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From the Supreme Council

Reputation - Every Chapter Has One

by Supreme Council Vice President John A. Bobango (Arkansas State, Delta Theta '74)

What is your chapter's reputation? Is it positive or negative? Could it be improved? Each chapter's reputation can be improved in one area or another because it is based on its members' character, integrity and actions.



John A. Bobango (Arkansas State, Delta Theta '74)

What other people think and say about the chapter becomes the reputation of that chapter. Abraham Lincoln said "A man's reputation is what other people think of him, his character is what he really is." On college campuses reputation is discussed often, especially with the subject of fraternities or sororities. The reputation one develops, or the chapter develops, is critically important to the chapter's success.

We are fortunate, as the saying goes, "to stand on the shoulders of giants" in

Pi Kappa Alpha. Our Fraternity has long had a reputation, and deservedly so, as being one of the premier fraternities because of character, integrity, involvement and the actions of our brothers. This reputation was not accomplished by luck or happenstance. When our Founders established our Fraternity, character of the members was one of the core essential values, and from the moment our Founders formed Pi Kappa Alpha, our reputation was established. The essence of that reputation has not changed since 1868. The character of our members is paramount to sustaining the quality and success of Pi Kappa Alpha. The basic elements of the reputation that existed in 1868 and still exists in 2009 consist of the character and integrity of the actions of the men in each chapter. The reputation of each chapter then makes up the reputation of Pi Kappa Alpha. Therefore, we must recruit and develop men with character and integrity which will enhance the status of Pi Kappa Alpha.

The chapter's recruiting events, which are critical to the recruiting process, will establish the expectations a chapter has for the recruits as new members of Pi Kappa Alpha and the expectations the new members have for the chapter. These expectations are reinforced by the members' actions to the recruits. Stated a different way – the recruiting events reflect the character of the members of the chapter and will be talked about by the recruits, other fraternities and sororities.

This will have a positive or negative impact on the reputation that a chapter has established or is trying to establish. The recruiting events should appeal to men who will accept and commit to the values of Pi Kappa Alpha and not to men who lack commitment to the values honored by the members of Pi Kappa Alpha. There is a significant difference on the current and future impact of the chapter based on the men recruited.

Over the years, I have had discussions with chapter leadership teams as to why the chapter has a certain reputation, which, in some cases, may not be favorable. During these discussions with the men, I asked them to make a candid assessment of the last 6 to 12 months and examine the chapter's recruiting events, social functions, chapter functions, and comments, both positive and negative, that members of the chapter have heard about their chapter or its members. The type of functions and the actions of the members may be projecting a reputation different than the chapter desires to have on campus. If the chapter establishes that there is a need to change its reputation, then the next step is to implement a plan to change the perception and the reputation of the chapter. This action will be one of the most important steps the chapter takes.

Our preamble reads, in part, "[f] or the establishment of friendship on a firmer and more lasting basis." Developing lasting friendships is at the core of Pi Kappa Alpha. Friends with character and integrity hold each other accountable for their actions. Brothers with character stand with us and assist us. Our character will guide us in making good decisions and will assist us in accomplishing our goals in life. Be mindful of your character because your destiny will directly follow and your reputation will be established.

Fraternally,

John A. Bobango

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Update

Act Now and Save a Brothers Life

It's a fact that fire sprinklers save lives. It is also a fact that only 35% of Pi Kappa Alpha chapter houses are sprinkled. All fraternities and sororities are facing this same issue. Today over 250,000 students per year are housed in 8,000 Greek housing facilities nationwide. Unfortunately, many Greek organizations do not have the funding to make these necessary life-safety improvements, nor do they have the ability to raise tax-deductible funds for these purposes.

While fraternity and sorority housing accounts for only 10% of fires on campuses each year, the sustained damage rate is five times the average cost of a dormitory fire, and the injury rate is twice as high.

Fraternity and sorority housing averages 141 fires per year, or one every 2.5 days.

Since 1976, there have been at least 50 fatalities in fires at fraternity and sorority houses.

According to the American Fire Sprinkler Association, 36 of the last 41 fire fatalities in university-related fires occurred in fraternity housing or off-campus housing.

Combining fire sprinklers and smoke detectors enhances an individual's chances of surviving a fire by 97%, compared with just 50% when smoke detectors alone are deployed.

With that being said, only about 8% of all Greek housing facilities are protected by a sprinkler system, and there has never been a fire-related fatality in fraternal housing that has sprinklers.

Pi Kappa Alpha is leading the way to make a difference. Along with the North-American Interfraternity Conference and National Panhellenic Conference, Pi Kappa Alpha is committed to supporting the 2009 Collegiate Housing and Infrastructure Act.

The Act is simple; it allows more not-forprofit entities, such as the Pi Kappa Alpha Educational Foundation, to use tax-deductible charitable contributions to build, maintain or improve its student housing.

We are asking for your support and immediate action. We need you to reach out to your Congressional leaders for their support of the 2009 Collegiate Housing and Infrastructure Act (H.R. 1547/S.781).

If you are on Facebook, it's easy to take action. Simply visit www.cfcfacebook.com



The 2009 Collegiate Housing and Infrastructure Act (H.R. 1547/S.781) Current Support in Congress

- · 166 Representatives Sponsoring the Bill
- 24 Senators Sponsoring the Bill as of 11/15/09

The bills currently have good support but for them to be passed it is critical to achieve majority sponsorship in both the House and Senate!

and sign in using your Facebook account ID and password. This will take you to a Facebook application which allows you to send petition letters to your Congressional leaders in a few easy steps.

