their third child, Emerson Kimberly, on October 9, 2008. Chambers opened a new clinic, Capital Healthcare, in November 2008.

Tony Harvey '00 and his wife, Amanda, announce the birth of their daughter, Kendra Leighann, on December 20, 2008

Jim Koontz '68 resides in Tulsa, Oklahoma, where he was recently elected as senior warden of St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church and Preschool. The senior warden is the primary elected lay leader of the congregation, and serves as a principal liaison between the parish and the rector.

Russell McGill '81 and his wife, Patti, have moved to a new home in Rogers, Arkansas.

Joshua Noesser '04 began a new job with Hewlett Packard in December 2008. He will be based out of Conway once the new facility is completed in late 2009. He may be reached at joshuacell@hotmail.com.

Brian Odle '95 appreciated the overwhelming response to his daughter's illness last summer. Many brothers called and emailed him during that time, and provided him with much support during a difficult time. The bone marrow transplant was successful, and at this time things are going much better. His wife and daughter were able to return home from San Antonio in October.

Phillip Pengelly '85 graduated with a degree in therapeutic recreation and received his national certification as a certified therapeutic recreation specialist in October 2008. He has started an after school program for kids with and without disabilities at United Cerebral Palsy in Little Rock.

Keith Petersen '76 is celebrating the 15 year anniversary of his business, Creative Lines. Creative Lines is dedicated to creating unique, individualized products useful as gifts, awards, promotions, keepsakes or commemoratives for both business and personal needs. He has

recently had several unique projects including a corn maze created for a group in Stanton, Pennsylvania, as well as creating a custom plaque for the celebrities that participated in the race at the Long Beach Grand Prix. All alumni will receive a 15% discount on all custom caricatures. He may be reached at kpetersen@ clcreativelines.com.

Cal Slayton '88 and his wife, Heather, announce the birth of their first child, Jack, on August 29, 2008. The family resides in Allen, Texas, and may be reached at www.calslayton.com.

Herbert Wright '83 was sworn in on January 2, 2009, as circuit judge of the Sixth Judicial Circuit, covering Pulaski and Perry counties.

#### **ARIZONA STATE Delta Tau**

Phillip Hineman '60 has retired after 24 years with the Corps of Engineers and 20 years working as a health care facility manager. He lives in Tampa, Florida, and would love to hear from Delta Tau brothers from his era. He may be reached at phineman\_710@att.net.

#### **CALIFORNIA STATE POLYTECHNIC-POMONA** Kappa Psi

Jason Herrera '99 graduated from Capella University with a master's of human services with a social and community services emphasis. He resides in Azusa, California, where he is a social worker with Trinity Youth Services, and may be reached at pikepsych78@aol.com.

#### **CENTRAL FLORIDA** Eta Phi

Jason Richmond '91 and his wife, Lisa, have moved back east to Atlanta after spending five years in Phoenix. He works in management at Lockheed Martin and may be reached at jason@ richmondfp.us.

#### **CENTRAL OKLAHOMA** Lambda lota



Dustin McClure '02 recently broke the World Record for the fastest 5K run with a 40 lb. backpack with a time of 20 minutes 6 seconds. He may be reached at dustin.d.mcclure@gmail. com.

#### CHAPMAN Theta Psi

Matthew Greco '03 serves as the director of marketing for The Alamitos Group in Orange County, California. He may be reached at mgreco@ae-jl.com.



Jason Hernandez '95 was the winner in The Food Network's Ultimate Recipe Showdown, aired on television on January 25, 2009. Hernandez and three other competitors were chosen over 10,000 entrants to cook and present two

dishes to the judges. His "Spicy Low-Country Shrimp and Grits" took first place, earning him an award of \$25,000 and the honor of having his recipe placed on the nationwide menu of TGI Friday's restaurants. Hernandez is a senior marketing specialist with FedEx. He and his wife, Nicole, reside in Memphis, Tennessee.

#### **CLEMSON Eta Alpha**



Marty Winsch '89 is president and CEO of Mountain Entertainment, Inc. where he provides personal artist management for aspiring or established musicians. One of his current clients is Corey Smith, and they are experiencing great success with his shows.

#### **COLORADO STATE Epsilon Theta**



Mark Payette '92 and his wife, Dea, welcomed their first child, Henri Robert, on June 15, 2008. Payette is both a CPA and police officer working in Los Angeles. In August 2008, Payette and ten other officers were decorated by the LAPD with the Meritorious Unit Citation for creating a task force that reduced crime in the Hollywood area by 35%. He also participated in a door-to-door evacuation of over 200 residents from their homes during the height of the Sesnon wildfires in the Aliso Canyon and Porter Ranch area. He currently patrols LAPD's Southeast Division covering the areas of Watts and Jordan Downs. Payette donates 100% of his police salary back to the city of Los Angeles. He may be contacted at mrpayette@yahoo.com.



## **Strategic Insights & Creative Imagination:** Robert L. Ward (Florida State, Delta Lambda '67)

Robert Ward's thirty-eight year career has centered on the leisure time, resort destination and entertainment industries worldwide. During his twenty plus years with Universal Studios Parks & Resorts he was a cofounder and key executive of Universal's creative think tank development team that has conceptualized, designed and implemented Universal's global entertainment projects.

Ward is acknowledged as being an instrumental leader in the creative repositioning of the Universal Studios Tour from it's beginnings in Hollywood as a straight forward "industrial tour" into one of the recognized leaders of destination entertainment, theme parks and resorts world-wide. He led the conceptualization and master planning development of Universal Orlando Resort,

Universal's \$3.5 billion premiere entertainment resort destination in Orlando, Florida and then Universal's product expansion into Japan, Asia and Europe.

In 2005, Ward established his consulting practice where his diverse global development experiences, strategic business insights and creative imagination combine to create a unique brand of world-class "signature placemaking" for clients in the areas of large, mixed-use, leisure and resort destination developments, and urban town planning. Partnered with Philippe Cousteau Jr. and Andrew Snowhite, co-founders of environmental consulting firm Azure Worldwide, he is also exploring new placemaking applications that empower individuals, communities and businesses to improve the health and sustainability of their environment and community while adding value to partners and consumers.

Ward is presently active in greater Asia, Korea, Dubai, Europe, the Caribbean and the USA.

#### **DELTA STATE** Zeta Beta

Lee Gladden '96 and his wife, Whitney, announce the birth of their son, Tucker David,on December 5, 2008. Grandfather, David Lee Gladden, Sr. '04, is thrilled to have Tucker close by. The family lives in Madison, Mississippi, where Gladden is a partner in the law firm of Scott, Sullivan, Streetman & Fox, P.C. He may be reached at Igladden@sssf-ms.com.

#### **EAST CENTRAL Epsilon Omega**

Randy Sheppard '94 lives in Norman, Oklahoma, where he is employed by the State of Oklahoma as a probation officer. He has two sons, Gavin and Adyn, and may be reached at randy.sheppard@aja.ok.gov.

#### **EMBRY-RIDDLE** Lambda Mu



Mark Tappendorf '04 and Amanda Orr were married on November 28, 2008, in Key Largo, Florida. The couple was joined by seventeen Lambda Mu brothers at the wedding.

#### **FLORIDA** Alpha Eta

John Bristol '81 has practiced law since 1988, and lives in his hometown of Plantation, Florida. He and his wife have two children.

Ernie Cox '81 and his company, Family Lands Remembered, LLC recently completed the first phase of a creative conservation deal in Polk County, assisting Hatchineha Ranch, LLC with the donation of 1,130 acres and the sale of a partial interest of 4,004 acres to The Nature Conservancy. In the second phase, the parties will work together to establish wetland mitigation banks and upland conservation banks through ecological restoration of portions of the 5,134 acre ranch located on the western side of Lake Hatchineha. The acquisition and restoration will help to protect the headwaters of the Kissimmee River and connects key resources in the region. Joe Hernandez '83 was one of the lawyers for the lender in the Hatchineha Ranch LLC - TNC transaction. Hernandez is a partner with the Miami office of Hogan & Hartson in their real estate department.

Jim Enright '73 was recently selected as Sailor of the Year by the Upper Keys Sailing Club in Key Largo, Florida. This was in recognition of his sailing accomplishments and contributions to the betterment of the club. He races the boat

he lives aboard full time, the Island Packet 31' sloop "Siren". He also races the "Little Crow" a Flying Fish 14' catboat. Enright is also a member of the Runaround Crew, which is the house band at the sailing club. Professionally, he is a public school teacher and athletic director at the Plantation Key School in Islamorada.

Billy Fitzsimmons '81 has a large real estate appraisal firm in Broward County.

Brad Homan '91 is the chief of the department of surgery at Florida Hospital Celebration. He has also served as the director of sports medicine at Florida Hospital Celebration since 2005.

Ayal Lebow '91 resides in North Hollywood, California, where he is a technical sales consultant for Denville Scientific, a leading company in biomedical research equipment, consumables and reagents.

Heath Nailos '87 and his wife, Kristin, practice law together and have offices in Clermont and Leesburg. They have two children, Mackenzie and Heath, Jr. For proof that it is a small world, the Nailos' attend church with Alex Howell '87.

Kevin O'Connor '80 and his partners completed the buyout of their firm, NAI Realvest, from the firm's founding partner, in December 2008. NAI Realvest is the largest Central Florida based regional commercial brokerage and property management firm. The company has also developed over one million square feet of office and industrial projects through outside partnerships in a subsidiary company, Realvest Development. The company is based in Maitland with 50 professional and staff members.

