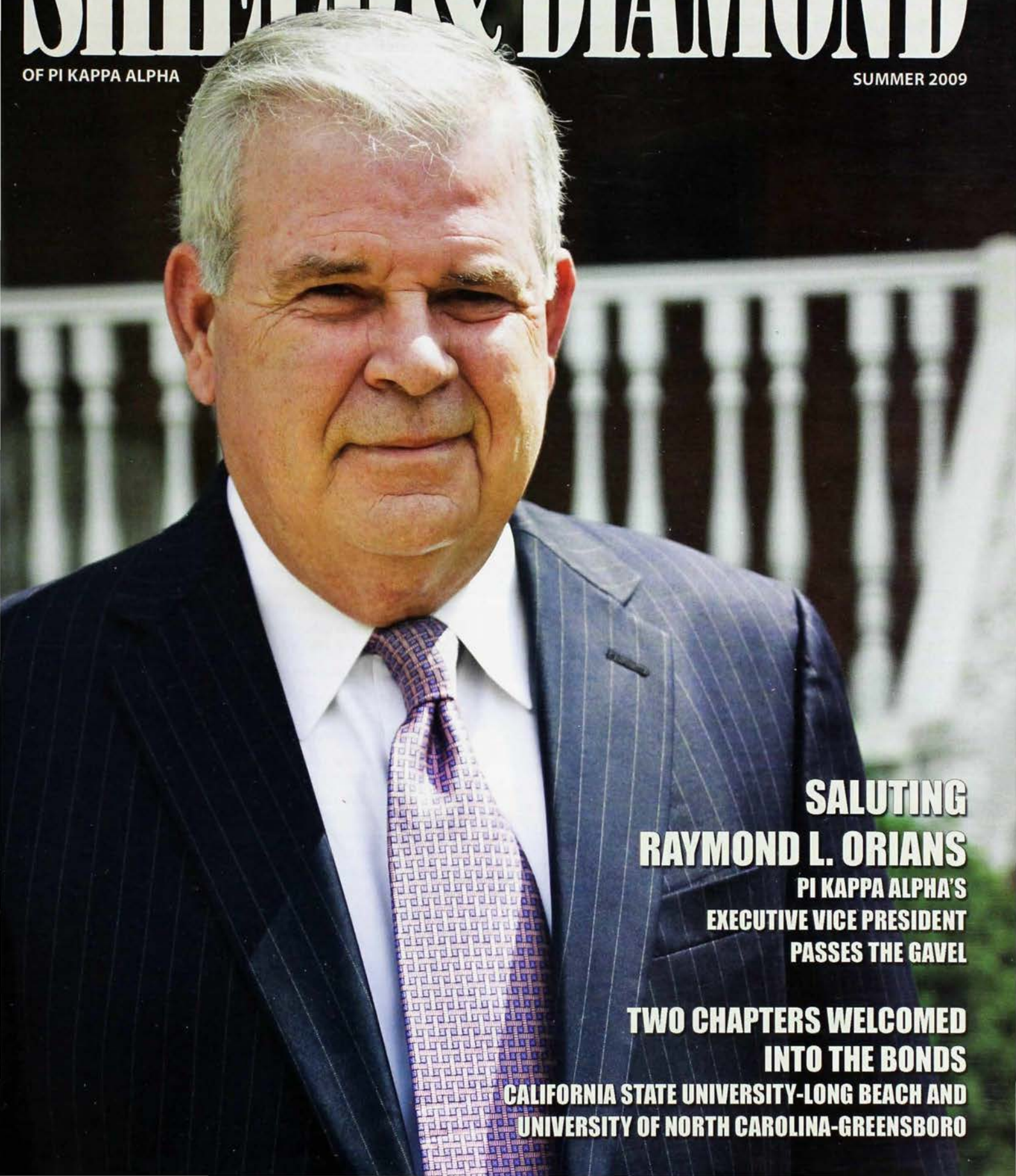


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**SALUTING  
RAYMOND L. ORIAN'S**  
PI KAPPA ALPHA'S  
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PASSES THE GAVEL

**TWO CHAPTERS WELCOMED  
INTO THE BONDS**  
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## The Full Undergraduate Experience

by Supreme Council Vice President

Kevin M. Huddleston (Nebraska-Omaha, Delta Chi '04)

Pike University provides the training, inspiration, and means for success that will send you and your brothers places in life that might seem unimaginable.

There I was, sitting in a room full of 400 men. Suits, binders, nametags, the whole works. It was a room full of 19 and 20 something's that had achieved great things in their time, but none of it had been enough. There was something deeper, something more to gain. They were thirsty for the knowledge that would help them make their chapters the best fraternity on campus. And it was infectious.

Have you ever been sitting in a room filled to the brim with passionate men, full of zeal, and ready to take on the world? The fire to succeed and stretch the limits of human ability is a viral and contagious state, and when you see it overtaking the men around you, your brothers in fraternal bonds, you can't help but want to taste it for yourself.

Unfortunately, this isn't always the feeling that overtakes the average brother in the chapter room on a typical meeting night. Rather there is often an overwhelming sense of apathy towards achieving greatness. A mediocre chapter will look at the fraternities around them and say, "Well, we're doing pretty well compared to the competition". There is simply a satisfaction with just meeting the status quo, and this attitude can be crippling to our Pike chapters around the country.

There have been times in my undergraduate experience that I too have felt complacent and apathetic. It wasn't until I was sitting in that room with 400 sharp and driven men that I felt the weight of my apathy. It was at that time that the blindfold had been lifted from my eyes and I gained a vision for what Pike could become at my campus. New life had been breathed into me. I had gained an inspired vision for the future of my chapter and what I could do to make that future a reality. And it had come to me only through my experience at Pike University.

My first Pike University event and every one since then has been, to put it simply, life changing. The men that I have met and the wisdom I have gained has been priceless. The time I have spent with brothers in Memphis, Kansas City, and in the deserts of southern Utah have impacted me in ways that I could never describe with words. Pike University provides the training, inspiration, and means for success that will send you and your brothers places in life that before would have been unimaginable. All it takes is one man to be the difference maker in a chapter...one man to leave a legacy of greatness.

The only question that remains is will you be that one man?

In the bonds,

Kevin M. Huddleston  
International Vice President

## Recruit for Pike University

by Supreme Council Vice President

Whitney D. Zimmerman (Rose-Hulman, Iota Delta '06)

If you haven't been sending more than a handful of members to Pike University each year, you probably have no idea what your chapter is capable of.

One of the easiest ways to achieve excellence and beat your competition is by investing in your people. Industry leaders – IBM, GE, Google, BMW – spend hundreds of millions of dollars on education. Why? Because they know people are their greatest asset. So, if you aren't investing in your people by sending them to the premier undergraduate leadership programs, why not?

**"My chapter is great, we don't need the help"**

"No matter how much you have achieved, you will always be merely good relative to what you can become. Greatness is... not an end point. The moment you think of yourself as great, your slide toward mediocrity will have already begun." - Jim Collins, *Good to Great* and *The Social Sectors*

Pike University doesn't just build fraternity leaders, it builds world leaders. We are never too great to learn from the best. There is no way to spend a weekend that will benefit you and your chapter more than attending a Pike University event. Kevin is absolutely right; Pike University is life changing.

**"I won't learn anything new"**

As a senior you may not have much more to learn from the sessions, but you can teach. You've made the mistakes, experienced the successes, and really understand what passion is. You are the Most Valuable Brother (MVB) at Pike U. Often the best advice a young leader gets comes from conversations between presentations. As MVB, answer questions, ask tough ones, and give your email address to leaders at other chapters. As you share knowledge with younger leaders, you will gain in return.

**"It's hard to get guys to attend"**

It can be challenging to convince brothers to give up a weekend if they don't yet understand the benefits. First, read the *Garnet and Gold* section: Vision, Hard Work, and Persistence.

At least four months prior to the event, set and announce an attendance goal. Enlist the support of influential members (even if they can't attend). Have past attendees share great memories in chapter meetings. Sit down with brothers each week to tell them about Pike University. Track interest and registrations. Advertise the scholarships your chapter receives from our Educational Foundation and any support available from your alumni. With a month left, finalize the list and reserve hotel rooms. Prepare your attendees:

- Explain the importance of meeting brothers from other chapters
- Encourage them to sit at separate tables at meals and in sessions
- Emphasize the responsibility to attend all sessions (consider billing them for their hotel room if they skip a session)

The event is finally here. Take your experience to the next level. It's time to find out what your chapter is capable of.

In the bonds,

Whitney D. Zimmerman  
International Vice President



Kevin M. Huddleston



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# SHIELD & DIAMOND

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**Raymond L. Orians**  
(Memphis, Delta Zeta '66)

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For the establishment of friendship  
on a firmer and more lasting basis;  
for the promotion of brotherly love  
and kind feeling;  
for the mutual benefit and  
advancement of the interests of those  
with whom we sympathize  
and deem worthy of our regard;  
We have resolved to form a Fraternity,  
believing that, thus we can most  
successfully accomplish our object.

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## UPDATE

### IFC Academy a Success



#### Pike brothers at the IFC Academy

The North-American Interfraternity Conference (NIC) recently hosted 160 Interfraternity Council (IFC) officers and advisors for the 2009 IFC Academy. Held at the Hilton Downtown Indianapolis, the Academy brought student leaders together from across the country. Thirty-five fraternity communities were represented at the day long conference.

The Academy is a one day, fourteen hour program which takes participants through curriculum pieces focused on how they can become high performing IFCs, aligned with the NIC Standards, and serving the needs of their member fraternities. Participants leave the Academy with a task list for their return to campus, a renewed sense of commitment to the interfraternal community and a personalized assessment of their own council effectiveness. Attendees also learned how to identify restrictive clauses in their own policies and, along with NIC professional staff, discussed ways to work with campus advisors and administrators to remove these restrictive policies.

NIC President & CEO, Peter Smithhisler commented on the IFC Academy, "The NIC's commitment to Advocacy, Collaboration, and

Education comes through with great clarity at IFC Academy. We are able to impress upon these men the importance and relevance of complete standards implementation. Our member fraternities depend on us to do this work and we are excited about its continued evolution."

The 2009 IFC Academy featured special guest Josh Orendi, CEO of Phired Up Productions. Phired Up and Josh specialize in values based recruitment programming. Their Academy program reiterated to the IFC officers the important role they play in removing restrictions and ensuring that fraternities can operate in environments that are conducive to their success.

The NIC does not formally recognize Interfraternity Councils. The member fraternities which comprise campus IFCs are part of national organizations that are NIC members. The NIC Standards are the agreed upon requirements for membership in the inter/national trade association. For more information about the Academy or the NIC Standards please contact Ben Pendry via email at [pendry@nicindy.org](mailto:pendry@nicindy.org).

Founded in 1909, the North-American Interfraternity Conference is the trade association representing 73 international and national men's fraternities. Through advocacy, collaboration, and education, the NIC works to ensure that fraternities can operate in an environment conducive to their success.

### Corrections & Amplifications

The Spring Shield & Diamond attributed the article about the rechartering of Beta Chi Chapter at the University of Minnesota to Eric Hren (Toledo, Epsilon Epsilon '04). The story was actually written by Ryan Collett (Kansas State, Alpha Omega '04).

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# Supreme Council Chooses Justin A. Buck As Fraternity's Next Executive Vice President

Following the announcement made by Raymond L. Orians (Memphis, Delta Zeta '66) that he would be retiring as the Fraternity's executive vice president effective April 1, 2009, the Supreme Council appointed a search committee to fill the executive vice president position. The Executive Vice President Search Committee consisted of International President Patrick A. Talley, Jr. (Armstrong Atlantic State University, Eta Mu '74), Chairman; Past International President Joseph J. Turner, Jr. (Clemson, Eta Alpha '70), Past International President John Michael Williams (Oklahoma State, Gamma Chi '68), International Vice President John A. Bobango (Arkansas State, Delta Theta '74) and Northwest Regional President Brian R. Mann (Washington, Beta Beta '91). This committee was charged with the responsibility of conducting a full, open and national search with respect to the Fraternity's executive vice president position.

In September 2008, a national search for a new executive vice president was officially launched. A letter was sent from International President Talley to all international officers, chapter advisors, chapter house corporation contacts, alumni association contacts and chapter presidents, advising of the executive vice president job opening and requesting recipients to apply, or to recommend to the committee any potential candidates they wished to be considered. Approximately 1,100 letters were sent via email, and another 130 letters sent via regular mail. The committee then publicly advertised the position by placing this information and the job description on the Fraternity's website. The announcement was also put on the American Society of Associations Executives Career Center, and shared with the Fraternity Executives Association, the North-American Interfraternity Conference and the Association of Fraternity Advisors.

The search committee received 21 formal applications. In addition, the search committee formulated a broader list of potential candidates based on recommendations received from numerous sources. In this regard, the committee cast a wide net and formulated a list of 22 potential candidates, all of whom are well known within the Fraternity family, including several past international presidents and many past and current international officers. The committee then set about the task of conducting in-person and phone interviews with potential candidates. All totaled, the search committee held 14 telephone and in-person meetings over a six month period.

As a result of the extensive search process described above, it was the unanimous recommendation of the search committee that the Supreme Council offer the executive vice president position to Justin A. Buck (Southeast Missouri State, Epsilon Iota '96), and this recommendation was unanimously accepted by the Supreme Council at its meeting in Atlanta, Georgia on February 28, 2009. The announcement was officially made by

President Talley in a meeting with the Memorial Headquarters staff in Memphis, Tennessee on March 2, 2009.

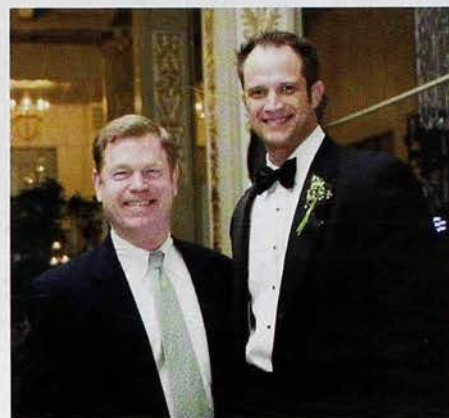
Justin Buck is, of course, well known to the Fraternity, having served in numerous positions on the Memorial Headquarters staff, most recently as the Fraternity's executive director. It should be particularly emphasized that Justin was not simply promoted from within as the most likely inside candidate. To the contrary, during the interview process Justin was critically and rigorously examined in every respect, and the Council found him to be highly qualified both in terms of impressive academic credentials as well as broad-based experience within the Fraternity. Moreover, the Supreme Council believes that Justin meets or exceeds its expectations with respect to values, visionary leadership, management acumen, understanding of policy governance, and ability to be a consensus-builder.

Justin brings impressive credentials and experience to the executive vice president job, including an MBA degree, and has many years of staff experience during which he has exhibited strategic and financial leadership that has helped make this organization successful over the past decade.

In his years of working with the Fraternity, he has held positions as consultant, director of expansion, director of housing, resident advisor at Miami, and executive director. As recruitment and real estate comprise most of our major asset bases, the Council believes that his fundamental understanding of these areas, as well as his relationships with the people who carry out these functions, is of highest benefit to the Fraternity. As the Fraternity's executive director for the past two and a half years, Justin has been involved in every area of Fraternity operations and board interactions. The Council also recognizes his trait of being flexible and ability to "grow with the job" into the future.

As the new executive vice president, he will certainly have to lean heavily on our talented international officers and volunteer corps. Fortunately, Justin has worked with many of them and knows them well. He also has a solid relationship with current and past staff members of the Memorial Headquarters. Whether it is among our seasoned veterans or those who he has personally recruited or promoted, we believe that he has instituted a strong feeling of identity and teamwork within the organization, which will serve the Fraternity well in the future.

The Supreme Council was particularly impressed with the passion and energy which Justin brings to our Fraternity every day. Since we have known him, he has been in perfect alignment with the goals and objectives of Pi Kappa Alpha's Strategic Plan and overall goal of being the best organization in the fraternal world. We believe that he has served to fulfill these goals in every way possible through his various job capacities in the past. We have also seen that his passion and energy have been



**International President Patrick A. Talley, Jr. and Executive Vice President Justin A. Buck.**

infectious in the motivation of co-workers and key volunteers, and in the encouragement of undergraduate members, both of which are important in a leader.

In conclusion, after conducting a full, deliberative national search process, the Supreme Council strongly believes that Justin is not only highly qualified and is ready for the opportunities and challenges of the Fraternity's chief executive role, but that he is also perfectly suited to lead Pi Kappa Alpha as our chief executive well into the future. We welcome Justin into this position and we look forward to a bright future under his leadership. Please join me, the Supreme Council, the other international officers and the Memorial Headquarters staff in congratulating Justin Buck as our new executive vice president.

Patrick A. Talley, Jr.  
International President

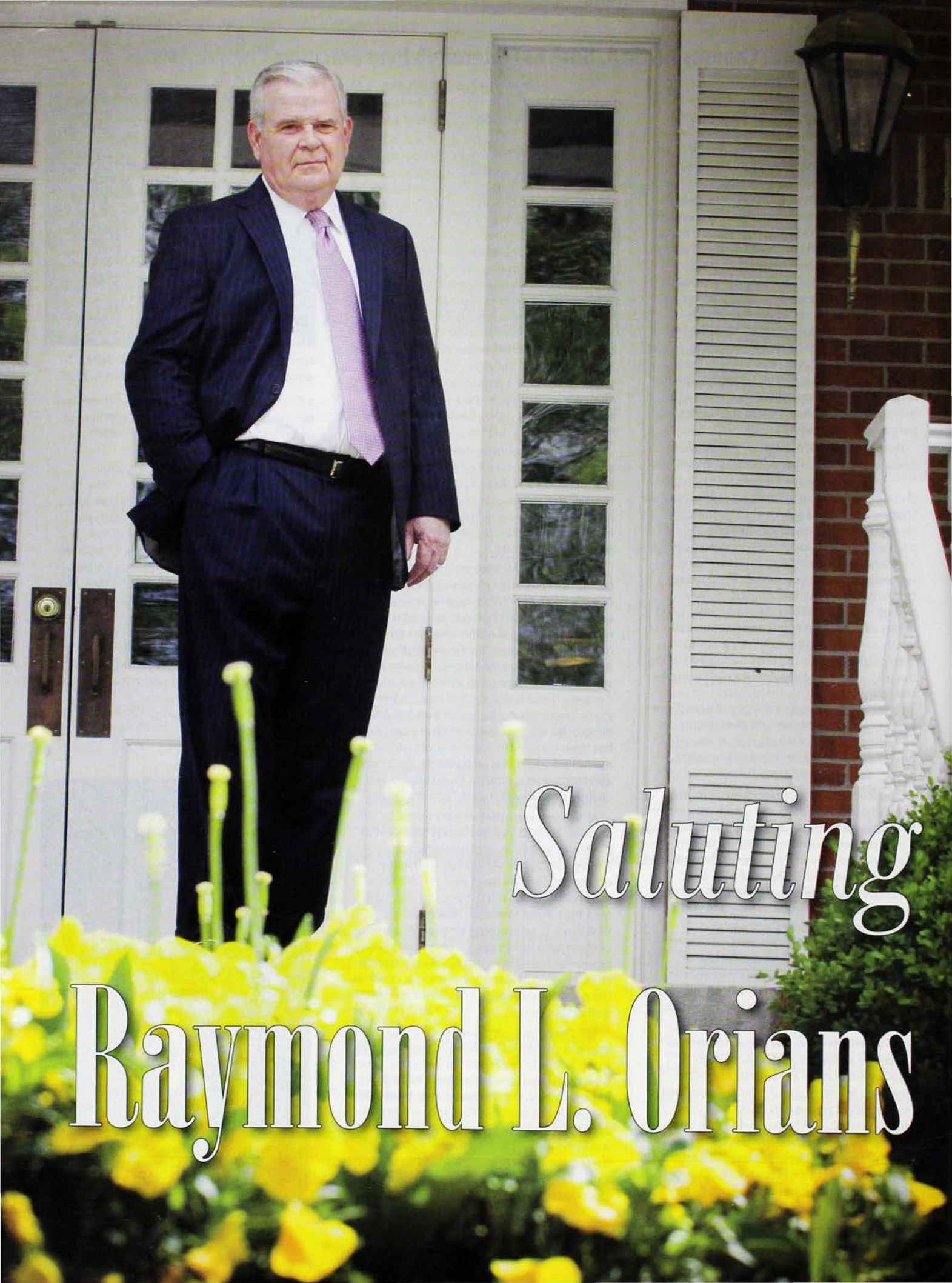
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*Saluting*

Raymond L. Orians



RAYMOND L. ORIAN (MEMPHIS, DELTA ZETA '66) HAS DEDICATED OVER 40 YEARS TO THE FRATERNITY'S PROFESSIONAL STAFF, BECOMING PI KAPPA ALPHA'S EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT IN 1984. WITH HIS DECISION TO RETIRE IN 2009, HE LEAVES THE FRATERNITY A LEGACY OF WISDOM, FORESIGHT, BROTHERHOOD AND A TIRELESS DRIVE TO EXCEL.

**Q. When and how did you start your career with the Fraternity?**

**A.** It was actually by coincidence. I started part-time in the spring of 1967 in the mailroom of the old Headquarters at 577 University Boulevard when I was a sophomore in college. I needed a job to continue school. Our chapter at the University of Memphis (then Memphis State) had been placed on probation the year before I pledged, so while we learned about the Fraternity's history, we had little knowledge of the Headquarters' operation. At the 1968 Centennial Convention in Richmond, Virginia, our chapter won the only Smythe Award granted plus eight other national awards. That was when I realized that the Fraternity was much larger than the local chapter experience.

**Q. What position did you hold after graduating?**

**A.** Chief Executive Patrick W. Halloran was hired shortly before the annual summer meeting (now The Academy) in 1969. The Fraternity was on the verge of financial collapse. I had one semester left with just a few hours to graduate. Pat asked a few staff members to stay on and fortunately I was one of them. In January 1970, he gave me my first full-time job as Director of Housing and Finance. Pat and the staff he hired proceeded to take the Fraternity to new heights both in terms of growth and financial stability over the next decade. It was a very challenging time since students were going through some significant experimentation on campus while our country saw some very radical changes. But it was also very rewarding and fun to be a part of such a successful venture.

**Q. What led you to accept the chief executive position of Executive Vice President?**

**A.** Pat Halloran left in 1980. Although overtures were made to me then about the job, I liked what I was doing and thought I was too young. Plus I had a young family including

a daughter in grade school and a son less than two years old, and I didn't think I could commit to the travel required in those years. But the opportunity came again in 1984. At that time, the Supreme Council was composed of members many of whom, along with other national officers, had become some of my closest friends. Several I had met during my chapter visits when they were student leaders. Although I was still somewhat reluctant, with the support of my family and with a deep confidence and comfort in our volunteer leaders, I decided to give it a shot. It was the best decision I ever made.



**Q. How has the Fraternity changed in your 40 plus years on staff?**

**A.** That question covers considerable ground. I would say the most important accomplishment of the organization was its climb from being an also-ran fraternity to one of the premier fraternities in the Greek movement. The Fraternity seized every opportunity by expanding to campuses, increasing recruitment efforts, developing new and relevant educational programming, and acquiring competitive chapter housing when others were not nearly as aggressive. Our volunteers at both the local level and the national level responded, especially in the last three decades, with both their time and treasure. Everyone wants to be associated with a winner. The end result was that within the last decade, the Fraternity had reached the 200 chapter mark, expanded to more campuses and averaged more members per chapter than any other national or international fraternity.

These were just a few highlights. By any measure, Pi Kappa Alpha had established a position of dominance in the fraternity world.

**Q. What significant programs have been initiated since 1984 when you became Executive Vice President?**

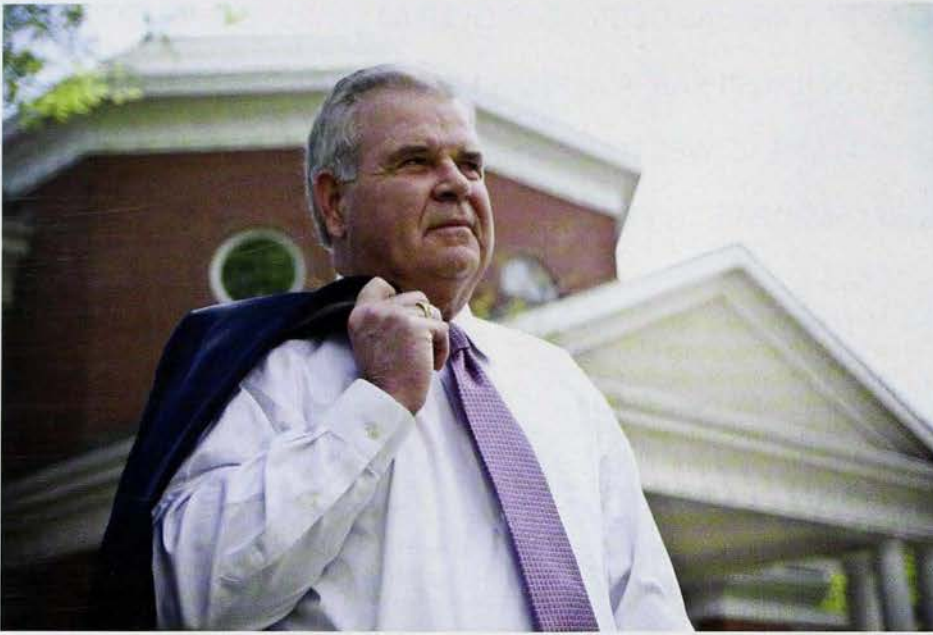
**A.** We immediately established long-term goals in 1984 and then changed the staff structure and policies to accomplish those, as well as to provide for an on-going professional and tenured staff. This made a significant difference, as we now have the most professional and tenured staff of any of the over 100 national or international fraternal organizations.

Thanks to a creative and aggressive staff, we then completely overhauled our expansion program. Instead of waiting for interested student groups to contact us, we targeted campuses where we believed the Fraternity could be strong and successful. Then we sent staff to those schools for extended periods to recruit the best and brightest students we could find. Our expansion program was the envy of the fraternity world and still is today.

Unfortunately the early 1980s was the advent of the "legal liabilities" era in the Greek world, probably because the drinking age had changed from 18 years old to age 21, but being a legal adult in all other aspects remained at 18. In other words, parents were no longer legally responsible for the acts of their sons from the time most entered college. This prompted injured parties to look for deeper pockets, and a rash of claims and lawsuits against chapters and the Fraternity began. In response, the Fraternity established a comprehensive risk awareness program which included extensive education. Also, we established the first national self-insured fund with a group excess general liability policy in the Greek world. This program has been acknowledged as one of the best of its kind.

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As he looks back on over 40 years of service to the Fraternity, Ray Orians can be assured that he will remain forever in the hearts and minds of Pi Kappa Alpha's members.

Another critical initiative was the enhancement of our chapter awards program. We adopted the philosophy that the more recognition, the better. Several of our chapters had improved and had experienced many significant accomplishments. We expanded the Smythe Awards to as many as 18 chapters rewarding overall proficiency, established the Chapter Excellence Award which over 40 chapters received last year, and created many new awards for specialty areas while adding runner-ups and honorable mentions to others.

Our next important initiative was the creation of Pike University, the educational arm of the Fraternity. As one student member summarized recently, it teaches you about "real world stuff", things you don't learn in the classroom. Sessions on leadership development, financial management, risk awareness and health issues, recruitment and salesmanship, and a host of other personal development topics became a part of the curriculum. Pi Kappa Alpha now has more educational conferences and attendees than any other fraternity.

The most recent major initiative was to modernize the structure of the Fraternity. The Constitution of the Fraternity was completely overhauled and new Chapter Codes were adopted at the 2004 Convention to allow for more authority and flexibility to act in a timely manner at both the international and the chapter level. Thanks to then International

President Allen Groves, who was elected at that Convention, the Fraternity proceeded to establish and to modernize its corporate structure, leading to three additional corporate entities (PKA Corporation – the overall servicing corporation, RAF, Inc. – our risk awareness affiliate, and Pike University – the educational affiliate) being established. These entities, along with White Horse Holding Corporation, the housing lending affiliate, and the Pi Kappa Alpha Educational Foundation, the fund raising affiliate, allowed the organization to become more focused and to operate more efficiently.

**Q. The Fraternity constructed a new headquarters building during your tenure. What led to that move?**

A. Fraternity leaders recognized the need for more space to house both the expanded staff and additional archives when I was still in college. Architectural renderings were drafted as early as 1968 for a new wing to the 577 University Boulevard headquarters, but the necessary funding could not be obtained. When I assumed the chief staff position in 1984, the building was 30 years old, and we desperately needed more space. We became serious about constructing a major addition. As fortune would have it, Rhodes College, our neighbor and home to Theta Chapter, also needed additional land and buildings to accommodate a growing student enrollment and future programming. The College

also desired a main entrance to its campus from a major thoroughfare, and our property was the key to that goal. After almost a year of some intense negotiations, we struck a somewhat complex agreement. We sold the property to the College at a very substantial price which included cash and land on which to build. We then leased the property back for a nominal sum during the construction of the new headquarters and received a low interest loan commitment from the College in case we needed more funds to finish the building.

The result was a new headquarters building at 8347 West Range Cove, completed in 1988 with twice the square footage and twice the land as the old property. The building was state of the art, allowing for a very conducive staff operation including modern computer equipment and a spacious museum displaying precious artifacts of our history. It was also designed to allow for as many as three future additions. And the headquarters was built in the prestigious Southwind office area park of Memphis, Tennessee which was and is still very attractive. Federal Express eventually built its world headquarters there. And two large and respected national sororities, Kappa Delta and Chi Omega, built their first free-standing national headquarters close by in 1991 and 1994 respectively.