If you're not on Facebook, please visit www.fraternalcaucus.org and follow the directions on the front webpage to "Petition Your Congressman". This will lead you through the process of sending letters of support to your congressional leaders.

For the mutual benefit and advancement of all collegiate students, if you know a sorority woman or another fraternity man, send them an email asking them to take action towards supporting this worthwhile Act.

Passage of the 2009 Collegiate Housing and Infrastructure Act means that future generations of Pikes will live in safer housing and this could save a brothers life. Pi Kappa Alpha is committed in supporting this Greek wide effort to see this Act become law!

For more information regarding the Act visit www.fraternalcaucus.org or for details on Pi Kappa Alpha's leading efforts, please contact Senior Director of Real Estate Clint Bartman at (901) 748-1868 ext. 138 or cbartman@pikes.org.

Gamma Delta Chapter Returns to the University of Arizona

The journey to becoming Gamma Delta Chapter on the University of Arizona campus was completed on August 21, 2009. That night, 109 refounding fathers were initiated into Pi Kappa Alpha with the help of brothers from Epsilon Theta Chapter (Colorado State), Kappa Eta Chapter (New Mexico State), Kappa Phi Chapter (California-San Diego), Alpha Tau Chapter (Utah), and Kappa Omicron Chapter (Nevada-Las Vegas).

Chartering Banquet

The chartering banquet, held at the Tucson Art Museum with over 300 in attendance, was fortunate to have many prominent Pikes in the assembly. Speakers included former expansion consultants Mike Jacobsen (Wyoming, Iota Alpha '04) and Tyler Greene (Virginia Tech, Epsilon '05), Chapter Advisor and former Supreme Council member Brent Seebohm (Colorado State, Epsilon Theta '96), Rockies Regional President Ashley Offermann (Utah, Alpha Tau '97), and Director of Expansion Ryan Collett (Kansas State, Alpha Omega '04). Immediate Past International President Kevin G. Knaus (Kansas State, Alpha Omega '82) was the keynote speaker. Although unable to attend, Gamma Delta brother and U.S. Senator Jon Kyl'61 has indicated that he intends to visit his home chapter this academic year. Awards were presented at the end of the night to Ray Holmgren, Executive Officer of the Year; Josh Schafer, Pike of the Year; Matt Morris, True Pike Award; Nick Crutchfield, Most Improved GPA; Chris Nagata, Most Campus Involvement; Tyler Gayman, Most Community Service; Chance Burns, Committee Head of the Year; Mike Getzler, Athlete of the Year; and Adam Azoff, Max McFadden, and Max Andersen, Best GPA Award.

Colonization

Gamma Delta Chapter was originally chartered at the University of Arizona on December 1, 1924, and the Pike presence has



been missed there since the chapter went silent in 2003. In September 2008 the recolonizing of Gamma Delta Chapter began with expansion consultants Jacobsen and Greene leading the charge. Using Pi Kappa Alpha's system of referral-based recruitment, they visited many of the sorority houses, administration officials, school organizations, and athletic teams to find men who showed the desire to live their lives according to the True Pike precepts. Over two academic semesters as a colony, over 700 interviews were conducted, finishing with bids given to 120 gentlemen. When Chapter Consultant Duncan Robinson (Washington, Beta Beta '05) visited the colony in March 2009, it received an excellence rating of over 4.0 from the International Fraternity. Proving that this score was no fluke, multiple awards have been won over the past eleven months, including the Man Miles Award at both the Pike University San Jose Leadership Summit and The Academy in Memphis, 100% involvement in the φφκα Club, and a 3.0 Scholarship Plate award. The 17-man Alumni Advisory Board and Housing Corporation were awarded the Alumni Advisory Board of the Year Award at The Academy in Memphis in August 2009.

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Above: Brothers of the newly chartered Gamma Delta Chapter celebrate with international officers and alumni at the Tucson Art Museum.



A Century of Brotherhood

Alpha Nu Chapter Celebrates 100 Years of Pi Kappa Alpha

Alpha Nu has
a long and
brilliant history
in Columbia,
Missouri, and
the chapter's
dedication to
excellence has been
likewise constant.

lpha Nu Chapter was installed at the University of Missouri on December 16, 1909.

Supreme Council member John Graham Sale (Washington & Lee, Pi 1901), along with brothers from Alpha Kappa Chapter (now Missouri Science & Technology, but then Missouri School of Mines) officiated at the chartering and initiation of the men into the bonds of phi phi kappa alpha.

Their initiation, which took place in the Phi Delta Phi rooms, was most impressive, and the solemn parts of the ritual were appreciated and highly complimented by all the brothers.

After the initiations, the installation banquet was held at the new chapter house, which had been decorated in garnet and old gold for the occasion. The table was laid out in the shape of a huge letter "Pi" and featured nine courses at the dinner. Brothers from Alpha Kappa Chapter spoke very encouragingly, pledging the

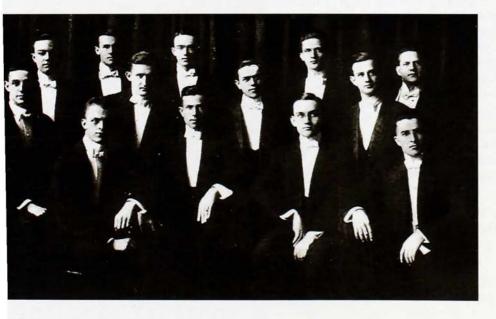


support of Alpha Kappa to the fullest extent. They also presented Alpha Nu with a beautiful white leather plaque, emblazoned with the crest of Pi Kappa Alpha, which was hung in the chapter room.