Terry Parker '81 is a pilot with Delta Airlines and travels back and forth to Russia weekly.

Steve Tetreault '91 welcomed his son, Sterling Walker, on September 5, 2008. He may be reached at stevet@gatorzone.com.

Brian Vogt '88 works in downtown Jacksonville and lives in St. Augustine where he is the owner of ePIC Document Solutions, a document support business that handles electronic discovery, printing, imaging and copying for law firms and corporations. The company has locations in Washington, D.C., Jacksonville, West Palm Beach and Boca Raton. Vogt may be reached at 904-358-0222 or www.epicjax.com.

#### **FRANCIS MARION Theta Delta**

Matt Whitnack '91 is a service delivery executive with DST Health Solutions in Durham, North Carolina. He and his wife, Laurie, have two sons, Gabriel and Sammy.

#### GANNON **Epsilon Upsilon**

Jeff Robinson '78 is a senior engineer with NGSS Ingalls Shipbuilding in Pascagoula, Mississippi. He is proud to announce that his oldest son, Michael, was initiated into Pike's

#### Zeta Sigma Alumnus Brothers Help Those In Need

Several Dallas based alumnus members of Zeta Sigma Chapter (Florida Tech) convene regularly for reunions, social events or to undertake special projects to assist others. John McLellan '69, Michael Fladmark '70, Joe Zinser '70, Henry Heflich '71 and Joe Trogolo (all shown at right) recently participated in the Texas Ramp Project and built a wheelchair ramp to enhance the mobility of a home bound citizen.

Great work, Brothers!"



Gamma Theta Chapter at Mississippi State in November 2008.

#### **GEORGIA SOUTHERN** lota Upsilon

Ken Van Landingham '94 and his wife, Monica, welcomed their forth child, Zachary Daniel, on November 13, 2008. Zachary was welcomed home by his two brothers, Jacob and Max, and his sister, Samantha. Van Landingham is the finance manager with Advanced Communications USA in Tampa, Florida.

#### **GEORGETOWN** Alpha Lambda



Donn Chatham '68 was named as the president of the American Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery. He will lead the world's largest specialty association that represents over 2,700 facial plastic and reconstructive surgeons across the globe. Chatham practices facial plastic surgery with offices in Louisville, Kentucky and New Albany, Indiana. He is also an active participant in "Face to Face", the AAFPRS' non-profit organization which provides complimentary consultations, surgery, counseling and support to victims of domestic abuse who otherwise would not be able to afford reconstructive or facial plastic surgery treatment. Moreover, he is involved with the organization's international programs which have enabled him to offer his medical expertise and services to patients in other countries. Chatham has been practicing facial plastic surgery in New Albany since 1985. He has staff privileges at Floyd Memorial Hospital, is former chairman of the Floyd County Board of Health and Floyd County Medical Society. Dr. Chatham graduated from the University of Louisville Medical School in 1978. He is a member of the Kentucky Medical Association, Indiana Medical Association,

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#### It's All In The Cards For Central Florida Alumni's New Business Venture

A down economy didn't keep Eta Phi alumni Kaleb Harrell '00 and Wayne Yung '00 (also owners of their Orlando based creative firm, Commercial Ink) from finding opportunity in a time when many businesses are not. Certain luxuries such as personal trainers, fitness coaches and nutritionist might be first to go when budgeting for the New Year. That is where the entrepreneurs newest venture, Flex Dec can help fitness enthusiasts. Harrell and Yung founded Flex Dec in September 2008. The Flex Dec program provides a unique workout for each day of the



week, comparable to what a personal trainer would provide to you, but for a fraction of the cost.

Working with several trainers and a chiropractor, the team has designed specialized workouts to achieve results such as weight loss, gaining muscle, or even staying in shape while traveling with a no-weights required travel deck. Flex Dec workouts are printed onto sweat-resistant cards in deck format, with one card correlating for each day of the program. A lanyard is included which allows the consumer to bring his Flex Dec workouts with him anywhere he wishes to workout. Future product plans include sport-specific workouts as well as workouts designed for women. Flex Dec is available online at www.FlexDec.com

Flex Dec produces quality, convenient workout programs that produce results. Created by top trainers with unique workouts that never get old, Flex Dec products will help athletes of all levels reach their fitness goals. Kaleb Harrell may be contacted at kharrell@commercialinkonline.com.

Jefferson County Medical Society, American Medical Association, and currently a clinical instructor at the University of Louisville Medical College, Department of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery in Kentucky, as well as a senior advisor for the American Board of Facial Plastic Surgery, and serves as an examiner for their annual certification exam in Washington, D.C.

#### HOUSTON **Epsilon Eta**

Randy Nester '96 and Brandelyn Wallrath were married at the Little White Chapel in Las Vegas on August 16, 2008. The couple resides in Houston where he is in sales with Mini Cooper. He may be reached at RNester@hotmail.com.

#### ILLINOIS **Beta Eta**

Michael Hoadley '88 completed a TransAtlantic Sail on November 22-December 15, 2008.

#### INDIANA Delta Xi

Geoffrey Lambert '93 has joined the Lewis Wagner firm as an associate attorney, where he will represent business and insurance companies in commercial, products liability, insurance coverage and general civil litigation. His experience includes authoring several appeals and arguing for the Indiana Court of Appeals. Prior to joining Lewis Wagner, he was in private practice at an insurance defense firm concentrating his practice in insurance coverage litigation.

#### **IOWA STATE** Alpha Phi

Jason Clark '00 and his wife, Kristi, announce the birth of their son, Colin, on September 19, 2008. The family lives in Dubuque, Iowa.

Drew Manning '00 and his wife, Liz, announce the birth of their son, Oliver Buckley, on July 29, 2008. The Mannings live in Waterloo, Iowa.

Josh Robinson '04 lives in Forth Worth, Texas, and works for Union Pacific.

#### KANSAS **Beta Gamma**



Jon Kreyling '95 and Jaime Fulkerson were married on August 30, 2008. Pikes in the wedding party included four of his groomsmen as well as his brother, Jason Kreyling '94, who served as Best Man. The couple lives in Memphis where he is a

national account manager with Newell Rubbermaid. He may be reached at Jon.Kreyling@Irwin.com.

# KENTUCKY

Larry Gatti '93 recently moved his business to Keller Williams Realty and he may be reached at larrygatti@kw.com.

Chris Mackey '91 and his wife, Colleen, welcomed their third child, Riley Grace, on March 25, 2008. The family resides in Louisville, Kentucky, and also includes their two sons, John and Patrick. Mackey is an agency manager with Kentucky Farm Bureau and may be reached at chris\_mackey@kyfbins.com.

#### KETTERING Zeta Alpha



Edward Lesnau '02 and Kaelah Gould were married on December 27, 2008, in Plymouth, Michigan. Pikes in the wedding party included Best Man Dave Spurgess '02, groomsman Derek Niedzwiecki '02, and ushers John McNamara '03, Scott Barel '04 and Jon Dunham '04. Among the guests celebrating with the happy couple were over 20 Zeta Alpha-A brothers.

#### LOUISVILLE Kappa Zeta

Jeffrey Kessler '95 and his wife, Tammy Miller, live in Louisville, Kentucky where he is the owner and dentist at Valhalla Dental Care, focusing on cosmetic dentistry and jaw joint disorders. He may be reached at drkessler@ bellsouth.net.

#### **LOUISIANA-MONROE Eta Omicron**

Justin Bryant '01 and Misti Michelle Landry were married on December 27, 2008. Eta Omicron brothers in the wedding included Best Man Michael Boles '01 and groomsman Clay Kays '01. In September 2009 Bryant will attend Johnson and Wales University where he will pursue a degree in culinary arts.

#### LOYOLA MARYMOUNT **Theta Eta**

Tom Dempsey '84 was SMC at Theta Eta Chapter and also served in several other capacities. He was an undergraduate vice president on the Supreme Council and worked for the Memorial Headquarters as a chapter consultant. Dempsey also served the Fraternity as the colony and founding chapter advisor at UCLA's lota Pi Chapter. He and his wife, Claudia, live in Denver, Colorado, with their children, Olivia, Connor and Kyle.

James Lyons '82 and his wife, Kristie, welcomed a daughter in November 2008. The family lives in Coronado, California.

David O'Brien '80 and his family moved to Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, after completing a tour in Qatar as the USCENTAF forward surgeon. He is the commander of an Air Force community hospital and the surgeon for AF Forces Korea, where he and his family will be stationed for two years. He may be reached at obriendm@aol.com.

Patrick Poling '77 is the president of Lyle, a leading provider of solutions for network and infrastructure needs in the wireless industry. After graduating from LMU, Poling went to work in the telecommunications and wireless fields, and completed his master's in organizational development from the University of San Francisco. He and his wife, Carol, and their two children, Lauren and Spencer, live in Folsom, California.

#### MARSHALL **Delta lota**

Jimmy Stewart '88 was elected State Senator of the Ohio 20th Senate District in November 2008. He previously served three terms in the Ohio House of Representatives, and five years as Athens city auditor. He may be reached at jimmystewart2004@yahoo.com.

#### **MASSACHUSETTS** Theta Mu

Darryl Hubbard '79 has been promoted to global procurement manager for the reference labs division of IDEXX Laboratories. IDEXX is a leader in companion animal health and operates a growing network of 40-plus veterinary labs worldwide. Hubbard and his wife, Sara, live in Damariscotta, Maine with their children, and they recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary. Hubbard may be reached at 4hubbs@tidewater.net.