**Q. Talking about other fraternal organizations, Pi Kappa Alpha became very involved in the Greek movement during your tenure. What precipitated that policy?**

A. Under the leadership of then National President Ed Pease in 1988-90, we recognized the need to become an important player in the Greek movement. Certain broader goals such as better university, public, and government relations could only be achieved with our full commitment and participation in the greater movement. We became active participants and leaders in the two major interfraternal associations, the Fraternity Executives Association (FEA), an association of the chief executives of most national fraternities and sororities, and the North-American Interfraternity Conference (NIC), of which 73 national men's fraternities are members. I became president of FEA in 1995 after serving as chairman of several FEA committees, including one that recommended accepting



sorority executives into membership after over 60 years of being restricted solely to male fraternity executives. After amending the NIC by-laws, Ed Pease was elected as president of NIC and was the only man ever to serve two different terms as its president during its 100 year history. Ed brought new reforms to the NIC including a comprehensive strategic plan, a national public relations campaign and a federal government relations initiative which led to support from many of our nation's leaders in Congress. The prestige and reputation of Pi Kappa Alpha in university circles, with our fellow fraternal organizations and with the public in general, has improved tremendously since that time.

**Q. What enticed you to make PKA your career and stay with it these 40-plus years?**

**A.** As I stated earlier, one of the main reasons was the lifelong friendships established with our leaders and members, whose only motivation was to make our Fraternity the best it could be. And there were some very selfish reasons. My philosophy was always to recruit volunteers and staff from across North America from different backgrounds who were smarter and perhaps more dedicated than I was. That way I could constantly learn not only how to make the Fraternity better, but perhaps make my personal life more meaningful and successful. And it worked.

My years of involvement with our housing operations led to two close friendships in Richard Ralph and Jamie Wolff, both of whom served as chairman of our housing arm for respective terms of over 20 years. Then there were the 14 Fraternity presidents with whom I served as the chief executive – Joe Turner, Bill LaForge, Gary Menchhofer, Ed Pease, Jerry Askew, Tommy Turner, Andy Morse, John Michael Williams, Tom Handler, King Buttermore, Mark Anderson, Allen Groves, Kevin Knaus and current president Pat Talley. They and the Supreme Council members with whom they served were great mentors to me.

The dedication and support from the staff, those who do the heavy lifting, was just as important. Pat Haynes, Dan Corah, Sandra Newsom, Sherry Walker and Gwen DeShazo Irwin have been there since the beginning of my tenure

## Raymond L. Orians: Fast Facts

Ray Orians was initiated into the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity on February 13, 1966 at Delta Zeta Chapter, University of Memphis. His brothers Richard '68, Michael '81, Steven '81 and Robert '83, as well as his son, Jeffrey '97, are also members of Delta Zeta Chapter.

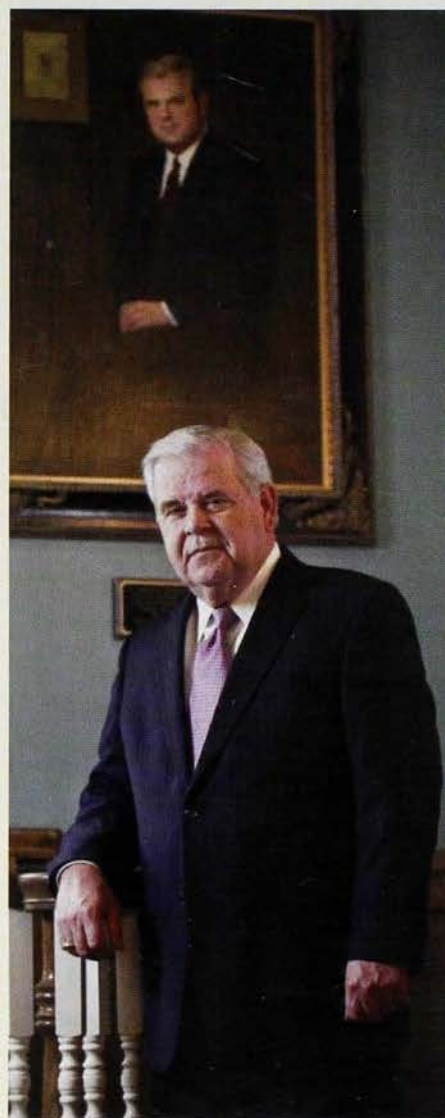
He was appointed executive vice president and CEO of the Pi Kappa Alpha International Fraternity in June 1984. He served Pi Kappa Alpha as director of housing for 15 years prior to assuming the position as the Fraternity's chief executive officer. Upon his retirement in April 2009, Orians was named executive vice president emeritus.

He has extensive experience in real estate, insurance and finance operations, and established the first self-insured retention program in the fraternity industry. Pi Kappa Alpha bestowed its prestigious Loyalty Award on him at its 2004 Convention. At the 2008 Convention, his Fraternity recognized him with its top award, the Distinguished Achievement Award, given annually to an alumnus who has distinguished himself in his chosen vocation or profession.

On the local level, he served as president of his chapter's house corporation, and president of the Memphis Area Alumni Association. He has served as a director and officer of several local fraternal house corporations. The University of Memphis recognized Orians as its Outstanding Greek Alumnus of 1994.

He is also a past president of the Fraternity Executives Association, elected by chief executives of all national fraternity and sorority organizations. He has also served as president of the Coalition for Freedom of Association, an action group of several national fraternities and sororities and other student organizations, which attained federal legislation for the right of students to freely associate. He and his wife Paige have two grown children, Aileen and Jeff, and two grandsons.

Orians is a member of the Educational Foundation's Garnet & Gold Donor Society, the Oak Trust and the President's Council.



**Raymond L. Orians stands in front of his portrait, painted by Memphis artist Paul Penczner (Memphis, Delta Zeta '94). The portrait hangs in the Memorial Headquarters in Memphis.**

as chief executive. And so has our general counsel, Rick Charlton. Their friendship, as well as that from many current and former staffers, motivated me to continue as long as I believe I was being effective. And to know that our Fraternity leaders selected Justin Buck, my chief deputy, as my successor makes me very comfortable that our Fraternity will continue in good hands.

**Q. Do you think the Fraternity experience is still relevant today?**

**A.** More so now than ever. In this technological age of instant communication, very few institutions

provide the environment for face-to-face interaction. Chapter members have the opportunity to not only run a small business, but to debate the issues of the day, whether those are world affairs, politics, religion, the various professions, community or family life or whatever. They support each other in good times and bad times, participate in their community, plan for the future and enjoy life to its fullest. Lifelong friendships are established. And all this they can do with little fear of repercussions or consequences which might exist in a

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workplace or the outside world. It is truly a learning laboratory. There is no doubt in my mind that every chapter member who takes advantage of this opportunity in the right way will enjoy a happy and successful life.

The same is true for our alumnus members. When alumni return for homecoming, Founders Day or a reunion, or attend a fellow brother's wedding and even a brother's funeral, they quickly reunite, not only reminiscing about the good old days, but also bringing each other up to

date on their professional challenges and rewards, and their health and family. Where else could that happen in such a brotherly way?

**Q. Your family obviously means a lot to you. What role did they play in your success?**

**A.** Behind every good man there is a loving spouse, and that could not be truer in my case. My wife Paige has not only been supportive, but she became very active in my career, attending all of our conventions and

many other Fraternity events. She went out of her way to make both our volunteers and staff, and their spouses, feel comfortable in every setting. She often made it a point to sit with student members at luncheons and banquets to hear what they were thinking. Paige has been a true confidant, helping me decide very critical matters, and a real supporter of both me and the Fraternity. In two words, she is a "class act" which has been corroborated by everyone who has had the pleasure to encounter her.

## RECOGNIZING THE RETIREMENT OF PI KAPPA ALPHA FRATERNITY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RAYMOND ORIAN

HON. PETE SESSIONS  
OF TEXAS  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 1, 2009

Mr. SESSIONS. Madam Speaker, I am honored and privileged to recognize Raymond L. Orians in tribute to his lifelong dedication to the collegiate and interfraternal movement, as well as his 25 years of service as the Executive Vice President and Chief Executive Officer of the Pi Kappa International Fraternity. Pi Kappa Alpha is a values-based college fraternity, with more than 200 chapters, 13,000 undergraduate members, and over 235,000 lifetime members.

Mr. Orians has spent his entire professional career, which spans more than 40 years, helping to educate college undergraduates and working to advance the North American Interfraternal movement. Most notable has been his involvement with the Fraternity Executives Association, as its president in 1994-1995, and as a mentor to countless other executives and staff members throughout the collegiate world.

He was also actively involved as president of the Coalition for Freedom of Association, an action group consisting of several fraternities and sororities and other student organizations, which was successful in helping to secure federal legislation for the right of students to associate freely. This legislation became federal law and remains a source of law vital to the success of all student organizations today in their most critical area of operation, membership recruitment.

Mr. Orians has also been a strong advocate within Pi Kappa Alpha for the benefits of membership in the North American college fraternity. He has attended countless meetings as an advocate for their membership and is frequently consulted for his expertise in the field. He has also been a key point-person on the efforts to lobby

On April 1, 2009, Congressman Pete Sessions (Southwestern, Alpha Omicron '76) of Texas (on right) recognized Raymond L. Orians for his lifelong dedication to the collegiate and interfraternal movement.



Congress to pass the Collegiate Housing and Infrastructure Act, personally walking the halls each year and also making certain that Pi Kappa Alpha is well represented.

At Pi Kappa Alpha's 2008 International Convention, Mr. Orians announced that he would be retiring from his post as Executive Vice President & CEO, a position he has held for 25 years. Prior to that, he also served as the chief housing officer for Pi Kappa Alpha for 15 years. In tribute to his service to Pi Kappa Alpha, Mr. Orians was honored with his Fraternity's Loyalty Award in 2004 and Distinguished Achievement Award in 2008. In recognition that he is a true source of inspiration in the pursuit of excellence by undergraduate members and chapters, he will forevermore be the namesake of Pi Kappa Alpha's Chapter Excellence Award. It is awarded annually to the top 10-15% of Pi Kappa Alpha chapters.

Mr. Orians' personal and professional achievements throughout his career have been outstanding by every measurement. He presided over the establishment of 67 new Pi Kappa Alpha chapters at institutions of higher learning throughout North America which included more than 100,000 new

members being brought into its ranks. Under his leadership, a new Pi Kappa Alpha Memorial Headquarters was constructed and dedicated in 1988, with a new Gold Star Memorial dedicated on August 1, 2008 recognizing those fraternity members who have made the ultimate sacrifice in military service to their country. In addition, the highly successful True Pike program, a values-based educational and leadership program, was created, and the innovative Pike University was established during his tenure, benefiting thousands of undergraduate young men each year.

Throughout his career, Mr. Orians has been a tremendous ambassador and advocate for all fraternities. Given his involvement, achievement, and tenure within the Greek movement and within Pi Kappa Alpha, it is an honor for me, as one of his Fraternity brothers and a colleague in the collegiate Greek movement, to acknowledge with gratitude the distinguished career and service of Raymond L. Orians, on this, his final day as Executive Vice President of the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity.





**Members of the Orians family on vacation in Beaver Creek, Colorado. From left: Jeffrey and Andrea Wiley Orians, Paige and Ray Orians.**

And my two grown children, Aileen and Jeff, were always at my side. I recall stating in an interview some 15 years ago that the true test of raising children is whether they are still your best friends once they fully matured. I am happy to report that they are. Both of them recently verified this with statements to the effect that they enjoy Paige's and my company and counsel often more than their own friends. What a compliment! Aileen has brought us two wonderful grandsons, Chase who is 10 and Cole who is 6. Hopefully both are future Pikes. We now have more time to spend with them in Chicago. And one of the highlights of my career was witnessing the initiation of Jeff into Pi Kappa Alpha as well as his marriage to Andrea, a fellow member of Paige's sorority, Pi Beta Phi.

Our extended family, which includes my eight younger brothers and sisters (four of whom are Pikes), and Paige's six brothers and sisters, our 14 brothers and sisters-in-law and our 34 nephews and nieces have also been very supportive. Many are still preparing for college and hopefully Greek life. A vast majority of the adults are already Greek members.

**Q. What advice would you give to your successor and future Supreme Councils?**

**A.** Under then International President Mark Anderson's leadership, the Fraternity developed its first comprehensive long-range strategic plan in the late 1990s. The plan has been revised and amended by each succeeding Supreme Council. A solid strategic plan is now in place, but it still needs constant review to meet today's and tomorrow's challenges and objectives. Staff structure will need to change and more resources will need to be developed. Growth should always be a priority, and financial stability is critical. A more tactical approach

might be in order whereby adaptation and improvement can be achieved even more timely in these quickly changing times. The opportunities are boundless and improvements can always be achieved.

One tremendous opportunity is major fund raising from our alumni. Our Foundation was not very active prior to 1980 and in fact did not have its own staff until then. Since that time, many loyal and supportive alumni have become involved as trustees and committee members of the Foundation and/or as significant contributors to the causes of the Fraternity. The Foundation now has the volunteer leaders and the staff to take it to the next level. I'm biased, but I cannot think of a more worthy organization which helps shape the lives of our current and future college student members both academically and personally. After all, these are future leaders and what better way to ensure a high standard of life, happiness and integrity for all in our brotherhood.

**Q. What legacy do you believe you have left the Fraternity?**

**A.** I hope I have left one of being a True Pike who only desired a better Fraternity than I originally joined. What makes me the proudest is when I see a student member or chapter leader become the best he can be, or when I experience a struggling chapter turn things around in a few years to become a Smythe winner. But my proudest moment is the sheer enjoyment of being associated with brothers of all ages and all walks of life who truly believe in friendship, love and truth. The Fraternity has been my life and I its humble servant, and the rewards have been more than I ever dreamed or ever will be able to repay.



**Ramond L. Orians (right) accepts the Gold Medal from NIC Board of Directors Chairman Bob Marchesani.**

**Raymond L. Orians Awarded NIC Gold Medal**

The North-American Interfraternity Conference (NIC) is pleased to announce the recipient of the 2009 Gold Medal. Former Pi Kappa Alpha Executive Vice President Raymond L. Orians was honored in Washington D.C. at the Centennial Meeting of the NIC. Also receiving the NIC Gold Medal was past NIC Executive Vice President Jon C. Williamson (Lambda Chi Alpha).

The presentation of the NIC Gold Medal is one of the oldest traditions of the NIC and dates back nearly 60 years. The Gold Medal is presented for a lifetime of work within the fraternity movement and is the highest interfraternal honor bestowed by the NIC. Ray's tenure as executive vice president of Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity has been marked by success in many areas including his work for student Freedom of Association rights, his work on Capitol Hill within the Government Relations initiatives of the NIC's work, and his commitment to interfraternalism.

One of Ray's nominators was Hon. Pete Sessions (R-TX). Representative Sessions stated in his remarks, "Mr. Orians has been a tremendous ambassador and advocate for all fraternities, it is an honor for me, as one of his brothers and a colleague in the collegiate Greek movement, to acknowledge with gratitude his distinguished career and service."

Founded in 1909, the North-American Interfraternity Conference is the trade association representing 73 international and national men's fraternities. Through advocacy, collaboration, and education, the NIC works to ensure that fraternities can operate in an environment conducive to their success.





## Pike University: Past, Present, Future

As Pike University enters its sixth year, the University has experienced a host of changes; attendance growth, first class name recognition, an enhanced curriculum, new recognition initiatives as well as the improved quality of the event venues. But, what is next for this specialized leadership development program of Pi Kappa Alpha?

Since its beginning at the 2003 Academy, Pike University has continued to blaze a trail for personal and organizational leadership development of Pi Kappa Alpha chapters and members. This past year, Pike University once again set a new attendance record with more than 2,661 undergraduates from over 211 chapters and colonies participating in at least one event, compared to 1,719 undergraduates from 194 chapters and colonies during its inaugural year. The 2008-09 event attendance reflects a 14.21% increase over the 2007-08 event attendance. The impact of the level of involvement is apparent, as over the past three years, the number of near excellence chapters has increased from 36% to over 45% this year.\* The True Pike Challenge, June 20, 2009, marks the close of another Pike University year!

One year ago, Pike University introduced the principles of Servant Leadership (a concept coined by Robert K. Greenleaf) as its foundation for

leadership education. This approach to leadership development has been well received by both Fraternity members, as well as outside observers of the University. Sean Cody (*Rose-Hulman, Iota Delta '07*) explains the impact of the leadership model:



Sean Cody

"[The] Servant Leadership presentation was one of the most impactful [sessions] given during this weekend's Pike University Leadership Summit. Not only do the ideals of leading by serving stand to improve the ability of leadership

in brothers, but they instill a higher degree of brotherhood in our chapters..."

The simple, yet thought provoking principles of Servant Leadership teach that the process of **Leadership** is earned when a leader gains **Authority** as a result of experiencing **Service and Sacrifice**, displays **Love** (as a verb) and ultimately having the **WILL** to act producing results. In *The Servant*, James C. Hunter eloquently describes how this leadership philosophy is impactful for not only an individual's personal growth, but for an organization's growth as well.

Pike University's other notable accomplishments this past year include a new record attendance of 459 undergraduates at the Chapter Executives Conference as well as over \$100,000 awarded in undergraduate scholarships to subsidize the cost

## Servant Leader Model



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of participating in Pike University programs.

The future looks bright; members and supporters can expect to see more changes that will reach, target, educate and motivate even more Pi Kappa Alpha members, including more interaction of Pike University certified recipients in programs and new educational development for all of the Fraternity resources. The Pike University vision is clear; to deliver the most advanced and comprehensive educational programs available to our members. Pike University not only challenges all members and supporters to continue the commitment towards improving Pi Kappa Alpha's fraternal experience, but also helps pave the way for more members to develop their leadership through taking part in this exciting and rewarding educational experience.

\*based on completed chapter assessments as of April 15, 2009

## 2008-2009 Pike University Certifications

The Pike University Certification Program recognizes the dedication of undergraduates who participate in multiple Pike University leadership events. The following 347 brothers achieved Certification status during the 2008-2009 Pike University year. Congratulations!

### Gold Level Certified

(attended at least five Pike University events)

Each undergraduate member that achieves the Gold Level of the Pike University Certification program receives each component of the Garnet Level, plus letters of recommendation, an official PiKA graduation stole and recognition via an annual press release to Fortune 100 corporations.

Jonathan A. Kappeler (Virginia Tech, Epsilon)  
Franklin Stewart (Tennessee, Zeta)

Ryan P. O'Connor (Kentucky, Omega)  
John L. O'Connor (Kentucky, Omega)  
Joshua P. Heger (Missouri Science & Technology, Alpha Kappa)  
Daniel L. Ryan (Missouri S&T, Alpha Kappa)  
Lance W. Weinmann (Missouri S&T, Alpha Kappa)  
William D. Jonas (Missouri, Alpha Nu)  
Bradley P. Stephens (Cincinnati, Alpha Xi)  
Joseph J. Whelan (Cincinnati, Alpha Xi)  
Grant M. Damas (Kansas State, Alpha Omega)  
Randall Drew Madison (Kansas State, Alpha Omega)  
Erik S. Alexander (Washington, Beta Beta)  
Matthew David Bleakley (Southern Methodist, Beta Zeta)  
Adam T. Muszynski (Illinois, Beta Eta)  
Eric M. Rosandich (Wisconsin, Beta Xi)  
Thomas C. Hanks (Oklahoma, Beta Omicron)  
Gregory James Harrison (Oklahoma, Beta Omicron)  
Aaron Michael Smith (Purdue, Beta Phi)  
Tyler A. Thomas (Nebraska, Gamma Beta)  
Mark A. Weingarten (Nebraska, Gamma Beta)  
Scott D. Giacalone (New Hampshire, Gamma Mu)

Nathan Ivie (Washington State, Gamma Xi)  
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Nathan A. McAboy (Oklahoma State, Gamma Chi)  
Steven V. Aveni Jr. (George Washington, Delta Alpha)  
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Andrew J. Cornick (Miami, Delta Gamma)  
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Douglas Michael Evans (Wayne State, Delta Nu)  
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Nathan L. Solly (Linfield College, Delta Rho)  
Eric Steinhardt (Bradley, Delta Sigma)  
Bneal A. Bonacci (Nebraska-Omaha, Delta Chi)  
Charlie Lambrix (Toledo, Epsilon Epsilon)  
James T. Reagan (East Tennessee State, Epsilon Zeta)  
E.J. Foreman III (Southeast Missouri State, Epsilon Iota)  
Matthew Ramshaw (Southeast Missouri State, Epsilon Iota)  
Jonathan Bryant (East Carolina, Epsilon Mu)  
R. Deniger Cobb (Delta State, Zeta Beta)



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 Jeffrey M. Madenford (Florida Tech, Zeta Sigma)  
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 Andrew J. Warren (Florida Tech, Zeta Sigma)  
 Andrew F. Mulchek (Missouri-St. Louis, Zeta Phi)  
 Matthew John Alexander (Clemson, Eta Alpha)  
 Blais W. Case (Angelo State, Eta Epsilon)  
 Matthew C. Cates (Angelo State, Eta Epsilon)  
 Michael A. Johnson (Middle Tennessee State, Eta Zeta)  
 Joshua J. Boldt (Northern Illinois, Eta Nu)  
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 Joshua Britton Carroll (Louisiana-Monroe, Eta Omicron)  
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 Kyle Holmes (California-Irvine, Lambda Lambda)  
 Michael A. Lopez (California-Irvine, Lambda Lambda)  
 Ryan Perlman (California-Irvine, Lambda Lambda)  
 Trey M. Cox (Embry-Riddle Aeronautical, Lambda Mu)  
 Justin B. Danehy (Embry-Riddle Aeronautical, Lambda Mu)  
 Grant K. Roberts (Embry-Riddle Aeronautical, Lambda Mu)  
 Dan O. Hardt (Rogers State, Lambda Omicron)

## Garnet Level Certified

(attended at least three Pike University events)

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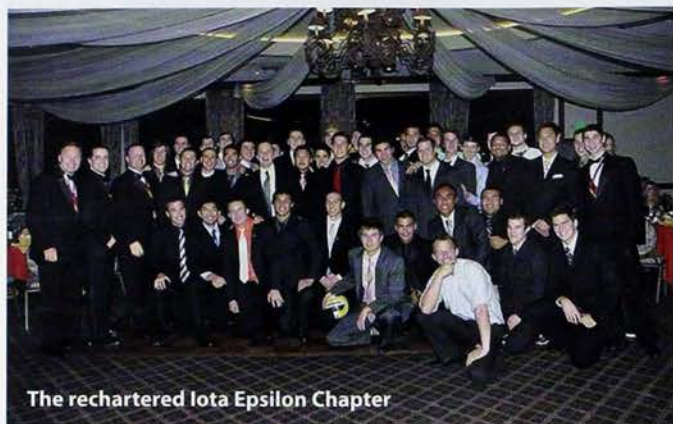
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 Blake A. Ritchie (Texas-Arlington, Eta Upsilon)  
 Andrew Michael Simmons (Texas-Arlington, Eta Upsilon)  
 Chase Southerland (Texas-Arlington, Eta Upsilon)  
 Jarrad Wayne Williams (Texas-Arlington, Eta Upsilon)  
 Jacob Honeycutt (Northeastern State, Theta Epsilon)  
 Matt T. Longan (Northeastern State, Theta Epsilon)  
 Jacob A. Korff (Indiana University Southeast, Theta Kappa)  
 Justin Robint (Indiana University Southeast, Theta Kappa)  
 Robert S. Jons (Indiana State, Theta Omicron)  
 Jason L. Haraway (Alabama-Huntsville, Theta Pi)  
 Patrick F. Turney (Winthrop, Theta Sigma)  
 Robert J. Palu (California State-Sacramento, Theta Tau)  
 Matthew D. Prentice (Tennessee Tech, Theta Upsilon)  
 Chris P. Orchard (California-Davis, Theta Omega)  
 James Philipposian (California-Davis, Theta Omega)  
 Alex Vasilev (California-Davis, Theta Omega)  
 Logan S. Christensen (Wyoming, Iota Alpha)  
 Patrick David Moore (California State-Fresno, Iota Beta)  
 Skylar Hinrichs (Nebraska-Kearney, Iota Gamma)  
 Jacob D. Esau (Rose-Hulman, Iota Delta)  
 Timothy J. Orr (Rose-Hulman, Iota Delta)  
 Ryan M. Smeltzer (Rose-Hulman, Iota Delta)  
 Johnathan A. Sullivan (Rose-Hulman, Iota Delta)  
 Sean Strauss (Michigan State, Iota Iota)  
 Scott R. Melamed (Johns Hopkins, Iota Tau)  
 Garrett H. Venable (Georgia Southern, Iota Upsilon)  
 Anthony Krize (Connecticut, Iota Chi)  
 Bryan Richard Rawlinson (Connecticut, Iota Chi)  
 Jeremy A. Bryan (Appalachian State, Iota Psi)  
 Brian J. Holst (Appalachian State, Iota Psi)  
 John R. Lutz Jr. (Appalachian State, Iota Psi)  
 Tru C. Nguyen (Appalachian State, Iota Psi)  
 Garrett K. Oakley (Appalachian State, Iota Psi)  
 Jay Lee Ward (Appalachian State, Iota Psi)  
 Matthew Chornaby (Western Ontario, Iota Omega)  
 Eric Bernacki (Illinois State, Kappa Alpha)  
 Kevin M. Byers (Illinois State, Kappa Alpha)  
 Scott Doliner (Northeastern, Kappa Delta)  
 Robert M. Hanson (Rockhurst, Kappa Epsilon)  
 Jarrett Lee Leiker (Rockhurst, Kappa Epsilon)  
 Frank Matande (Rockhurst, Kappa Epsilon)  
 Timothy James Opitz (Rockhurst, Kappa Epsilon)  
 Steven R. Gerl (Louisville, Kappa Zeta)  
 Michael Daversa (George Mason, Kappa Theta)  
 Jonathan M. Holt (N. Carolina-Charlotte, Kappa Kappa)  
 Richard I. Conner (Western Illinois, Kappa Lambda)  
 Royal C. Addis (Pacific, Kappa Nu)  
 Kyle Campiotti (Pacific, Kappa Nu)  
 Baljinder Gill (Pacific, Kappa Nu)  
 Jeffrey M. Gilmore (Pacific, Kappa Nu)  
 Daniel Alexander (South Dakota, Kappa Pi)  
 Dzenan B. Berberovic (South Dakota, Kappa Pi)  
 Paul F. Rann (South Dakota, Kappa Pi)  
 Joshua Michael Schroyer (Slippery Rock, Kappa Sigma)  
 William R. Realyvasquez (California State Polytechnic-Pomona, Kappa Psi)  
 Kevin M. Delle (Wisconsin-Whitewater, Kappa Omega)  
 Derek Raymond Roe (Wisconsin-Whitewater, Kappa Omega)  
 Adam M. Salvo (Wisconsin-Whitewater, Kappa Omega)  
 Jayson Gerald Neault (Maine, Kappa Tau)  
 Grady C. Lee (Univ. of California-Riverside, Lambda Alpha)  
 Jeremy J. Dorrington (Florida Atlantic, Lambda Beta)  
 Jamie T. Trusheim (Florida Atlantic, Lambda Beta)  
 Joshua Ivan Smith (Vermont, Lambda Delta)  
 Michael Bock (Drexel, Lambda Zeta)  
 Patrick W. Montgomery (Drexel, Lambda Zeta)  
 Benjamin Lifritz (William Woods, Lambda Eta)  
 Clayton Thompson (William Woods, Lambda Eta)  
 Ryan T. Berrigan (Central Oklahoma, Lambda Iota)  
 Daniel M. Stockton (Central Oklahoma, Lambda Iota)  
 Matthew M. Case (California-Irvine, Lambda Lambda)  
 Matthew I. Lahana (California-Irvine, Lambda Lambda)  
 Joseph Lovewell (California-Irvine, Lambda Lambda)  
 Daniel A. Longmire (California-Irvine, Lambda Lambda)  
 Aalap R. Mehta (California-Irvine, Lambda Lambda)  
 Shane Mraz (California-Irvine, Lambda Lambda)  
 Chris P. Ramirez (California-Irvine, Lambda Lambda)  
 Walter A. Rodriguez (California-Irvine, Lambda Lambda)  
 Avinash V. Sharma (California-Irvine, Lambda Lambda)  
 Lawrence E. Willis (California-Irvine, Lambda Lambda)  
 Joshua W. Anders (Embry-Riddle Aeronautical, Lambda Mu)  
 Trey M. Cox (Embry-Riddle Aeronautical, Lambda Mu)  
 Justin Brent Danehy (Embry-Riddle Aeronautical, Lambda Mu)  
 Stephen L. Dorton (Embry-Riddle Aeronautical, Lambda Mu)  
 Nathan J. Mulder (Embry-Riddle Aeronautical, Lambda Mu)  
 Ronald M. Parncutt Jr. (Embry-Riddle Aeronautical, Lambda Mu)  
 Grant K. Roberts (Embry-Riddle Aeronautical, Lambda Mu)  
 Graham S. Wetzler (Embry-Riddle Aeronautical, Lambda Mu)  
 Kevin J. Tomaszek (Boston, Lambda Nu)  
 Nicholas Zarrillo (Florida Gulf Coast, Lambda Xi)  
 Kyle R. Beggs (Rogers State, Lambda Omicron)  
 Bryan J. Kirby (Rogers State, Lambda Omicron)  
 Kyle A. Pendleton (Rogers State, Lambda Omicron)  
 Benjamin K. Rincker (Rogers State, Lambda Omicron)  
 Ryan A. Cangialosi (Hofstra, Lambda Pi)  
 Douglas J. Dykes (Hofstra, Lambda Pi)  
 Shane T. Melia (Hofstra, Lambda Pi)  
 Clayton R. Barnette (North Carolina-Greensboro, Lambda Rho)  
 Wayne J. Fisher (North Carolina-Greensboro, Lambda Rho)  
 Joseph R. Pratico (North Carolina-Greensboro, Lambda Rho)  
 Corey T. Crain (Oregon State, Colony at Oregon State)  
 Donald J. Lite III (Oregon State, Colony at Oregon State)  
 Micah J. Dorn (DePaul, Colony at DePaul)  
 Steven Hall (DePaul, Colony at DePaul)  
 Philip J. Minardi (DePaul, Colony at DePaul)



# Iota Epsilon Chapter Returns to California State University-Long Beach



The rechartered Iota Epsilon Chapter

The harbor was quiet and the water was still on January 31, 2009, but in the shadow of the smokestacks of the historic Queen Mary, The Reef restaurant was buzzing with excitement. All that could be heard was laughter and shouts of anticipation as 53 newly initiated members of Pi Kappa Alpha and their dates marched inside to celebrate the rechartering of Iota Epsilon Chapter at California State University-Long Beach. In a massive ballroom with a fantastic view of the Long Beach harbor, the gentlemen of Iota Epsilon stood together, strong and proud. A high point in the chapter's history, this night was recognition of nearly two years worth of hard work.