After the Christmas vacation, the brothers moved into their chapter house on January 1, 1910 and reported that each man came back in the best of spirits and with enthusiasm. They quickly felt settled in the new house, and everything was running nicely.

Just as they are today, the Alpha Nu Pikes were involved in maintaining and improving their standing on campus. Two men, Brothers Benham and Kurtz, belonged to Phi Delta Phi, the honorary legal fraternity, and Brother Lowery was a member of the honorary medical fraternity, Phi Beta Pi. Alpha Nu was not lacking in dramatic ability, as one of their members, Brother Jones, was a hit

The charter members of Alpha Nu Chapter were (not in photographic order) Russell Edward Holloway, Henry North Eversole, George Corbin Hertig, Newton Dale, Daniel Webster Boone Kurtz Jr., Wendell Paul Jones, Lawson Gentry Lowrey, Joseph Alphonsus Sheehan, Carl R. Mae E. Prouty, Harry Daniel Hynds, Frances Abel Benham, Lewis Harold Campbell, Charles Francis Loomis, and Boyd Alten Speer.



"I will now describe some of our buildings as to size and situation. It is estimated that the State of Missouri has invested at the present time here in Columbia, the sum of three and a half million dollars in buildings and equipment. As you will see from the sketch... the buildings are arranged upon three sides of a quadrangle, leaving the north side open. At the south side and extending across and forming one end of the quadrangle, is the Academic Hall erected in 1893. This is a fine building erected of limestone and pressed brick. On the right of the quadrangle, looking north from Academic Hall, are the Zoological and Geological buildings, the Chemistry building and the Law building. On the left, the Mechanic Arts building, the Engineering building and Journalism building. The other buildings situated upon the campus proper are the two dormitories, Medical building, Parker Memorial Hospital and the Observatory. Upon the campus is a heating and lighting and pumping plant, which furnishes to all the university heat, light and water. The buildings above mentioned are only a few of the thirtythree buildings."

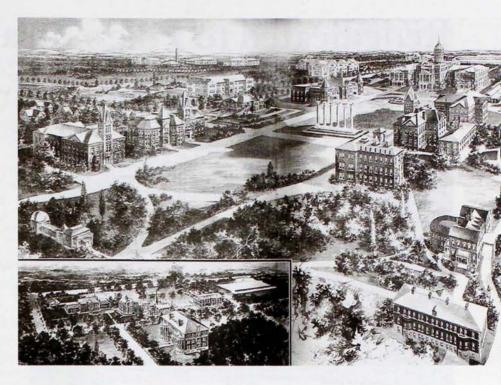
> — Harry D. Hynds (Missouri, Alpha Nu 1909) in the Shield & Diamond, 1910

in a production of "Old Heidelberg" by the University Dramatic Club.

In the athletic line, the first semester, which was just drawing to a close, had seen the revival of the old Missouri spirit which had long been dormant, and as a consequence, the football Tigers of 1909 held the title of the undefeated champions of the Missouri Valley.

Alpha Nu Chapter received a very cordial reception from the other fraternities and the sororities at the University of Missouri. The goal of social dominance was as alive in 1909 as it is today. One brother reported, "We have been welcomed by all, and especially by the four sororities represented here. The fact that we have some loyal Pi sisters among the sorority girls probably has something to do with our extremely cordial reception, but anyway we are all enjoying their hospitality to the utmost."

The first Alpha Nu Chapter letter to the Shield & Diamond concludes, "In closing it is the wish of every man in the chapter that I again extend to you all our heartiest good wishes; and we assure each one of you that the baby chapter will do all in its power to maintain the high standard of scholarship and manliness which we know is so faithfully upheld by all the older and better-established chapters of that greatest of all fraternities, Pi Kappa Alpha."







At left, the house at 902 College served as Alpha Nu's home from 1910-1913. It was followed by the house on the corner of Hitt and Lowry from 1915-1919.



Read more about Alpha Nu on page 6.

Rededicated to Pike's Ideals

Alpha Nu Chapter at the University of Missouri Continues Successful Centennial Year With Chapter House Rededication



The rededicated
Alpha Nu Chapter
house features the
beautiful new
John Walker living
room (below), a place
where Pikes can
be proud to bring
friends and family.

On Saturday, September 12, 2009 more than 500 Alpha Nu alumni, undergraduates, parents, friends, and special guests toured the newly-renovated chapter house. After being closed during the 2008-09 school year, the renovated facility opened to rave reviews.

The Alpha Nu Building Company oversaw the \$2.7 million renovation project to the 82-year-old facility in Columbia, Missouri.

The building was gutted to its structural support beams and completely rebuilt to meet the future needs of the chapter. Upgrades emphasized energy efficiency, life safety, and accessibility; all with the use of quality materials. Work was supervised by Coil Construction of Columbia with special insight from Alpha Nu alumni Mark Timberlake '77 (engineering services) and Frank Sovich '85 (interior design and finishes). To date, Alpha Nu alumni and undergraduates have pledged more than \$850,000 to The Centennial Campaign for Alpha Nu: Building for the Future capital campaign.