#### **MISSOURI SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY** Alpha Kappa

Max Atteberry '66 has retired from General Motors after a 40 year career with them. He and his wife, Diane, live in Rochester Hills, Maine, and they will now spend part of their time in Missouri at their Lake of the Ozarks home.

Brian Mensch '96 and his wife, Becky, welcomed their son, Caleb Brian, on August 26, 2008. The family lives in Edgewater, Maryland, where Mensch is a project manager with Mona Electric Group, Inc. He may be reached at bmensch@gmail.com.

Perrin Roller '04 is vice president for well engineering for Devon Energy Corporation. He is a registered professional engineer in Texas and California, and is active in the Society of Petroleum Engineers, the Marine Technology Society, the American Association of Drilling Engineers and the American Petroleum Institute. Roller also serves as adjunct professor of geological and petroleum engineering at Missouri S&T. During the October 2008 Homecoming celebration, Roller was elected president of the Miner Alumni Association at Missouri University of Science and Technology. The Miner Alumni Association represents

and serves more than 50,000 alumni of the Missouri School of Mines and Metallurgy, the University of Missouri-Rolla and Missouri S&T. The association's priorities include providing scholarship support to students and connecting alumni to the campus through Missouri S&T Magazine and in 51 sections worldwide. Roller and his wife, Brenda Gillis, live in Spring, Texas. They have two daughters.

#### **MURRAY STATE Epsilon Lambda**

Layne Wrye '95 is a singer/songwriter in Nashville. He has worked with and opened for names like Luke Bryan, Restless Heart and The Lost Trailers. He also has several songs signed for use on hit NBC television shows like Friday Night Lights. For his show schedules please visit www.laynewrye.com, or he may be contacted at booking@laynewrye.com.

#### MILLSAPS Alpha lota

William Jeanes '56 is the former editor-in-chief and publisher of Car and Driver. He won two bronze awards, two silver awards and one gold award in the 2008 International Automotive Media Awards competition. Also in 2008, he became a Life Trustee of Millsaps College. He lives in Ridgeland, Mississippi and may be reached at Wjeanes@aol.com.

#### **NEW MEXICO Beta Delta**

Alexander Hughes '03 and his wife, Allie, welcomed their son, Wyatt Asher, on December 31, 2008. Hughes has been promoted to the rank of sergeant in the Unites States Army, and he serves as a platoon leader at FOB Diamondback. He may be reached at alexander. hughes@us.army.mil.

#### **NEW MEXICO STATE** Kappa Eta

Mark Barela '99 qualified and competed in the elite class of the 2008 New York Marathon. He was seeded in the top 50 of the over 45,000 runners. He is currently looking forward to the trials in 2011 with upcoming races in London and Berlin.

#### **NORTH ALABAMA** Theta Alpha

Phillip Langsdon '74 was recognized by Memphis Magazine as "Best Plastic Surgeon in Memphis". He has specialized in facial plastic surgery for 22 years.



Brian Milster '02 and Jessica Hutto were married on November 22, 2008. Theta Alpha members in the wedding party included John Michael Vacca '03, Dennis Dutton '03, Patrick Wilson '03, Matthew

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# 10-Minute Toughness: The Mental Training **Program for Winning Before the Game Begins**

by Jason Selk (Missouri, Alpha Nu '89)

"The mental side of the game is extremely important. 10-Minute Toughness helps players develop the mental toughness needed for success; it really makes a difference."

> -Walt Jocketty, general manager of the 2006 World Champion St. Louis Cardinals



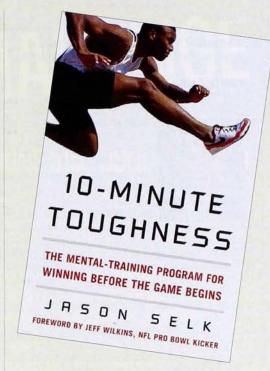
Renowned sports psychologist Jason Selk (Missouri, Alpha Nu '89) gives athletes and executives alike a detailed step-by-step program for mental toughness and peak performance... in just

ten-minutes a day!

Two athletes could run a 40-yard sprint in remarkable time and both put in virtually the same amount of physical effort to prepare. But there was a difference when they raced each other. One ran as if there was no competition between the two and always came out on top as a result, while the other seemed to compete as if the weight of the world was on his shoulders. Why do some people seem to always rise to the occasion, while others suffer from self-doubt and a lack of confidence? "In order to excel in sports, corporate America or major life endeavors, you must achieve mental toughness," says Selk, a sport psychology consultant for the St. Louis Cardinals and author of 10-Minute Toughness: The Mental-Training Program for Winning Before the Game Begins with a foreword by former NFL pro bowl kicker Jeff Wilkins.

10-Minute Toughness is the mental training plan that has helped athletes such as World Champion gymnast Sean Townsend and the St. Louis Cardinals mentally prepare for success. "From a mental standpoint there are a lot of individuals who do not know what to do to improve consistency, motivation or work through hardship," says Selk. "The brain is just like any other muscle, to develop strength you must work on it."

"10-Minute Toughness is the first book of its kind that teaches individuals exactly what to do to be mentally prepared and it does so in a very userfriendly manner," explains Selk. "It is designed to help competitors identify what it takes to be successful and then improve focus and concentration using at most just ten minutes of practice per day."



10-Minute Toughness features a 5-tool mental workout along with an aggressive goal-setting plan and a relentless solution-focused approach to achieving greatness. Additionally, Selk's companion website, MySportsWorld. com, will compliment the book with updated mental training information and personalized content. Individuals will also learn how to:

- Increase self-confidence and develop a positive attitude,
- Create an established metric system to enhance their work ethic,
- Utilize daily goals to increase accountability and decrease excuse

Jason Selk, M.Ed., LPC, NCC is the director of sports psychology for the St. Louis Cardinals. He has provided unbeatable mental coaching for numerous All-Star professional baseball players, Pro Bowl football players, Hall of Fame coaches and Olympic gold medalists as well as corporate teams from Fortune 500 companies that include AT&T, Blue Cross Blue Shield and Charles Schwab to name a few. Selk is also the director and owner of Enhanced Performance, Inc., a sport psychology and business consulting firm that can be found at www.tenminutetoughness.com. He lives in St. Louis, Missouri.

McLain '99, Spencer Thomason '02 and Colin Pharr '97. Over thirty Pike brothers joined them at the wedding. The couple lives in Hoover, Alabama, where Milster is a commercial sales representative with Sports Transportation, LLC, the largest Club Car dealership for the state of

Ian Sanford '74 was elected to a third term as Mayor of Sheffield, Alabama in November 2008.

#### **NORTH CAROLINA-PEMBROKE** Eta Omega



Howard Hughes '78 is a captain at the Richland County Sheriff's Department in Columbia, South Carolina. He has been transferred from the Special Operations Unit of the Uniform Division to the Professional Standards Division. He will

now oversee the Internal Affairs Unit. He has been with the department since 1983. Hughes also serves as the president of the Eta Omega Alumni Association. He and his wife of 25 years, Sandra, live in West Columbia and may be reached at bigdaddy@sc.rr.com.



Bud Thorsen '76 has been elected a trustee on the Brunswick County, North Carolina, Board of Education. Thorsen previously served ten years on the board and also served as chairman in 2001-2002. He and his wife,

Debbie, reside in Shallotte.

#### **NORTH DAKOTA** Zeta Rho

John Wetsch '78 is the IT director, academic services with the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction. He has been selected to Computerworld's 2009 IT Premier 100 Leaders. The publication's annual list contains the men and women shaping the IT industry, and showcases the best talent in the industry.

#### **NORTHERN ARIZONA** Theta Rho

Jamie Varner '08 retained his World Extreme Cagefighting lightweight championship belt after defeating top contender Donald "Cowboy" Cerrone by split decision. The event took place at the San Diego Sports Arena on January 25, 2009.

#### NORTHERN ILLINOIS Fta Nu

Jim Waring '90 was re-elected in November 2008 to a fourth term in Arizona's State Senate. He chairs the Senate Finance Committee, focusing on tax policy. He may be reached at jamesfwaring@yahoo.com or through his website at jimwaring.com.

#### **OLD DOMINION** Zeta lota

Christian Obenshain '95 is the president of Foundation Plus Consulting, a company with expertise in sales, marketing and communication training for small to large businesses. The company builds new sales departments and maximizes the potential of current sales teams. He may be reached at Christian@foundationplusconsulting.com.

#### **OKLAHOMA Beta Omicron**



Collin Caldwell '99 and Jennifer Quintero were married on January 3, 2009. Beta Omicron brothers in attendance included Michael

#### Gillespie '01, Nat Henry '97, Bryan Crouch '00 and Michael Crowder '01. The couple serves in the United States Air Force and they live at Ft. Campbell in Kentucky.

#### PURDUE Beta Phi

Don Willing '59 has been creating crossword puzzles for the past few years, several of which he has submitted to the New York Times. He was notified that crossword editor Will Shortz (Indiana University, Delta Xi '71) had accepted one of his puzzles which appeared in the November 1, 2008 issue of the New York Times. The NYT crosswords get more difficult as the week goes on, so it was gratifying to have his puzzle published on a Saturday. Willing may be reached at dwilling@sbcglobal.net.