The initiation ceremonies were conducted by the southern California chapters from UC-Irvine (*Lambda Lambda*), Cal Poly-Pomona (*Kappa Psi*),

and Chapman (*Theta Psi*). The installation of Iota Epsilon Chapter was conducted by Past International President H. King Buttermore (*Vanderbilt, Sigma '63*). Golden West Regional President John Silberstein (*Chapman, Theta Psi '85*), Director of Expansion Ryan Collett (*Kansas State, Alpha Omega '04*), and Director of Services Eric Hren (*Toledo, Epsilon*

*Epsilon '04*) were also in attendance and helped coordinate and direct a flawless installation.

The high point of the weekend, the chartering banquet, was a memorable event for all who were there. In addition to a stirring address by Past International President Buttermore, the winners of the Iota Epsilon Scholar, Leader, Athlete and Gentleman Awards were recognized. Andrew Jonas was given the Scholarship Award for his successful organization and implementation of study hours and various programs to give the chapter a competitive edge in the classroom. Christian Velez was given the Leadership Award in recognition of his outstanding dedication to the Fraternity since the very beginning, and his ability to define and complete the group's objectives as a colony. The Athlete Award was given to Peter Kreta, who was instrumental in the success of virtually all of their sports teams, and whose competitive spirit was and continues to be a driving force within the organization. The coveted Gentleman's Award was given to Jaime Castellon, whose hard work and generosity kept the colony alive in the most dire of times.

## Colony History

The Pike expansion project at CSU-Long Beach was begun in late Spring 2007. Although instated after IFC sports were over for the semester, Pike wasted no time in proving itself a powerhouse on campus by taking first place in Delta Gamma's Anchor Splash relay and synchronized swimming competition. The colony could not have started off any

stronger, but time changes many things.

When school resumed in the fall, the colony's numbers had dwindled from 35 to 14. The loss of more than half its members pushed the colony to the brink of a full collapse. But in true Pike fashion, the remaining members fought to keep their organization alive. With barely enough people to field a team the CSU-Long Beach colony took second place in IFC flag football. They went on to take second place in volleyball that semester as well.

Over the next year the Pi Kappa Alpha CSU-Long Beach colony grew into one of the most respected Greek organizations on campus. The group hosted a number of successful philanthropy events including the Pike Presents Christmas toy drive and a capture-the-flag tournament in which sororities competed fiercely against each other.

The CSU-Long Beach colony worked to accomplish the goals they had set to achieve their charter, all the while maintaining the character of True Pikes. Every member a scholar, leader, athlete and gentleman, the CSU-Long Beach Pikes have earned the best reputation on their campus. Highly favored by the sororities and feared by the fraternities, Iota Epsilon Chapter is the epitome of what Pi Kappa Alpha stands for.

Since chartering, Iota Epsilon Chapter has only continued to excel. The chapter is currently tied for first in the running for the IFC sports cup. The chapter continues to grow and makes no indication of slowing down anytime soon. While Iota Epsilon is not the largest chapter on campus, there is no doubt that they are the best. These gentlemen command the respect of both their peers and their teachers. Their reputation with the women on campus continues to be that of a house of sincere gentlemen.

The initiation and chartering weekend was an amazing event in the chapter's history, not one that will soon be forgotten. But in true Pike spirit these men believe the real work has only just begun. While proud of what they have accomplished, Iota Epsilon looks ahead to the future, where the best is yet to come.

by Drew Crossman (*Iota Epsilon '09*)

## Iota Epsilon Officers & Advisor

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Treasurer: Corey Montanez

Secretary: Kyle T. Yamamoto

Rush Chairman: Ryan Brazelton

Vice President: David A. Velez

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Pledge Educator: Jaime Castellon

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Scholarship Chairman: Andrew Jonas

Chapter Advisor: Matt S. D'Abusco  
(California-Irvine, *Lambda Lambda '04*)



## Lambda Rho Chapter Chartered at University of North Carolina-Greensboro

On Saturday April 4, 2009, 45 men were initiated into Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity with the help of initiation teams from Iota Psi Chapter (*Appalachian State*), Epsilon Mu Chapter (*East Carolina*), and Delta Omega Chapter (*High Point*). This ceremony took place in the newly renovated university Alumni House. Following the initiations, International President Pat Talley (*Armstrong Atlantic State, Eta Mu '74*) installed the newest chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha: Lambda Rho Chapter at the University of North Carolina-Greensboro (UNCG). Also in attendance to assist with the installation were Carolinas Regional President John McCann (*Delaware, Delta Eta '75*), Director of Expansion Ryan Collett (*Kansas State, Alpha Omega '04*), Director of Real Estate Nat Steinhoff (*Wyoming, Iota Alpha '03*), and Lambda Rho Chapter Advisor Eli Hassid (*American, Kappa Upsilon '02*).

To celebrate the occasion, Lambda Rho Chapter hosted a chartering banquet at the Marriott Hotel in downtown Greensboro. More than 165 friends and family members were in attendance to celebrate the occasion. An additional 65 people attended the reception after the banquet. At the banquet, UNCG's Dean of Students Jen Day Shaw, UNCG's Director of Campus Activities and Programs Checka Leinwall, and UNCG's Director of Undergraduate Advising Steve Moore (the group's faculty advisor) were present to show the University's support of Pike's newest chapter. International President Talley was the keynote speaker for the evening. In his address, he challenged Lambda Rho Chapter to live the ritual and values of Pi Kappa Alpha each day and also to better itself with the new ideals that The Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity has set out.

### Colony History

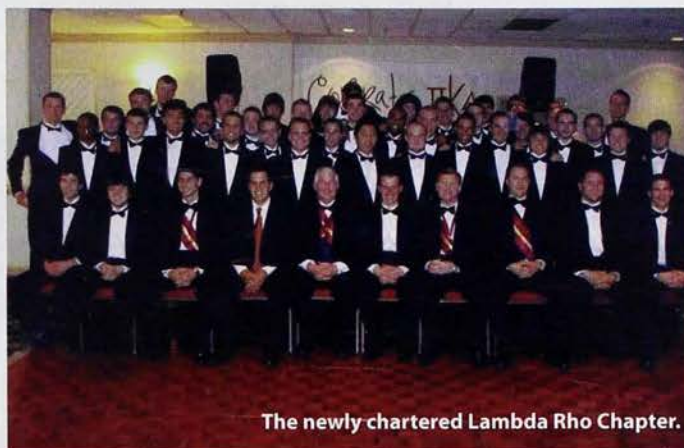
It took 16 long months of hard work, determination, and dedication before the newest chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha could be chartered. In October 2007, Expansion Consultants Steinhoff and James Card (*Nebraska-Omaha, Delta Chi '03*) stepped onto the campus of UNCG to start a new colony. Steinhoff and Card spent four weeks recruiting, making sorority presentations and talking to distinguished faculty members and

administrators. At the end of their four weeks on campus, they had assembled a tremendous group of 16 men (which was limited, due to specific regulations with regard to first semester freshmen). At the end of the Fall '07 semester the group jumped to 35 men.

As a colony, the men made their presence known around campus, within months becoming the largest fraternity by almost 20 men. They were active not only by coming up with their own community service and philanthropic events, but also by supporting those in the Greek community. Their biggest accomplishment at that point was winning Greek Week in their first year of competition, winning over a fraternity that was riding an almost 20-year winning streak.

These accomplishments are just mere blips on the radar. The Lambda Rho Pikes have continued to set new goals for themselves and continue to work hard to excel in every facet of being True Pikes. Some main goals are to become number one in GPA, and to be the number one fraternity in athletics.

Lambda Rho's largest goal is to become the first 100 man chapter in university history. At UNCG the Greek community is not as dominant as it is on other campuses, but the Pikes aim to change that. Greeks make up 4% of UNCG's population. Not including Pike there is an average of 20 members in each of the other six IFC fraternities. Other fraternities struggle due to the large ratio of male to female students, 30 percent to 70 percent respectively. UNCG was founded in 1891 as an all women's



The newly chartered Lambda Rho Chapter.

college and has only been co-educational for roughly 45 years. However, the men of Lambda Rho plan to seek out every single person in that 30 percent of the University's population to find "the most best men". They have set their sights on becoming the UNCG's 2009 Chapter of the Year, as well as becoming a Smythe Award winning chapter within two years of chartering. The men of the Lambda Rho Chapter are extremely passionate, energetic, and enthusiastic to strive for excellence. The Fraternity can expect big things to come from the young men of Lambda Rho Chapter now and in years to come.

by Joseph Burrridge (Lambda Rho '09)

### Lambda Rho Officers & Advisors

President: Wayne J. Fisher  
 Treasurer: Joseph R. Pratico  
 Secretary: Joseph V. Burrridge  
 Rush Chairman: Clayton R. Barnette  
 Vice President: Gregory M. Meyer  
 Vice President: Timothy P. Howell  
 Risk Awareness Chairman:  
 Jeffrey P. Chmielewski  
 Sergeant at Arms: Sean T. McAlister  
 Chapter Advisor: Eli Hassid  
 (American, Kappa Upsilon '02)  
 Alumni Advisory Board:  
 Chad Nelson Gambrell  
 (Appalachian State, Iota Psi '02)





# The Haunting of the Lodge

## Epsilon Iota Chapter (Southeast Missouri State)

Darkness enveloped her. Where was she? When Jessica came to, she could barely make out the ceiling of a room above her. By now it must be sunset she thought as she saw the last rays of dim sunlight cascade across the rafters above her. Within minutes it was completely dark, and she was alone sitting on a pile of coal with four cold metal walls holding her captive.

The Mark Twain Society, a literary organization at Southeast Missouri State, had a tough decision to make. It was 1957 and the fate of their organization was in the balance. Should they do what many organizations such as theirs had done and convert to a Greek fraternity? One can almost imagine debates going well into the night as the brothers weighed their choices. Ultimately, the men decided to convert to a fraternity, and chose to seek membership in Pi Kappa Alpha. Soon after, on May 3, 1958 the International Fraternity chartered the Epsilon Iota Chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha. To this day, in honor of the Mark Twain Society, each pledge class can be seen carrying a cane across campus.

Traditionally, Greek housing at Southeast has always been on-campus, and University owned. Despite that fact, Epsilon Iota Chapter had been looking for a place of its own since its chartering. After a 15 year search for an off-campus building to host its various social functions, chapter meetings, and initiations, they found their prize. In the fall of '73 the Epsilon Iota housing corporation purchased the Marquette School house on South Sprigg Street, which would soon be known as the Pi Kappa Alpha Memorial Lodge.



The back of the lodge.



Is this Jessica?

The Lodge was originally built in the early 1900's to serve as a school house for families in the area. It was a large two-story building, that served as a place of learning for children until they were old enough to begin working the nearby fields themselves.

Undoubtedly there are many former students of the school house who look back on their experience there fondly. Perhaps they played kick the can, or tag in the school yard. For others it provided a way to escape a lifetime of toil through a good education. While there were no doubt many students who prospered at Marquette, tragedy befell one little girl whose life came to an untimely end.

Little Jessica was a young student at Marquette, close to eight years old. One Friday afternoon Jessica was late getting home from school. What started as concern quickly turned to despair when minutes turned into hours. Her parents were quick to notify others in their community, and soon a search was started for Jessica in the surrounding areas. Just across the road from the school house is a busy railway, and no more than a quarter mile past the train tracks is the Mississippi River. It was thought that maybe Jessica was kidnapped by somebody riding the trains or possibly got lost in the wetlands surrounding the river. All through the weekend Jessica's parents and friends looked for her, but she couldn't be found anywhere.

The next Monday morning the principal of Marquette school arrived to start the week. Doubtless as he entered the school house Jessica's disappearance must have been weighing on his mind. When he opened his office door, situated toward the back of the top floor in the school house, in what is today known as the "Pikes Only" room, he noticed a hole in the floor near the corner of his desk. His office was directly over the boiler room and coal furnace that provided heat to the school. As he was examining the hole the principal could just barely make out a small shape deep down in the coal chute. In a rush the principal and other staff ran down to the basement boiler room. With axes and shovels they began to tear apart the coal chute that fed the boiler. After breaking through they found the body of Little Jessica still holding her jump rope and covered in soot.

It was determined that she must have fallen through the floor boards Friday afternoon while all the other children were outside playing at the end of the day. They found scrape marks all along the inside of the coal chute and Jessica's fingers were all torn up. They also discovered that her lungs were full of soot leading them to believe that she was alive for quite some time after she fell into the chute. Maybe she initially knocked herself out and that was why the staff and other children didn't hear her screaming.

Eventually the Marquette school house closed down and the haunted building sat empty for decades. The Pi Kappa Alpha chapter at Southeast Missouri State University has owned the old school house for the last 36 years. The chapter has made many renovations to

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The front of the lodge.



**Alpha (Virginia)**

Active chapter size: 31; pledges: 13.

**Beta (Davidson)**

Active chapter size: 26; pledges: 4.

**Gamma (William and Mary)**

Active chapter size: 39. In January 2009, Director of Chapter Services Eric Hren met with chapter members as well as local alumni who will be helping to re-establish Gamma's alumni advisory board. Two alumni from nearby Zeta Iota Chapter at Old Dominion University offered their support.

**Epsilon (Virginia Tech)**

Active chapter size: 118; pledges: 38. The chapter sent twelve men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit. The spring recruitment team of fourteen men, each with a different specific task in the recruitment process, proved successful for the chapter. With over 50 Greek organizations at Virginia Tech, the pledge class that was initiated in January 2009 attained a class GPA of 3.31, the second highest GPA of any Greek new member class at Virginia Tech. When Pike was re-chartered at Virginia Tech in February 1971 the Fraternity was an expansion

of a current all-male social group at the school named The Cotillion Club. This was a highly exclusive group at Virginia Tech that was renowned for sponsoring several social events throughout the semester. This past semester, Epsilon Chapter invited back eight Cotillion Club alumni to be initiated into Pi Kappa Alpha. After the initiation the men enjoyed a tour of the chapter house and a reception where they were joined by other Cotillion Club alumni. Epsilon Chapter continues to be involved in their community, and this year they have participated in an annual Valentine's Day dance at a local retirement home, a trail clean-up at a local rehabilitation center, and several brothers spent the Easter weekend building a fence for the chapter's housemother. The brothers were happy to be able to help their housemother since she helps them on a daily basis, and they had a great day with her family on their farm.



At this year's Anchorsplash talent show the men came up with a very creative black-light dance routine. One of the brothers mixed the music and several others were involved in creating the

original choreography for the act. The act has become very popular on *youtube.com* and the men have been contacted by Good Morning America about showing the video on their morning program. The men remain competitive on the athletic field and the chapter has won in basketball and innertube water polo in the fraternity wide tournaments this year. They also scored very well in these two sports in the university intramurals. They anticipate finishing the academic year with success on the softball field.

**Zeta (Tennessee)**

Active chapter size: 129; pledges: 6. The chapter sent thirty-five men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit.

**Theta (Rhodes)**

Active chapter size: 73.

**Iota (Hampden-Sydney)**

Active chapter size: 24.

**Kappa (Transylvania)**

Active chapter size: 27; pledges: 1.

**Mu (Presbyterian)**

Active chapter size: 37; pledges: 20. The chapter sent thirteen men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit. International Work Day found the undergraduates, alumni and parents cleaning, painting and making minor repairs to the house. With a larger membership than in the past, the house gets used more so it was nice to have the opportunity to devote some time to the repair work. Currently, Pikes represent about 10% of the male student body at PC. The alumni are very active and this year they financed the men's attendance at the Atlanta Leadership Summit. The alumni also participate in the chapter's big brother program, where each member has an alumni advisor to assist him during his college experience and in job placement after graduation. The new football coach is an alumnus and a large number of football players are Pikes. The second annual PIKA Highlander Carnival was held in April 2009, featuring a Ferris wheel, mechanical bull, several rides, attractions and vendors. The carnival is a family event and was attended by Presbyterian students as well as local residents. Chapter Advisor Jake Moore is collecting old photos which will be framed and displayed in the chapter house. The chapter recently found books containing the minutes from 1896 and 1952. Please contact Jake Moore at [jake@mttlaw.com](mailto:jake@mttlaw.com) if you have any old photos to share.

**Nu (Wofford)**

Active chapter size: 73; pledges: 5. The chapter sent four men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit. In academics six brothers have a 4.0, 24 have above a 3.5 and 33 have above a 3.25. Founders Day brought the chapter together with many alumni and friends. In community service the chapter participated in a fundraiser for the North Carolina Center for Epilepsy and they also held a clothing drive where students donated over 250 items for charity. The men did well in Wofford's intramural competition, and they placed first in soccer.

**Xi (South Carolina)**

Active chapter size: 139. The chapter sent eleven men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit.

**Pi (Washington & Lee)**

Active chapter size: 40; pledges: 9.

**Sigma (Vanderbilt)**

Active chapter size: 72; pledges: 1. The chapter sent three men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit.

TOP CHAPTERS IN PLEDGINGS AS OF MAY 1, 2009	
Delta Lambda Chapter, Florida State	81
Epsilon Chapter, Virginia Tech	63
Kappa Theta Chapter, George Mason	61
Gamma Eta Chapter, Southern California	57
Beta Eta Chapter, Illinois	54
Xi Chapter Chapter, South Carolina	53
Gamma Iota Chapter, Mississippi	53
Lambda Mu Chapter, Embry-Riddle	52
Alpha Nu Chapter, Missouri	51
Lambda Iota Chapter, Central Oklahoma	51
TOP CHAPTERS IN INITIATIONS AS OF MAY 1, 2009	
Delta Lambda Chapter, Florida State	68
Xi Chapter, South Carolina	51
Alpha Nu Chapter, Missouri	50
Gamma Eta Chapter, Southern California	50
Lambda Mu Chapter, Embry-Riddle	50
Delta Gamma Chapter, Miami University	44
Gamma Iota Chapter, Mississippi	42
Beta Phi Chapter, Purdue	40
Delta Alpha Chapter, George Washington	40
Lambda Nu Chapter, Boston University	40

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## A Special Night for Father and Son

On a Thursday night in mid-April, I experienced something that only a Pike dad and son could experience. Some of the young men at **Xi Chapter at the University of South Carolina** invited me to participate in my son Jared's Pike initiation. It was a great evening and really blew me away!

First off, I am a PiKA from the mid-70s at Wake Forest University. I have been on Gamma Phi's alumni council for quite a few years. We have a great bunch that still get together for all the Wake Forest football games and tailgate. For the last 12 years, we have taken our wives on a fall trip to an away game. I think it would be easy to say that my son has definitely grown up in and around the great bonds of brotherhood with all PiKAs.

Jared knew I was coming to the initiation, but of course, had no idea what to expect. He had just been through pledge period and a very tiring last week so I am sure the emotions were running the gamut. What I found when I arrived was a large and very friendly group of young men. They were as excited for the group of pledges as I am sure the pledges were.

Nobody knew me when I entered the initiation room and I did not know any of them. All the pledges had been sequestered around 6:00 p.m. to prepare for the event. Immediately, a very nice young man, **Scott MacLatchie '08**, came over and introduced himself. He was a wealth of knowledge on Pike history and was very glad to see that Jared's dad was able to take part in this. I came to find out that he was the President



**John Nelms (left) and his son, Jared.**

of last semester's pledge class, so he told me a little of what my own son was experiencing.

I had been invited to this event by associate pledge educator **Michael LeNoir '07**. Michael had talked with me several times the week before and told me when to be there and the location. I immediately sought him out when I arrived, but couldn't find him as he was obviously very busy with the pledge class. There were lot of guys that I wanted to meet, as my son couldn't quit talking about them. Between Michael and another brother, **Ryan Manthey '07**, Jared was very sold on his decision to become a Pike! In the week following the initiation, Jared would say several times that this was one of the best decisions he had made in his entire life.

But back to the evening and the events of the night. All the brothers carried a genuine excitement for these pledges and their special night. Chapter President **Andy Kraemer '07** started going through a trial run of the ceremony. When it came time for the start of the "real thing" I heard the starting order and heard that Jared was scheduled to go first. Andy made an announcement that Jared had a special guest there to participate in the initiation, that I was Jared's father and a Pike from Wake Forest. I got to stand right beside Jared as he took his oath, and it was very moving. Afterward, it seemed like everybody came up to us to congratulate Jared – handshakes and backslaps all around.

During the breaks I got to talk to many of the brothers. All of them said it was very special that I could be there with Jared for this special time, and they wished their own dads could have been there for their own initiation.

The individual initiations made for what could have been a long night as there were 12 in this class. But I have to say that each one was special and I enjoyed going through all the rituals. The expressions on each pledge's face were priceless. I was thrilled to see the pleasure each brother took in seeing the pledge become a brother and welcoming him into the bonds of brotherhood.

This was a very special night for an older and a younger Pike. It brought back a lot of good memories and created even more. Many thanks and I appreciated the very nice hospitality of Xi Chapter at South Carolina.

– John Nelms '76  
(Wake Forest, Gamma Phi Chapter)

### **Tau (North Carolina)**

Active chapter size: 54.

### **Upsilon (Auburn)**

Active chapter size: 133. The chapter sent eight men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit.

### **Phi (Roanoke)**

Active chapter size: 39. The chapter sent two men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit. The men had the second highest fraternity GPA on campus. The active chapter hosted a pig roast during the alumni weekend in April 2009. The weekend gave the alumni an opportunity to re-connect with the chapter and keep up with the chapter news. It was events like the Habitat for Humanity project and participation in the Relay for Life that put the chapter in the top five for campus fundraising, and had them named the top fraternity in community service hours at Roanoke College. Nine Phi brothers will serve as Orientation Group Leaders for the incoming freshmen class. One brother received the honor of Greek of the Year for his efforts on campus, and two brothers have graduated from Leadership Roanoke, a program to instill leadership qualities in Roanoke students.

### **Psi (North Georgia)**

Active chapter size: 65. The chapter sent five men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit.

### **Omega (Kentucky)**

Active chapter size: 85; pledges: 1. The chapter sent two men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit.

### **Alpha Alpha (Duke)**

Active chapter size: 85.

### **Alpha Gamma (Louisiana State)**

Active chapter size: 51. The chapter sent eight men to the Dallas Leadership Summit.

### **Alpha Delta (Georgia Tech)**

Active chapter size: 62; pledges: 3.

### **Alpha Epsilon (North Carolina State)**

Active chapter size: 93; pledges: 9. The chapter is hosting the third annual Jimmy V Volleyball Tournament to raise money for the V Foundation for cancer research. For the third consecutive year the men teamed up with Zeta Tau Alpha Sorority to win the All Campus Spirit competition during Homecoming week. For the past five years the men have won the President's

Cup, an award presented to the fraternity intramural champions for all sports at NC State.

### **Alpha Zeta (Arkansas)**

Active chapter size: 77; pledges: 6. The chapter sent three men to the Dallas Leadership Summit.

### **Alpha Eta (Florida)**

Active chapter size: 41.

### **Alpha Theta (West Virginia)**

Active chapter size: 67.

### **Alpha Iota (Millsaps College)**

Active chapter size: 36; pledges: 6. The chapter sent ten men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit. The chapter GPA is over 3.0, earning the men the Millsaps Above All Men's Average GPA Award. A successful alumni event was held in March 2009 which brought many alumni together, ranging from early years to recent graduates. During the alumni event, the chapter reviewed their five year plan with the alumni. Chapter Advisor Buddy Buchanan '60 is working with the active members to keep the alumni informed and involved, including



the development of an alumni e-newsletter. In community service, the chapter participated in Footsteps in Hope which benefited HIV research. On campus, the men are represented in the student senate, honor council, judicial council as well as on the varsity baseball, tennis and football teams. A Pike brother received the L.O.V.E. Award from Millsaps College, which recognizes his commitment to service and leadership for the college. Pike brothers also won the Fraternity Man of the Year and Model Initiate for Millsaps.

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

Active chapter size: 99; pledges: 13. The chapter sent thirty-eight men to the Chicago Leadership Summit. Over the weekend of April 4, 2009, Alpha Kappa active members and pledges held their bi-annual community service trip in Springfield as they participated in the Wilson's Creek National Battlefield Volunteer Park Day. Some of the projects included a highway cleanup project, cleaning streams within the park, re-painting ridges along the visitor tour route, and other miscellaneous repairs. The following day the men returned to Rolla and participated in the highway cleanup on a stretch of Highway 63. Overall, Alpha Kappa logged over 2,000 community service hours for the weekend.

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#### Alpha Xi (Cincinnati)

Active chapter size: 106; pledges: 8. The chapter sent twenty-two men to the Chicago Leadership Summit. The chapter implemented a new scholarship policy for the spring 2009 quarter with study hours and mid-quarter grade reviews. Their efforts have paid off as the chapter can see an increase in their GPA, and they anticipate this trend will continue as the men continue to put forth an effort to improve their grades. Active members are working with alumni as they plan for the centennial celebration. To further alumni involvement, the chapter will also host a summer softball game with the alumni, and they are developing a Big Alumni Little Active program. Several brothers are running for various student government positions, and for the fourth year in a row there are two brothers, which is the maximum, serving on the IFC. The chapter has presidents on the Nightwalk Safety Board, National Society of Collegiate Scholars, Colleges Against Cancer and the Student Activities Board. There are also 33 brothers serving on executive boards in various student groups. At the annual Theta Phi Alpha Sorority philanthropy, Theta Phi Bowl, the men of Alpha Xi had 50 brothers participate and they raised the most money for the Bethany House. The annual Pi Kappa Alpha Mom's Weekend started off with a group bowling evening. The following day the chapter hosted a luncheon for the mothers followed by dinner at Hofbrahaus that evening. The main event, Mom Prom, was held at the Marriott with 65 mothers and brothers enjoying the night. In athletics, their win in basketball put them in the lead for the overall athletic championship.

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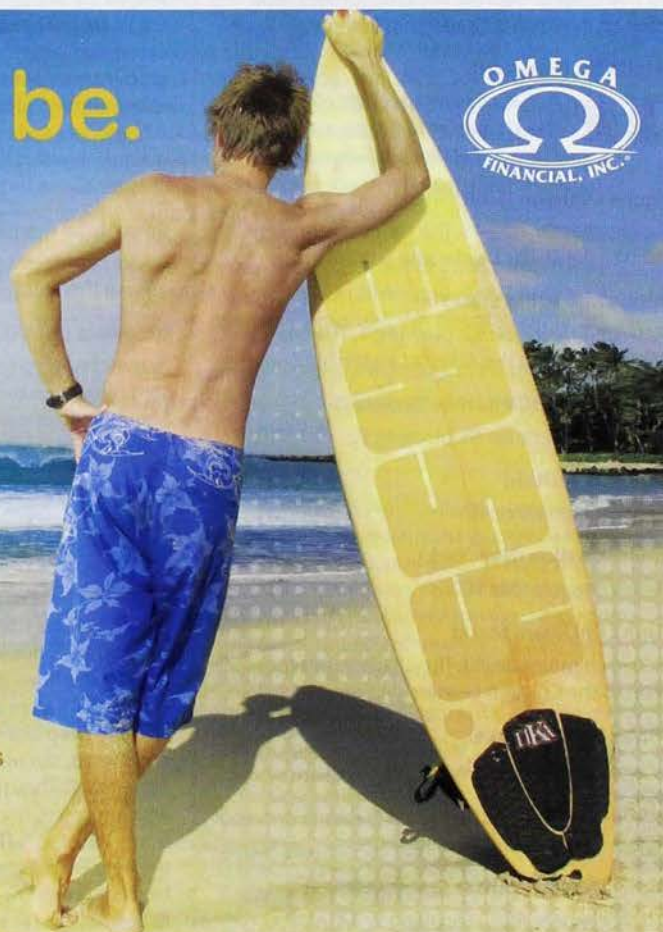


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#### **Delta Alpha (George Washington)**



Active chapter size: 138. The chapter sent one man to the Atlanta Leadership Summit. Delta Alpha Chapter held its first alumni event specifically for members for the chapter's second colonization of 1989. Over 40 brothers from that time period and their families enjoyed brunch at the house with the current undergraduates. The alumni event was part of a renewed effort by Delta Alpha to energize its young alumni base. With approximately 65% of GWU graduates remaining in the greater Washington area, and numerous Pikes moving into the area during the course of their career, Delta Alpha has a unique opportunity to foster a close and ongoing relationship with a broad alumni base. The event was coupled with the presentation of the Ken Pikus Award. This award goes to the overall champion for the fraternity athletic league and is named after 1990 Delta Alpha initiate Ken Pikus who tragically passed away during his undergraduate years. Delta Alpha won this award for the third time in its five year history.

#### **Alpha Lambda (Georgetown)**

Active chapter size: 24; pledges: 8.

#### **Alpha Mu (Georgia)**

Active chapter size: 84. The chapter sent four men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit.

#### **Alpha Nu (Missouri)**



Active chapter size: 139; pledges: 2. The chapter sent fifteen men to the Chicago Leadership Summit.

#### **Alpha Omicron (Southwestern)**

Active chapter size: 45. The chapter sent eight men to the Dallas Leadership Summit.

#### **Alpha Rho (Ohio State)**

Active chapter size: 62; pledges: 1. The chapter sent five men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit.

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

Active chapter size: 48; pledges: 7.

#### **Alpha Tau (Utah)**

Active chapter size: 87.

#### **Alpha Upsilon (New York)**

Active chapter size: 109.

#### **Alpha Phi (Iowa State)**

Active chapter size: 63. The chapter sent four men to the Chicago Leadership Summit.

#### **Alpha Chi (Syracuse)**

Active chapter size: 51.

#### **Alpha Psi (Rutgers)**

Active chapter size: 41; pledges: 1.

#### **Alpha Omega (Kansas State)**

Active chapter size: 116; pledges: 13. Alpha Omega achieved its highest accumulative semesterly GPA to date with a 3.1, placing them

above the university's all-men and all Greek averages. An alumni advisory board is now in place with almost every position in the house with an alumni advisor to turn to for advice. The alumni are happy to be involved and in helping the chapter. The men held their fifth annual Easter Egg hunt and received coverage in the school newspaper. The members are making changes to go green by recycling cans, bottles, newspapers and cardboard. They are also making an effort to conserve electricity in the chapter house.