During the rededication ceremony, emceed by house corporation president Phil Scaglia '84, attendees heard remarks from University of Missouri Chancellor Brady Deaton and Pi Kappa Alpha's Chief Real Estate Officer Dan Corah (Colorado State, Epsilon Theta '83). Special presentations were made to alumni who volunteered as members of the capital campaign executive board and major donors to the campaign. In a special recognition ceremony, the Alpha Nu Building Company announced that in honor of his 30-plus years of service to Alpha Nu, the living room would be renamed in honor of John Walker '65. The formal dedication was concluded with a rousing round of applause as Chapter President Kyle Tibbles '07 presented the chapter with Alpha Nu's Smythe Award, just received a month earlier at The Academy in Memphis, the first such award the chapter has won since 1989.

Later that evening, more than 100 alumni and guests enjoyed an exciting Mizzou football win over Bowling Green State, just a block away from the chapter house at Faurot Field. The successful day of celebration was chaired by Don Rebman '85.

Special thanks go to all alumni for their support of Alpha Nu's 100th consecutive year of existence at the University of Missouri!

Chapter Notes

Alpha (Virginia)

Active chapter size: 32.

Beta (Davidson)

Active chapter size: 24.

Gamma (William and Mary)

Active chapter size: 29; pledges: 19.

Epsilon (Virginia Tech)

Active chapter size: 126; pledges: 33. The chapter sent eighteen men to the Philadelphia Leadership Summit.

Zeta (Tennessee)

Active chapter size: 122; pledges: 32. The executive committee has been hard at work to improve collections, and one area they have changed to help in this effort is that meal plans must be prepaid. Coming off of university and International Fraternity probation, the men spent a great deal of time on the Smythe application, organizing a detailed notebook describing the chapter's policies, by-laws, and activities over the last year. September 2009 events included the Fall Fiesta and the Zeta Chapter House Rededication (see story on page 9). The house rededication featured a presentation by the housing corporation and chapter members, followed by a luncheon and house tours. The group socialized at the house until the football game kickoff at 4:00.

Theta (Rhodes)

Active chapter size: 61; pledges: 18.

Iota (Hampden-Sydney)

Active chapter size: 22; pledges: 2.

Kappa (Transylvania)

Active chapter size: 25; pledges: 18.

Mu (Presbyterian)

Active chapter size: 32; pledg-

es: 3. The chapter was able to buy new leather furniture for the house from the money in the alumni fund, and began the school year with the house in nice shape. Coach Nichols '88 stopped by the house after his first game to visit with undergraduates and alumni.

Nu (Wofford)

Active chapter size: 56; pledges: 21.

Xi (South Carolina)



Active chapter size: 128; pledges: 31.

Pi (Washington & Lee)

Active chapter size: 40. Brother Mike White '07 was recognized at the first Celebrating Student Success (CSS) monthly reception in September 2009. White is majoring in fine arts photography and print journalism, as well as completing the Shepherd Program. He has helped both the Model United Nations and Student Environmental Action League to grow in membership and prominence. He has served three years as a Volunteer venture coordinator as well as serving in leadership positions with Pi Chapter.

Sigma (Vanderbilt)

Active chapter size: 65; pledges: 5.

Tau (North Carolina)

Active chapter size: 54.

Phi (Roanoke)

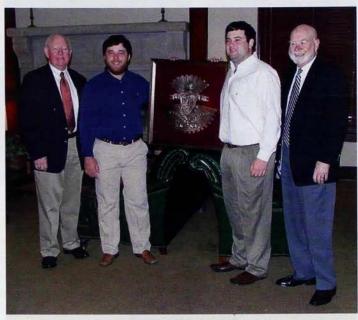
Active chapter size: 35; pledges: 5. The chapter sent three men to the Philadelphia Leadership Summit.

Psi (North Georgia)

Active chapter size: 61; pledges: 13.

Omega (Kentucky)

Active chapter size: 69; pledges: 33.



From left: Upsilon Brothers Bill Whitaker '52, Tyler Ross '05, David Leffard '05 and Delta Chapter Brother Don Kirkpatrick '53.

Upsilon (Auburn)

Active chapter size: 118; pledges: 25. The chapter received two beautifully restored coats-of-arms to showcase at their chapter house prior to the end of the school year last May. The coats-of-arms were originally mounted over the fireplace at Delta Chapter's (Birmingham Southern) lodge in the 1950s, and when the lodge was scheduled to be torn down in the 1970s, Don Kirkpatrick '53 chiseled them out of the bricks so they could be saved. After years of sitting in storage, Don offered the coats-of-arms to his friend Bill Whitaker '52 for the Upsilon Chapter. Bill arranged to have the coats-of-arms restored and presented them to Upsilon Chapter.

Alpha Alpha (Duke)

Active chapter size: 61; pledges: 1.

Alpha Gamma (Louisiana State)

Active chapter size: 44; pledges: 17. The chapter has a new performance-based scholarship program with the first scholarships being awarded to the highest and most improved GPAs. They have also started an in-house tutoring program, encouraging brothers to help one another as well as utilize the many centers for academic success around the LSU campus. With these initiatives,

the chapter GPA has improved. The annual Steak and Cigar Night was held in November during Homecoming weekend. Alumni and fathers were invited to the chapter house for a night of socializing while they enjoyed a steak dinner which was prepared by both the alumni group and active chapter. The chapter has a new alumni newsletter that is published each semester to keep the alumni informed about news and upcoming events. The men are active in the community, and after Hurricane Gustav they helped

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Chapters marked with an initiation badge and/or pledge pin have demonstrated excellence in recruitment. For statistics, please see page 33.