#### PENNSYLVANIA Beta Pi

Joel Catania '71 recently earned the designation of Professional Daily Money Manager (PDMM) bestowed by the American Association of Daily Money Managers. After retiring from the jewelry business in 2004, he established his business, Personal Solutions, LLC, to assist individuals and small businesses with their daily monetary and paperwork tasks. He assists his clients with bill-paying, banking, insurance claims, budgeting, tax records, expense analysis and various other personal paperwork and record keeping needs. He is currently one of only 28 daily money managers nationwide that have earned the PDMM designation. Catania resides in Garden City, New York, with his wife, Donna, and their two sons, Jason and Michael. He may be reached at jlclii@aol.com.

#### PITTSBURGH STATE **Epsilon Chi**

Ryan Bartlett '99 left his job with ESPN and has accepted a position with Fox Sports North in Minneapolis, where he will be the lead producer for the Timberwolves pre and post game shows. He may be reached at ryno003@hotmail.com.

#### RENSSELAER Gamma Tau



John Verrone '99 and Renee Szymanik were married on October 11, 2008. Gamma Tau brothers in attendance included Daniel Altobello '99, Ben Bieglecki '99, Ryan Denner '99, Jeffrey Hartnett '99, Brandon Havener '00, Grant McCloud '99, Pete Rallis '99, Steve Raymond '99, Steve Regal '96,

### Pike Brothers at Cerner Corp.

From left: Emil Peters (SMU, Beta Zeta '92), Shad Williams (Oklahoma State, Gamma Chi '90), Neal Patterson (Oklahoma State, Gamma chi '68) and James Kanary (Michigan, Beta Tau '95) met in Kansas City at Cerner Corp's Town Hall meeting. Neal, CEO and founder, hosted over 6,500 primarily U.S.-based associates at Kemper Arena. Neal is repeatedly named one of the

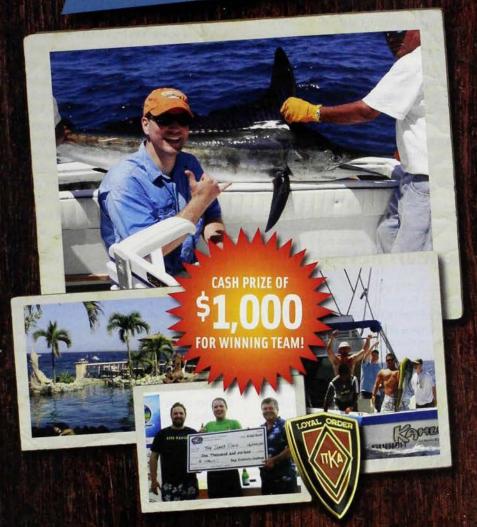


100 most influential healthcare leaders in the U.S., and he is a proud mentor and PiKA. Emil is director of sales in Barcelona, Williams is director of client development-Southeast U.S. and Kanary is team lead-U.S. client org.



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# **Idaho Alum Shares Golf Secrets**

Interview by Brian Brigham (Idaho, Zeta Mu '91)

We all have hobbies. If we're lucky, we can use our spare time away from our jobs to pursue these outside interests. If we're really lucky, we can turn these hobbies into a successful career. This is certainly the case with Greg Rowley (Idaho, Zeta Mu, '92) who has turned a passion for golf and a love of writing into his first book, Golf, Naked - The Bare Essentials Revealed.

After graduating from the University of Idaho in 1996, Greg worked as the assistant Professional at both, the Hayden Lake Country Club in Northern Idaho, and during the winters, The Quarry at La Quinta in Palm Springs, California. From there, he was offered the director of golf position at The Club at Black Rock, a new private club in Coeur d'Alene, ID - a very prestigious

posting for such a young Pro. In 2003, Greg helped lead Black Rock to the top of Golf Digest's list as "Best New Private Golf Course in America." In 2004, Men's Journal magazine featured Greg in its "50 Best Jobs in America" article, right behind Tom Brady, a beer taster and a swimsuit model photographer.

When Greg asked me if I'd like to conduct our interview over a round of golf at the beautiful Coeur d'Alene Resort golf course (home of the famous floating green), who was I to say no? We picked a date and time, and so we could still concentrate on our games, agreed to a one question/hole format. It was a great afternoon. The weather was perfect, the location was amazing, and although I was soundly beaten, we were still out golfing. What more could I ask for? Between shots, I jotted down some notes...

#### Greg, you attended the University of Idaho, was golf a career you had planned?

Not at all. My original plan was to graduate from the U of I and attend law school. I got turned onto the idea of golf as a career by some of the guys in the Fraternity who were on the school's golf team - and the culture really appealed to me. But even then, my first job right out of college was as a wine salesman in Southern California. I was about thirty days into that career when I was offered an opportunity to move back home to Idaho and turn Pro. The whole thing sort of fell in my lap.

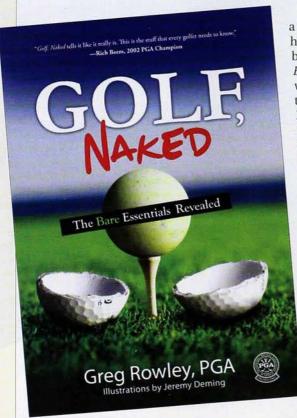
#### How does one get to be a Golf Professional?

There's several years worth of specialized education and training that's required by the PGA to become an official 'member.' It can either be attained on the job, which is what I did, or now as an undergraduate degree that's offered by a handful of colleges around the country. University of Idaho is one of them. It's called PGM - Professional Golf Management.

# Golf, Naked - The Bare Essentials Revealed

by Greg Rowley (Idaho, Zeta Mu, '92)

Review by Rob Everett (Idaho, Zeta Mu, '90)



Greg Rowley (Idaho, Zeta Mu, '92).

a member of the PGA of America, has recently completed his first book, titled Golf, Naked - The Bare Essentials Revealed, which he hopes will enable others to share his love of the game. Rowley was formerly the Director of Golf at The Club at Black Rock in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, which was named the 'Best New Private Golf Course in America' by Golf Digest (2002). In resigning, he left what Men's Journal (2004) called one of the '50 Best Jobs in America' in order to spend more time with his young family, which ultimately led to the opportunity to write this

> Golf, Naked - The Bare Essentials Revealed is, in turns, laugh-out-loud funny and deeply heartfelt. It offers the understanding that no one will remember your score, but they will remember the way you look and act. It's Rowley's belief that golf often reveals the true character of every player. It

can reveal a player's ugly side, or it can provide the opportunity to demonstrate confidence, class and grace. Golf, Naked is an easy read, packed to bursting with tips, tales, techniques, and tricks of the trade - all told in a fun, easy-going manner - that should give players of every age and ability the necessary tools to feel more comfortable at their local course.

Rowley's philosophy is built around the premise that if a golf swing takes two seconds, and a player shoots 100, then only three minutes are actually spent 'golfing,' yet that player was at the course for five or more hours. And, although there are some great chapters dedicated to swing basics, the short game, and the 'laws' of ball flight; the majority of Golf, Naked focuses on the rest of the game, the time between swings, which he believes to be the stuff that brings us back for more.

Golf, Naked will be published nationally in the spring of 2009, and can be found at most bookstores and newsstands, most of the golf courses in Northern Idaho and Eastern Washington, or can be purchased directly from the author's website at www.golfnakedbook.com.

#### That sounds like a great job. You must get to hang out and play golf all day.

Ha! I get asked that all the time. Actually, most pros don't get to play all that much. It's hard to justify taking that kind of time during the summer when you've got tournaments to run, lessons to give or sweaters to fold. It's a sad irony. In fact, when I first turned pro, on my very first day of work, the Head Pro told me, "There are two things you need to know - you'll always be surrounded by rich people, but you'll never be rich, and you'll always be surrounded by people playing golf, but you won't be one of them."

#### How did your time as a Pike help prepare you for your career?

More than anything, my role as the rush chairman gave me an early understanding of what it takes to rally the troops and get people with distinctly different abilities and motivation levels to all understand and embrace their role, then all work together toward a common goal. It's much like managing a staff at a golf course - assistant pros, beverage cart girls, cart kids, caddies, course marshals,

#### What made you decide to quit?

I'm not saying that all golf pros are lousy husbands and fathers, not at all. But I can definitely say that I was. I just didn't give my family the attention they deserved. We live in one of the most beautiful places in the world and I worked so many hours that I was never able to enjoy it with my wife and daughters - so I quit.

#### How did you end up writing a book?

It's a pretty good story, really. While at Black Rock, one of the members, a man named Denny Ryerson, and I had joked for a couple years about the idea for this book. He was new to the game and the culture and felt like he kept screwing things up. After I resigned he approached me and offered to make it my full-time occupation. I actually got paid to write a book. What a great guy!

#### What is "Golf, Naked?" Should we at least take our shirts off, or something?

No, let's leave our shirts on - although I do have a decent tan for the first time since I was in college. Golf, Naked is a play on the concept that this game can strip us bare - mentally, physically, and emotionally, but underneath it all there's some key concepts that should be the focus of your time at the golf course, most of which have nothing to do with your swing or your score. My

physical therapist, also a Pike from University of Idaho, Mark Bengtson '90, came up with the idea.

# So will your book help me shoot an

To shoot 80, you'll be in the top 10% or so of all golfers in the world. There are a couple of chapters dedicated to the swing and playing the game that will definitely help, sure. But the point of Golf, Naked is that no one really cares how you play as long as you seem like you know what you're doing and don't act like an idiot.

#### What is the single biggest mistake that most new golfers make?

I think the most common theme I've seen is beginners who have unrealistic expectations. Success has to be earned, and in golf, that takes time. But to answer your question specifically, most new golfers don't grip the club properly and have poor balance. Nothing is more important than grip and balance.