#### **Beta Alpha (Pennsylvania State)**

Active chapter size: 82. The chapter sent four men to the Chicago Leadership Summit.

#### **Beta Beta (Washington)**

Active chapter size: 80; pledges: 10. The chapter sent three men to the San Jose Leadership Summit and one man to the Atlanta Leadership Summit.

#### **Beta Gamma (Kansas)**

Active chapter size: 26. The chapter sent four men to the Chicago Leadership Summit.

#### **Beta Delta (New Mexico)**

Active chapter size: 49. A new academic program was put into place in the spring and the results showed an improvement in the chapter GPA from an already high 3.06. In an effort to keep alumni informed of chapter news and events, the men have established a new list serve email. They recently added twenty-five new addresses from alumnus members initiated from 1955-1967. The active chapter attended the Beta Delta Founders Day celebration hosted by the alumni. The chapter partnered with the American Cancer society to present a concert that raised over \$1,000 for Relay for Life. The chapter is very active on campus and was

recognized with a 5 out of 5 star rating for its campus involvement. Over 90% of the members are involved in another student organization, with many of the men belonging to honor societies or divisions of student government which helps them further their leadership development. Beta Delta holds three out of the five IFC positions and has a member running for student body president. The men held a chapter retreat and are taking steps to restructure the leadership positions to allow for more effective communications among its members. A membership development committee was created and the internal vice presidential cabinet was completely overhauled. The chapter is very successful in the area of dues collection, with the success due in part to a newly installed collection legislation that includes a discounting system. The men placed third at the 2009 Greek Week.

#### **Beta Zeta (Southern Methodist)**

Active chapter size: 120; pledges: 4. The chapter sent thirty-eight men to the Dallas Leadership Summit. On campus, Pikes hold the office of student body president as well as four senate seats. The chapter defended their fourteenth intramural title in fifteen years.

#### **Beta Eta (Illinois)**



Active chapter size: 156; pledges: 15. The chapter sent fourteen men to the Chicago Leadership Summit.

#### **Beta Theta (Cornell)**

Active chapter size: 88.

#### **Beta Mu (Texas)**

Active chapter size: 95; pledges: 1. The chapter sent four men to the Dallas Leadership Summit.

#### **Beta Xi (Wisconsin)**

Active chapter size: 61. The chapter sent fourteen men to the Chicago Leadership Summit.

#### **Beta Omicron (Oklahoma)**

Active chapter size: 51; pledges: 5. The chapter sent nine men to the Dallas Leadership Summit.

#### **Beta Pi (Pennsylvania)**

Active chapter size: 71.

#### **Beta Sigma (Carnegie-Mellon)**

Active chapter size: 47; pledges: 6. The chapter sent two men to the Chicago Leadership Summit.

#### **Beta Tau (Michigan)**

Active chapter size: 121; pledges: 13. The chapter sent four men to the Chicago Leadership Summit. The chapter hosted the seventh annual comedy night which benefited Michigan Reach Out!, a local mentoring program and the Ann Arbor Alpha House, a homeless shelter. Stand-up comedian Mike Birbiglia was the featured act.

#### **Beta Upsilon (Colorado)**

Active chapter size: 105.



#### **Beta Phi (Purdue)**

Active chapter size: 124. The chapter sent



twenty-one men to the Chicago Leadership Summit.

#### **Beta Chi (Minnesota)**

Active chapter size: 42; pledges: 13. The chapter sent seventeen men to the Chicago Leadership Summit.

#### **Gamma Alpha (Alabama)**

Active chapter size: 97. The chapter sent four men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit.

#### **Gamma Beta (Nebraska)**

Active chapter size: 72. The chapter sent eight men to the Chicago Leadership Summit. The chapter has a new scholarship reward program that recognizes the member with the highest GPA and the member with the most improved GPA at the end of each semester. Gamma Beta celebrated their ten year anniversary this year and the chapter hosted a Founders Day formal in April. In community service, the men hosted their annual Pike Spike in April with the proceeds benefitting Friendship Home of Lincoln, Nebraska. Each brother is involved in at least two organizations outside of the fraternity that include student government positions, athletic groups and various academic related clubs. The chapter traveled to Waterloo, Iowa for a brotherhood event that included a Waterloo Blackhawks hockey game. The men are currently in first place in the all-university intramurals. Two brothers are on the varsity tennis team, and brothers are also part of the club baseball and lacrosse teams.

#### **Gamma Epsilon (Utah State)**

Active chapter size: 45; pledges: 7.

#### **Gamma Eta (Southern California)**



Active chapter size: 148. The chapter sent eight men to the San Jose Leadership Summit.

#### **Gamma Theta (Mississippi State)**

Active chapter size: 113; pledges: 14.



#### **Gamma Iota (Mississippi)**

Active chapter size: 210; pledges: 5.

#### **Gamma Kappa (Montana State)**

Active chapter size: 48; pledges: 1.

#### **Gamma Mu (New Hampshire)**

Active chapter size: 67; pledges: 1. Two Gamma Mu brothers were initiated into the Golden Key Society, a non-profit international academic honors organization that recognizes the top 15% of juniors and seniors in all undergraduate fields. Last summer the men lost one of their brothers, Taylor Trudeau '04, who passed away from leukemia. The chapter organized a philanthropy event in his memory, The Taylor Trudeau Cycle for Life, and in March 2009 the first annual event raised over \$4,000 for leukemia research. The chapter hopes to enlist more Pike chapters to hold their own Cycle for Life event next year. Each chapter member is encouraged to participate in at least one club or organization on campus. The men are working on house improvements, some of which will continue over the summer. They are making improvements to the trophy case and



#### **Delta Pi (San Jose State)**

Active chapter size: 101. The chapter sent seventeen men to the San Jose Leadership Summit. The chapter once again took part in the annual Pat Tillman race, a philanthropic event which the chapter supports annually.

Pat Tillman was a summa cum laude graduate from Arizona State University in 1998 as well as the Pac 10 Defensive Player of the year. The Arizona Cardinals drafted him in the 7th round and even though many questioned his ability to make the opening-day roster, he soon became the team's starting safety. In 2000, he broke the franchise record for tackles with 224. Rather than cashing in on his success in 2002, he turned down a multi-million dollar contract to serve his country in an elite Army Ranger Unit, and unfortunately died in 2004 while serving his country in Eastern Afghanistan.

The Pat Tillman Foundation supports developing tomorrow's leaders today with their Leadership Through Action program at Arizona State University. April 24th, 2009 marked the 4th Annual Pat's Run held at Leland High School in San Jose, California. Approximately 6,000 people were in attendance and the Delta Pi Pikes were again responsible for the first mile marker of the 4.2 mile race, an honor they have held each year since its inception. Alumnus brother **Kurt Carrasquilla '89** worked with Chapter President **Kevin Ghodoosian '05** and **Patrick McCauley '06** to coordinate the volunteering effort. The Pikes had 40 brothers supporting the first mile marker as well as eleven active and alumnus racers.

Special congratulations to **John Van Metre '90** who placed 15th out of 3,058 runners and covered the 4.2 mile course in 23:43 minutes. **Joel Hornung '02** (28:49) and **Kurt Carrasquilla** (29:49) also broke the 30 minute barrier. The Pike team had a top 10 finish out of 33 entered teams.

San Jose Race Director Elaine White was very complimentary of the Delta Pi Pikes for their continued support each year. The Foundation is looking forward to seeing the chapter out again for a fifth year in 2010!

the bathrooms are being renovated. The siding on the house will be repaired and they will do some painting over the summer. Two members played on the university's club hockey team for the 2008-09 season, and the Gamma Mu ice hockey team made it to the semi-finals.

#### **Gamma Xi (Washington State)**

Active chapter size: 68; pledges: 15.

#### **Gamma Omicron (Ohio)**

Active chapter size: 42; pledges: 16. The chapter sent twelve men to the Chicago Leadership Summit.

#### **Gamma Pi (Oregon)**

Active chapter size: 30; pledges: 5. The chapter maintains a 2.93 GPA, and five brothers are on the Dean's List. Gamma Pi hosted a Founders

Day banquet in Portland with over thirty alumni from across the Northwest in attendance. They also hosted an alumni tailgate party at the UO football spring game. The brothers logged over 450 hours of community service last semester and in continued community service, they are involved in the Relay for Life event.

#### **Gamma Rho (Northwestern)**

Active chapter size: 99. The chapter sent four men to the Chicago Leadership Summit.

#### **Gamma Sigma (Pittsburgh)**

Active chapter size: 62.

#### **Gamma Tau (Rensselaer)**

Active chapter size: 79.

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#### Epsilon Eta (Houston)

Active chapter size: 70; pledges: 13. The chapter sent ten men to the Dallas Leadership Summit. The men are currently in first place in the Greek league intramural standings and they have won the Greek basketball championship for the second year in a row. Several members volunteered at the Ronald McDonald Easter Egg Hunt as they filled and hid over 10,000 eggs in a city park located near the campus. Over 3,000 children in the Houston area enjoyed the Easter event.



#### Epsilon Theta (Colorado State)

Active chapter size: 63; pledges: 13. The chapter sent two men to the San Jose Leadership Summit. The photo above was taken during Epsilon Theta's brotherhood hike.



#### Gamma Upsilon (Tulsa)

Active chapter size: 72; pledges: 3. The chapter sent twenty-two men to the Dallas Leadership Summit. The Gamma Upsilon Chapter was awarded the 2008 Ryan Gibson Chapter of Excellence Award by the Ryan Gibson Foundation for their committed efforts in fundraising, awareness and volunteer work to help find a cure for blood related cancers. The Ryan Gibson Foundation stated that the Gamma Upsilon Chapter has been one of the most active college based supporters and has raised over \$15,000 to date by holding various fundraising events such as Pikefest.

#### Gamma Phi (Wake Forest)

Active chapter size: 88. The chapter sent ten men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit.

#### Gamma Chi (Oklahoma State)

Active chapter size: 73. The chapter sent thirteen men to the Dallas Leadership Summit.

#### Gamma Psi (Louisiana Tech)

Active chapter size: 54. The chapter sent two men to the Dallas Leadership Summit.

#### Gamma Omega (University of Miami)

Active chapter size: 97; pledges: 1.

#### Delta Beta (Bowling Green State)

Active chapter size: 67; pledges: 11. The chapter sent nineteen men to the Chicago Leadership Summit.

#### Delta Gamma (Miami University)

Active chapter size: 107. The chapter sent eight men to the Chicago Leadership Summit.

#### Delta Epsilon (Tennessee-Chattanooga)

Active chapter size: 48; pledges: 6. The chapter

sent six men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit.

#### Delta Eta (Delaware)

Active chapter size: 39; pledges: 14.

#### Delta Theta (Arkansas State)

Active chapter size: 66. The chapter sent six men to the Dallas Leadership Summit.

#### Delta Iota (Marshall)

Active chapter size: 51.

#### Delta Lambda (Florida State)

Active chapter size: 208; pledges: 2. Delta Lambda dominated rush in 2008-09 with a highly successful pledge class that they now call brothers. In April, the university administration chose Pike from among 24 competing IFC fraternities as Florida State's Fraternity of the Year. Pike also continued dominance in intramural sports, taking the university's overall championship in 2009 for the seventh time in nine years. Pike brothers served as captains of the FSU swim team, the NCAA national championship track & field team, and the Seminole lacrosse team. Brothers also won all-American honors in swimming, track and lacrosse. Sophomore Drew Kittleson '08 is the #2 ranked amateur golfer in America and played in the Masters in Augusta this spring. Seven Pikes played football for FSU this year, plus three on the varsity baseball team and two on the varsity basketball team. Pike is affiliated with the "State" political party, and in the 2009 student government elections State swept the field winning every single contest. One member serves as the membership affairs director for State. On campus, Pike boasts three service

scholars, as well as the vice president of Student Seminole Boosters, the largest college student organization in the State of Florida. One brother recently completed his term as IFC president, and another serves as president of the Student United Way. Pikes also serve as president of the Pre-Law Society and the IFC vice president for finance. A Pike recently founded a new organization on campus, the Aspiring Business Leaders Syndicate and all officers and leaders are Pikes. Delta Lambda Chapter is fortunate to own the largest fraternity house in the United States, and is the largest college fraternity chapter in the State of Florida.

#### Delta Mu (Southern Mississippi)



Active chapter size: 47. Delta Mu Chapter held its annual Drawdown fundraiser benefitting the Make-A-Wish Foundation. In the annual fundraiser, tickets are sold for \$100 each which admits two people for food and beverages. During the evening ticket numbers are called out, eliminating those who have been called, with the final person holding a ticket winning the grand prize of \$5,000. International Work Day could be better described as work semester as the chapter worked on several projects all spring. The projects included a kitchen



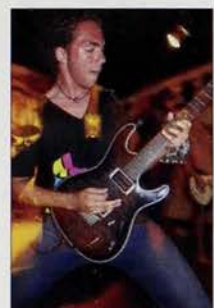


renovation, installing new tiles in the pool and landscaping.

#### **Delta Nu (Wayne State)**



Active chapter size: 71; pledges: 11. The chapter sent six men to the Chicago Leadership Summit. The active chapter worked with the alumni to make improvements to the bathrooms, stairway, basement and attic. A focus on academics during the spring semester was encouraged by forming study groups as well as maintaining quiet hours in the house to create a nice



atmosphere for study. The alumni receive newsletters from the chapter to keep them informed of chapter activities. In April 2009 the chapter held its second benefit concert which featured two bands that Delta Nu Pikes played in. Proceeds from the concert

benefited Wayne State's Theater Department. In another campus event, the chapter held Pike Week featuring different events during the week that included lectures from Wayne State Police for Campus Safety, presentations on sexual aggression, and a Campus Takeover that featured a DJ in the center of campus. In late April the men defended their crown in Wayne State's all student competition called Warrior Games. Three Pikes serve on the student council. The chapter finished third overall in basketball, but first for Greek organizations, and second overall for indoor hockey, but once again first for Greek organizations. They had the largest participation and the most wins in campus sports for Greek organizations.

#### **Delta Xi (Indiana)**

Active chapter size: 57; pledges: 10. The chapter sent one man to the Chicago Leadership Summit.

#### **Delta Omicron (Drake)**

Active chapter size: 43.

#### **Delta Rho (Linfield)**

Active chapter size: 33; pledges: 2. The chapter sent two men to the San Jose Leadership Summit.

#### **Delta Sigma (Bradley)**

Active chapter size: 64. The chapter sent three men to the Chicago Leadership Summit. The Bradley Pikes hosted the "Shaving the Way to

Conquer Kids' Cancer" event benefitting St. Baldrick's Foundation. More than \$12,000 was raised during this event, topping the \$8,000 they raised last year.

#### **Delta Chi (Nebraska-Omaha)**

Active chapter size: 77. The largest spring philanthropy event, Just Can It! teamed the men up with the Salvation Army for a week long canned food drive. The men hoped to exceed last year's total of 10,000 cans, and to raise awareness of the homeless situation in Omaha as well as the need to replenish local food pantries. To promote the event, Pike brothers slept in cardboard box "homes" all week, situated at one of the main thoroughfares in Omaha.

#### **Delta Psi (Maryland)**

Active chapter size: 110.

#### **Delta Omega (High Point)**

Active chapter size: 48. The chapter sent five men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit. With the help of High Point University, the men started a Jacklyn Lucas Memorial Scholarship in memory of Lucas '56, who died in June 2008. In fundraising events, the chapter hosted a M.A.D.D. awareness month which raised over \$3,000 for the High Point M.A.D.D. chapter and the annual Jimmy V golf tournament raised \$5,000 for the Jimmy V Foundation.

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

Active chapter size: 40; pledges: 1.

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

Active chapter size: 73. The chapter sent fourteen men to the Dallas Leadership Summit.

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

Active chapter size: 111; pledges: 1. The chapter sent thirty-two men to the Chicago Leadership Summit.

#### **Epsilon Zeta (East Tennessee State)**

Active chapter size: 64. The chapter sent eighteen men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit.

#### **Epsilon Iota (Southeast Missouri State)**

Active chapter size: 70; pledges: 9.

#### **Epsilon Kappa (Lamar)**

Active chapter size: 36. The chapter sent fourteen men to the Dallas Leadership Summit.

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

Active chapter size: 45. The chapter sent five men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit.

#### **Epsilon Mu (East Carolina)**

Active chapter size: 70. The chapter sent four men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit.

#### **Epsilon Nu (Georgia State)**

Active chapter size: 22; pledges: 1. The chapter sent five men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit.

#### **Epsilon Sigma (Tennessee-Martin)**

Active chapter size: 81.

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

Active chapter size: 53. The chapter sent nine men to the Chicago Leadership Summit.

#### **Epsilon Phi (Central Arkansas)**

Active chapter size: 66; pledges: 13.

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

Active chapter size: 26.

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

Active chapter size: 19. At the 2009 Annual Leadership Awards Banquet, Pikes were recognized as the Most Inter-Fraternal Man, Who's Who Among All America's College Students, Most Outstanding New Initiate, as well



as the chapter award for Campus Involvement and Community Service.

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

Active chapter size: 44. The chapter sent three men to the Chicago Leadership Summit.

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

Active chapter size: 32; pledges: 9. The chapter sent two men to the Chicago Leadership Summit and two men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit.

#### **Zeta Beta (Delta State)**

Active chapter size: 43; pledges: 7. The chapter sent four men to the Dallas Leadership Summit.

#### **Zeta Gamma (Eastern Illinois)**

Active chapter size: 48; pledges: 11.

#### **Zeta Epsilon (Western Kentucky)**



Active chapter size: 100. The chapter sent eight men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit. The chapter's scholarship chairman established a study session schedule and also worked with on-campus tutoring centers to arrange academic help for several members. The Founders Day cookout was a success as many alumni joined the undergraduate members for the event, and plans for buying a new



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house within the next two to three years were discussed. Pikes Peak Week was a success, and the chapter helped raise over \$5,000 to be donated to the Jimmy V Foundation. The Zeta Epsilon men raised the most money out of all campus fraternities in the Up 'til Dawn event. This year, the men sent each sorority flowers and a gift basket to celebrate the sorority's Founders Day. They also sent each sorority a gift basket for Valentine's Day and Easter. The executive council has restructured the weekly meetings to run more smoothly, and they have also restructured their bid process to insure that they are extending bids to the best men.

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

Active chapter size: 17.

#### **Zeta Iota (Old Dominion)**



Active chapter size: 58. The chapter sent three men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit. Twice a year the Zeta Iota executive council is invited to the Lake Gaston, Virginia, lake house of Dave Eck '88 for a retreat. The winter retreat features three days of programming and in the late afternoons and evenings they enjoy canoeing, fishing, bonfires and poker games. The summer retreat adds swimming, water-skiing and wakeboarding to the list of activities.

#### **Zeta Kappa (Ferris State)**

Active chapter size: 26; pledges: 4. The chapter sent two men to the Chicago Leadership Summit.

#### **Zeta Xi (Western Carolina)**

Active chapter size: 21; pledges: 3.

#### **Zeta Omicron (California State-Northridge)**

Active chapter size: 63; pledges: 10. The chapter sent four men to the San Jose Leadership Summit.

#### **Zeta Pi (South Florida)**

Active chapter size: 36; pledges: 12.

#### **Zeta Rho (North Dakota)**

Active chapter size: 39.

#### **Zeta Sigma (Florida Tech)**

Active chapter size: 55. The chapter sent four men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit. A new scholarship mentoring program is being instituted, with older brothers mentoring younger. The chapter is divided into teams, and the team who raises their average GPA the most by the end of the semester receives a prize. Zeta Sigma participated in Florida Tech's Relay for Life program, contributing over \$2,000 towards the total \$30,000 raised by the event for the American Cancer Society. The chapter contributed almost 500 man hours to the event. During Campus Activity Board elections, Pikes took several prominent positions, including vice president. Zeta Sigma brothers also hold several positions in student government including vice president, student activity funding committee man-at-large and three senator positions.

#### **Zeta Tau (Eastern Kentucky)**

Active chapter size: 31.

#### **Zeta Omega (Louisiana-Lafayette)**

Active chapter size: 75. The chapter sent eight men to the Dallas Leadership Summit.

#### **Eta Alpha (Clemson)**

Active chapter size: 123; pledges: 13.

#### **Eta Epsilon (Angelo State)**

Active chapter size: 44. The chapter sent six men to the Dallas Leadership Summit.

#### **Eta Zeta (Middle Tennessee State)**

Active chapter size: 54; pledges: 9. The chapter sent four men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit.

#### **Eta Eta (Morehead State)**

Active chapter size: 40.

#### **Eta Kappa (South Alabama)**

Active chapter size: 29; pledges: 1.

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

Active chapter size: 33. The chapter sent five men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit.

#### **Eta Nu (Northern Illinois)**

Active chapter size: 91; pledges: 6. The chapter sent nine men to the Chicago Leadership Summit.

#### **Eta Omicron (Louisiana-Monroe)**

Active chapter size: 83; pledges: 8. The chapter sent six men to the Dallas Leadership Summit. Eta Omicron members participated in the annual Bowl for Kids' Sake fundraiser benefitting Big Brothers Big Sisters of America. Two Pikes were recognized as members of the Mortar Board National College Senior Honor Society. Mortar Board members represent the top scholars and leaders on their campuses. The men surpassed 5,000 volunteer hours this year by working on over 30 service projects in northeast Louisiana. On campus, brothers are represented as class president, SGA senator, SGA treasurer and on the Mardi Gras court, including the Mardi Gras King.

#### **Eta Rho (Northern Kentucky)**

Active chapter size: 86; pledges: 8. The chapter

sent fifteen men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit. Eta Rho brother accomplishments include a prestigious scholarship by the American Concrete Institute, awards from the Board of Regents and the University President and four men are on the Dean's List. The undergraduates and alumni enjoyed a Founders Day celebration and alumni dinner with the largest turnout in chapter history. The alumni golf outing is scheduled for August 8, 2009. In intramurals, the men won the basketball championship and went undefeated in floor hockey, securing the ninth consecutive Director's Cup which is awarded to the overall intramural champions.

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

Active chapter size: 39; pledges: 4. The chapter sent four men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit. Improvements to the pledge program were made, and there has been a marked improvement in the retention rate. A new study program has been put in place and the chapter GPA has improved. The men are making an effort to keep the alumni informed and involved and they have all enjoyed the flag football games as well as the annual alumni golf tournament. Eta Sigma had another great night at the 22nd annual University Awards Night. For the second year in a row, the chapter received the Picklesimer Community Service award for best overall philanthropy program among all fraternities and sororities. Individual awards included Greek Man of the Year, Who's Who Among American College Students and the 2009 Living the Ritual Awards which is presented to the person who best exemplifies their organization's founding principles and standards. In community service, Pike completed ten community service projects in the 2008/09 academic year with financial donations exceeding \$1,800. The men hosted an alcohol awareness program for high school students, volunteered at a local church and manned a tent at the Relay For Life event where they sold food and wristbands that had a cancer patient's name and personal quote. In a successful food drive, they collected close to 1,000 canned food items which were then contributed to charities including the Boys and Girls Club of Carrollton, March of Dimes and the Battered Women's Shelter of Carroll County. The chapter's largest charity event was the second annual Buffalo Mountain Jam, a two day band party held at two different locations. On campus, one member serves on the IFC and two brothers serve as orientation leaders for new students. The Executive Council has partnered with Omega Financial which has resulted in the chapter collecting 95% of their dues. Stressing rules and regulations at meetings gave the brothers a sense of what Pike truly is and what is expected from each member. They have been actively participating in fundraising for the new chapter house on Greek Row. In intramurals, the basketball team made it to the semi-finals, and as of April the softball team was undefeated. Several brothers serve as umpires for the intramural games.

#### **Eta Tau (Austin Peay State)**

Active chapter size: 32.



**Eta Upsilon (Texas-Arlington)**

Active chapter size: 57; pledges: 1. The chapter sent twenty-three men to the Dallas Leadership Summit.

**Theta Alpha (North Alabama)**

Active chapter size: 21; pledges: 4.

**Theta Beta (Montevallo)**

Active chapter size: 25.

**Theta Gamma (Georgia College)**

Active chapter size: 77.

**Theta Epsilon (Northeastern State)**

Active chapter size: 22. The chapter sent five men to the Dallas Leadership Summit.

**Theta Zeta (Northern Iowa)**

Active chapter size: 42. The chapter sent five men to the Chicago Leadership Summit.

**Theta Kappa (Indiana Southeast)**

Active chapter size: 27. The chapter sent twelve men to the Chicago Leadership Summit.

**Theta Lambda (Creighton)**

Active chapter size: 71; pledges: 27.

**Theta Mu (Massachusetts)**

Active chapter size: 52; pledges: 9.

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

Active chapter size: 19; pledges: 20. The chapter sent four men to the Dallas Leadership Summit.

**Theta Omicron (Indiana State)**

Active chapter size: 73. The chapter sent twelve men to the Chicago Leadership Summit. Theta Omicron celebrated their 30th anniversary in March and also participated in International Work Day. In an effort to make the house more energy efficient, they have replaced all lights with new energy saving light bulbs. The men continue to show leadership on campus with two men on the IFC and one man serving as the SGA vice president. The first Theta Omicron Alumni Association meeting was held at the chapter house earlier this year.

**Theta Pi (Alabama-Huntsville)**

Active chapter size: 51. The chapter sent thirteen men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit. Theta Pi Chapter was pleased to special initiate the president of the University of Alabama-Huntsville, Dr. Dave Williams. In community service the men are involved with Big Brothers Big Sisters, Up 'til Dawn and the Lance Armstrong Live Strong Foundation bike ride from Huntsville to Mobile. On campus the men are represented on several organizations including the student government, as IFC president, Lancer Student Ambassadors and the TRUE Chargers Alumni Association where Pikes hold the position of the president and the events coordinator. Pikes are also involved with campus housing, the art program, AIAA and the Industrial and Systems Engineering Club. In the spring semester, Theta Pi won every major school intramural trophy including the Greek Olympiad trophy, the Greek Week Participation trophy, and the most prestigious President's



The ribbon is cut on the new Zeta Phi house.

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

Active chapter size: 42; pledges: 7. Zeta Phi Chapter has just completed the rebuilding of our chapter house after a tragic fire over two years ago, which took the life of Brother Brian Schlittler '05. The losses incurred that day for our chapter were immense, and possibly disastrous for our chapter. With massive help from alumni, fellow chapters, and local companies we were able to rebuild our chapter and our house. April 11, 2009 was the day of our open house, at which we proudly presented to the public the rebirth of our chapter and our new house. Only the foundation was left of the old house. Choosing to rebuild on the same location, actives, alumni and volunteers picked up shovels nearly two years ago and began the reconstruction process. This task could not have been completed if it were not for the generosity of others. A most notable contribution came from the St. Louis Fire and Sprinkler Alliance, which donated and installed a complete water pressure sprinkler system throughout the entire house free of cost. A system like this will greatly reduce the chance of a fire ever getting out of control. The house is complete with living quarters, including a full kitchen, washer and dryer, and residence space for six. On the main level, the Pi Kappa Alpha crest is proudly displayed. The main level also contains a beautifully designed chapter room. A sufficient water source for the fire suppression system was a dilemma, and the solution was putting the water source on site. The basement houses five 500-gallon water tanks for the sprinkler system. The chapter and house corporation sincerely and deeply thank everyone for their generous support.



Cup. They also won the IFC Overall Sports trophy for the fourth consecutive year.

**Theta Sigma (Winthrop)**

Active chapter size: 68. The chapter sent two men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit. The men of Theta Sigma conducted a city-wide canned food drive to benefit a local food pantry. As of April, they were closing in on their goal of raising \$7,000 for various charities. Theta Sigma brothers serve as IFC president and chief justice of the All Greek Judicial Board. Brothers also serve on the IFC executive council, student government, as peer mentor and as the president of the university's WU Crew, a group that provides school spirit for all athletic events.

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

Active chapter size: 51. The chapter sent two men to the San Jose Leadership Summit.

**Theta Upsilon (Tennessee Tech)**

Active chapter size: 29. The chapter sent five men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit.

**Theta Psi (Chapman)**

Active chapter size: 120. The chapter sent one man to the San Jose Leadership Summit.

**Theta Omega (California-Davis)**

Active chapter size: 75; pledges: 5. The chapter sent eighteen men to the San Jose Leadership Summit.

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### **Iota Alpha (Wyoming)**

Active chapter size: 36.

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

Active chapter size: 63; pledges: 17. The chapter sent twelve men to the San Jose Leadership Summit.

### **Iota Gamma (Nebraska-Kearney)**

Active chapter size: 62; pledges: 1. The chapter has established a recruitment committee and is preparing for summer rush. Members of the chapter participated as tour guides for the campus Junior Day, a day for high school juniors to visit the college. They were able to shine a positive light on Greek life and set an example of excellence for Pi Kappa Alpha. Recent chapter bylaw changes and a rewards system have created incentives for members to excel in the classroom. The fifth annual Dr. Kent Estes Memorial Golf Tournament is shaping up to be another successful event with a large alumni turnout. Iota Gamma won awards for having the best community service and philanthropy at the campus Greek Week. The men participated in The Big Event, a campus wide community service day, by helping the Kearney Volunteer Fire Department at their training grounds. The chapter currently has 1,300 service hours for this semester. The chapter has 100% member involvement in various campus organizations including holding the position of student body vice president, positions in the student government and student court justices, treasurer of the student senate, student Alumni Foundation president and Agribusiness Club public relations chair. Iota Gamma continues to dominate intramurals, working towards their sixteenth intramural championship. They have won in 5 on 5 basketball, ice hockey, combine day, knockout, around the world and the three point shootout.