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Alpha Zeta (Arkansas)

Active chapter size: 61; pledges: 35. In October the men participated in the national day of service, Make-A-Difference Day, by volunteering at the local animal shelter. Also in October they joined in the annual Greek Unity Step Show sponsored by Alpha Kappa Alpha and took home first place. During Homecoming week, the chapter paired up with Chi Omega to work on lawn decorations as well as the Homecoming float.

a church rebuild a fence and helped an alumnus member clean the wreckage in his yard. They also assisted an elderly woman in the community



move to a new home. Three brothers volunteer in the Reading Friends program, helping underprivileged children at a local elementary school improve their reading skills. Each member is involved in at least one additional organization on campus with many in the Tiger Athletic Foundation and several others are members of the Phi Sigma Theta academic fraternity. They are also represented on the IFC and student body. All of their fall intramural teams made the post-season playoffs. One brother is a member of the national champion

LSU power lifting team, and another member is part of LSU's rugby team.

Alpha Delta (Georgia Tech)

Active chapter size: 58; pledges: 11.

Alpha Epsilon (North Carolina State)

Active chapter size: 61; pledges: 9.

Alpha Eta (Florida)

Active chapter size: 26. Alpha Eta continues to thrive as a small, but influential chapter at the University of Florida. The chapter was proud to host its annual event for the Orange and Blue spring game at the end of the last academic year. Although the chapter is small by design as they work on comprehensive plans for future rebuilding, members are active in intramurals, IFC, Florida Blue Key and student government senate and cabinet.

Alpha Theta (West Virginia)

Active chapter size: 79.



Alpha Kappa (Missouri S&T)

Active chapter size: 90; pledges: 23. The chapter sent twentyeight men to the Kansas City Leadership Summit. Overall chapter GPA for the spring 2009 semester was 3.16, placing them an impressive 3rd on campus. Thirty-nine Alpha Kappa members traveled to St. Louis to participate in a walk for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. After the walk the men helped clean the area and packing up items for the foundation. The chapter had 59 members travel to Oklahoma City to volunteer on a project with Habitat for Humanity. recording 2,950 hours of community service during this event. Each chapter member is involved in additional campus organizations with 15 executive positions held by a Pike. The president of IFC has been held by a member of Pi Kappa Alpha for the last five semesters. During Greek Week, Alpha Kappa won with a 150 point lead over the second place team. Besides the sports events and games, over \$900 was raised for local charities and over 70 hours of community service was accumulated. The chapter has started new "green" initiatives with recycling bins set up to collect paper, aluminum and plastic items. Alpha Kappa has been named intramural champions for the last eight years, and is currently on track to win softball and football this year.

Alpha lota (Millsaps)

Active chapter size: 33; pledges: 21.

Alpha Lambda (Georgetown)

Active chapter size: 16.

Alpha Mu (Georgia)

Active chapter size: 61; pledges: 13.

Alpha Nu (Missouri)

Active chapter size: 124; pledges: 43. The chapter sent sixteen men to the Kansas City Leadership Summit. The Interfraternity Council at the University of Missouri praised the chapter for their exemplary

attendance at the "Hazing: When Will It End" presentation. The non-mandatory presentation was held in September 2009, and the Alpha Nu Chapter members welcomed the challenge to take a serious look at how they work with their newest members.

Alpha Xi (Cincinnati)

Active chapter size: 94; pledges: 46. Last spring, 31 of the Alpha Xi brothers took a weekend rafting trip in Fayetteville, West Virginia. The trip was a great success and brought the brothers closer together. Since the

Zeta Chapter Celebrates Completion of Renovated House at University of Tennessee

Zeta Chapter (Tennessee) celebrated the official rededication of their renovated house on September 12th. In attendance were noted alumni Buddy Heins '79, current vice president of Merit Construction in Knoxville and an active contributor in the renovation of the house: Daniel F. McGehee (Southeast Missouri State, Epsilon Iota '63), long-time chapter advisor to the Zeta and distinguished member of the Tennessee Bar Association; Scott McWilliams '78, member of the Pi Kappa Alpha Foundation's President's Council; and Chad Holliday '67, chairman of the board of directors of DuPont.

The festivities included speeches from alumni, as well as the unveiling of two original oil portraits that will hang in the new house. One portrait is of McGehee and the other is of the late Thomas Wilton Wade, Jr. '53 who was a long time supporter of the Chapter.





One of the event's highlights was the presentation of a scholarship in Heins' name, in recognition of his loyalty and dedicated service to the Fraternity. The scholarship will be given annually to selected chapter members for their service and leadership to the Fraternity and University.

Constructed in 1966, the house's original cost was \$250,000. The 2009 renovation was \$2.45 million. Alumni donations paid for \$1.32 million of the cost and the balance was funded by a State bond issue. Renovations were extensive. Along with complete renovation of the 22 dorm rooms, the bathrooms and kitchen were fully redone with all new fixtures and

appliances, and new floors were installed featuring the Fraternity's colors. Additionally, the porch was extended off the west side of the house, the chapter room was expanded, and a house mother's suite was added. The house is now handicap-accessible with new fire alert and fire suppression systems.





Portraits of
Daniel F. McGehee (above)
and Thomas W. Wade, Jr.
(left) will hang in the
rededicated Zeta Chapter
house.

chapter places a great deal of importance on community service, they decided to broaden their support and organized a mission trip to Costa Rica. Ten Alpha Xi brothers and eight women from Kappa Alpha Theta crossed borders and personal comfort zones to give help to those desperately in need in San Jose, Costa Rica, as they volunteered at two separate churches, building new living quarters and meeting new people along the way. In June 2009 the chapter hosted their largest and most successful annual Pike Spike at the Beach Water Park in Mason, Ohio. This annual event draws men and women

large number of non-Greek students. Revenues exceeded \$6,500 and all proceeds of the event went to the American Heart Association. Pike Spike was a great way to end one of the most successful philanthropy years in Alpha Xi history as they ended the year with over \$43,000 raised for organizations including Toys for Tots, Cris Collinsworth Foundation, Make-A-Wish Foundation, the American Cancer Society and the American Heart Association.