#### If you could put your 'Pro' hat back on for a minute, what would be the one thing that Pro's wish they could tell their players/ members?

Play faster! Slow play ruins golf, and is totally unnecessary. If you're not earning a living and feeding your family because of your golf game, then hustle.

#### I've been trying to teach my wife to golf, but she just doesn't get it, and we end up mad at each other. Any advice?

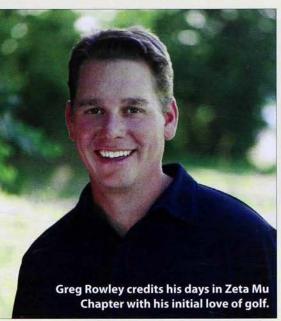
Have your local PGA pro give her a couple lessons. It's not your job to teach her. It just doesn't work because emotions get involved. It's your job to encourage her to play, and then to enjoy that time with her. Consider it a date. Make the focus be on the time you're sharing - not on activity itself. Use golf as a vehicle.

#### If someone told you that they wanted to become a Pro, what advice would you give them?

Get a car with good gas mileage and be willing to travel to a warmer climate in the off-season. Stay single until you can find a year-round gig.

#### Your chapter, Zeta Mu, voluntarily surrendered its charter last year. How did that make you feel?

It felt terrible. Still does. Some of my favorite memories, and practically all of my best friends, are from that house. But it wasn't all just laughs and good times



either - I gave that house my blood, sweat and tears. I was the vice president, the rush chairman, twice, and the kitchen manager for three years.

#### Do you think things will turn around?

No doubt. I know some of the guys responsible for bringing us back. The committee is headed by my good friend Rob Everett (Idaho, Zeta Mu '90), and he's driven to make it happen. Last I heard there are some pretty amazing plans for a remodel, and a very detailed plan to get us reinstated. I'm looking forward to helping out where I can. Maybe if we sell enough books there'll be a Greg Rowley wing, or library, or drinking fountain, or something.

#### So what's next? The book's done; any other projects on the horizon?

Definitely. I've already begun work on a couple new book ideas, all staying within the Golf, Naked theme. One's for women, another for juniors, and another for golf-specific fitness. I'm also exploring the idea of turning this into a TV show. There's already been some interest by a couple of networks. It's all pretty exciting right now. Exciting and overwhelming.

#### How do we find your book?

Beginning March 1st, it's available at most major bookstores and newsstands. It's also available from my website: www.golfnakedbook.com. You can purchase it directly from me there, or you can follow the links on the website to Amazon or Barnes and Noble. If you choose to get it from my site, use the 'coupon code' PIKE09 for 20% off - and I'll sign it.

Paulie Rickebach '99, Eric Smith '99, Kenny Song '99, Michael Spada '00, Bassam Tarazi '99, Greg Verni '99, Rob Vetere '99, and Jon Warman '99. The seventeen brothers in attendance traveled a combined 14,061 man miles to attend the wedding. The couple lives in Verona, New Jersey, where Verrone is a global project manager for Image Solutions, Inc. He may be reached at verrone@alum.rpi.edu.

#### ROSE-HULMAN lota Delta

**David Warmuth '96** and his wife, Sara, announce the birth of their daughter, Amelia Rose, on October 2, 2008. She was welcomed home by her sister, Meghan. The family lives in Louisville, Kentucky.

#### SAM HOUSTON Epsilon Pi

Michael Hall '70 is the owner of Michael Hall Appraisals in Waco, Texas. He is serving as the president of the Heart of Texas Chapter, Appraisal Institute for 2008-2009. Hall specializes in real estate valuation and consulting in the Central Texas area, and may be reached at mike@michaelhallappraisals.com.

#### SAN JOSE STATE Delta Pi

**Thomas Mestaz '79** has accepted the grant specialist position in the Sponsored Projects Department at Santa Clara University. He and his wife reside in San Jose with their two children.

#### SOUTH CAROLINA Xi

Ross Toyne '84 has been named the "Most Effective Lawyer" in 2008 by the *Daily Business Review* in Miami for work done on behalf of the various victim of a deadly 2003 boilerroom blast aboard the Norwegian Cruise Line ship, Norway. Toyne's work won \$7.4 million restitution to 12 crew members or their survivors

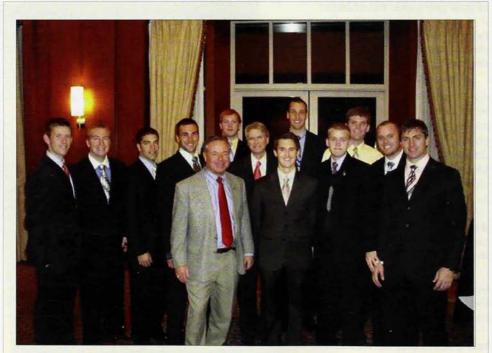
#### SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI Delta Mu

Jim Carlson '94 is the chapter relations director for Phi Kappa Phi, serving chapters at universities and colleges in the South Central and Midwest regions. Carlson's duties include coordination of chapter-related activities at the national level and response to local chapter needs. With chapters at more than 300 select colleges and universities in North America and the Phillippines, Phi Kappa Phi is the nation's oldest, largest and most selective all-discipline honor society, with the goal of promoting academic excellence and service.

#### SOUTHWESTERN Alpha Omicron

**Tony Armstrong '95** is a real estate broker with Page Partners in Houston.

**Pete Sessions '76** was elected in November 2008 to chair the National Republican Congressional Committee for the 111th Congress.



#### Virginia Tech Celebrates 35 Years of Greek Life

Past Educational Foundation President and current Trustee **Thomas C. Tillar, Jr. (Virginia Tech, Epsilon '71)** presented the keynote address at a recent gala celebrating the 35th anniversary of the Greek system at Virginia Tech. Tillar (center, in dark suit and red tie) is pictured along with numerous Epsilon Pikes who attended the event.

#### STEPHEN F. AUSTIN Epsilon Omicron

Johnnie Merchant '86 is a partner with Equipment Preference Inc., located in Selma, Texas. He may be reached at jmerchant@epikitchen.com.

JT Thompson '95 is the senior health physicist with U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission. In this role, he is responsible for safety and security inspections of licensed nuclear facilities within the United States. He may be reached at JamesLT1@verizon.net.

#### TENNESSEE Zeta

Larry Greene '66 is a colonel in the United States Army. He will serve as deputy commanding officer for transformation, special operations command Korea until October 2010. This is his second recall since retiring in December 2000. In 2004 he was recalled for one year and served as the special forces liaison officer to multi-national division Central South (Polish-led division) in Diwaniyah, Iraq. He was then extended for two additional years to serve with U.S. Central Command (CENTCOM) at Macdil AFB, Tampa, Florida, where he served as the service support chief to the coalition, the 64 countries with representatives at CENTCOM. He turned 63 last November and made a parachute jump with the Korean Special Forces the same month. Greene graduated from Jump School at Ft. Benning in 1968, long before most of today's paratroopers were even born. He is also one of the few Vietnam vets still in uniform, and believes there are currently three of them serving in uniform in Korea. Greene enjoys the emails he receives from inCircle, the North Texas Pike alumni and the Zeta alumni. He may be reached at larry.greene@us.army.mil or larrygreene@gmail.com.

**AJ Howand '04** joined the Army National Guard of Tennessee in March 2008 and has since graduated from basic training. He is currently in officer candidate school.

#### TEXAS-ARLINGTON Eta Upsilon

Christopher Trumbull '93 owns Lone Star Liquors in Nocona, Texas, a retail liquor store with a county-wide wholesale distribution company. He and his wife, Shelby, have two daughters, Mackenzie and Grayson. He may be reached at c\_trumbull@yahoo.com.

#### TEXAS-AUSTIN Beta Mu

David Cordell '70 has moved to Plano, Texas, to join the faculty of the University of Texas as Dallas. He is the director of finance programs and clinical professor of finance, and is beginning to forge relationships between the academic and business communities, especially in the financial analysis and financial planning fields. He may be reached at david.cordell@utdallas.edu.

#### **TEXAS TECH Epsilon Gamma**



Nelson Balido '92 has been appointed by the Homeland Security secretary to lead the Private Sector Office of the Federal Emergency Management Agency -FEMA. Balido, formally founder of Balido and Associates, Inc., a public

strategies, multicultural marketing and real estate firm, founded and led the multicultural team at SBC Communications establishing and developing the position that is responsible for developing culturally relevant marketing strategies for the diverse customer base across the country. He served on U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Homeland Security Advisory Council and was appointed as a commissioner of the Texas Commission on the Arts in 2003. He attended The Citadel and then transferred to Texas Tech University where he earned two bachelor's degrees. He holds a Certificate in Community Minority Business Advancement from The University of Texas at Austin, is a graduate of the U.S. Department of Justice's FBI Citizens Academy and is a graduate of the certificate program in Advanced International Affairs at the Bush School of Government at Texas A&M University. Nelson is also a U.S. Naval Reserve public affairs officer. He may be reached at nelson@nelsonbalido.com.

#### **TEXAS WESLEYAN** Eta Psi

Lyle Kanouse '73 is an actor and has appeared in national tours of Broadway shows, as well as many appearances in various TV and film productions. He has received a Tony Award Honor for Excellence in Theatre.

#### TRINITY **Epsilon Alpha**

Lawrence Kolin '88, and his wife, Karen, announce the birth of their daughter, Abigail Beth. The Kolins also have another child, Dena Rose, and the family resides in Orlando, Florida. Kolin is an attorney with the firm of ASW&M where he concentrates in complex civil litigation, arbitration and mediation. He may be reached at LHK@ASWMPA.com.