### **Iota Delta (Rose-Hulman)**

Active chapter size: 117; pledges: 4. The chapter sent forty-five men to the Chicago Leadership Summit. Preparations are being made for the upcoming fall rush season with a rush schedule and budget already in place. They intend to keep the momentum of last year's record setting class as they look for new Iota Delta brothers. The chapter maintains its high scholastic standards, keeping a cumulative GPA higher than all other fraternities on campus and higher than the independent's cumulative GPA. The active chapter is expanding its alumni relations by starting an annual Founders Day celebration intended to draw alumni from across the country back to celebrate with the undergraduates. The Founders Day celebration will provide events for both the alumni and their families. Community service is an important part of the chapter, and some of the events they participated in this year included a twelve hour Relay for Life walk where the chapter was represented all night at the event, they spent two weekends planting trees, worked on a Habitat for Humanity home, cleaned up local highways and spent their school break assisting with areas in Houston affected by hurricanes. They are also hosting a local fire

truck pull to help raise money for the Special Olympics. On campus the men pick one Pike Event of the Week and have everyone show up in their letters to that event. Iota Delta provided over twenty volunteers for the NCAA National Track and Field Championship which was hosted by Rose-Hulman. Iota Delta has always had a history of campus leadership, and the chapter currently has members holding executive positions with the SGA and IFC, and the ROTC members also hold high ranks among their squads. In intramurals, the chapter was able to place teams in all three levels of skill and they are in the running for the intramural championship. The chapter also competed in the Greek Games held on campus during the month of May.

### **Iota Epsilon (California State-Long Beach)**

Active chapter size: 45; pledges: 1. The chapter sent five men to the San Jose Leadership Summit.

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

Active chapter size: 114; pledges: 26. The chapter sent four men to the San Jose Leadership Summit.

### **Iota Iota (Michigan State)**

Active chapter size: 87; pledges: 7. In the fall of 2008, the chapter launched an alumni specific website attached to the chapter's website, [www.msupikes.org](http://www.msupikes.org), which provides access to an online database, news and networking opportunities. Contributions to the capital campaign may also be made through the website. In March 2009, the chapter hosted a successful alumni banquet, and the men look forward to seeing the alumni at the Homecoming tailgate party. Iota Iota brothers spent several days in February participating in Greek Week, a charitable competition dedicated to raising funds for Relay for Life. The men also hosted their annual Buffalo Wild Wings and poker night fundraisers. These events brought out diverse crowds of MSU students and raised money for the Michigan Parkinson's Foundation as well as the David Glazier Foundation. Brothers worked together during work week making significant improvements to the house.

### **Iota Kappa (California-Santa Barbara)**

Active chapter size: 70. Iota Kappa Chapter joined forces with Jean Pommier and her Say Yes to Kids program, which creates a positive environment and provides an arena where youth can put their time to better use. Ms. Pommier currently operates her gym for needy youths in a recently converted firehouse in downtown Santa Barbara. Operating on an annual budget of \$1,000 and donations from the Santa Barbara community, Ms. Pommier volunteers her own time and money to see that the youth have a place to go. In an effort to help, Iota Kappa supports the program with time and finances to keep the Say Yes to Kids program running.



### **Iota Lambda (Columbia)**

Active chapter size: 36; pledges: 4.

### **Iota Omicron (Santa Clara)**

Active chapter size: 90. The chapter sent ten men to the San Jose Leadership Summit.

### **Iota Pi (California-Los Angeles)**

Active chapter size: 68. Alumni and actives from Iota Pi Chapter gathered on March 1, 2009 for the first annual Founders Day alumni family BBQ and picnic. The family event was held in Westwood Park near the UCLA campus. Everyone had a great time and enjoyed the opportunity to continue building strong alumni relations with the actives. The event was attended by 26 alumni, including those from the very first graduating class up through the most recent graduating class, over 30 members from the active chapter, and guests of both groups. Several alumni and active chapter members were instrumental in organizing this event which is sure to turn into an amazing Iota Pi tradition.

### **Iota Rho (Saint Joseph's)**

Active chapter size: 34; pledges: 3.

### **Iota Sigma (James Madison)**

Active chapter size: 56; pledges: 9. The chapter sent two men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit.

### **Iota Tau (Johns Hopkins)**

Active chapter size: 71.

### **Iota Upsilon (Georgia Southern)**



Active chapter size: 82. The chapter sent four men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit. Iota Upsilon brothers participated in the Relay for Life event on campus in April, and leading up to the event they had collected \$2,500 for the charity. In intramurals, the men made it to the soccer championship game but lost in a shootout at the end of regulation time. The men won their fourth consecutive basketball championship, also making this their fourth consecutive undefeated season. In the seven games leading up to the championship they mercy ruled every team, which means they were up by at least 30 points with five minutes left to play. The team was named Intramural Team of the Year for all sports at Georgia Southern.

### **Iota Chi (Connecticut)**

Active chapter size: 48.

### **Iota Psi (Appalachian State)**

Active chapter size: 87. The chapter sent thirteen men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit.



**Iota Omega (Western Ontario)**

Active chapter size: 46; pledges: 7.

**Kappa Alpha (Illinois State)**

Active chapter size: 72; pledges: 10. Five men attended the Chicago Leadership Summit.

**Kappa Gamma (Florida International)**

Active chapter size: 81.

**Kappa Delta (Northeastern)**

Active chapter size: 84.

**Kappa Epsilon (Rockhurst)**

Active chapter size: 94. Founders Day weekend was a great success as 50 alumni members returned to Rockhurst for the events. Brother Ferd Niemann IV '04 was the first recipient of the newly established Andrew Axsom Alumnus of the Year Award. The chapter hosted TAKE, a women's self-defense program, for the ladies of Rockhurst University and UMKC. Approximately 200 women attended, and the event raised \$1,000 for the Ali Kemp Educational Foundation. In other community service events, the chapter participated in regular cleanups of a stretch of Troost Avenue and a fundraising event for Boys & Girls Club of America.

**Kappa Zeta (Louisville)**

Active chapter size: 77. The chapter sent eleven men to the Chicago Leadership Summit. The chapter is proud of one of their brothers who had two research papers published in academic journals, was awarded the highly coveted internship in Germany and received a grant to continue his groundbreaking medical research. Another brother was awarded an internship where he worked programming software that is being mass produced and sold across the nation. In total, six brothers were given various internships ranging from civil engineering to marketing and management of the Louisville River Bats, the local minor league baseball team. Kappa Zeta is well represented on campus with a nationally ranked tennis player, the track and field co-captain and seven club athletes competing in rugby and lacrosse. In community service, they continue to support and raise money for Big Brothers Big Sisters. The men took first place in the Fryberger Greek Sing competition. This was especially exciting because another fraternity had held the first place position for the past seventeen years. As of April, Kappa Zeta was in second place in intramurals with three events left to play.

**Kappa Eta (New Mexico State)**

Active chapter size: 79; pledges: 6. The chapter sent five men to the Dallas Leadership Summit.

**Kappa Theta (George Mason)**

Active chapter size: 71; pledges: 25.

Kappa Theta Chapter sent twenty men to the George Mason Leadership Institution which focused on building leadership skills for future graduates. The chapter has won the



Homecoming Champions title for three consecutive years. In intramurals, the chapter has won first place in three out of four sports and has clinched the All Sports title with one remaining sport left.

**Kappa Kappa (North Carolina-Charlotte)**

Active chapter size: 67; pledges: 1. The chapter sent fourteen men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit. The brothers of the Kappa Kappa Chapter were honored with the following awards based on their accomplishments throughout the last year: Honorable Mention in Excellence in Philanthropy, Honorable Mention in Excellence in Campus Involvement, Honorable Mention in Excellence in Academic Programming, Honorable Mention in Excellence in Alumni Relations, they placed first in Excellence in Community Service, and first in Excellence in New Member Recruitment and Education. The men are proud to announce that they received the 2009 UNC-Charlotte Interfraternity Council Chapter of the Year Award for the first time since 2001.

**Kappa Lambda (Western Illinois)**

Active chapter size: 51. The chapter sent one man to the Chicago Leadership Summit.

**Kappa Mu (Wilfrid Laurier)**

Active chapter size: 51. Kappa Mu alumni, actives and pledges had a great, but very cold, brotherhood event at a local paintball center. They spend about five hours outside in below freezing weather, but the roaring bonfire at the facility helped keep them warm. Everyone had a good time and they are all looking forward to the next event.

**Kappa Nu (Pacific)**

Active chapter size: 69. The chapter sent eleven men to the San Jose Leadership Summit.

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

Active chapter size: 42. The chapter sent two men to the San Jose Leadership Summit.

**Kappa Pi (South Dakota)**

Active chapter size: 23.

**Kappa Sigma (Slippery Rock)**

Active chapter size: 34; pledges: 3. The chapter sent four men to the Chicago Leadership Summit.

**Kappa Tau (Maine)**

Active chapter size: 64; pledges: 3.

**Kappa Upsilon (American)**

Active chapter size: 48.

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

Active chapter size: 91; pledges: 18. The chapter sent four men to the San Jose Leadership Summit.

**Kappa Psi (Cal Poly-Pomona)**

Active chapter size: 23; pledges: 4. The chapter sent eleven men to the San Jose Leadership Summit.

**Kappa Omega (Wisconsin-Whitewater)**

Active chapter size: 57. The chapter sent fifteen men to the Chicago Leadership Summit. Kappa Omega brothers have an active role on campus as one brother served as vice president for the student government last year and another brother will serve as president in the upcoming year. They support their brother who is in training to become a United State Marine. The annual Pike Bowl brought alumni back for the actives vs. alumni winter football game. The chapter worked on a city-wide food drive and donated the food to the Whitewater Food Pantry. Upcoming events include International Work Day, a Brewers game with the alumni and the Walk a Mile in Her Shoes philanthropy event.

**Lambda Alpha (California-Riverside)**

Active chapter size: 44. The chapter sent seven men to the San Jose Leadership Summit.

**Lambda Beta (Florida Atlantic)**

Active chapter size: 55; pledges: 13. The rush chairman, special events chairman and president worked together to plan events like Fight Night and paintball to attract spring recruits. In February the chapter hosted a successful alumni/actives football game. In March, the men participated in the Relay for Life event. Lambda Beta took home the championship cup in the intramural Greek league for placing first in basketball.

**Lambda Gamma (Montclair State)**

Active chapter size: 36; pledges: 5.

**Lambda Delta (Vermont)**

Active chapter size: 65; pledges: 8.

**Lambda Epsilon (Alberta)**

Active chapter size: 33; pledges: 4.

**Lambda Zeta (Drexel)**

Active chapter size: 105; pledges: 20.

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### **Lambda Eta (William Woods)**

Active chapter size: 29; pledges: 1. In April 2009, a chapter sponsored Walk a Mile in Her Shoes event capped off a week of events sponsored by Pike and the Coalition Against Rape and Domestic Violence in Callaway County.

### **Lambda Theta (Dayton)**

Active chapter size: 90. Lambda Theta Chapter found a unique and tiring way to honor the Dayton vs. Xavier rivalry and to raise money for a Dayton medical center. Prior to the game, the men drove to Xavier University to begin the third annual Pike Bounce where about 50 brothers took turns bouncing a basketball from Cincinnati to Dayton to raise money for the Victor J. Cassano Health Center. Cassano Health Center provides health care for impoverished families in Dayton.

### **Lambda Iota (Central Oklahoma)**



Active chapter size: 106; pledges: 9. The chapter sent five men to the Dallas Leadership Summit.

### **Lambda Kappa (College of Charleston)**

Active chapter size: 92; pledges: 8.

### **Lambda Lambda (California-Irvine)**

Active chapter size: 118; pledges: 17. The chapter sent fifty men to the San Jose Leadership Summit.

### **Lambda Mu (Embry-Riddle)**



Active chapter size: 77; pledges: 6. The chapter sent four men to the Chicago Leadership Summit and

twenty men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit.



### **Colony at Texas State University**

Colony size: 81. The colony GPA is among the highest at Texas State University with a 3.0. There are over 30 members above a 3.0 GPA and approximately 20 members above a 3.5 GPA. Having interacted with

several alumni already, they anticipate the colony to have strong support from this great group of gentlemen. The men are committed to community service and have set a minimum of 10 hours per semester, per man. They are already seeing double that figure out of many of the men in the short time they have been back on campus. They are taking this opportunity to let the campus officials and community leaders see their commitment as they work on campus projects as well as projects around the San Marcos area. The colony encourages members to be involved in campus organizations in addition to the Pike colony, and they are currently represented in over forty different clubs and organizations.



### **Lambda Nu (Boston University)**

Active chapter size: 74.

### **Lambda Xi (Florida Gulf Coast)**

Active chapter size: 113. The chapter sent four men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit. Lambda Xi Chapter was the main sponsor with American Cancer Society for the university's annual Relay for Life event. The chapter was recognized as the highest fundraising chapter totaling \$3,300 and performed over 900 hours of community service for this event. The Pikes were also awarded the best team costume with a G.I. Joe theme to fight cancer. On campus, one member was named Greek Member of the Year by the university. The same brother is serving his second term as IFC president, and three other members were elected to the student senate.

### **Lambda Omicron (Rogers State)**

Active chapter size: 34. The chapter sent ten men to the Dallas Leadership Summit.

### **Lambda Pi (Hofstra)**

Active chapter size: 42.

### **Lambda Rho (North Carolina-Greensboro)**

Active chapter size: 45. Eight men attended the Atlanta Leadership Summit.

## **THE COLONIES**

### **Colony at Oregon State University**

Colony size: 27. The colony sent eight men to the San Jose Leadership Summit.

### **Colony at Sam Houston State University**

Colony size: 96. The colony sent four men to the Dallas Leadership Summit.

### **Colony at DePaul University**

Colony size: 46. The colony sent fourteen men to the Chicago Leadership Summit.

### **Colony at University of Rhode Island**

Colony size: 71.

### **Colony at University of Arizona**

Colony size: 127. The colony sent fourteen men to the San Jose Leadership Summit. The

colony has an impressive reputation on campus as the members boast a strong GPA with 24 brothers at 3.5+ and nine men achieving a 4.0. The men represent over 50 recognized student organizations on campus, and they are active in the SGA and have members serving as athletic department interns. The colony has a weekly referral-based recruitment process, plus events such as the Pike dodgeball tournament, Pike-athlon and twelve regionalized summer rush events at major league baseball games provide them with an opportunity to meet potential colony members. Athletically, the colony has a total of 17 club sport athletes, including golf, baseball, lacrosse, rugby, water polo and three past Division 1 NCAA athletes in tennis and swimming. In November, the group ventured out to a popular mountain pass about 10 miles east of Tucson at an elevation of 4,300 feet for a campout. Temperatures dipped below 38 degrees, so a large bonfire was constructed. Pike chants could be heard echoing off the mountain side as some settled in front of the fire and others ventured out to explore. The campsite was left spotless and the memories created were priceless. Other brotherhood events have included a Catalina mountains hiking trip, poolside barbecues and a Phoenix Suns game as well as baseball spring training games. To enhance colony membership communication and events attendance, the colony leaders have launched a virtual chapter house online. This daily tool allows member chat forums, recruitment information, community service hours tracking, a master roster and an event calendar. The men participated in over 3,000 hours of community service, including the annual UA CatWalk, providing the most volunteers of any fraternity for the event. The colony funded several entrants into the 5K, and many other brothers paid for their own entries. The Pike colony hosted dozens of Little Brothers and Little Sisters for pizza and games on the UA football practice fields prior to a home football game, raising hundreds of dollars for BBBS. More than twenty brothers participated in the Eller College philanthropy providing manpower for improvement projects throughout Tucson. At the January goal-setting retreat, the colony voted to support Juvenile Diabetes and the Relay for Life event as its official 2009 philanthropic charities. The colony created teams for every intramural sport offered on campus and won second place in basketball and volleyball.

### **Colony at Stetson University**

Colony size: 44. The colony sent two men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit.

### **Colony at Virginia Commonwealth University**

Colony size: 62. The colony sent seventeen men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit.

### **Colony at Trinity University**

Colony size: 75. The colony sent eleven men to the Dallas Leadership Summit.

### **Colony at University of North Carolina-Wilmington**

Colony size: 38. The colony sent five men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit.



**Colony at McNeese State University**

Colony size: 43. The colony sent five men to the Dallas Leadership Summit.

**Colony at University of North Carolina-Pembroke**

Colony size: 42.

**Colony at Emory University**

Colony size: 81. The colony sent eleven men to the Atlanta Leadership Summit.

**Colony at Lehigh University**

Colony size: 89.

**2008/2009 Colonization Statistics**

As another academic year comes to a close, Pi Kappa Alpha is once again the leading expansion fraternity in the Greek world. In just a few short weeks, the Fraternity has the ability to become one of the largest and top operating fraternities on each of our new campuses. The 2008/2009 academic year produced 10 new colonies with an average size of over 66 men per colony. We look forward to seeing these colonies grow and are excited for the day when they will be initiated brothers!

To recommend a school for expansion, please contact Director of Expansion Ryan Collett at [pkaexp@pikes.org](mailto:pkaexp@pikes.org)

**2008/2009 Colonies**

University of Arizona

125 men



Stetson University

40 men



Virginia Commonwealth University

52 men



Trinity University

66 men



University of North Carolina-Pembroke

47 men



University of North Carolina-Wilmington

39 men



McNeese State University

41 men



Emory University

81 men



Lehigh University

92 men



Texas State University

82 men

**The Haunting of the Lodge**

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the old school house, but the boiler room has remained much the same as it was that fateful Friday. The old boiler has been replaced with a central HVAC system but you can still see the hole in the old coal chute where they had to pull Jessica out.

Through the years there have been numerous sightings of Jessica and mysterious events that can't be explained. Eyewitness accounts and various legends can be found online and report that neighbors have seen the spirit of a little girl through the windows playing jump rope inside or just standing at the front windows watching when a train passes on the nearby tracks. Another story tells of a young neighbor boy who came over when the brothers were having a meeting asking if it was okay for him to be in there when they were all gone. When the brothers of the Lodge told him no and that it was too dangerous, the boy told them he came over many times in the past to play with the little girl there.

Other accounts include strange noises, the lights swaying excessively on their own, open windows slamming shut or shaking, strange sounds, the sound of running feet, the unexplainable malfunctioning of electrical equipment and laughs emanating from where the boilers once were.

I was the Lodge Lord in 1995-96 and was in charge of maintenance and clean up of the facility. I personally never saw an actual ghost at the Lodge, but I have had a few experiences that I just couldn't explain. Throughout the many times that I was in the building by myself, I always had the feeling that somebody was watching me: you know that feeling you get when somebody walks up right behind you, when the hairs on the back of your neck stand up. I also heard what sounded like someone running or skipping upstairs, when I know there was nobody else in the building. Several brothers I know have had strange experiences with ouija boards at the Lodge. The people that I know that have said they have seen Jessica usually see her while they are in very small groups of two to four brothers. Many believe this is because she was a very shy girl which might have been why she was inside that terrible Friday afternoon when the rest of the children were playing outside.

*By Scott A. Davis  
(Southeast Missouri State, Epsilon Iota '95)*





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The following individuals are personally and substantially enhancing the Pi Kappa Alpha experience for countless young men through their membership in the President's Council.

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## 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 January 15, 2009 and April 15, 2009.

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## ALUMNI ASSOCIATION NEWS

### ALPHA GAMMA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Louisiana State University

Alpha Gamma Alumni Association will host several events during the November 14, 2009 Homecoming at LSU. You will receive event details in an upcoming newsletter. If you are not receiving the newsletter, or have questions about other association activities, contact Scott Hammatt at [Scott.Hammatt@lsu.edu](mailto:Scott.Hammatt@lsu.edu) so you can be put on the distribution list. During football season, all alumni are encouraged to visit the chapter house to meet the active chapter members and visit with other alumni. If you know of any college bound men who will be attending LSU and you think they may be interested in Pike, send their contact information to alumni rush advisor Ryan Empson '99 at [lsu\\_tiger23@hotmail.com](mailto:lsu_tiger23@hotmail.com).

### ALPHA CHI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Syracuse University

This year's Alpha Chi alumni reunion, PIKEFEST VII, will be held September 18-20, 2009. The events will once again be held in the Carrier Circle Vicinity, and rooms at the Extended StayAmerica and the nearby Holiday Inn are reserved through August 17. An ice breaker party will be held at Lucy's Bar in the Holiday Inn on Friday evening from 5:30-7:30. On Saturday, Syracuse will take on Northwestern in the Carrier Dome, and the alumni group will have their own seating section at the game. Depending on game time and weather, they hope to host a tailgate at the Skytop parking facility with food and refreshments prior to the game. There will be cocktails and dinner at the Casa di Copani restaurant on Saturday evening. You may contact Doug Bartow '60 at [dbartow@frontiernet.net](mailto:dbartow@frontiernet.net) or 518-582-3925 for further information on the reunion plans. If you have not seen the Alpha Chi website, you will need to contact Dave Knapp '60 at [dixiephonicdave@embarqmail.com](mailto:dixiephonicdave@embarqmail.com) for instructions and a password.

### ALPHA OMEGA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Kansas State University

The eleventh annual Alpha Omega golf tournament will be held August 15, 2009 at the Colbert Hills Golf Course in Manhattan, Kansas. The tournament will begin with a 10:00 a.m. shotgun start, and will feature multiple flights of best ball and scramble events. For registration information contact Dan Schierling '81 at [dschierl@arizant.com](mailto:dschierl@arizant.com) or 913-461-1972. Mark your calendars for the October 3, 2009 alumni tailgate party for the Kansas State vs. Iowa State game in Arrowhead Stadium in Kansas City, Missouri. Dan Schierling will provide more information on this tailgate party closer to the date.

### BETA OMICRON ALUMNI ASSOCIATION University of Oklahoma

Founders Day celebrations brought back many alumni for a fun weekend in Norman. On Friday evening, approximately 35 alumni from the 1940's through 1950's, along with their spouses, held a reunion at Legends Restaurant. Alumni arrived from as far away as Delaware, Mississippi, Colorado and California for the weekend. On Saturday morning about 25 alumni attended the business meeting which was held at the chapter house, and then all attended the OU/OSU basketball game. Saturday evening, Founders Day was celebrated at the chapter house with over 40 active members, and over 50 alumni and guests. Many old songs and great stories were shared during the evening. In recognition of brother Andy Coats '54 being inducted into the Order of West Range last summer, the association presented him with a magnificent portrait that will hang in the main downstairs living room of the house.

Future alumni association events include an upcoming golf tournament. Details of the tournament will be shared as the plans are finalized. It is not too early to contact the alumni association or the active chapter to reserve your parking spot for the upcoming home football season. To update your contact information, please email Hub Caldwell '79 at [hub@sbcbglobal.net](mailto:hub@sbcbglobal.net).

### BETA PI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION University of Pennsylvania



**Alumni Jerry Herman '72, Joel Catania '71, Bruce Wolfson '71 and Dave Edman '73 with honoree Julia Wellons.**

The Beta Pi Alumni Association held its annual Founders Day dinner in March 2009. Over fifty undergraduate brothers joined nearly three dozen alumni at the Inn at Penn in Philadelphia. During the Founders Day dinner the men honored their chef emeritus, Julia Wellons. Julia served in the chapter house kitchen from 1969-1989, and this year marked the twentieth anniversary of her retirement. Julia's son, Ronald, accompanied her to the dinner and she was presented with a series of gifts generated from proceeds collected from many grateful alumni to whom she served hearty meals

during her tenure. Also during the dinner, the association recognized four attending alumni who were celebrating their 40th anniversary as members of Pi Kappa Alpha.

The Beta Pi Alumni Association maintains one of the largest PiKA yahoo groups on the internet at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/BetaPiAlumni>. Log on to join over 250 Beta Pi alumni spanning seven decades. The association also maintains a website at [www.pika-upenn.org](http://www.pika-upenn.org). Once registered, you can update your contact information, search the database, view event photos and catch up with news. For information on any alumni association related items, contact Joel Catania '71 at [jlclii@aol.com](mailto:jlclii@aol.com).

### BETA PHI FOUNDATION ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Purdue University



**Alumni Rex Martin, Joe Conti and Rich Russell**

In January 2009, the chapter house and the Beta Phi Foundation hosted the third annual Pike Old Masters program. The purpose of the event is to foster networking between undergraduates and alumni in hopes of providing mentoring or employment opportunities. This year's small group sessions with "Old Masters" Bob Browning '85, Greg Rogers '84, Chris Inglet '82 and Rex Martin '72 were a great success and the interaction between alumni and undergraduates helped to strengthen the bond and promote good will.

Also in January 2009, the chapter was presented with a new pin light which was donated to the chapter by an anonymous Beta Phi alumnus. With the great location on campus, the new pin light mounted on the front of the house will be a nice addition.

### GAMMA BETA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION University of Nebraska

The Gamma Beta Alumni Association celebrated the ten year anniversary of Pi Kappa Alpha's re-chartering at UNL on April 4, 2009. The celebration was coordinated with the active chapter and included presentations from Ted Rowe (Western Ontario, Iota Omega '94), Clint Bartman (Illinois State, Kappa Alpha '94) and Felix Schumburg (Northern Iowa, Theta Zeta

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# Congressional Founders Day

*Hosted by the National Capital Area Alumni Association*

Every year at the beginning of March, men from all backgrounds and creeds, who have come together to form a bond through the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity, gather to celebrate the founding of their organization and more importantly, their brotherhood. For it was on March 1, 1868 that six men



**Rep. Bud Cramer**

established a Fraternity that would allow groups of individual collegiate males across the nation to put aside what made them different, and under three powerful letters – become one.

*For the establishment of friendship on a firmer and more lasting basis;*

Washington D.C., serves as the capital city of the United States of America, bringing citizens from all parts of a diverse nation to one place. They all come for different reasons and with different agendas. Those reasons aside, those that share a unique bond through Pi Kappa Alpha gathered in honor of their Fraternity's founding at the 2009 Congressional Founder's Day celebration on Capitol Hill. The event, hosted by the recently rechartered National Capital Area Alumni Association (NCAAA), drew over 100 Pikes who live in, or have connections to, the Washington D.C. area.



**Rep. John Carter**

*For the promotion of brotherly love and kind feeling;*

Though attendants were of all ages and represented many chapters, onlookers could have never guessed that the majority were meeting for the first time. Stories from undergraduate days



**Sen. Thad Cochran**

were being exchanged as laughter filled the Gold Room in the Rayburn House Office building where the event took place.

A few well known faces were in the crowd including Senator Jon Kyl (*Arizona, Gamma Delta '61*), the second-ranking member of the U.S. Senate Republican Leadership; Senator Thad Cochran (*Mississippi, Gamma Iota '56*), Ranking Member of the U.S. Senate Appropriations Committee; Representative John Carter (*Texas Tech, Epsilon Gamma '63*), the House Republican Conference Secretary; former Representative Robert "Bud" Cramer (*Alabama, Gamma Alpha '68*), member of the U.S. House of Representatives in 1991-2009; and former Representative Edward Pease (*Indiana, Delta Xi '71*), former member of the U.S. House of Representatives in 1997-2001 and advisor



**Sen. Jon Kyl**

in the re-chartering of the NCAAA.

The honored guests addressed the brethren, reminiscing about the days they spent in their respective chapters. Senator Kyl recalled that when he was an undergraduate Pike he was always impressed with the leaders on the national stage that were members of



**Rep. Pete Sessions**

his Fraternity, "Sorry we couldn't do better for you currently" he joked. Representative Carter spoke fondly of his undergraduate days as well and Representative Cramer took the opportunity to talk not only about his time as an active member of Pi Kappa Alpha, but also about his work as an alumnus and encouraged everyone in the room to stay involved with their chapters.

There was one final special guest. Described by Senator Kyl as "the glue that holds the Pikes on Capitol Hill together", Representative Pete Sessions (*Southwestern, Alpha Omicron '76*) was able to stop by the celebration towards the end of the night. Representative Sessions, the National Republican Congressional Committee Chairman, gave the final address of the evening. He discussed how his experiences in the Fraternity helped shape his character and prepare him for life's challenges.

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**Rep. Ed Pease and Rep. Bud Cramer**



## Congressional Founders Day

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Following his remarks, Representative Sessions invited nearly 30 Pikes up to his office where he continued discussing the Fraternity and life in general.

***For the mutual benefit and advancement of the interests of those with whom we sympathize and deem worthy of our regard;***

The evening also served as an opportunity to highlight the NCAA's efforts to make an impact on Pike undergraduates. Being able to intern in the nation's capital is the opportunity of a lifetime and this was recognized by the brothers of NCAA when a number of NCAA members came together and contributed \$650 to put towards the Joseph A. Pavelka Memorial Fund. This Memorial Fund, named after Joseph A. Pavelka, Jr. (Nebraska, Gamma Beta '34), who played a major role in the Washington, D.C. area alumni association, is designed to award scholarships to assist undergraduate Pikes who intern in Washington, D.C. The Founders Day event was an excellent venue for the NCAA members to present the Pi Kappa Alpha Educational Foundation with their contribution that will provide assistance to undergraduate members of the Fraternity to take advantage of the unique experiences the nation's capital has to offer.

***We have resolved to form a Fraternity; believing that, thus we can most successfully accomplish our object.***

The words spoken, the stories shared, and the connections established certainly made the 2009 Congressional Founder's Day on Capitol Hill one for the record books. The ideals of brotherhood that are taught during time spent in undergraduate years have undoubtedly failed to fade which was evident when the men of Pi Kappa Alpha gathered on Capitol Hill. Coming from chapters near and far, they celebrated their founding, and furthered their Fraternity's goals.



'81). In addition to the celebration, the Gamma Beta Alumni Association held its annual meeting on UNL's campus and elected the new officers who will all serve a two year term. Jake Wobig '99 will serve as president, Josh Egley '02 will serve as vice president, Jarrod Crouse '99 will serve as treasurer and Jason Lowe '04 is the new secretary. If you have any questions about upcoming events, or simply wish to reconnect with the alumni association, contact Jake Wobig at [jakewobig@hotmail.com](mailto:jakewobig@hotmail.com).

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

Mark your calendar for the 22nd annual Gamma Xi Alumni Association golf tournament on July 11, 2009. The tournament will be held at Willows Run Golf Course in Redmond, Washington, and entries are limited to the first 64 players to register. For additional details and a link to the entry form, visit [www.wassupikes.com](http://www.wassupikes.com) and go to the alumni association link.

The Cougars will take on the Warriors from Hawaii on September 12, 2009 at Seahawks Stadium in Seattle. The association will acquire a block of tickets and will be sponsoring a pre-game tailgate party. If you are interested in tickets or need more information, contact Dan Studer '92 at [wazzupikes@comcast.net](mailto:wazzupikes@comcast.net) or 425-333-5230.