Alpha Omicron (Southwestern)

Active chapter size: 31.

Alpha Rho (Ohio State)

Active chapter size: 47.

Alpha Sigma (California-Berkeley)

Active chapter size: 45; pledges: 9.

Alpha Tau (Utah)

Active chapter size: 86; pledges: 23. The chapter sent thirteen men to the Denver Leadership Summit. Alpha Tau Chapter also celebrated a 50-Year Reunion this year (see story on page 61).

Alpha Upsilon (New York)

Active chapter size: 91; pledges: 25. The chapter sent twenty-eight men to the Philadelphia Leadership Summit.

Alpha Phi (Iowa State)

Active chapter size: 50; pledges: 13. The chapter sent

nine men to the Kansas State Leadership Summit.

Alpha Chi (Syracuse)

Active chapter size: 51.

Alpha Psi (Rutgers)

Active chapter size: 34. The chapter sent five men to the Philadelphia Leadership Summit.

Alpha Omega (Kansas State)

Active chapter size: 82; pledges: 34. The chapter sent eleven men to the Kansas City Leadership Summit.

Beta Beta (Washington)

Active chapter size: 71; pledges: 18. The chapter sent twenty-four men to the Spokane Leadership Summit.

Beta Gamma (Kansas)

Active chapter size: 24.

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and sororities as well as a



Beta Alpha (Pennsylvania State)

Active chapter size: 59; pledges: 17. The chapter house was the meeting place for the bi-annual meeting of the Beta Alpha Building Corporation in October 2009. Everyone was impressed with the results of the summer renovation projects that included new hardwood flooring throughout the first floor, carpeting on the stairs and upper halls, new couches and end tables in the trophy room and lounge and all new tables and benches in the dining room. The actives bought a new flat screen TV and cabinet for the lounge. In academics, the men of Beta Alpha achieved a 3.2 GPA which was second among all campus fraternities. They placed in the top ten among all Greek organizations by raising over \$90,000 for the Four Diamond Dance Marathon, benefitting the Hershey Medical Center Pediatric Cancer Center. A goal of \$100,000 has been set for the 2010 Dance Marathon. The men welcome all alumni to stop by the chapter house for a visit and to see the new upgrades.

Beta Delta (New Mexico)

Active chapter size: 39; pledges: 17. The chapter sent three men to the Denver Leadership Summit.

Beta Zeta (Southern Methodist)

Active chapter size: 100.

Beta Eta (Illinois)

Active chapter size: 96; pledges: 40.

Beta Theta (Cornell)

Active chapter size: 35.

Beta Mu (Texas)

Active chapter size: 94.

Beta Nu (Oregon State)

Active chapter size: 34; pledges: 1. The chapter sent five men to the Spokane Leadership Summit.

Beta Xi (Wisconsin)

Active chapter size: 45; pledges: 10.

Beta Omicron (Oklahoma)

Active chapter size: 50; pledges: 1.

Beta Pi (Pennsylvania)

Active chapter size: 59. The chapter sent eight men to the Philadelphia Leadership Summit.

Beta Sigma (Carnegie-Mellon)

Active chapter size: 42; pledges: 23. The chapter sent twenty-seven men to the Philadelphia Leadership Summit.

Beta Tau (Michigan)

Active chapter size: 132.

Beta Upsilon (Colorado)

Active chapter size: 86; pledges: 22. The chapter sent five men to the Denver Leadership Summit.

Beta Phi (Purdue)

Active chapter size: 113; pledges: 30.

Beta Chi (Minnesota)

Active chapter size: 30; pledges: 19. The chapter sent fifteen men to the Kansas City Leadership Summit.

Gamma Alpha (Alabama)



Active chapter size: 73; pledges: 49.

Gamma Beta (Nebraska)

Active chapter size: 52; pledges: 21. Each Gamma Beta brother is involved in at least two organizations outside of the Fraternity, including student government positions, athletic groups and various academic related clubs. Two brothers were selected for the Homecoming court. The chapter won the all-university intramurals for the ninth consecutive year. Seven out of the top ten intramural athletes were Pikes, including a brother who was named Intramural Athlete of the Year. The men are represented on the baseball team, lacrosse team and a pledge is the first chair trumpet in the all-university jazz band.

Gamma Delta (Arizona)

Active chapter size: 115; pledges: 68. The chapter sent thirty-four men to the Denver Leadership Summit. A scholarship dinner was held in honor of the 27 men who achieved above a 3.6 GPA. Pike ranks in the top three in GPA among the 26 fraternities on campus. The award winning Alumni Advisory Board and the undergraduate members welcomed alumni back to the chapter house during Homecoming weekend, Fall semester fundraising efforts focused on raising money for the Diamond Children's Medical Center. At the Gamma

Delta goal setting retreat, it was decided that they will strive for all members to be involved in campus clubs and organizations. Pikes currently serve as presidents of both the student body and AKPsi, the professional business fraternity. The chapter was rechartered in August 2009 and is enthusiastic about becoming the best on campus. All seven members of the executive council and the rush chairman attended The Academy in Memphis over the summer, learning invaluable lessons to incorporate into running the chapter. In intramurals, they were in the playoffs for football and kickball and look forward to the upcoming spring sports.