#### TULSA **Gamma Upsilon**

Bruce Oller '96 and his wife, Jodie, welcomed their third child, Jackson Eli, on September 30. Oller is the human resources manager for Anheuser-Busch and relocated back to Tulsa in February 2009. He may be reached at bruceoller@gmail.com.

#### **UTAH STATE Gamma Epsilon**

Greg Stephens '98 and his wife, Jana, announce the birth of their son, Nash Howard, on June 27, 2008. Stephens is an auto appraiser with USAA, a company that provides insurance and financial services to military members

#### The Reach

by Nate Kenyon (Trinity, Epsilon Alpha '91)

"Kenyon shifts smoothly between '80s-style supernatural horror and modern-day science thriller in this superb sophomore effort...readers, left breathless, will hope he makes good on hints of a sequel."

—Publishers Weekly (starred review)



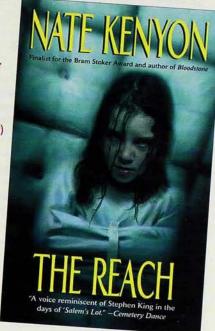
Over 98% of the human genome is considered 'junk DNA,' sequences for which no function has yet been identified. Some scientists believe

these sequences were once functional copies of genes that have since lost their protein-coding ability.

But what if those genes were simply dormant, and could become active with the proper trigger? And what if one of them, once awakened, made the carrier capable of things previously considered the stuff of legend-literally, the power of mind over matter?

Young Sarah is no ordinary girl. She's been diagnosed as schizophrenic and locked away in a children's psychiatric ward. But that's not what makes her special. She also has a very strange—and powerful—gift. Scientists have been studying Sarah's remarkable psychic power for years, enhancing it, manipulating it ... twisting it into something evil. But their plans have gone horribly wrong. How much longer can they control Sarah? And what will happen if her powers are unleashed?

This frightening scenario is the basis for The Reach, a novel that



combines the horror/supernatural genre with the scientific. Nate Kenyon (Trinity, Epsilon Alpha '91) is also the author of Bloodstone, his first thriller, which was a Bram Stoker Award finalist and a P&E Horror Novel of the Year award winner. The Reach promises to provide stiff competition to other novels this year, and confirms Kenyon's place as a gifted horror writer.

Kenyon grew up in a small town in Maine with dark nights and long winters to feed his interest in writing. His stories have appeared in various magazines and in the horror anthology Terminal Frights. He lives in a recently restored 1840s Greek Revival home in the New England area with his wife, Nicole, their three children, and their ferocious dog, Bailey. Visit Nate Kenyon online at www.natekenyon.com.

and their families. He may be reached at greggers 1868@yahoo.com.

#### VERMONT Lambda Delta

Jason Godin '00 and Jennifer Khouri were married June 2008 at Vermont National Country Club. Lambda Delta Pikes in attendance included Mike Barna '00, Gary Brookes '00, Noah Cherry '00, Tom Forbes '00, Alex Larsen '00, Jason Morris '00, Bradley Ross '01, Chris Sheehy '00, Michael Weand '00 and Adam Wolk '00. Also in attendance was former Lambda Delta alumni advisor and current New England Regional President Loyd Wilbur (Arizona, Gamma Delta '66).



#### **WAYNE STATE** Delta Nu



Robert Franco '03 and Rachel Ludlam were married on August 9, 2008. About 200 guests attended the ceremony and reception, with four Delta Nu brothers serving in the wedding party. Best Man was Amar Abro '02 and groomsmen

included Pual Stojanovski '04, Kevin Lao '04 and Scott Ludlam '00. Other brothers in attendance included Phil Short '01, Alex Glick '02, Annas Aljassem '02, Mike Maceroni '02, Mike Andrzejewski '02, Blake Maraszewski '04. Mike Trudeau '98. Chris Provost '03. Brad Czerniak '04, Mike Sullivan '05 and Ahmed Elhusein '04. The couple resides in Novi, Michigan, and may be reached at rvfranco31@yahoo.com.

# News of Bygone Days

#### 125 YEARS AGO 1884

This year represented a time in history when the American college fraternities experienced a period of great growth and suffered rising hostility. At the same time, a trend was established toward the development of professional alumni staffs administering the growing organizations.

Fraternity Bicentennial History:
 200 Years of Freedom and Fraternity

#### 100 YEARS AGO 1909

In Kappa's Chapter Letter, the Transylvania chapter wrote: "Kappa is on the verge of closing one of the most prosperous and most successful years in the history of the chapter. The year has been one of the best for Kappa in almost every point of view. Considering her slight prospects and smallness of numbers at the beginning of the present year when only three of last year's chapter returned, and her increased strength in numbers at the present time with a roll of nine, it can well be said that Kappa has been hard and diligently at work."

#### 75 YEARS AGO 1934

In the June 1934 Shield & Diamond, William Alexander, Alpha 1868, the only living founder, wrote: "From time to time the fraternity has been confronted by dark days, difficult problems, and periods of stress and strain. These experiences, although trying, have had distinct value, for they have developed the strength, courage and power of the organization."

#### 50 YEARS AGO 1959

From the December 1959 Shield & Diamond: Progress is the keynote of the men of Delta-Sigma Chapter at Bradley University. In the advent of a new, modern fraternity house, the Pikes are building in number and scholarship. In accordance with Bradley, which is undergoing a 5-year plan for the expansion of curriculum and raising of standard, we are seeking better scholarship. The chapter scholarship has been improving for some time and with the influx of academic importance at Bradley, we have been attaining some excellent future brothers. Our aim is to capture the Interfraternity Scholarship trophy and keep it.

#### 25 YEARS AGO 1984

From the December 1984 Shield & Diamond: In keeping with Pi Kappa Alpha tradition at the culmination of the national convention, outgoing National President Joseph J. Turner, Jr. removed from his shirt the President's all-diamond Fraternity badge, which he had been custodian of since his election in 1982, and pinned it on Pi Kappa Alpha's newest National President William N. LaForge.

Ali Sareini '98 is a supplier quality engineer with John Deere in East Moline, Illinois. Sareini, his wife, and their daughter live across the river in Davenport, Iowa. He may be reached at ali. sareini@hotmail.com.

#### WESTERN ILLINOIS Kappa Lambda

Chad Aden '02 and Ann Paul were married on August 31, 2008. The couple lives in Clarendon Hills, Illinois, where he is an executive team lead with Target Corporation. He may be reached at chad.aden@gmail.com.

#### WESTERN KENTUCKY Zeta Epsilon



Zeta Epsilon brothers Mark Antonini '87, Lance Coulter '05, Mike Vanover '86, Jeremy Dant '97, Ron Henry '84, Matt Hawes '87 and Dale Helton '86 were among those gathered for the Western Kentucky Homecoming festivities in November 2008. The Pike alumni from Zeta Epsilon keep in touch and gather for social events. Please contact Dale Helton at helton4@bellsouth.net to be added to the email list so you can stay informed of upcoming events, including the efforts to raise funds to build a new chapter house at WKU.

#### WESTERN MICHIGAN Epsilon Psi

**Jesse Thompson '88** is the chief of training with the St. Clair Shores Fire Department. He may be reached at *accuratearchery@msn.com*.

# SHIELD & DIAMOND Deadline for Summer 2009:

All items for publication in the Summer 2009 issue of Shield & Diamond must be received at the Memorial Headquarters on or before April 15, 2009.

Please send items to:

pka@pikes.org

or Shield & Diamond 8347 West Range Cove Memphis, TN 38125

#### WINTHROP Theta Sigma



Alex Jackson '05 has served in the United States Marine Corp Reserves since 2005, currently serving in Iraq. In November 2008, he ran in his first marathon, The 3rd Annual Iraq USMC Marathon, finishing in 5 hours 35 minutes and 15 seconds. Although this was only the third USMC marathon held in Iraq, it is the 33rd year for the annual event in the states. In the marathon he wore the rush t-shirt that his chapter mailed to both Jackson and his roommate, who is also a Pike. Jackson may be reached at handheldhope@hotmail.com.

**Daniel Sickler '04** graduated from Officer Candidates School for the United States Army in November 2008.

#### WESTERN KENTUCKY Zeta Epsilon

Johnny Henderson '96 is a vice president with PNC Investments in Louisville, Kentucky. He was named Investment Consultant of the Year in 2008, and made Bank Investment Consultant Magazine's Top 50 Bank Reps for 2008. He and his wife, Sarah, have two daughters, Emma and Ellie. He many be reached at jhenderson 1868@ hotmail.com.

#### WISCONSIN Beta Xi

Clarence Alt '31 celebrated his 101st birthday on September 18, 2008. He has resided in the Venice-Sarasota, Florida area since his retirement from the Rahn Malting Company as president and CEO in the mid 80's. He lives in an assisted care facility in Sarasota for nine months of the year and enjoys being at his Wisconsin cabin with his sons and daughter during the summer months. His favorite activity is dancing at his facility. He participates in the facility's activities of lunches and dinners out, the mens club, social hours and walking around the grounds. Each day he enjoys a breakfast of four pieces of bacon and French toast. His five o'clock social hour includes a cocktail and several slices of Elf herring. When at the cabin, he walks at least a quarter of a mile each day, has an occasional boat ride and fishes a couple of times during the summer. Saturday nights are reserved for viewing the Lawrence Welk show at 7:00 p.m. Brother Alt receives the Shield & Diamond magazine and enjoys the message

#### Erik M. Daly (Maine, Kappa Tau '97)



Erik Marc Daly entered Chapter Eternal on Friday, December 5, 2008. He was born in Würzburg, Bavaria, Germany, on December 28,

Daly worked as a veterinarian for the

Riverside Animal Hospital in East Providence, Rhode Island. He was a 1993 graduate of Portsmouth High School, and a 1997 graduate of the University of Maine, where he was a founding father of Kappa Tau Chapter. He was also a 2000 graduate of the University Florida School of Veterinary Medicine. He loved soccer, hockey, golf, and his favorite football team, the University of Florida Gators.