### **GAMMA OMICRON ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Ohio University**

Over the past six months the Gamma Omicron Alumni Association has been very busy reaching out to their alumni brothers and assisting the undergraduate chapter. In October 2008, the association elected a new slate of officers which was a "passing of the torch" from the generation of alumni that worked tirelessly to bring the chapter back to campus in 1987. The new officers are deeply grateful to all those alumni who proceeded before them and worked with the undergraduate chapter and the alumni association. In addition, the alumni association has instituted an alumni advisory board that assists the undergraduate chapter in problem solving and leadership. A Facebook page has been created (Gamma Omicron Pikes Ohio U) and launched with over 250 brothers submitting pictures and great stories.

The March 2009 alumni association meeting was held in Columbus where both the alumni

and actives met to create a committee to study the best way to reach out to and communicate with alumni. A broadcast email program has been put into place to provide brother information as well as share news on upcoming association events. The second annual Gamma Omicron golf outing will be held June 20, 2009 at the Foxfire Golf Club in Lockbourne, Ohio. Please visit the website at [www.gamma-omicron.com](http://www.gamma-omicron.com) for details on this outing. You may contact association president Kevin Vance '87 at [kmvance513@cinci.rr.com](mailto:kmvance513@cinci.rr.com) to update your contact information so you don't miss out on any announcements.

### **DELTA CHI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION University of Nebraska-Omaha**

The Delta Chi Alumni Association has been continuing their annual events, and in February 2009 the annual bowling tournament was enjoyed by 50 alumni. The next alumni event is the August 22, 2009 annual golf outing which will be held at Pacific Springs. The association appreciates the support they receive from the alumni, and they encourage all to join the association for upcoming events. For information on the association please feel free to contact president Jamie Pollert '96 at [jamiapollert@yahoo.com](mailto:jamiapollert@yahoo.com).

### **EPSILON OMEGA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION East Central University**

The Epsilon Omega Alumni Association will have its third annual alumni reunion on August 1, 2009 at the Ardmore Convention Center, which is conveniently located halfway between Oklahoma City and Dallas on I-35. In 2008, 81 brothers representing every decade of the chapter's 40+ years gathered in Ardmore for a night of renewing old friendships and making new ones. Since then, many attendees have overwhelmingly asked for this to become an annual event, prompting the move to the new state of the art venue conveniently located near three new hotel properties. Plans are underway for a golf outing earlier in the day for those who are interested. Hotel blocks have been reserved, but are filling up fast. Please visit the website at <http://www.eastcentralpikes.com> for more information, to see who has already committed to attend, or to register for the reunion.

One of the lasting impacts of the 2008 gathering was the chartering of the Epsilon Omega Alumni Association. Over 50 brothers became charter members that night, with over 70 current members. All Epsilon Omega alumni are encouraged to join. Membership dues are \$35 annually or \$300 for a lifetime membership. Please send alumni association inquiries or contact information for any brothers to [alumni@eastcentralpikes.com](mailto:alumni@eastcentralpikes.com). The generosity of those who have joined the alumni association have made it possible for the 2009 event to remain a free event for all Pike alumni.

Another major accomplishment of the 2008 event was the fact that over \$3,000 was committed to the establishment of the Dr. James R. "Doc" Harris ('75) Scholarship which is on the verge of being endowed and awarded.

## **ALUMNI ASSOCIATIONS**

Your news for the Autumn **Shield & Diamond** must be received at the Memorial Headquarters by July 15.

Please email your news to  
**[pk@pikes.org](mailto:pk@pikes.org)** or mail to:

**Shield & Diamond  
Alumni Association News  
8347 West Range Cove  
Memphis, TN 38125**



This scholarship, which will be administered through the ECU foundation, will be awarded each year to an Epsilon Omega active chapter member and is the only scholarship from any fraternity alumni group at East Central to be earmarked for a current member. There are plans in the works for this to be the beginning of additional scholarship funds, thus beginning a tradition of honoring ECU Pikes who have impacted the chapter while also assisting worthy active chapter members.

The association corresponds through an email list which is used to update alumni on upcoming events and association news. If you are not receiving news from the association, please email your updated contact information to [alumni@eastcentralpikes.com](mailto:alumni@eastcentralpikes.com). Epsilon Omega is now on Facebook where you can post pictures, network with alumni and stay up to date on the latest alumni association news and events. Become a member and join the ECU PIKES group on Facebook.

### **ZETA THETA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION** **Texas State University**



Over 130 alumni attended the Founders Day weekend at Quail Creek Country Club in San Marcos. The Pike undergraduate endowment fund was unveiled and many awards were given to alumni. It was by all accounts the best alumni weekend to date and they are looking forward to building on this tradition the first weekend of March every year. The alumni are celebrating the return of the best and brightest scholars, leaders, athletes and gentlemen to the Texas State campus in the new Pike Colony. The next alumni weekend will be held October 10, 2009. Zeta Theta alumni are encouraged to register on [www.txstatepikes.com](http://www.txstatepikes.com) to receive monthly updates regarding alumni and undergraduate events and initiatives. For more information on the alumni association, contact Ray Swank at [ray\\_swank@yahoo.com](mailto:ray_swank@yahoo.com) or 512-925-5215.

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

The Zeta Chi Alumni Association annual meeting is the weekend of August 1, 2009 in St. Louis. There will be a Friday night reception, Saturday morning meeting from 10:00 a.m. to noon, and then the association has reserved a group of 43 tickets for the August 1, 2009 St. Louis Cardinals vs. Houston Astros game. Game time is 3:10, and the group will meet at 1:30 at Mike Shannon's Outfield located at 620 Market Street. Tickets are \$25 each and they need to be reserved prior to the game. Hotel room information and baseball ticket information is posted at [www.zetachipikes.com](http://www.zetachipikes.com). Alumni may also update their contact information on the website. You may also contact Jeff Counts '90 at



### **DELAWARE AREA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

Congratulations to brother Tommy Runnels '67 for winning the coveted 2009 Blue Hen Cup trophy at the 15th annual Pikes on Spikes Golf Classic held in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina in April. For more information about this great annual golf classic sponsored by the Delaware Area Alumni Association, please visit [www.pikesonspikes.com](http://www.pikesonspikes.com).

[jeffreycounts@att.net](mailto:jeffreycounts@att.net) or 314-616-5284 for more information on the weekend.

The association received news from Headquarters that Missouri State University will begin accepting applications for new colonies. The Headquarters reports that we will potentially begin a re-colonization effort in the spring of 2010, and the alumni association is eager to help in any way possible. Active alumni are needed now more than ever. All association members are asked to renew their membership and non members are asked to take this opportunity to join now. You may join by using the PayPal link at [www.zetachipikes.com](http://www.zetachipikes.com).

Zeta Chi is now on Facebook – Pi Kappa Alpha Zeta Chi. Association questions, comments or suggestions may be directed to president Jim Roebuck at [jim@jimroebuck.com](mailto:jim@jimroebuck.com) or 417-882-3266.

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

The Eta Omicron Alumni Association and Eta Omicron Chapter hosted another successful work day on April 11, 2009, completing ten different projects around their two houses. The 2008-09 annual donation request drive will end on May 31, 2009, and June 1, 2009 will begin the next annual drive. If you are not receiving the monthly online newsletter, send your contact information to Tommy Walpole '80 at [hopike@bellsouth.net](mailto:hopike@bellsouth.net) or 318-343-7789 to be added to the distribution list.

### **THETA ZETA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION** **University of Northern Iowa**

The Theta Zeta annual golf outing is scheduled for September 26, 2009 at Pheasant Ridge Golf Course in Cedar Falls, Iowa. An alumni meeting will be held on the Friday evening prior to the golf outing. Details for these events may be found on Facebook at Pi Kappa Alpha – Theta Zeta.

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

The Theta Omicron Alumni Association recently celebrated its chartering at the chapter's 30th anniversary weekend extravaganza. Events for the anniversary included an alumni golf outing, chapter house and campus tours, a family picnic and a presentation of the scholarships awarded each spring by the alumni who endowed them. Pike basketball was also a success for the association and the active chapter as six teams competed for the crown this year, and the Mad Dogs were once again victorious. During Work Day, the largest alumni turnout in recent years was enjoyed as alumni showed their support and spent the day helping out at the recently renovated chapter house.

The alumni association works closely with the chapter and continues to advise and encourage its undergraduate members. The association continues to grow and welcomes all Theta Omicron alumni to join. For more information on the association, please contact Justin Barlow '04 at [thetaomicronalumniassociation@gmail.com](mailto:thetaomicronalumniassociation@gmail.com).

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### JACKSONVILLE AREA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Northeast Florida Jacksonville Area Alumni Association was entertained by brother Gene Howerton (Florida, Alpha Eta '80) and his wife, Julie, at a wonderful evening of gourmet food, fun and fellowship on March 20, 2009. They hosted this evening at their home in the Granada section of Old San Jose. Brothers from Alpha Eta (Florida), Delta Lambda (Florida State), Alpha Nu (Missouri), Alpha Theta (West Virginia University), Nu (Wofford) and Gamma Theta (Mississippi) were all on hand to enjoy the evening together. Oliver Sendall Griffin (Alpha Eta '43) and his wife, Harriett, were honored for their contribution to the Fraternity and for 66 years of service to the Alpha Eta Chapter. All Pike brothers in the Jacksonville area are invited to the upcoming summer event to be held in late July. Please contact Alpha Eta brothers Aaron Kaufman '05 at [aaron.kaufman@yahoo.com](mailto:aaron.kaufman@yahoo.com) or 904-962-1777 or Bill Schueth '79 at [billschueth@g-sproperties.com](mailto:billschueth@g-sproperties.com) or 904-356-1060 for more information on the summer alumni event.

### IOTA CHI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION University of Connecticut

Mark your calendars for the 5th annual alumni golf tournament, August 22, 2009 at Hawk's Landing Country Club in Southington, Connecticut. Further information may be obtained by visiting [www.ctpikes.com](http://www.ctpikes.com).

The annual alumni award winners included Ray Yakaitis '01 as the 2008 Alumni Athlete of the Year; Jeff Shaw '00 received the 2008 Alumni Innovations Award; William Russell, III '94 was named the 2008 Most Valuable Alumnus and Derek Raymond was honored as the 2008 Alumnus of the Year.

### KAPPA ALPHA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Illinois State University

The 15th annual alumni golf outing was a great success. Over 50 alumni and undergraduates played a round of golf and enjoyed food and fun at the Pub II after the golf outing. The event was such a success that a date for the 16th annual alumni golf outing has already been set for April 24, 2010 at the ISU Golf Course in Normal. Details for the 2010 golf outing may be found at [www.ISUPIKE.com](http://www.ISUPIKE.com). Also on the website alumni may view composites, membership lists, make donations, review chapter accomplishments, read past newsletters and provide updated contact information.

The alumni association's annual fund raising campaign, Strengthen the Bonds 2009, is off to a great start. If you would like to learn more about

this campaign, which supports the association's general operations and the Strengthen the Bonds House Fund, visit [www.ISUPIKE.com](http://www.ISUPIKE.com) and click on the Make a Donation tab.

### KAPPA TAU ALUMNI ASSOCIATION University of Maine

Kappa Tau alumni enjoyed their spring formal at the Penobscot Valley Country Club on April 25, 2009. Information will be sent out soon on the upcoming September 2009 alumni association meeting.

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



The annual Pike Bowl football game between alumni and actives was held in February, with the alumni victorious over the actives 45-6. There was an amazing turnout of alumni this year, and the association appreciates everyone

who made it back. This type of alumni support sends a positive message to the undergraduate members.

The alumni association will host an alumni family picnic in Whitewater at Starin Park. The day will include a variety of events including a softball game. For more information, contact Adam Wehling '00 at [bigadam22@yahoo.com](mailto:bigadam22@yahoo.com) or 262-989-6848.

### BIG SKY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Gamma Kappa alumni and friends are reminded that Montana State's Homecoming will take place October 9-11, 2009. Activities are being planned at the chapter house, and the annual meeting of the Big Sky Alumni Association will also take place. Additional information may be found at [www.msupikes.com](http://www.msupikes.com) as it becomes available.

### CHARLOTTE PIKE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Pikes of Charlotte Alumni Association would like all brothers in the Greater Charlotte area to know that the alumni association is being re-activated. The group met at the Fox and Hound restaurant in uptown Charlotte in March, and they are currently planning for quarterly gatherings. Your input is important in planning for the future event locations, dues structure, and general association activities. The alumni association provides a great opportunity for networking, catching up with old friends and creating new friendships. There are currently over 1,000 Pikes representing many different chapters living in the Charlotte area, and your contact information is needed so you can be put on the mailings for future events. Please send your contact information to [pikes.charlotte@gmail.com](mailto:pikes.charlotte@gmail.com).

### INLAND EMPIRE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION University of California-Riverside

The Inland Empire Alumni Association conducted a coordination meeting with the Lambda Alpha Chapter officers to establish an Alumni Advisory Board and to install an interim alumni advisor for the remainder of the year. All alumni are encouraged to attend the 10 year anniversary of the Lambda Alpha Chapter's installation in January 2010. Contact association president David Marshall Bornn '00 at [bornn@us.army.mil](mailto:bornn@us.army.mil) for more information on this anniversary event.

### LAS VEGAS AREA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION



The Las Vegas Area Alumni Association hosted their annual Founders Day event on



March 6, 2009 in the Presidential Suite at the Wyndham Grand Desert Resort. This successful event was well attended by alumni from various chapters who currently reside in the Las Vegas area. The association also continues to gather on the first Friday of each month for happy hour events. The locations of the monthly happy hour events are announced through the email list serve. If you are not currently receiving phone calls or emails about association events, please provide your contact information to John O'Connor (Nevada-Las Vegas, Kappa Omicron '97) at [pikako12@hotmail.com](mailto:pikako12@hotmail.com).

#### NASHVILLE AREA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Nashville Area Alumni Association will have their summer social event on June 20, 2009. All Pikes in the Nashville area, regardless of chapter affiliation, are encouraged to attend NAAA events. For more information on upcoming events, contact president David Graham (Tennessee-Martin, Epsilon Sigma '69) at [gruder@comcast.net](mailto:gruder@comcast.net) or 615-297-3858.

#### ΣΑΔ/ΠΚΑ ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Sigma Alpha Delta/Pi Kappa Alpha Alumni Association has put a lot of effort into locating brothers who have been out of contact with the association and chapter. Don't miss out on the upcoming alumni events – update your contact information on the new website, [www.zetakappaalumni.com](http://www.zetakappaalumni.com). For information on how you can become more involved with the alumni association or the active chapter, contact Mike Llewellyn '98 at [mlllewellyn@fclbuilders.com](mailto:mlllewellyn@fclbuilders.com).

#### SMU PIKE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The second annual SMU Pike alumni golf tournament will be held on June 16, 2009, with the proceeds benefitting the Ryan Gibson Foundation, a non-profit foundation supporting leukemia research. Information on the golf tournament may be found at [www.smupikes.com/golf](http://www.smupikes.com/golf). The association website also includes information on business networking events, sporting events, and links to the new groups on LinkedIn and Facebook. Mark your calendars now to return to campus for a special Homecoming 2009 weekend, November 7, celebrating the 30th anniversary of the re-founding at SMU.

#### STEEL CITY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION



On February 28, 2009, the Gamma Sigma Chapter celebrated 75 years of brotherhood during a memorable Founders Day event at the historic 20th Century Club on the campus of



#### HOUSTON PIKES ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

We are pleased to announce the formation of the Houston Pikes Alumni Association on February 5, 2009. This association shall serve to connect Pi Kappa Alpha alumni in the Houston area, provide regular social and networking events and support our local chapters.

In February, over 60 brothers gathered for the second annual Pike Cookers Golf Tournament at the Wildcat Golf Club. The tournament was a great success due to the dedicated efforts of several alumnus members. Congratulations to brothers Dylan Moore '89, Frank Jimenez '95 and Trey Cook '98 for taking home first prize. The association is already planning and looking forward to the 2010 tournament.

The association is making plans to host monthly happy hours and to build an association website for easy communication. For information on how to get involved in the Houston Pikes Alumni Association, please contact Kurt Schoeffler '03 at [kurtschoeffler@gmail.com](mailto:kurtschoeffler@gmail.com), or find them on LinkedIn under Houston Pike Alumni Association.

the University of Pittsburgh. Filling the club's elegant main dining room to capacity, 220 alumni, undergraduates, parents and guests celebrated Gamma Sigma's installation as the ninetieth chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha in March 1934. The spirit and brotherhood of Gamma Sigma was evident throughout the evening, which featured dinner and dancing until midnight. One of the evening's many highlights was the alumni taking the lead in the singing of Down in Ole Virginny, which had the rafters vibrating!

The chapter originated in 1924 when four Pitt students formed the local fraternity Omega Delta. By 1933, the organization had grown to 38 brothers and was a leading force within the Pitt Greek community and general student population. After receiving overtures from several national fraternities, the brotherhood unanimously chose Pi Kappa Alpha.

Gamma Sigma has initiated over 1,600 young men since its installation and continues to be a leading fraternity at the University of Pittsburgh. Members of the chapter serve in many influential student organizations such as the IFC and student government. Last fall, the chapter was instrumental in raising thousands of dollars for the university's Institute for Cancer Research through The Gala at the Cathedral Lawn. The event was a first at the University for fund raising, featuring games such as croquet, bocce and badminton with live music and refreshments on the lawn of Pitt's Cathedral of Learning.

Gamma Sigma's alumni association, Steel City Alumni Association, continues to support the undergraduate chapter in all areas, from mentorship to finances to alumni-undergraduate events like the Founders Day celebrations.

#### TWIN CITIES ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Once again, the Twin Cities Alumni Association held its annual Founders Day dinner at Jax Café in NE Minneapolis. Everyone had a good time, and they look forward to the next alumni gathering at the St. Paul Saints game on July 25, 2009. Family members are welcome to join in this event. All Pikes in the Twin Cities area are encouraged to participate in alumni association outings. For more information on the TCAA, contact Ed Schaefer (Minnesota, Beta Chi '92) at [ed.schaefer@comcast.net](mailto:ed.schaefer@comcast.net) or 612-327-5441.

#### UPSTATE SOUTH CAROLINA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

All Pikes living in the upstate area of South Carolina are encouraged to provide your contact information to Shane Duncan (Winthrop, Theta Sigma '94) at [shane\\_duncan@hotmail.com](mailto:shane_duncan@hotmail.com) so that you may be a part of the new alumni association that is being formed. An alumni association social will be held in July 2009, so don't delay in getting your contact information to Shane so he can share the event details with you.

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### ROCK HILL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Pi Kappa Alpha at Winthrop University celebrated 30 years on campus in April with a full weekend of activities, beginning with initiating sixteen new members into the bonds on Friday night with many alumni in attendance. The annual Rock Hill Alumni Association golf tournament brought together forty alumni during the weekend. The 30 Year Celebration was kicked off with a chapter house tour featuring the \$25,000+ in renovations by the Theta Sigma Housing Corporation. The celebration continued with a banquet where over 180 guests, including undergraduates, alumni, university officials and parents, enjoyed a wonderful evening together. Housing Corporation president and Theta Sigma Chapter founding member Robby Davis Sisco '75 served as the MC for the evening. Alumni association president Matt Smith '98 recognized several alumni for 25 years of brotherhood. The evening culminated with an inspiring keynote address by International Historian Dr. Jerome Reel (Tulane, Eta '57) encouraging all Pikes to lead by serving others, giving back to the community, the university and our beloved Fraternity.



**International Historian Dr. Jerome V. Reel spoke at the Theta Sigma Chapter 30 Year Celebration.**

### WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY PIKE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Alpha Theta alumni will gather for the Morgantown Reunion on August 7-9, 2009. The alumni association will host a golf outing on August 7, 2009 at the Nemaquin Woodlands Resort ([www.nemaquin.com/thelinks](http://www.nemaquin.com/thelinks)). For more information or to register for this event, contact Lee Yates '66 at [tyates@cvzoom.net](mailto:tyates@cvzoom.net) or 724-628-7165. Also on August 7, there will be the Picnic at Coopers Rock ([www.coopersrockstateforest.com](http://www.coopersrockstateforest.com)) from 3:00 pm-sundown. For more information on the picnic, contact Bob Risher '64 at [bobriser@suddenlink.net](mailto:bobriser@suddenlink.net) or John Buttermore at [john.buttermore@sru.edu](mailto:john.buttermore@sru.edu).

On Saturday, August 8, the alumni association meeting will include officer reports, elections and other business issues as requested. Send any agenda requests to association secretary Bob Risher. Also on Saturday, the house company will meet to discuss officer reports, elections and other business issues as requested. Send any agenda requests to secretary Doug Ladish '62 at [ladish@mindspring.com](mailto:ladish@mindspring.com).

In the past, a possible trip to the Frank Lloyd Wright houses has received a lot of interest as an event for the ladies and guests. This year, Penny Gardner has agreed to organize a Saturday tour of Frank Lloyd Wright's Fallingwater and Kentuck Knob houses in Pennsylvania's Laurel Highlands. Tickets for each house should be purchased individually online at [www.fallingwater.org](http://www.fallingwater.org). The total price for both tickets is \$38.00. Both houses are popular stops, so reservations should be made ASAP to assure availability for the group. The first choice for Fallingwater should be the 10:30 tour followed by the 2:00 tour at Kentuck Knob. Depending on availability you may have to book Fallingwater at 10:00 or 11:00, and you will still have time to get to Kentuck Knob by 2:00. Please contact Penny at [pennmack@aol.com](mailto:pennmack@aol.com) to let her know when you have signed up, and if you will be able to drive others or if you need a ride. There will be time for lunch on the seven mile ride between the two houses. Fallingwater is about a 50 mile ride through scenic country, so departure Saturday morning is planned for 8:30 and the group should be

back before 5:00. The annual banquet will be held Saturday evening.

Watch for further information in the Mountaineer Pike electronic newsletter and at [www.wvupikes.com](http://www.wvupikes.com).

### WILMINGTON AREA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Wilmington Area Alumni Association welcomes all Pikes living in the Wilmington, North Carolina area to join the group for all events. If you are an alumnus in the Wilmington area and have not been receiving email updates or the monthly Sand Pike newsletters, contact Scott Hammatt (LSU, Alpha Gamma '98) at [Scott.Hammatt@ge.com](mailto:Scott.Hammatt@ge.com) or 910-508-6773 to be added to the distribution list. The association is planning a Day at Masonboro which will be a family boating and beach event at Masonboro Island. Details on the association's fall golf tournament for alumni and colony members will be sent as soon as plans are finalized. Anyone interested in becoming a chapter or alumni advisor for the colony at UNCW should contact Scott Hammatt.

### 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](http://www.pikes.org) to find an alumni association. The following associations have recently formed:

#### SMU Pike Alumni Association

Mark Miller

[mark.miller@cypresssequities.com](mailto:mark.miller@cypresssequities.com)

#### Kappa Eta Alumni Association

Jason White

[dapodaca@nmsu.edu](mailto:dapodaca@nmsu.edu)

#### Houston Pikes Alumni Association

Kurt Schoeffler

[kurtschoeffler@gmail.com](mailto:kurtschoeffler@gmail.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**  
**[gmler@pikes.org](mailto:gmler@pikes.org)**



## APPALACHIAN STATE

## Iota Psi

**Chad Gleaton '02** and his wife, Cortney, announce the birth of their son, Chase Alexander, on January 15, 2009. Gleaton is a SSGT with the 75th Ranger STB and is currently a RIP instructor. He may be reached at [wilton.gleaton@us.army.mil](mailto:wilton.gleaton@us.army.mil).

## CALIFORNIA STATE-SACRAMENTO

## Theta Tau

**Doug Johnson '81** is the vice president of sales and marketing with Benefits Resource Group, a consulting and investment advisory firm in the Cleveland area. Johnson and his wife, Suzy, live in Hudson, Ohio with their three children, Cole, Forrest and Paige. He may be reached at [drjohnson@roadrunner.com](mailto:drjohnson@roadrunner.com).

## CENTRAL ARKANSAS

## Epsilon Phi



**Jeremy Sparks '96** is a professional bullfighter and Air Force captain. He was selected to serve as a bullfighter for the First Frontier Circuit Finals in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania in January 2009. Sparks is one of the premier bullfighters in the prestigious rodeo association, the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association (PRCA). This was the first trip to the First Frontier Circuit Finals, but he is the seven times bullfighter for the famous Cheyenne Frontier Days rodeo. Sparks has previously been selected to perform at the Mountain States Circuit Finals (Colorado & Wyoming) as well as the National Circuit Finals (Pocatello, ID). Only the Top-12 cowboys and cowgirls based on money earned during the 2008 season competed in the three day First Frontier Circuit Finals. Sparks is famous for serving as a Cowboy Protector/Bullfighter where he displays his skills during the ever-dangerous bull riding event. His main purpose in the arena is to protect fallen riders from being potentially gored by the bull – even if that means he sacrifices his body doing so. Only two bullfighters earn the selection to a Circuit Finals Rodeo, and selection is solely based on the Top-12 circuit bull riders' votes. They simply vote

for who they deem the best qualified to protect them. He was honored to be selected to perform at the First Frontier Circuit Finals knowing the riders themselves selected him as one of the best. Sparks and his wife, Jamie Jordan, reside in Cheyenne, Wyoming, and may be reached at [jsparks01@hotmail.com](mailto:jsparks01@hotmail.com).

## CHAPMAN

## Theta Psi



**Adam Riffe '92** and Carol Chi were married on September 27, 2008. The wedding party included Best Man **Jason Twiford '90** and groomsmen **Matt Smith '92** and **Michael Bennish '92**. Riffe was recently recognized by Theta Psi Chapter as its Alumnus of the Year. The couple lives in San Marcos, California where he is the chief financial officer with Innovative Healthcare Management. He may be reached at [ariffe@ihmweb.com](mailto:ariffe@ihmweb.com).

## COLORADO

## Beta Upsilon

**Dan Culberson '60** and his brother, Darryl, have maintained the unique custom of sending the same birthday card back and forth since 1973. The story was featured in the *Boulder Daily Camera*.

## COLORADO STATE

## Epsilon Theta



**Brent Seebohm '96** is the national president of the National Athletics Collegiate Marketing Association. The association is in its 20th year, and represents 300+ universities, 1200+ annual members representing student interns to marketing directors to senior administrators, and oversees the board of directors. Seebohm is the vice president/general manager and associate athletic director with IMG College & University of Arizona Athletics.

## CONNECTICUT

## Iota Chi

**Jeff Shaw '00** was selected into the 2009

class of the Connecticut Health Foundation Leadership Fellows. The program, now in its fifth year, promotes the next generation of leaders in public health and public policy. Shaw is the legislative advisor with the Connecticut General Assembly in Hartford. He may be reached at [alpinejeff@aol.com](mailto:alpinejeff@aol.com).

## DELAWARE

## Delta Eta

**Dennis Williams '78** was recently elected State Representative from the 10th District to the Delaware General Assembly in Dover. He is serving as a member of the Labor Committee and the Natural Resources Committee in the Legislature of the First State. He may be contacted at [Dennis.E.Williams@state.de.us](mailto:Dennis.E.Williams@state.de.us).

## DELTA STATE

## Zeta Beta



**Trey Labella '94** and his wife, Alicia, welcomed their son, Carl Anthony, on February 1, 2009. Carlson was welcomed home by his sister, Taylor. The Labellas reside in San Antonio, Texas.

**Chuck Woods '97** and his wife, Claudia, announce the birth of their son, Wyatt, on March 14, 2009. The family lives in Sarasota, Florida.

## DRAKE

## Delta Omicron

**Thomas Lauterback '63**, founder/principal of Lexes Unlimited, has semi-retired after 40+ years in marketing, consulting and nonprofit management. He may be reached at [tkl60123@wowway.com](mailto:tkl60123@wowway.com).

## EAST CENTRAL

## Epsilon Omega

**Carl Anderson '82** is the vice president of corporate accounts, North America, for Ecolab – Global Retail Services in Greensboro, North Carolina. He and his wife, Dawn, have three children. They spend their time attending various school activities and traveling the world in their free time. He would enjoy hearing from Epsilon Omega brothers at [cande42728@earthlink.net](mailto:cande42728@earthlink.net).

## EAST TENNESSEE

## Epsilon Zeta

**Daniel Lewis '96** and his wife, Kelley, announce the birth of their son, Owen Nicholas, on

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October 25, 2008. Lewis resides in Johnson City, Tennessee and may be reached at [daniel@overmtn.com](mailto:daniel@overmtn.com).

## FLORIDA Alpha Eta



**Gene Howerton '80** has had the opportunity to work on many interesting projects since receiving his BD in civil engineering. The projects include all of the infrastructure design for the NFL Jaguar Stadium in

Jacksonville and as the lead engineer for the World Golf Village in St. Augustine. In 2004, he and his partners sold their firm, BHR, to the Dutch based company Arcadis and he remains with the firm as vice president. He and his wife, Julie, have three daughters, Jane Ann, Carol and Rosalie. The family resides in Jacksonville, Florida where Howerton is active in the start up of the Jacksonville Area Alumni Association.

**Wes Larson '54** serves as the president of the Putnam County Chamber of Commerce. He has received an appointment from Governor **Charlie Crist (Florida State, Delta Lambda '76)** to the Northeast Florida Regional Planning Council, for a term which runs from April 17 to October 1, 2009.

## FLORIDA STATE Delta Lambda

**Eric Carr '01** has relocated to Tampa where he works with the Seminole Boosters, Inc. The Seminole Boosters' support of Florida State University athletic scholarships, facilities and more is a cause he is passionate about and he is thrilled to work with this program. Carr had previously interned with the Boosters in 2005 before going to work for IDEXX Laboratories, Inc. He may be reached at [ericdcarr@gmail.com](mailto:ericdcarr@gmail.com).

**Scott Moore '83** is a vice president/financial advisor with Capital Investment Group in Capital Bank. Moore and his wife, Lidia, reside in Asheville, North Carolina, and he would enjoy hearing from his Delta Lambda brothers at [edgenaples2002@yahoo.com](mailto:edgenaples2002@yahoo.com).

## GEORGIA Alpha Mu

**Allen French '74** is the president of the Hinman Dental Society, a society that sponsors the annual Thomas P. Hinman Dental Meeting in Atlanta. He and his wife, Nancy, live in Alpharetta, Georgia, where he has a private practice of periodontics and dental implants.