Gamma Epsilon (Utah State)

Active chapter size: 27; pledges: 22. The chapter sent one man to the Spokane Leadership Summit and twelve men to the Denver Leadership Summit. Fall rush was very successful as the actives focused on quality men to represent Pike at Utah State. This outstanding pledge class has a 3.4 GPA, and they are proud to have two legacies in the group. As they did last year, the chapter is dedicated to serving the community through various projects. One of the most popular Homecoming events on campus is the Mr. USU competition. Two brothers represented Pike throughout the various portions of the competition, with one brother winning the talent portion of the competition after bringing down the house and receiving a standing ovation for his rendition of Mariah Carey's "Hero". Another brother, in his flashy formal toga, was named this year's Mr. USU. Pike athletes started this fall semester with one of the best flag football teams in years and came in first place. The flag football trophy joins the basketball and softball trophies they were awarded in the spring 2009 intramurals.

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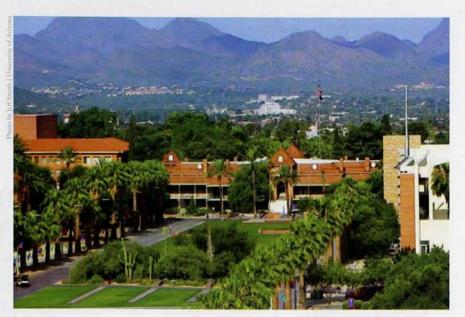
Gamma Delta Chapter

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By the end of the Spring 2009 semester, the colony placed in the top three in both size and overall grade point average out of the 22 IFC fraternities on campus. In athletics, the colony was competitive and placed second in basketball and second in volleyball in the school's Greek Intramural Leagues, third in Sigma Kappa's "Violet Cup" soccer tournament, and fielded highly competitive teams for kickball and softball. Co-ed intramural teams were developed with Alpha Delta Pi for the co-ed basketball league and Delta Delta Delta for the co-ed softball league. Over the year, the colony completed 3,366 hours of community service, and raised thousands of dollars for multiple charities. The colony also established their sorority relations on campus - Delta Delta Delta choose them as their dates for the annual weeklong event of Spring Fling 2009, Chi Omega selected them as their dates for Homecoming 2009, and the group won Delta Gamma's Anchorsplash philanthropy event. Members of the colony include the 2009-10 student body president, president of the Professional Business Fraternity Alpha Kappa Psi, over ten club sport athletes and five of the seven IFC cabinet chairmen.

Past and Future

Chapter President Josh Schafer and Chapter Advisor Seebohm agree that the journey toward becoming rechartered was one of the most rewarding experiences each has known. Seebohm went on to describe the voyage as "Rewarding – the undergrads in this chapter have proven that they will hold themselves to a high standard on this campus, the Pike standard. The involvement and passion of the alumni advisory board, from their involvement in the everyday workings of the colony to their roles in ingress and initiation, was amazing." Chapter President Schafer easily saw the



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change in himself and the entire chapter: "This has been the most rewarding experience. Seeing all of the learning and hard work come together, seeing the big picture of what Pike is all about – it's one thing to talk about it, but it is incredibly more inspiring when you live it."

Looking towards the future, Gamma Delta Chapter has moved back into the original chapter house after an entire summer of renovations that totaled upwards of \$130,000. This chapter is striving to continue making headlines positively promoting UA Greek Life in the Tucson news media. The Pikes at the University of Arizona are striving to be the number one fraternity on campus in athletics, grade point average and size. In September 2009, the group formally pledged 63 new members, forming the Beta Class. Gamma Delta Chapter has the goal of being a 200 man chapter, including new members, by this winter, and the drive to be a Smythe-winning chapter.

— James Gould Corresponding Secretary, Gamma Delta

Gamma Delta Chapter, University of Arizona

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2009 House of the Year

Gamma Alpha Chapter (Alabama) Claims 2009 House of the Year Honors

Gamma Alpha's chapter house is a model of what every good Greek house should be. Gamma Alpha received the 2009 House of the Year Award at The Academy held in Memphis during summer 2009. This included a large trophy and a \$2,000 grant. The 18,493 square foot chapter house was built by Gamma Alpha in 1964. Its Greek Revival architecture is consistent with the University's traditional image. The high level of cleanliness and the overall quality condition of the property, inside and out, is evidence that the chapter and house corporation take great pride in providing a facility of which they, their alumni, the University, the Tuscaloosa community, and the entire International Fraternity can be proud.

Effective operation of a facility enables adequate maintenance and re-investment, which perpetuates a positive living environment and grows equity in the property.

environment and grows equity in the property.

The property meets or exceeds all fourteen of the International Fraternity's recommended Operation and Condition Standards (OCS) for chapter housing. Those standards include seven measurable items for conditions and seven identifiable management practices of which Gamma Alpha is doing the following:

- The chapter house manager follows an established management program;
- Written room contracts and leases are employed;
- Damage deposits are charged and room inspection sheets are maintained to verify conditions;
- The chapter pays a flat annual rental rate to the house corporation, regardless of actual occupancy;
- The chapter has live-in requirements for its membership, and out-of-house members pay a prorated share for any vacant beds;
- Parlor fees are charged to both in and out-of-house members (this is a fee for the privilege of having a house that helps with funding operations of the house);
- While the room rental rates are slightly below the rate in a comparable dorm on campus, the \$770 per year parlor fee charged to both in and out-of-house members, for facility operation funding, pushes the total paid by a tenant over a comparable dorm rate; so, compliance with this standard is recognized.