#### James Tillery "Jim" Johnson (North Carolina State, Alpha Epsilon '43)

Jim Johnson entered Chapter Eternal on December 5, 2008 at the home of his son and daughter-in-law Jamie and Becky Johnson in Ahoskie, NC. He was 86. Family members were by his side when he finally lost his long battle with Alzheimer's.

Jim Johnson, or JJ as I knew him, was a great man. And I loved him very much.

When I was a broke teenager, he always found a way to put money in my pocket without shattering my dignity—always making me feel like I was doing HIM a favor by picking up the boys from their boarding school or putting beds together at the nursing home he owned or any number of other assignments he found for me. And somehow, at the end of the task there was always an extra five or ten dollar bill.

A few years later, when I pledged IIKA, I learned that JJ was my fraternity brother, albeit from a different generation and rival college, and over the years we both looked forward to exchanging our secret handshake during my infrequent visits back home.

Every person who ever knew him has a Jim Johnson story. His was a life that bred great stories. He was a part of "The Greatest Generation" and he did his duty, helping to defend our country in World War II, during which he was imprisoned as a POW in Germany. One of the most moving memories I have of JJ was sitting with him one afternoon as, with tears in his eyes, he recounted watching his fellow soldiers fall in combat—always minimizing his own heroism. But a hero he was.

He loved old folks and a good joke.

He could be politically incorrect and irreverent. I remember once shortly after one of the priests at his Episcopal Church had announced that God had called him to

another parish, JJ said to me, "Just one time I'd like to hear a preacher get up in the pulpit and say'l got three kids to put through college and another church is going to pay me more money so I'm leaving." He noted that God never seemed to call a preacher to a parish that was going to pay him less! You never wondered where JJ stood.

Although he carefully cultivated a reputation for being tight with his money, many a person. throughout eastern North Carolina and beyond can attest to his generosity. One late night, as a college freshman, while I was sitting at the kitchen table over at their home talking to his lovely wife Gene, I made the statement that I didn't know what I would have done if I hadn't won a scholarship to Carolina. "I guess" I said "that I just wouldn't have been able to go to college." Gene reached over, touched my hand and confided that JJ had already set aside a fund to make sure I went to college wherever I wanted to go. He and Gene practiced their philanthropy quietly.

For the life of me, I simply cannot figure out why he took me in-why he became a father figure for me when my relationship with my own father had disintegrated. But he did. And I am grateful.

JJ always took in strays. I have a feeling there are lots of strays like me out there—all of whom are better off for having crossed paths with this incredible man.

Jim Johnson was an extraordinarily successful businessman who had significant interests in nursing homes, restaurants, LP gas distribution, hardware and a host of other enterprises throughout eastern NC. He was deeply loved and highly respected throughout his community for his wit, his ever-present optimism, and his willingness to lend a helping hand. His love of hard work was an inspiration to his children and to all those who worked with and for him. He leaves behind a loving family, a grateful community and a distinctively American legacy. Pi Kappa Alpha has lost one of its very best.

> - Jerry W. Askew (North Carolina, Tau '73)

#### Flake McHaney (Missouri, Alpha Nu '39)

Dunklin County lost a very valuable member of the community on Sunday, November 23, 2008 as the Honorable Flake McHaney entered Chapter Eternal.

One of six brothers, McHaney was born in White Oak, Missouri, on September 25, 1920. McHaney received his bachelor's degree with distinction in economics from the University of Missouri at Columbia in 1942. While attending the University of Missouri, McHaney was a member of QEBH, Blue Key, the Inter-Fraternity Pledge Council, the Sophomore Council, and Scabbard and Blade.

He also served as president of Alpha Nu Chapter for three terms.

Following graduation from the University of Missouri, McHaney enlisted in the U.S. Army as a second lieutenant in the field of artillery.

In 1944, at the age of 23, McHaney was promoted to major and was discharged in 1945.

At the time of his promotion, it was believed that he was the youngest officer to be promoted to major. McHaney is also believed to be the youngest to reach the rank of major in the field of artillery.

While enlisted, he served with the 91st Infantry Division in North Africa and Italy as an operations officer, 347 Field Artillery Bn.

He was a decorated soldier, receiving the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star, and the Italian Cross. He also helped revolutionize mountain warfare, with methods still implemented today.

In June 1948, McHaney received his bachelor of laws degree from Harvard University.

That same year, McHaney was admitted to the Bar of Dunklin County and, along with his brother Hal, operated a practice in Kennett under the name McHaney & McHaney until Hal's death in 1957.

From 1961 to 1972, McHaney practiced law with William H. Billings and William O. Welman under the firm name McHaney, Billings, & Welman.

In 1972, McHaney was appointed as Dunklin County's 35th Circuit Court, Division I, Judge and continued to hold that position until the mandatory retirement age of 70, at which time he was immediately appointed by the Supreme Court as Senior Judge.

As Senior Judge, McHaney served as Master in two disbarment hearings, as pursuant to his appointment by the Supreme Court.

During his professional career, McHaney served as a member of the Missouri Bar, American Bar, International Platform Association, and was a life member of the American Law Institute.

McHaney was also a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, American College of Trust and Probate Council, and the American Bar Foundation.

McHaney has served as a trustee of the American Bar Association and is a former member of the Board of Governors of the Missouri Bar and the Board of Admissions for the U.S. District Court.

He also served seven years as a faculty member for the National Institute for Trial Lawyers at Boulder, Colorado.

Other honors McHaney received included being a former member of the Advisory Board

for the College of Agriculture at the University of Missouri, a former trustee for the University of Missouri School of Arts and Science, Delta Research Center Advisory Board member, a trustee for the St. Louis Children's Home Society, a former president of the Kennett Chamber of Commerce, Kennett Lions Club, and Missouri Hereford Association.

In 2003, McHaney was inducted into the Dunklin County Hall of Honor. In 2004, he received the Alumni and Service Award from the University of Missouri College of Arts and

#### Charles M. Neufeld (Western Carolina, Zeta Xi '67)

Charles Maxwell Neufeld was born October 14, 1920 in Brooklyn, New York. He attended New York City public schools and graduated from DeWitt Clinton High School in 1938. He then entered New York University (1938-1940) and studied accounting. His college studies were interrupted by hostilities preceding WWII, and in 1941 he joined the U.S. Navy and graduated from Naval Flight School the same year. As a Naval Aviator during WWII, he served aboard the USS Brooklyn as unit personnel officer in the European Theater and in the Canal Zone as a pilot and radio operations officer conducting convoy patrols. He was transferred to the Pacific Theater to serve on the USS Alaska and USS New Orleans as senior aviator.

In 1944, while in Norfolk, Virginia, Neufeld met and married the love of this life, Marjorie Estelle White, a US Navy nurse. After the War he returned to NYU where he earned a B.S. degree in accounting in 1949. The couple lived in Williston Park, Long Island, New York before Neufeld returned to military service by transferring to the US Army in 1950. After attending Basic Artillery School he was assigned to the 41st Field Artillery Battalion, 3rd Infantry Division at Ft. Benning, Georgia and served as battalion executive officer; he then deployed to Korea to become the Battalion commanding officer. Neufeld resumed his aviation career in 1951; he attended flight school at San Marcos Air Force Base, Texas, and Vandenberg Air Force Base, California. He served at Ft Lewis, Washington, until 1953 when he was assigned to the Joint United States Mission Aid to Greece. Returning to the U.S. in 1956, he became commanding officer of Davison Army Airfield, Ft. Belvoir, Virginia, which provided aviation support for the White House and Congress. He moved to Ft. Rucker, Alabama, in 1958 to serve in the Test Division and also as director of the development and guidance division at the U.S. Army Aviation Board. He retired from the army in 1963 while on tour on Okinawa. Neufeld was among the few aviators certified in fixed wing, rotary wing, and jet aircraft during his career.

During his military career Neufeld was awarded: the Air Medal, OLC to the Air Medal, AOM (Japan), the Korean Service Medal, two Overseas Bars, UN Service Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, the Senior Army Aviator Badge, the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal. He graduated from Army C&GSC in 1962.

Following retirement, Neufeld attended the University of Florida where he earned master's and doctoral degrees in economics. In 1966 he began his 22-year teaching career. He taught at Western Carolina College in Cullowhee North Carolina, Troy State College in Troy, Alabama, and Hurlburt Field, Florida. While at WCC he was faculty advisor for Zeta Xi Chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha. In 1976, he and Marjorie moved to Neufeldton and he became assistant professor at The Citadel teaching graduate and undergraduate economics. He retired from the Citadel in 1988 and remained to live in his adopted city of Charleston.

Neufeld served on Charleston Public Library's board of directors, was a member of the Charleston Orchid Society, and volunteered at the South Carolina Historical Society. Neufeld also became a master gardener and volunteered at the Clemson Extension Office. He traveled extensively and played golf whenever and wherever time permitted. He also enjoyed sharing his love and knowledge of economics, politics and orchid growing with the other residents at The Palms Senior Living Center in Mt. Pleasant.