## INDIANA STATE Theta Omicron

**David Clark '95** resides in New York where he is the vice president and chief of staff

with American Express. In this role, he serves as a senior leader of the American Express Human Resources organization, advising the HR team on a broad array of topics, ranging from the work currently underway to foster an innovation-centered culture to the overall development of the HR strategy for the company. He will also lead a number of key HR projects and initiatives for the company. Prior to joining American Express, he had an impressive career in the U.S. Government, serving as a member of the White House Senior Staff as deputy assistant to the President of the United States and the deputy director of presidential personnel.

**Travis DeVault '93** works as the field station and project leader at the National Wildlife Research Center in Sandusky, Ohio. The center's goal is to decrease the number of bird strikes by airplanes. Since 1990 about 82,000 wildlife strikes have been reported to the Federal Aviation Administration, and DeVault said the number of strikes grows steadily each year. In 1997, 3,458 strikes were reported while in 2007 that number had risen to 7,666. To combat the problem, DeVault said airports must use an integrated approach with habitat modification such as fencing or maintaining a consistent grass height as well as using noisemakers and other scare devices. In Ohio, DeVault along with other research biologists and field technicians try to develop methods to reduce strikes. The work includes testing turf grasses to see which ones are preferred by wildlife, studying storm water management techniques that could reduce use by waterfowl and other wildlife, using satellite technology to study the movement of large birds and finding ways to prevent earthworms from moving onto runways where gulls settle to snack. DeVault noted that every airport and every region has a unique set of problems. One wildlife management plan doesn't work for every airport, so different methods must be developed to work in individual situations.

**Ralph Webb '86** is a senior manager with Clarkston Consulting, specializing in program management. He and his wife, Cynthia, reside in the Philadelphia area with their son, Bruce. He may be reached at [rewebbiii@gmail.com](mailto:rewebbiii@gmail.com).

## IOWA STATE Alpha Phi

**Jay Hinkhouse '78** was recognized as the IFC Alumnus of the Year in April 2009. The support that Hinkhouse, as well as many other alumni, continue to give to the chapter is what helps make Alpha Phi one of the strongest chapters in the Greek community. The chapter members want their alumni brothers to know how much they appreciate the help.

## LAMAR Epsilon Kappa

**Henry Vail '79** has been appointed to Devereux Texas Network 2009 Advisory Board. He is a

wealth advisor with Sucre-Vail Wealth Advisors of Houston, Texas.

**Pike Powers '60** was honored by the Austin Bar Association and Foundation with the Distinguished Lawyer Award for his lifetime of achievements. Since its inception 23 years ago, The Austin Bar has honored less than 50 judges and lawyers with this award. The Austin Bar cited Powers' role in recruiting high-tech consortiums and employers to come to Texas. Texas Congressman Lamar Smith said, "In large measure, the economic and technological transformation we've experienced in Texas over the past three decades is the direct result of Pike Powers' persistent efforts." Powers was the head of Fulbright & Jaworski's Austin office for more than 28 years. For four consecutive years, The National Law Journal named Powers among the 100 most influential attorneys in the U.S. In the last four years, Powers was named one of the Best Lawyers in America. He has also received numerous Super Lawyer designations from Law & Politics magazine and was named 2005 Austinite of the Year by the Greater Austin Chamber of Commerce.

## LINFIELD Delta Rho

**Todd Dolan '99** has been named head of the purchasing department for Lococo Sports Inc - Soccer Fanatic. Soccer Fanatic has developed from a one store showroom in the heart of San Diego to one of the largest soccer specialty suppliers in the United States, with multiple locations and easy online shopping. He may be reached at [toddjdolan@hotmail.com](mailto:toddjdolan@hotmail.com).

## LOYOLA MARYMOUNT Theta Eta

**Tony Brown '89** earned a Master's degree in sports management and marketing from the University of Tennessee, where he is on the board of visitors for the School of Education. Brown is also on the board at Pepperdine University's American Humanics Scholars program. He is a Stanford Graduate School of Business CSI Fellow. Brown has enjoyed careers in sports sales and marketing, teaching and now as executive director for Heart of Los Angeles (HOLA) where he runs a youth center in Los Angeles that serves over 1,600 underserved youth through exceptional academics, arts and athletics programs. He and his wife, Gwen, live in Los Angeles.



**Ernesto Eric Enriquez '88** is founder and president of Best Value Roofing's Rescue Roofer, a nationally acclaimed GAF-ELK Master Elite roofing contractor. Only the top 2% of roofing contractors qualify for this factory certified program. He was recently presented the prestigious Consumer Protection



Excellence Award for 2008 in Chicago. While visiting Chicago, Enriquez and home improvement television host, JoAnne Liebler produced the GAF-ELK educational video for homeowners, "Avoiding Roofing Disasters". Enriquez resides in Mission Viejo, California with his wife, Anne, and their three daughters, Elisa, Isabella and Valentina. He may be reached at [Eric@RescueRoofer.net](mailto:Eric@RescueRoofer.net).

**Paul Kaminski '79**, a past Powers Award recipient, serves as director of advancement for St. John Bosco High School in Bellflower, California. He and his wife, Cari, live in Lakewood, California, with their three children, Sarah, Tricia and Daniel.

**Anthony Leone '79** served for twelve years as the chapter advisor for Theta Eta Chapter and as Golden West regional president from 1990-1997. His eleven year old daughter, Jessica, has been diagnosed with a rare condition, Niemann-Pick Type C disease. For ten years, family and friends have raised money for medical research with proceeds going to the Ara Parseghian Medical Research Foundation, named for the legendary Notre Dame football coach. Pikes have been there for the Leone family since day one. Dozens of brothers have contributed and participated in their annual fundraiser. Undergraduate chapters in the Golden West have contributed as well. At the most recent Fight for Jessica benefit, Pike alumni from three different chapters rallied for the family. Over the

years, over three million dollars has been raised for research. For more information you may visit [www.fightforjessica.com](http://www.fightforjessica.com).

**Cymbeline Ponce '87** joined the Los Angeles Police Department after graduation in 1989, and for the past 15 years he has worked with the California State University Police Department where he currently serves as a sergeant. He lives in Torrance, California with his wife and their two daughters, and he may be reached at [cponce@csudh.edu](mailto:cponce@csudh.edu).

**Steve Scott '86** spent six years in the Jesuit order after graduation. He teaches and also serves as the director of campus ministry at Archbishop Mitty High School in San Jose, California. He and his wife, Bea, have three children, Joe, Maria and Monica.

#### MINNESOTA Beta Chi



**Michael Holland '86** has served as assistant public defender in Hennepin County, Minnesota, since 1993. A Milwaukee native, Holland was profiled by the Minneapolis-St. Paul *Star Tribune* in March 2009 in an extensive article entitled *Michael Holland: The defense never rests*. He and his wife, fellow public defender Kelly Madden, live in Glendale with

their 2-year-old daughter, Lexi. Concerning his role as public defender, Holland states, "You have to have the ability to see the best in people, even though they may have done something heinous and horrible."

#### MISSISSIPPI STATE Gamma Theta



**Paul Murphy '79** was appointed by the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas to the Dallas Fed's Houston Branch board of directors for a term ending December 31, 2011. The Dallas Fed's Houston Branch board

consists of seven members, four appointed by the Dallas Fed board and three by the Federal Reserve Board of Governors in Washington, D.C. Murphy is CEO of Amegy Bank of Texas, which he helped establish in 1990. Prior to joining Amegy, he worked for Allied Bank of Texas/First Interstate Bank. He is a board member of the Houston Endowment and a member of the Governor's Business Council. He also serves on the boards of St. Luke's Episcopal Health Care System, Kinkaid School, Children's Museum of Houston, Mississippi State University Foundation and Greater Houston Community Foundation.

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### Pikes' Executive Vice President Weds With Numerous Brothers In Attendance

The Fraternity's Executive Vice President **Justin A. Buck (Southeast Missouri, Epsilon Iota '96)** married Jesca Tait Oney on March 21, 2009 at the beautiful Cadre Building in Memphis, Tennessee. Close to 100 PIKA's were in attendance from all across North America. Numerous past and present international officers, staff, volunteers, and chapter brothers of Justin's were in attendance. Included in the wedding party were Best Man **N. Ryan Flickinger (Southern Illinois, Iota Mu '94)**, brother of the groom **Ryan E. Buck (Southeast Missouri '07)**, **Roger L. Brown (Southeast Missouri, Epsilon Iota '97)**, **Scott A. Davis (Southeast Missouri, Epsilon Iota '95)**, **Daniel W. Corah (Colorado State, Epsilon Theta '83)** and **Ryan D. Van Andel (California Berkeley, Alpha Sigma '98)**. The Bucks enjoyed a relaxing honeymoon in St. Lucia following the ceremony and celebration and now reside in Germantown, Tennessee.



Near right:  
Pike brothers serenade  
the bride by singing  
"The Dream Girl of Pi  
Kappa Alpha".

Far right:  
The happy couple,  
Justin and Tait Buck.





## MISSOURI S&T Alpha Kappa

**Michael Kruzic '97** and Leslie Fisher were married on January 17, 2009. Brothers in attendance were **Christopher Hinojos** (Nevada-Las Vegas, Kappa Omicron '97), **Daniel Hinojos** (Nevada-Las Vegas, Kappa Omicron '98) **Ryan Kahlenbeck '99**, **Nathan Mayer '00**, **John O'Connor** (Nevada-Las Vegas, Kappa Omicron '97), **Leo Schafer** (Nevada-Las Vegas, Kappa Omicron '98), **Aaron Sonnenschein '99**, **Matthew Tyburski** (CSU-Sacramento, Theta Tau '97) Best Man **Brian Vaughn '98**, and **Bobby Zuniga** (Nevada-Las Vegas '97).

**Ryan Stockamp '98** and his wife, Katie, welcomed their second child, Jack William, on April 11, 2009. The family lives in Royal Oak, Michigan, where they also have a daughter, Emily. Stockamp works for General Motors as a fuel system validation engineer. He may be contacted at [ryan.w.stockamp@gm.com](mailto:ryan.w.stockamp@gm.com).

## MOREHEAD STATE Eta Eta

**Jeff Morrett '01** and his wife, Emily, welcomed their first child, Madelynn Isabella James, on March 13, 2009. The family lives in Augusta, Georgia where Morrett is the general sales manager for Viamedia, and may be reached at [jmorrett@viamediatv.com](mailto:jmorrett@viamediatv.com).

## NEVADA-LAS VEGAS Kappa Omicron

**Victor Jordan '97** and Erica Saia were married in Las Vegas on April 3, 2009.

**John O'Connor '97** and his wife, Andi, welcomed their second daughter, Jaicee Theresa, on September 2, 2008.

## NORTH ALABAMA Theta Alpha

**Colin Pharr '97** and Ashley Sumerel were married on March 14, 2009. Brothers in the wedding party included **Matt Hathorn '97**, **Garrett Keith '01**, **Matt McClain '99**, **Brian Milster '02** and **Austin Pennington '02**. Pharr served as the president of the Theta Alpha Alumni Association for the 2008-2009 term. The couple resides in Odenville, Alabama where he is employed by the City of Hoover as a park ranger. He may be reached at [colinpharr@hotmail.com](mailto:colinpharr@hotmail.com).

## NORTH DAKOTA Zeta Rho

**Jim Altstatt '94** is a project manager with Boston Scientific in St. Paul, Minnesota. He and his wife, Lilian, have identical twin boys. In April they took the boys on their first trip to the beach in Puerto Vallarta, and look forward to camping and hiking this summer in Minnesota and Wisconsin. He may be reached at [altstatt@bsci.com](mailto:altstatt@bsci.com).

## NORTHEASTERN STATE Theta Epsilon

**Gary Cacy '93** and his wife, Emily, announce the birth of their second child, Ethan Cash, on October 28, 2008. The Cacys also have a daughter, Alexa Paige. Cacy and his wife have lived in Tahlequah for ten years where he works as a deputy sheriff for the Cherokee County Sheriff's Office and also serves as a volunteer

for the Tahlequah Fire Department. He remains active with Theta Epsilon at NSU serving on the alumni advisory board for the past ten years. He may be contacted for information on alumni news and upcoming events at [gecacy@sbcglobal.net](mailto:gecacy@sbcglobal.net).



**Justin Miers '01** and Sara Brown were married on April 25, 2009. Theta Epsilon brothers in attendance were **Robbie Boston '99**, **Gary Casy '93**, **Steven Cook '99**, **Lance Eubanks '99**, **Bryan Grove '00**, **Daniel Keith**

**'01**, **Jason Mckee '00**, **Ryan Sandefer '99**, **Wade Scott '01** and **Blake Steveson '99**. The couple lives in Irving, Texas where Miers is a petroleum landman for Caffey Group, LLC. He may be reached at [justinmiers@hotmail.com](mailto:justinmiers@hotmail.com).

**Rick Moore '87** has been a claim representative for sixteen years with State Farm in Tulsa, Oklahoma. He lives in Wagoner with his wife, Donna, and their three children. Most of his time outside of work is spent with his children's activities at First Baptist Church of Wagoner. He is a member of the Wagoner Masonic Lodge and serves as the worshipful master. Moore was pleased to recently reunite with the NSU Alumni Association through their website at [nsupealumni.com](http://nsupealumni.com). He may be reached at [rdmoorefam@suddenlink.net](mailto:rdmoorefam@suddenlink.net).

**Steven Shackelford '91** and **Lorne Carter '91** released their third CD release from their God Rock Ministry band Trinity's Cross in May 2009. Trinity's Cross latest CD, *Every Saint Has A Past Every Sinner Has A Future*, features ten original tracks written and produced by Shackelford and Carter. Sample tracks and further information may be found at [www.myspace.com/trinityscross](http://www.myspace.com/trinityscross).

## NORTHERN ILLINOIS Eta Nu

**Jerry LaBuy '93** is a professor at Rock Valley College in Rockford, Illinois, teaching film and audio production. He is also finishing his M.F.A. thesis in Digital Cinema at DePaul University. His project is a feature film entitled THE WAVES, which has an expected completion date of June 2010. He continues to produce his own projects through his business The Caledonia Night Sky Company. He may be reached at [jerry@caledonianightsky.com](mailto:jerry@caledonianightsky.com).

## OLD DOMINION Zeta Iota

**Mike Jones '93** is the business operations manager with Lockheed Martin Corporation. He and his wife, Lindsey, and their daughter, Sydney, live in Bonaire, Georgia, and would enjoy hearing from Zeta Iota brothers at [mike.l.jones@lmco.com](mailto:mike.l.jones@lmco.com).

## Founders Day at University of Toledo Features Special Initiation

**Clement Hren** (Epsilon Epsilon '09) (third from left) was initiated into the Fraternity during Epsilon Epsilon Chapter's Founders Day Weekend on March 28th, 2009. Hren enjoyed his first Founders Day Banquet in Toledo and is seen here at the banquet with three former presidents of Epsilon Epsilon Chapter; (from left) his son, **Eric Hren** (Epsilon Epsilon '04), **Joe Warstler** (Epsilon Epsilon '03) and **Charlie Lambrix** (Epsilon Epsilon '05). Clement resides in Mentor, Ohio with his wife of 28 years, Fran, and is the father of Eric Hren, director of services for the Pi Kappa Alpha Memorial Headquarters. Clement and Fran also have another son, Steven, and a daughter, Jessica.



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## The Many-Dimensional Man

by Tom M. Campbell, Ed.D. (Oklahoma State, Gamma Chi '52)

**John Brooks Walton (Oklahoma State, Gamma Chi '52)** celebrated his 80th birthday in April 2009, but he still has creative projects in the works, just as he has since earning his degree in architecture in 1953 from Oklahoma A&M College (now Oklahoma State University). He well remembers those days of pulling all-nighters to complete designs and battling through tough engineering courses.

He is an accomplished architect, but John also is a writer, historian, and talented artist. Along the way, John and his wife, Mag (the former Margaret Stanley of Tulsa), have raised four daughters (Ann, Jane, Sue, and Jean) and two sons (Brooks and Stan). They have seven grandchildren.

Raised in Ponca City – a community he loves and that figures heavily in his books — John worked in Shawnee the year after graduation. Moving to Tulsa in 1954, he completed his apprenticeships, including a year with the noted architect John Duncan Forsyth.

Walton worked a few years as a partner in a local firm and then opened his own office in 1965. He has had a solo practice since then.

Examples of Walton's fine work are featured in, "The Architecture of John Brooks Walton," published last year. Among them are the Stable House in Muskogee, designed for Charles Faudree, Tulsa's nationally-recognized interior designer, as well as the Beckman House in that city. In Tulsa, the Charles Thornton house on East 26th Street is impressive, featuring the Country French style, as is the Dickman house on South Quebec.

Also included is a small house in the 3500 block on South Urbana, the only Walton-designed home in which his family lived.

Columbariums that were designed for Trinity Episcopal Church and St. John Episcopal Church are shown in the book, along with the clock tower at Southern Hill Country Club, which was the logo for the 2007 PGA Championship.

Home restorations and remodeling have been specialties. His office at 1717 S. Baltimore was moved there from 107 E. 11th St. It was once the manager's cottage

for the Manhattan Court Apartments, built in 1913.

In 1978, John and Mag purchased the W.G. Skelly Mansion, a Tulsa landmark at 2101 S. Madison. They restored the historic home and lived there until 1995. Two of their children had already left the nest, but the remaining four and a parade of girls from Mexico helped fill the house (the youngsters from Mexico came for one-year stays to attend Monte Casino).

The Skelly Mansion, listed on the National Register of Historic Places, was often opened for meetings, social events, and tours.

Walton wrote and published his first book, "100 Historic Tulsa Homes," in 1999; it evolved from a series of articles in Tulsa People magazine. He followed this with "100 More Historic Tulsa Homes," and "Many More Tulsa Historic Homes."

John also wrote books about noted architects John Stevens Dilbeck, who was raised in Tulsa, and John Duncan Forsyth, who is well known in both Tulsa and Ponca City.

Since he was from that part of the state, it was logical that Walton would write, "The Historic Homes of Ponca City and Kay County," and "More Historic Homes of Ponca City and Kay County." Kathy Adams was a co-author on these books.

A grant from the Oklahoma Centennial Commission helped make possible the fascinating book, "The Artwork of Tulsa," published during the 2007 celebration of our state's 100th anniversary. John's favorite in the book is a ten-foot-tall version of Robert Alexander Weinman's "Morning Mission," located on a mall at the arrival terminal of Tulsa International Airport. The book features many examples of art that Tulsans will recognize.



John Brooks Walton and Rusty

Walton began creating terra cotta (clay) busts in 2003 and took up acrylic painting at the encouragement of his teacher, Ruth Armstrong. His only previous art instruction had been courses in water colors during college. His busts and impressionistic landscapes are remarkable, and they have been exhibited at the Tulsa Performing Arts Center. One of his paintings of scallions is available on aprons, tote bags, and coffee mugs.

Throughout their life, Mag and John have traveled extensively, visiting England and most of the countries in Europe, plus Japan, China and Thailand.

John plans to keep on working. Keeping him company in his office is his miniature poodle, Rusty, who was a Christmas present. He, too, thinks that John is very special, even though he knows nothing about architecture, writing, or art. He's content to sit in his master's lap whenever possible.

*Tom Campbell, the author of this article, has known Walton since 1951, when both were members of Pi Kappa Alpha at Oklahoma A&M.*

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## PURDUE Beta Phi

**Roy Hofer '54** has been named an Illinois Super Lawyer for 2009 by *Law and Politics* magazine. Hofer is a named partner with Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione, one of the largest intellectual property law firms in the United States. For more than 45 years Hofer has been a litigator in hundreds of patent, trade secret, trade dress cases, including extensive experience in trials and appellate arguments. Although continuing to be involved in trial work, he now devotes most of his time to being a mediator, arbitrator or special master in intellectual property cases, consulting in appellate cases and rendering opinions on patent validity, infringement and litigation issues. Hofer graduated from Purdue in 1957 with a B.S. degree in chemical engineering and worked as a patent examiner in the U. S. Patent & Trademark Office and then later, as a patent agent for the Exxon Corporation in Washington, D.C., while attending Georgetown University Law School at night. In 1961, he received his J.D. degree from Georgetown, winning the Father Lucey Award for graduating first in his class. He has been a member of the Chicago Bar Association, the largest metropolitan bar association in the United States, since 1961, serving as its president in 1988-89.

## ROCKHURST Kappa Epsilon

**Keith Allen '94** continues his search for a position in medical research, working with radiological and nuclear imaging technologies to help physicians make better medical decisions, improve treatment planning and identify diseases. He hopes to improve the standards of care for patients suffering with cancer, heart disease and neurological illnesses. Allen was part of the Kappa Epsilon Chapter founding in 1994, and has fond memories of the friends he made and the valuable education he received. He may be reached at [keithallen123@aol.com](mailto:keithallen123@aol.com).

## ST. JOSEPH'S Iota Rho



**Tim Brady '94** and Casey Connolly were married on October 5, 2008, in Cape Cod, Massachusetts. Pikes in the wedding party included Best Man **Geoff Fiedler (New Hampshire, Gamma Mu '95)**, Best Man **Ryan**

**Flickinger (Southern Illinois, Iota Mu '94)** and groomsmen **Kevin McBeth '97** and **Jim Yolch (Minnesota, Beta Chi '93)**. Other Pikes celebrating the occasion included **Clint Bartman (Illinois State, Kappa Alpha '94)**, **Rob Bellezza '94**, **Justin Buck (Southeast Missouri State, Epsilon Iota '95)**, **Dan Corah (Colorado State, Epsilon Theta '83)**, **Ted Rowe (Western**

**Ontario, Iota Omega '94)**, **Rich Shaner (Mississippi State, Gamma Theta '93)** and **Darius Sidebotham (Florida Tech, Zeta Sigma '94)**. The couple resides in New York City where he is employed in sales with Amag Pharmaceuticals.

## SETON HALL Eta Beta

**John Wasyluk '72** is a partner in a textile manufacturing company, Innovative Textiles, Inc., based in North Carolina specializing in flame resistant fabrics used by firefighters, electrical utility workers, petro/chemical refinery workers and the military. He may be reached at [jwasyluk@comcast.net](mailto:jwasyluk@comcast.net).

## SLIPPERY ROCK Kappa Sigma

**Jacob Right '99** is the founder and CEO of Epic Boot Camp, a fitness boot camp in Pittsburgh geared at helping women meet their physical fitness goals. He has recently expanded to the Philadelphia area, with plans for expansion in Washington State. He may be reached at [Jacobright7@gmail.com](mailto:Jacobright7@gmail.com) for more information on existing boot camps or franchise information.

## SOUTHERN METHODIST Beta Zeta

**Benjamin Palmer '97** and Lauren Bradshaw were married in Dallas on September 20, 2008. Palmer graduated magna cum laude from SMU, and was a president's scholar. The couple lives in Dallas where he is an investment analyst with Paragon Associates.

## SOUTHWESTERN Alpha Omicron

**Scott Heaslet '94** and his wife, Daniela, announce the birth of their son, Logan Dimitri, on March 6, 2009. The family lives in Skopje, Macedonia, where he is the program director for the National Democratic Institute for International Affairs. He may be reached at [scott.heaslet@alumni.southwestern.edu](mailto:scott.heaslet@alumni.southwestern.edu).

## TENNESSEE-CHATTANOOGA Delta Epsilon

**Bob Hopper '47** was one of the Tennessee Insurance Hall of Fame members to be recognized by the Insurers of Chattanooga in December 2008 for his contributions to the industry. Hopper is a former president of the local and state Association of Life Underwriters, and was inducted into the Tennessee Insurance Hall of Fame in 2002. He spent ten years with Volunteer State Life before forming his own agency, Profit Plans. He is considered one of the leaders in the insurance industry in Chattanooga, and the "go to" agent for help with difficult life cases.

**Roy Williams '72** conducted numerous meetings with members of the Chattanooga City Council and The Martin Luther King Neighborhood Association as he prepared for construction on an official fraternity row at the University of Tennessee-Chattanooga. He is working with city planners and ARTECH, a local architectural firm, to create a project that will satisfy the concerns for both the city and the Greek organizations that call UTC home. At this time there are four potential groups that will move on the property, and the property can accommodate up to five groups. Pike is one of the groups currently committed to purchase a lot location. Each group will be individual owners of the property, and the funding for the houses will come from each individual group, local alumni and national organizations. For more information on this exciting project, contact Williams at 423-227-0040 or **Bert Kaiser '84** at 423-595-3652.

## UTAH STATE Gamma Epsilon

**Chris Parker '93** and his wife, Melanie Parker-Zwanziger welcomed their son, Nathaniel Dena Erik, on February 1, 2009. He may be reached at [cgparker@hotmail.com](mailto:cgparker@hotmail.com).

## VIRGINIA TECH Epsilon



**Jeremy R. Moss '01** was named a 2008 Rising Star by the Washington Metropolitan Chapter of Community Associations Institute (WMCCAI). Moss is an associate with MercerTrigiani law firm.

WMCCAI serves the educational, business, and networking needs of the community association industry in 20 cities and counties in Maryland, Virginia, and the District of Columbia. Each year the WMCCAI presents the Rising Star Award to members who volunteer time to chapter activities, demonstrate outstanding leadership skills and show interest in serving as future leaders of the chapter. WMCCAI executive director Sarah Patterson, recognized Moss for his work on the Publications and Community Relations Committees. Patterson cited his volunteerism by helping with a landscaping project at the Ronald McDonald House in Fairfax, Virginia and his publications work by writing several articles for *Quorum*, the chapter's monthly magazine. Moss also served as author for the lead story in the April 2008 edition of *Quorum*. Moss received his law degree in 2007 from the Columbus School of Law of The Catholic University of America and is a 2003 graduate of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. MercerTrigiani is a boutique real estate law firm that provides corporate, litigation and public policy legal counsel to more than 400 condominium, property owner,

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December 7, 1941 Through  
August 15, 1945

## The Way It Was

*An oral history by our brave and young citizen soldiers*

by Victor L. Robilio, Jr. (Memphis, Delta Zeta '58)

Victor L. Robilio, Jr. conducted hundreds of interviews with World War II veterans, learning firsthand of the struggles and tragedies of the men and women who dutifully participated in what is often referred to as the greatest, most horrific and cruelest war ever fought in the history of mankind.

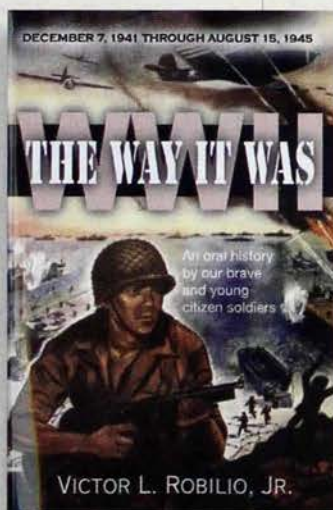
*The Way It Was* records these oral histories, along with more than a hundred never before released photographs documenting the sacrifices made by a generation of Americans.

Robilio, the grandson of an Italian immigrant and a nephew of four World War II veterans, is an amateur historian who is passionate about keeping the history of World War II alive.

This is a must-read for history buffs who want the true, unvarnished story about life in the greatest conflict of the 20th century.



Victor L. Robilio, Jr.  
and his wife, Kay.



## Spirit of Adventure

*Eagle Scouts and the Making of America's Future*

by Alvin Townley (Washington & Lee, Pi '94)

In *Spirit of Adventure*, acclaimed author Alvin Townley discovers how a new generation of Eagle Scouts is continuing the adventure of Scouting and shaping America. It reveals how young Eagle Scouts are living lives that are adventurous, extraordinary, and significant.

The book defines the spirit that marks this rising generation, and explores how Scouting helped instill these Eagles' sense of leadership, adventure, and service to others.

An Eagle Scout and brotherhood member of the Order of the Arrow, Alvin Townley spent three years traveling across the country and around the world to explore the legacy of Scouting. In an adventure spanning thousands of miles, he has met with Eagle Scouts from all walks of life.

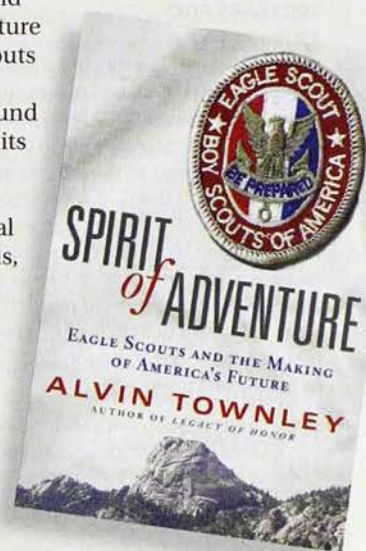
The book follows the author across America and around the world as he uncovers Eagle Scouts pushing their limits and serving others. The journey takes him to Australia's Great Barrier Reef, the cliffs of Red Rock Canyon in Nevada, the Appalachian Trail and Philmont, rural villages in Africa, inner city classrooms, NFL fields, and an aircraft carrier underway in the Pacific Ocean.

The Eagle Scouts he encounters capture the spirit of Scouting and represent the Movement's future. The book will be the first to investigate the next generation of America's leaders and will establish the role Scouting values and experiences played in their development. Unmatched in scope, significance, energy, and diversity, *Spirit of Adventure* tells a compelling story that will inspire young people and adults alike, and will reintroduce Scouting to America.

Townley graduated from Washington & Lee University, and has worked in the U.S. House of Representatives, helped manage global strategy for a \$9B international firm, served his alma mater during a \$240M campaign, and coached track at Marist School in Atlanta. In 2007, St. Martin's Press released his acclaimed first book, *Legacy of Honor*.



Alvin Townley



## Mark of the Devil

*A Matt Berkeley Novel*

by William Kerr (Millsaps, Alpha Iota '56)

William Kerr is a retired United States captain and author of the *New York Times* best selling novel *Path of the Golden Dragon* and the award-winning *Death's Bright Angel*. He is pleased to announce the publication of the sixth in the "Matt Berkeley" suspense/thriller series, *Mark of the Devil*. Using experience gained both during his 25 year Navy career and as an expert scuba diver, Kerr's latest novel features the Berkeley character in the most dramatic and challenging episode of his career.

Navy Special Warfare officer Matt Berkeley is on a new hunt. Under the seas off the coast of Florida, in a corpse-filled German U-boat, he finds a document lost for more than half a century, which leads him to the vaults of the German

National Archives, an elderly widow and her horrifying memories of the Auschwitz death camp, and ultimately to the submarine's most guarded secret—a revelation that could forever disgrace the Catholic Church in the eyes of the world. Each mind-shattering twist plunges Berkeley further into a conspiracy littered with lies, betrayal, death, and the discovery of a single gold ingot bearing the mark of the devil.

Kerr and his wife, Rebecca, reside in Ponte Vedra, Florida and may be reached at [captumkerr@aol.com](mailto:captumkerr@aol.com).





## News of BYGONE DAYS

### 125 YEARS AGO 1884

During this early time in the Fraternity, the development of the ideals was the slow emergence of unwritten standards for life. The Founders themselves led exemplary lives in college. During this time period, few members were expelled for bad conduct; inattention to meetings was the cause in a few cases.

### 100 YEARS AGO 1909

In Beta's chapter letter in the Shield & Diamond, the Davidson College chapter wrote: "The session of 1908-09 is fast drawing to a close. At present we are in the midst of examinations, and all the worries and trouble attendant upon them. But commencement, with its long list of pleasurable events will soon be upon us. Though the thought of home is a very welcome one to us still it is with a feeling of profound regret that we think of leaving our circle of brothers and friends here at old Davidson College, some of us for the last time."

### 75 YEARS AGO 1934

Omega Delta (local fraternity) became Gamma Sigma Chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha at the University of Pittsburgh on Saturday afternoon, March 3, 1934. It became the seventy-seventh chapter on the active roll and it takes its place with Alpha Delta, Beta Alpha and Beta Sigma in the third district under the watchful eye of District President John L. Packer. The charter was granted on March 1, the sixty-sixth anniversary date of PKA's founding and shortly before the tenth anniversary of the founding of Omega Delta itself.

### 50 YEARS AGO 1959

From the Shield & Diamond: "Over the past fifteen years, in the lives of thousands of young and older men in every corner of our country, Robert D. Lynn has provided new meaning for the words 'Pi Kappa Alpha'. His name in the fraternity world is synonymous with capable administration, sound judgement, understanding, and the embodiment of the ideals of fraternalism. He has been around Pi Kappa Alpha for such a long time that many seemed to regard him as a part of the permanent structure of the fraternity: for when they have thought of the fraternity, they have thought of him. It was, therefore, with something of shock and a deep feeling of regret that the members of the fraternity recently received the announcement that Robert D. Lynn has resigned as its Executive Director, effective September 1, 1959, to assume a new position as President of Hutchinson's School for Girls in Memphis, Tennessee."

### 25 YEARS AGO 1984

From the Shield & Diamond: The 1984 Distinguished Achievement Award recipient, Dr. Jim van Hoften (Berkeley, Alpha Sigma '63) had an occupation that no other member of the Fraternity had previously held, and probably reached greater heights than any other member. In fact when this magazine first appeared in 1890, and for many decades to follow, Jim's occupation was one that you only read about in a science fiction novel. Jim is an astronaut, and for six days in April 1984 he was a member aboard the space shuttle Challenger.

### WASHINGTON Beta Beta

**Dan Miller '92** and his wife, Robin, announce the birth of their daughter, Emily Elizabeth, on December 25, 2008. They also have a son, Josh, who welcomed Emily home. Miller serves as chapter advisor for Beta Beta Chapter and may be reached at [danmillerseattle@me.com](mailto:danmillerseattle@me.com).



### DEADLINE FOR AUTUMN 2009 SHIELD & DIAMOND

Alumni! Your news for the Autumn 2009 Shield & Diamond must be received at the Memorial Headquarters by July 15, 2009.

Please email your news to [pka@pikes.org](mailto:pka@pikes.org), or mail to:

**Shield & Diamond, 8347 West Range Cove, Memphis TN 38125.**

### WESTERN KENTUCKY Zeta Epsilon



Zeta Epsilon alumni are pictured here at last year's 5th annual Zeta Epsilon Golf Scramble at Quail Chase in Louisville, Kentucky. This year's scramble will be held on June 20 at Quail Chase Golf Course in Louisville. For more information on the upcoming tournament, contact **Dale Helton '86** at [dalehelton@ups.com](mailto:dalehelton@ups.com).

### WINTHROP Theta Sigma

**Greg Rogers '99** runs a private economic development firm, Pinecrest Holdings. He is currently campaigning for the South Carolina House of Representatives. He said his time as an active member at Theta Sigma, especially serving as chapter president, was what provided him the tools necessary to start a business and branch out into community civic leadership opportunities. This will be his first run for elected office. Rogers is the former president of the York County Young Republicans and also founded a new Fort Mill Jaycees organization.

### WITTENBERG Gamma Zeta

**Donald McEvers '49** was inducted into the Hall of Honor during a ceremony to recognize the outstanding achievement of graduates of the Fairborn City School District or for the exemplary service provided by others to the Fairborn schools and community. While an undergraduate at Wittenberg, he won varsity letters in football, basketball and track. He earned his Master's degree in administration in 1960 from Eastern Michigan University. After serving two years in the U.S. Army, he taught at Napoleon High School in Michigan, and from 1956-1986 he taught biology and physical education and coached football, track and cross country at Mt. Clemens High School in Michigan. He was twice named Michigan High School Coach of the Year and was inducted into the Michigan High School Coaches Association Hall of Fame. After retiring in 1986, he served as a track official with the U.S. Track and Field for 18 years. He and his wife, Juliana, reside in Adrian, Michigan and Ft. Myers, Florida. They are the parents of four children.



## William J. Furlick (Carnegie Mellon, Beta Sigma '41)



**William J. Furlick as a young man, standing in front of the X100; one of the first experimental vertical take-off planes, currently in the Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum. He was the test pilot for this plane in 1960.**

Test pilot, engineer, aerial photographer and World War II vet, William J. Furlick entered Chapter Eternal on January 6, 2009. He was a test pilot and aeronautical engineer at Curtiss-Wright in Fairfield, New Jersey for many years. Upon retiring, he worked as a freelance aerial photographer. Furlick served in the Army Air Force as a captain during World War II and graduated from Carnegie Mellon in Pennsylvania and Stevens Institute of Technology in New Jersey. He greatly valued his friends and relationships, was a lover of animals and was interested in all things of a scientific nature. He was the beloved husband of Eileen, and devoted father of Kathleen M. Furlick.

## Howard B. Hurt (Tennessee, Zeta '42)

Howard B. "Doc" Hurt entered Chapter Eternal on January 29, 2009. He was originally initiated at Theta Chapter at Southwestern College (now Rhodes College), and his college career was interrupted by his draft into the US Army in 1943.

As reported in the *Knoxville Sentinel* in June 2003, on the morning of December 16, 1944, the 106th Infantry Division had relieved the 2nd Infantry Division at the Siegfried Line, and it was stretched thinly across 27 miles of the front along the the Belgium-German border. Hurt was a messenger assigned to deliver communications from regimental headquarters to units on the line. Watching a nearby valley, he saw the guns of the German 5th SS Panzer Division moved toward his outfit's position. Hurt and his jeep driver raced back to his unit to deliver the news. This was the beginning of the Battle of the Bulge. In a couple of days of intense fighting, thirty divisions of German troops broke through the American lines, and Hurt and 7,000 other members of the 106th were captured. Hurt was first taken to Stalag 9B, a prisoner of war camp northwest of Frankfurt, Germany. In February 1945, he was sent to Berga in

eastern Germany, a satellite of the notorious Buchenwald concentration camp. Hurt was injured when he tried to help a Jewish prisoner, and a Gestapo guard fractured his skull with an axe handle. In the hospital, he came under a German civilian doctor's care, who got Hurt and twelve other seriously ill GIs transferred to Obermansfeld, where they were treated by British doctors who had volunteered to enter Germany to care for Allied wounded. Later, a train took the prisoners to a British hospital near Meiningen, Germany. On April 7, the U.S. 11th Armored Division liberated Hurt and the others and sent them to Paris. He arrived in New York on V-E Day, May 8, 1945.

After the war he returned to Southwestern and obtained his Ph.D. in clinical psychology from the University of Tennessee in 1951. He led the clinical psychology program at Oak Ridge National Laboratory until he retired in 1979. Brother Hurt served as head of the Zeta housing corporation for several years, and requested that his ashes be spread on Rocky Top in the Smokies. He is survived by his nephew, Richard Hurt; niece, Anna Hurt; great nephew, William Hurt; extended family and close friends.

## Leo P. Rock, Jr. (Florida, Alpha Eta '56)

Alpha Eta and Pi Kappa Alpha lost a giant on March 8, 2009, as Brother Leo P. Rock, Jr. joined Chapter Eternal after a long battle with cancer. Born in Baltimore, Maryland, Leo's family moved to Melbourne, Florida in the early 1950's. After attending St. Leo's Preparatory College, Leo attended the University of Florida and joined Pi Kappa Alpha.



Leo was a gregarious and outgoing PiKA, earning the honor of "King Ugly" in 1957 for raising the most money in a campus-wide charity event – friends and family alike were led by Leo over the years to see that trophy in the Pike House. Leo served in ROTC and held many campus leadership positions, including chapter president of Alpha Eta Chapter. After graduation, Leo attended law school at the University of Florida, and there helped to recruit more law students to Pi Kappa Alpha.

Leo practiced labor law in Orlando throughout a long and successful career, retiring as a partner from the Gray Robinson firm in 2002. At the services attended by hundreds of family members, friends and fraternity brothers at the Saint James Catholic Cathedral in Orlando, chairman of the law firm and fraternity brother Charlie Gray (Alpha Eta '51) recalled Leo's length of service to the community, the legal profession and our Fraternity, noting that Leo carried Pi Kappa Alpha through some rough times and some good times. Through thick and thin, Leo was always there.

At the Pike House at 1904 West University Avenue in Gainesville, many legendary stories from the late 50's involved brother Leo. Throughout the decades that followed, Leo could be counted on to attend Homecoming each year, to meet the new pledge classes and renew friendships with actives and alumni. Leo served Alpha Eta as House Corporation President from 1980 through 1991, and during that time put the Fraternity on solid financial ground. Leo led a successful \$140,000 fundraising campaign for house renovations and endowed scholarships before turning over the reins to C. Richard Nail (Alpha Eta '66). Although retired from the House Corporation shortly thereafter, Leo could still be counted on for insight, guidance and financial support. In honor of his service, the library and museum in the chapter house bear his name.

Most of all, Leo was a brother and friend, a mentor and leader, and a principled man who helped countless Pikes make the transition to adulthood. With a booming voice and his no nonsense, honest approach to the world, Leo was a person whom one could count on. Summed up by current Alpha Eta House Corporation President Ernie Cox (Alpha Eta '81), "Leo was one of the most influential people in my life. His counsel has served me well, in college, in law school and outside those wicket gates, as I have grown older and hopefully wiser. I speak for all Alpha Eta's when I say that am glad to have known Leo Rock and will always cherish the time we had together."

Farewell our brother, Leo Rock, and thank you for your time with all of us.

— Ernie Cox (Florida, Alpha Eta '81)

## Bryce Turner (Chapman, Theta Psi '08)

Bryce Turner (Chapman, Theta Psi '08) entered Chapter Eternal on March 16, 2009 after collapsing during a pick-up soccer game. A business administration major, Bryce was a sophomore midfielder for the Chapman Panthers for two years, and played every game his freshman season. He was



described as an outstanding student and strong player who put the team first. A candlelight vigil for Bryce was held on Tuesday, March 17, on the Attallah Piazza at Chapman University, where students, faculty, and staff joined Bryce's Fraternity brothers, teammates, and friends to share their memories of him.

## Thomas R. Wilson Jr. (Memphis, Delta Zeta '49)

The Reverend Dr. Thomas "Tom" R. Wilson, Jr. entered Chapter Eternal on March 3, 2009, after

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a two year battle with cancer. He is survived by his wife and greatest friend, Mary Lou; his daughter, Susan; his son, Dan; five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. He passed away in his own bed in his own home, surrounded by family, just like he always wanted. His education included bachelor's and master's degrees from Memphis State, a master of divinity degree from Vanderbilt, and a doctor of ministry degree from Saint Paul School of Theology in Kansas City, Missouri. He also received certification as a professional counselor. Tom served as a United Methodist minister for over 60 years. While serving as associate minister at St. Luke's UMC, he was assigned to found Grace UMC under the church's sponsorship, and then later also served at Mullins and Piperton in Tennessee. His most challenging call was First United Methodist Church, where he served for 18 years and was honored with the title of pastor emeritus. He introduced the hospice concept into the Memphis area, and later served as president of the first board of hospice of Memphis. He also started the Final Net Organization (now called FirstWorks), which has fed, clothed, counseled, and tutored thousands of homeless adults and children. He was recognized for his efforts with countless awards, but his family especially remembers the Memphis Key to the City Award, and also a similar award from Shelby County, both of which he received in 1995. While at Memphis State University (now the University of Memphis), he was president of Delta Zeta Chapter. He wore his Pi Kappa Alpha ring for his entire life, having made some lifelong friends there.

## Greg Young (Pittsburg State, Epsilon Chi '04)

Greg Young, age 24, entered Chaper Eternal on April 13, 2009, as the result of Hodgkin's lymphoma. Young was preparing for a career as a firefighter, as his father has done for 30 years with the Kansas City, Kansas Fire Department. He had finished his emergency medical technician training, was certified, and was waiting for the next hiring process to begin when doctors diagnosed the cancer. Greg loved to hunt and fish, and in October 2008 he got his first deer, a feat for a man who was undergoing chemotherapy. Despite his illness, he served as best man at his brother Andy's wedding. "He showed so much courage," said his father, Pat Young. Greg is survived by his father, brother and sister-in-law, grandmother, mother and his beloved bulldog, Ellie.

## Corrections & Amplifications

**Bob Dillon (Florida Southern, Delta Delta '66)** was mistakenly listed in the Spring 2009 issue of *Shield & Diamond* as deceased. Happily, Brother Dillon is alive and well in Mooresville, North Carolina. We sincerely regret the error.

## ALABAMA

### Gamma Alpha

Hightower, Wilson '52 2/15/09  
McCollough, Jasper '52 1/25/09

## ALABAMA-BIRMINGHAM

### Eta Xi

Deacy, John '72

## ARIZONA

### Gamma Delta

Simons, Ralph '49 2/6/09

## ARIZONA STATE

### Delta Tau

Munkachy, Robert '74 2/3/09

## ARKANSAS

### Alpha Zeta

Boyer, Robert '47 10/28/08  
Pharr, King '57 2/17/09

## ARKANSAS STATE

### Delta Theta

Davis, Caleb '48 3/15/02  
Lamb, John '52 9/1/07

## ARMSTRONG ATLANTIC

### Eta Mu

Rushing, Ricky '71 3/20/09

## AUBURN

### Upsilon

Duke, Walter '38 3/20/09  
Smoot, Thomas '67 2/16/09

## AUSTIN PEAY STATE

### Eta Tau

Cook, James '82 2/8/09

## BIRMINGHAM SOUTHERN

### Delta

Lacey, Howard '35 6/23/08  
Little, Walter '40 12/28/08  
Tatum, Gordon '59 12/2/06

## BOWLING GREEN STATE

### Delta Beta

Sheldon, John '47 2/27/09  
Zaleski, John '45 10/25/08

## BRADLEY

### Delta Sigma

Moss, Benjamin '50 3/7/09

## CALIFORNIA-BERKELEY

### Alpha Sigma

Clark, Stuart '49 3/28/09

## CARNEGIE MELLON

### Beta Sigma

Smolowitz, Barry '66 12/21/08

## CINCINNATI

### Alpha Xi

Jordan, William '61 3/21/09  
Spencer, Donald '47 2/23/09  
VanAusdall, Robert '65 3/27/09

## COLORADO SCHOOL OF MINES

### Delta Phi

Howenstine, Lawrence '51 11/5/08

## CORNELL

### Beta Theta

Barrows, Henry '33 12/6/08  
Mackie, Albert '52 12/22/08

## DAVIDSON

### Beta

Henley, Thomas '30 11/21/08  
Montgomery, David '51 3/23/09

## DAYTON

### Lambda Theta

Witty, Evan '05 4/14/09

## DENVER

### Gamma Gamma

Archuleta, Ted '39 2/19/09  
Jacobs, Winfred '41 10/19/08

## EAST CENTRAL

### Epsilon Omega

Newton, Michael '68 11/5/08

## EASTERN NEW MEXICO STATE

### Epsilon Tau

Essex, Tommy '63 1/8/09

## FLORIDA

### Alpha Eta

Jackson, Newton '36 2/22/09

## GEORGE WASHINGTON

### Delta Alpha

Fuller, Thomas '61 3/9/09

## GEORGIA STATE

### Epsilon Nu

Wade, Hardon '77 1/27/09

## GEORGIA TECH

### Alpha Delta

Nettles, William '51 3/26/09

## HAMPDEN-SYDNEY

### Iota

Bair, Donald '40 4/8/09  
Clark, Charles '37 2/4/09

## ILLINOIS

### Beta Eta

Hepler, Sherman '41 9/25/08  
Tucker, Oried '48 1/11/09

## INDIANA

### Delta Xi

Evon, Louis '50 6/30/08  
Van Houten, Dennis '70 12/18/08

## IOWA STATE

### Alpha Phi

Ballagh, Steven '85 1/27/09  
Emerson, Wayne '43 2/16/09

## KANSAS

### Beta Gamma

Davis, Lester '50 8/31/08  
Gray, Robert '47 10/10/08  
Johnston, Ervin '46 2/16/09  
Parkinson, Daniel '54 5/10/01

## KANSAS STATE

### Alpha Omega

Hargadine, Clinton '50 3/8/09  
Markley, Lewis '49 9/3/08

## KENTUCKY

### Omega

Carter, Robert '45 11/9/08  
Casey, Michael '67 4/9/09  
Pearce, Philip '46 9/17/07  
Pole, Samuel '38

## LOUISIANA TECH

### Gamma Psi

Stuckey, Sam '53 8/6/07

## MARSHALL

### Delta Iota

Blymyer, Patrick '58 1/5/09  
Dowling, Keith '59 4/15/08  
Fulton, Robert '55 5/18/08  
Zban, Milan '52 2/5/02



**MEMPHIS****Delta Zeta**

Wharton, William '50 7/21/08

**MIAMI UNIVERSITY****Delta Gamma**Gardner, Douglas '51 12/30/08  
Montgomery, James '55 1/18/09  
Weber, Rail '57 1/30/09**MILLSAPS****Alpha Iota**

Tomlin, William '57 3/12/09

**MISSISSIPPI****Gamma Iota**Boyd, Billie '46 3/20/08  
Brown, Gerald '59 9/11/05**MISSISSIPPI STATE****Gamma Theta**

Hollimon, Robert '59 4/14/09

**MISSOURI SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY****Alpha Kappa**Howard, John '53 3/16/09  
King, Terry '76 1/12/09**MURRAY STATE****Epsilon Lambda**

Kaler, Terry '61 1/26/09

**NEW HAMPSHIRE****Gamma Mu**Boulay, Edward '60 2/7/09  
Brooks, Judson '43 2/4/07  
Chapin, Arthur '50 10/24/08  
McLeod, Charles '53 9/14/08  
Somero, Andrew '35 1/11/09**NORTH CAROLINA****Tau**Murphy, Pat '47 1/24/09  
Timmerman, Michael '70 2/12/09**NORTH TEXAS****Epsilon Delta**

McCauley, Dearl '55 1/21/07

**NORTHEASTERN STATE****Theta Epsilon**

Keener, Craig '96 3/5/09

**NORTHERN KENTUCKY****Eta Rho**

Burchett, William '75 1/26/09

**NORTHWESTERN****Gamma Rho**Chronis, George '41 7/3/07  
Rietze, Harry '33 1/8/09**OHIO UNIVERSITY****Gamma Omicron**Lehr, Donald '51 11/30/08  
Netz, Fred '53 4/4/09**OHIO STATE****Alpha Rho**

Zahner, William '43 6/27/08

**OKLAHOMA STATE****Gamma Chi**Tracy, Michael '68 1/24/09  
Tua, John '39 2/18/09**OLD DOMINION****Zeta Iota**

Newman, Luke '73 3/10/09

**OREGON****Gamma Pi**

Coiner, Raymond '43 1/14/09

**OREGON STATE****Beta Nu**Cantine, Thomas '29 9/6/08  
Knowlton, Frank '51 2/18/09**PENNSYLVANIA****Beta Pi**

Pritchard, Leslie '52 3/19/09

**PITTSBURGH****Gamma Sigma**

Riemer, Robert '43 3/15/09

**PRESBYTERIAN****Mu**

Neil, Marshall '53 3/4/09

**PURDUE****Beta Phi**Nuitzel, William '39 10/26/08  
Steele, Dean '47 3/16/09  
Woodward, Charles '50 5/16/08**RENSSELAER****Gamma Tau**

Meny, Charles '57 3/15/09

**RICHMOND****Omicron**

Keville, Clarence '53 1/30/09

**RUTGERS****Alpha Psi**

Stevens, Romer '49 2/28/09

**SAN DIEGO STATE****Delta Kappa**Hill, Dennis '57 3/16/09  
Reed, Edward '56 3/15/09**SOUTH CAROLINA****Xi**

McWaters, Jimmy '56 10/18/08

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA****Gamma Eta**Baltimore, Jack '50 2/24/02  
Booth, James '30 11/18/08  
Gill, Donald '43 1/30/09  
Zankich, Louis '44 11/9/08**SMU****Beta Zeta**Bowles, Donald '32 2/11/09  
Mitchell, Lee '48 2/13/09**SOUTHWESTERN****Alpha Omicron**

Arbuckle, Ray '49 12/17/07

**STEPHEN F. AUSTIN****Epsilon Omicron**Barrett, Michael '64 1/25/09  
Smith, Shawn '84 7/16/07**TENNESSEE****Zeta**

Emison, Theo '34 12/11/08

**TENNESSEE-CHATTANOOGA****Delta Epsilon**

Armor, Cedric '47 1/31/09

**TEXAS****Beta Mu**Jindrich, Warren '49 10/31/08  
Westerman, Eric '65 3/10/09**TEXAS TECH****Epsilon Gamma**

Welch, Gary '59 2/22/09

**TOLEDO****Epsilon Epsilon**

Ashton, Richard '55 7/15/08

**TRANSYLVANIA****Kappa**Eldridge, Paul '40 3/7/09  
Ewalt, Wolford '35 3/23/09  
Long, Walter '49 2/15/09  
Wright, Russell '37 2/22/09**TYLER JUNIOR COLLEGE****Theta Iota**

Brown, John '84 11/23/08

**UTAH****Alpha Tau**Clark, Dale '30 8/20/08  
Farish, Laddie '80 2/11/09  
Giles, Irving '41 3/17/09  
Smith, Douglas '39 1/29/09  
Stephens, David '47 6/5/08**UTAH STATE****Gamma Epsilon**Alder, Horace '31 1/28/09  
Litz, Zan '51 2/26/09  
Odekirk, Jerry '57 10/1/08  
Wood, Carvel '49 12/22/07  
Woodland, Reed '37 10/27/08**VIRGINIA TECH****Epsilon**

Rodes, Elmer '72 2/14/09

**WAKE FOREST****Gamma Phi**

McMullin, James '55 1/2/08

**WASHINGTON****Beta Beta**

Miller, Lawrence '52 1/26/09

**WASHINGTON STATE****Gamma Xi**Gilfry, Paul '81 1/22/09  
Warren, David '69 2/8/09**WAYNE STATE****Delta Nu**

Connely, Jeremy '97 4/4/09

**WEST VIRGINIA****Alpha Theta**

Muscatello, Bruno '66 2/21/09

**WESTERN KENTUCKY****Zeta Epsilon**

Bradshaw, Clark '74 3/12/09

**WESTERN MICHIGAN****Epsilon Psi**

Doyle, Richard '84 3/31/97

**WESTERN RESERVE****Beta Epsilon**

Vesely, Carl '48 2/9/09

**WILLIAM AND MARY****Gamma**Donohue, Thomas '47 3/24/09  
Dudley, Raymond '36 4/8/09**WITTENBERG****Gamma Zeta**

Dunne, Lloyd '51 11/28/08





## Plaque at Southern Methodist University Dedicated in Honor of Gold Star Pike

On November 9, 2008, a plaque was dedicated at Southern Methodist University in honor of Lt. Col. Eric J. Kruger, a 1985 initiate of Beta Zeta Chapter. He entered Chapter Eternal on November 2, 2006 in Iraq, while in service to the United States of America. Below are excerpts of the address given by Lawrence Kruger, Eric's father, at the dedication.

We are invited here today by SMU to pay homage to my son, Lieutenant Colonel Eric John Kruger, United States Army. I feel it is very fitting and relevant that we have this ceremony during this homecoming year which marks the 20th anniversary of his graduation and his entry into the Army as a commissioned officer.



Lt. Col. Kruger

The point of today's ceremony is not to mourn for Eric but instead to welcome home his spirit to this campus that he loved so much; for while his final resting place is in Arlington National Cemetery, Virginia, his spirit belongs here at SMU.

Twenty years ago I was a very proud father watching Eric take the oath of office as a commissioned officer in the United States Army. And as they pinned his gold second lieutenant bars on his shoulder my mind wandered back to the previous four years that bought us to that point.

Immediately, I thought of the old Pike house and Thelma the house mother, who would always say, when I came to visit the house, "Oh, these boys, oh,

these boys, what am I ever going to do with them? I used to call them the "Pranksterous Pikes" because they were always involved in something.

I always thought of SMU in those days as a training ground of Davids that were being molded to go out and slay the Goliaths of the world. And it is that spirit that was indelibly imprinted on Eric when he came here. He had a wonderful spirit when he arrived here, but SMU poured gasoline on that fire.

It wasn't long after Eric left for the army that his favorite expression became "hooah"! Hooah is a U.S. Army battle cry, used by U.S. Army soldiers "referring to or meaning anything and everything except no." It comes from an acronym of the letters H, U, and A standing for heard, understood and acknowledged. For example, when a superior gives an order or asks a question of a subordinate, a proper response would be an enthusiastic "hooah". This term exemplifies the spirit of Eric. The spirit of perseverance, diligence, honoring one's duty and finishing the job no matter how difficult the obstacles.

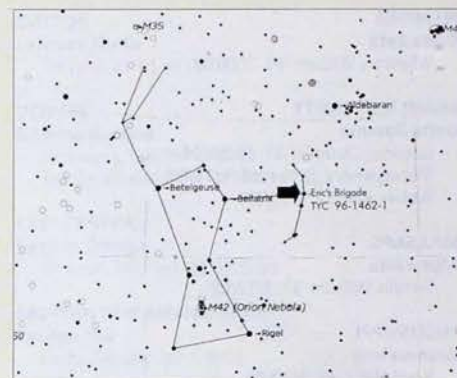
An area in the Gold Star Heroes Museum at the Pi Kappa Alpha International Headquarters in Memphis has been offered for the display of Eric's numerous awards and decorations, and a permanent endowment, to be awarded through the Pi Kappa Alpha Educational Foundation to the Beta Zeta Chapter at SMU for leadership training is under discussion. At Fort Hood, Texas, Eric's name appears prominently on the wall of honor at the War on Terror Monument in Patton Park. And on Veterans Day, his name is being carved into the College Station, Texas Veterans Memorial.



Plaque at Southern Methodist

In Baghdad, Iraq there is a helicopter landing zone called "HLZ Kruger" in Eric's honor and every time a flight takes off or lands at this area his name is called out with pride.

Eric's memorials are not only of this earth. In the heavens, a place of honor has been set aside for him and the soldiers of the 2d Infantry Division. In the bow of the constellation Orion, a star which is the third star from Betatrix has



"Eric's Brigade" in the constellation Orion.

been named "Eric's Brigade".

Eric's sister Kristy, upon learning of his death, made a vow to conduct a memorial concert in every state in the union. Along with that pledge she donates 20% of the proceeds to the Fisher House in Eric's honor. The Fisher House is a charitable organization similar to Ronald McDonald House, except it provides shelter for family members of wounded soldiers. When a wounded soldier returns home the government does not pay for any of the transportation or housing costs for the immediate family members to visit that soldier at his or her greatest time of need.

Eric was always worried about the welfare of his soldiers. During the holidays, I would call and ask if he was coming home and he would reply, "No Dad, I volunteered for duty officer so the men could go home and be with their families."

Then, I would ask if he needed anything and he would reply, "For me nothing, but if you could send up a care package for the troops, they would greatly appreciate it." As a result of Kristy's concert efforts, the Cain Foundation in Austin, Texas has generously donated \$25,000.00 to the Fisher House in Dallas in honor of Eric. At the opening, Secretary of Veterans Affairs James B. Peake said something that really touched me to the quick. I guess in this day of quick fixes and positive attitudes we all assume that our wounded come home, get fixed up and then move on with their lives. But I was told there by Mr. Peake there are some who come home only to spend their last days on this earth in the hospital. And I thought what more fitting way is there for us to honor the memory of Eric than to help the family members of our wounded heroes so that they can be near them when they need it most. Therefore, our family has chosen to support the Fisher House here in Dallas as our way of keeping Eric's spirit actively alive.



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The Pike Loyal Order was instituted in the fall of 2004. Since that time more than 1600 alumni and undergraduate brothers have become members of the program! Through joining the Pike Loyal Order, all new members have purchased a lifetime subscription to the *Shield & Diamond* magazine. A wallet card, certificate and the Pike Loyal Order lapel pin, in addition to numerous cost saving benefits through Working Advantage and Brooks Brothers, are also provided to each new member. As the program continues to gain recognition and awareness among the Pike membership, members ranging from 19 to 95 years of age are choosing to become members of the Pike Loyal Order. Visit us online at [www.PikeLoyalOrder.org](http://www.PikeLoyalOrder.org) to become a member today and receive your 2008-2009 Pike Loyal Order laptop bag. The following brothers have joined the Pike Loyal Order since November 2008. To view a complete listing of all members and add your name to this list, visit [www.PikeLoyalOrder.org](http://www.PikeLoyalOrder.org).



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