#### Paul E. Packer (California-Berkeley, Alpha Sigma '37)



Paul Earl Packer entered Chapter Eternal at the age of 90 on December 23, 2008 in Logan, Utah. Born June 22, 1918 in Ogden, Utah, Packer was active in the Boy Scouts and became an Eagle Scout. He graduated from Ogden High School with academic

honors in 1935 and then attended the University of California-Berkeley. He played varsity baseball for Cal, and served as president of Alpha Sigma Chapter. He graduated with a degree in forest science in 1939. He then attended Syracuse University in pursuit of a doctorate in forest science. This effort was cut short by World War II. As a reserve ROTC officer he was called into the war in 1941 and served in the Army Air Corps as a flight instructor and later as a B-29 pilot in the Pacific Theater against Japan. In 1942, while still in the Army Air Corps, he met and married Marion Jean Whitener. While in the Pacific Theater he was the recipient of five Battle Stars; the Distinguished Flying Cross, Airman's Medal, Air Combat and WWII Victory Commendation. He finished his military career in 1945 on the staff of General Curtis E. LeMay.

At the conclusion of the war, Packer went to work for the U.S. Forest Service. In 1951, he returned to the University of California-Berkeley and completed a master's degree in forest science. Throughout his career, he held numerous positions in forest and range research for the U.S. Forest Service in Idaho City, Idaho, Boise, Idaho, Missoula, Montana and Logan, Utah. He concluded a distinguished 42 year career in 1980 as the director's representative for the Inter-mountain Forest and Range Experiment Station in Logan, Utah. He was an

active skier, fisherman and hunter his entire life. He was a long time member in Logan Rotary and the American Legion. Packer was a Mason in good standing and a Past Master of Harmony Lodge #21 in Logan, Utah. He was a recipient of the prestigious Hyrum Abiff Award in Free Masonry. He was a 32nd degree Mason and a member of the Scottish Rite, the York Rite, the Knights Templar and the El Kalah Shrine. He served as the Associate Grand Guardian for Job's Daughters International. He was also the Associate Bethel Guardian for Job's Daughters Bethel 12, Logan. He was a Past Patron of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Packer was a member of the Presbyterian Church in Logan. He greatly enjoyed reading Utah history and in particular, the study of his family's Utah history. He had a fun sense of humor and always liked a good joke. He was an intelligent and caring person and he will be greatly missed.



#### **ALABAMA** Gamma Alpha

Carr, James '50 12/25/08

#### **ARIZONA** Gamma Delta

Urry, Donald '70 1/14/09

#### ARKANSAS Alpha Zeta

Burlison, George '46 10/27/08 Coleman, Jack '63 12/4/08 Gunn, John '47 9/30/08 McLarty, James '53 11/7/08 Spears, James '57

#### **ARKANSAS STATE Delta Theta**

Bauer Lawrence '61 12/22/08 Larson, Robert '50 10/30/08

#### **AUBURN** Upsilon

Roth, Axel '56 11/12/08 Royston, Wade Hampton '52 10/31/08 South, Sell '40 6/26/08

#### **AUSTIN PEAY**

Eta Tau

Weinberg, Raymond '78 1/5/09

#### BRADLEY **Delta Sigma**

Arbuckle, John '91 12/31/08

#### **CARNEGIE MELLON Beta Sigma**

Unger, Earle '36 1/7/09

#### **CENTRAL ARKANSAS**

**Epsilon Phi** 

Bailey, John '63 12/19/08

#### CINCINNATI Alpha Xi

Gunderman, Jack '49 8/15/08 Simendinger, William '47 12/14/08 Willis, Anthony '87 11/11/08

#### COLORADO

**Beta Upsilon** 

Dodson, Stanley '37 1/10/09

#### DAVIDSON

Beta

Spiers, Kerry '53 1/12/07

EAST CAROLINA Epsilon Mu

Norman, Sherrill '59 1/18/08

EMORY

**Beta Kappa** 

Colson, Rodney '47 11/25/08 Williams, Charles '39 10/16/08

FERRIS STATE Zeta Kappa

Fangert, Robert '77 11/24/08

FLORIDA Alpha Eta

Fleming, William '37 10/15/08 Kinner, Aaron '62 10/25/08 McDade, Edward '40 12/18/08 Staton, Ulysses '46 12/30/08

FLORIDA SOUTHERN Delta Delta

Bonnett, Harold '48 Bozeman, James '48 2/21/04 Dillon, Robert '66

FLORIDA STATE Delta Lambda

> Leamond, Raymond '53 4/5/08 Tangari, Anthony '56 6/4/08

GEORGETOWN COLLEGE Alpha Lambda

Benson, Dewey '51 1/24/07

GEORGIA STATE Epsilon Nu

Bohn, Steven '72 11/23/08

GEORGIA TECH Alpha Delta

Covey, Leland '40 10/22/08

INDIANA Delta Xi

Inwood, David '50 5/13/08

IOWA Gamma Nu

Kaufman, James '40 12/11/08

KANSAS Beta Gamma

Wardlow, Bernard '47 1/3/09

KANSAS STATE Alpha Omega

Stewart, John '47 4/3/08

KENTUCKY

Omega Wiedmer, Frank '50 8/16/08

LINFIELD Delta Rho

Truesdale, Wes '52 3/31/08

MEMPHIS Delta Zeta

Childress, Thomas '51 7/30/07

MIAMI Gamma Omega

Black, Martin '47 12/2/08 Gregory, Jack '50 10/10/08 Papy, Charles '46 1/2/09

MICHIGAN Beta Tau

Bowles, Peter '34 11/1/08

MILLSAPS Alpha lota

Hobbs, Joe '51 12/9/08 Weathersby, William '43 1/3/09 MISSISSIPPI Gamma lota

Bernheim, Joseph '42 11/16/08

MISSSISSIPPI STATE Gamma Theta

Oakley, John '56 12/1/08

MISSOURI Alpha Nu

> Hussman, Robert '38 8/16/08 Leonard, Clark '41 7/27/08

NEBRASKA-OMAHA Delta Chi

Erickson, Robert '52 8/8/07

NEW HAMPSHIRE Gamma Mu

Dirsa, Mitchell '32 8/22/08

NEW MEXICO Beta Delta

> Bell, Rodney '43 10/6/08 Harley, William '48 5/1/08 Williams, Payne '43 10/18/08

**NORTH CAROLINA** 

Tau

McMillian, Roscoe '31 10/29/08

NORTH CAROLINA-PEMBROKE Eta Omega

Haire, Wayne '84 12/18/08

NORTHWESTERN Gamma Rho

Maile, Walter '41 6/16/08

OHIO

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Gray, John '50 8/22/07 VanBrocklin, Philip '51 11/22/07

OHIO STATE

Cowden, Roger '38 1/2/08 Wise, Robert '54 11/22/08

OKLAHOMA Beta Omicron

Hann, George '47 11/22/08 Smith, George '32 12/9/08

OKLAHOMA STATE Gamma Chi

Anderson, Bruce '49 12/31/08

OREGON Gamma Pi

> Barton, Benjamin '48 11/21/08 Beeson, Frank '48

OREGON STATE Beta Nu

Macomber, Donald '57 10/12/08

PENNSYLVANIA Beta Pi

Gamper, Charles '39 11/25/08 Schmid, Edward '47 11/7/08

PENNSYLVANIA STATE Beta Alpha

Frear, Scott '51

PURDUE Beta Phi

> Ciral, Jerome '36 6/3/08 Kline, Roger '50 10/3/08 Robertson, Bruce '54 10/23/08

RENSSELAER Gamma Tau

Richardson, James '59 11/5/08

SOUTHERN METHODIST Beta Zeta

Roper, Archy '35 12/3/08

SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI Delta Mu

Bourg, Hector '58 12/23/08 Stockstill, Kiah '51 10/15/08 Smith, James '52 10/31/08

SOUTHEAST MISSOURI STATE Epsilon lota

Hahs, Martin '58 Walker, Richard '73 11/24/08

SOUTHWESTERN Alpha Omicron Raatz, James '58 11/4/08

Raatz, James 38 11/4/0

TENNESSEE Zeta

Barnes, Samuel '40 7/2/08 Bruce, James '46 11/2/08 Hestle, John '64 1/12/09 Stewart, David '54 5/2/08

TEXAS Beta Mu

Cornell, David '55 11/29/08 Crow, Judson '75 11/18/08 Siemoneit, James '39 1/23/08

TEXAS TECH Epsilon Gamma Nabors, Kenneth '56

TOLEDO Epsilon Epsilon

Herman, Eugene '65 12/20/08

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Henderson, Joseph '48 5/24/08 Nielsen, Christian '59 11/25/08 Witt, Donald '55 8/11/08

TULANE Eta

Randolph, Edward '43 10/18/08

UTAH STATE Gamma Epsilon

Carlisle, Thain '34 10/11/08 Hansen, Karl '35 7/23/08

VIRGINIA Alpha

Lyles, Thomas '50 10/15/08 Woodside, John '48 4/21/07

WASHINGTON Beta Lambda

Jones, Charles '55 9/12/08

WAYNE STATE Delta Nu

Stevenson, Fred '53 9/26/08

WESTERN RESERVE Beta Epsilon Olech, Francis '52

WEST VIRGINIA Alpha Theta

Brodsky, Mark '66 12/30/08 Mahood, William '53 4/1/07 Yater, David '52 1/7/09

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