Gamma Alpha also has a detached building they use for social activities, which includes





The dining hall and the Founders Room exhibit the cleanliness and high quality of the Gamma Alpha Chapter house.

a stage, dance floor, and den with pool table, dart board, and big screen TV. Gamma Alpha has also given considerable attention to outdoor recreation areas and equipment, accompanied by complimentary landscaping. These amenities are not only very attractive, but they also keep heavy use and traffic flow out of the main house where the common space is designed as a show place for alumni and visitors during more formal occasions. Recognizing the functional needs of a fraternity, and providing a balance of space for both, is a recipe for success in Greek housing, just as Gamma Alpha has proven.

Although you would think Gamma Alpha has it all; like any good business that keeps pace with the reality of the market place, the house corporation broke ground this summer on a new, larger, more market relevant facility. The new house will be in an even better location. They will fund this exciting new project primarily with proceeds from a capital campaign, which they are currently in, and from proceeds from the sale of the current award winning property. Gamma Alpha's effective management of their current house has allowed them to maximize its sale price; thereby greatly facilitating this huge next step to the pinnacle of the property ladder at Alabama. Gamma Alpha's management and long term planning is an excellent example of how to do fraternity housing right.



Improvement Project of the Year

Gamma Upsilon Chapter (Tulsa) Receives 2009 Award For Brilliant Bathroom Renovation

Dated fixtures and
plumbing gave
way to a fresh
elegance in
Gamma Upsilon's
award winning
bathroom
renovation.

The Chapter Improvement Project of the Year encourages chapters to make significant, positive enhancements to their facility, and rewards the winner with a handsome trophy and a \$1,000 grant. This year's winner was the Gamma Upsilon Chapter. They completely remodeled the 2nd floor bathroom and shower, which had not been updated since the Gamma Upsilon house was built in 1946. The work was performed under the direction of the House Corporation and the chapter saved a tremendous amount by doing some of the work themselves.

The project budget was \$51,000 and the final actual cost was \$47,271. All of the work was done during the summer. This project marked a milestone in the remodeling

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Noun: One that inspires legends or achieves legendary fame.

If, as William Alexander indicated, an acorn can be judged by the merits of the oak it produces, then there are few acorns as worthy of admiration as the one planted in Columbia at the University of Missouri in 1909. When



Russell Holloway

Henry Eversole and Russell Holloway founded Alpha Nu, they must have been optimistic for its future. What they could not have expected was how quickly Alpha Nu would succeed, not just asserting itself as a dominant force on the Missouri campus, but also across North America in the ranks of Pi Kappa Alpha.

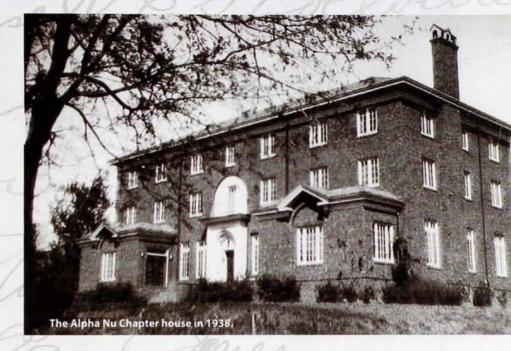
Over the last century, the chapter started by two law students has left a series of astonishing successes, pioneering vision, and Pike firsts in its wake. Here are a few of Alpha Nu Chapter's noteworthy accomplishments:

First Chairman of
National Fraternity
Chapter House Loan
Committee – Founding
Father Henry Eversole
'09 also became chairman
of the Fraternity's first
permanent Chapter
House Loan Committee;



Henry Eversole

- International Officers In its 100 years
 of existence, Alpha Nu has had more
 national/international officers than all but
 five other chapters, with 20;
- One Man, Two Presidents Powell B.
 McHaney, initiated at Alpha Nu in 1922,
 has been the only PiKA to serve as the
 president of the Fraternity and Foundation
 concurrently;



- Distinguished Alumni When you consider recipients of both the Order of West Range and Distinguished Achievement Awards, Alpha Nu is in the top three chapters with eight;
- Most Presidents Between presidents of the Fraternity, and the Foundation, Alpha Nu is tied with Alpha Xi (Cincinnati) for the most of all time with five;
- Top 10 in Recruitment Alpha Nu ranks in the top ten of all chapters in total initiates;
- Pi Kappa Alpha's First Billionaire –
 Donald W. Reynolds '25, the founder
 of the Donrey Media Group, graduated
 from Alpha Nu in 1927, and went on to
 make his fortune in the media business,

Alpha Nu Chapter at the University of Missouri has been the home of numerous Pi Kappa Alpha luminaries.

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Improvement Project of the Year

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history of this facility. Since 1991, the Gamma Upsilon Building Corporation has invested \$380,000 in major improvements. This bathroom and shower project completed the replacement of all plumbing lines and fixtures in the entire building at a cost of \$50,000 which does not include the cost of demolition, electrical, ceramic tile, etc. All of this work was performed to provide expensive life safety improvements and keep the house modern and attractive.

Additionally, Gamma Upsilon follows all of the Fraternity's recommended Operation & Condition Standards. They do a great job of keeping it clean by following a cleaning schedule that is coordinated by the house manager. They maintain written room contracts for all members, charge damage deposits, and have an established fund for capital projects, which they reserve through their monthly payments to their House Corporation. When you walk on this campus, you immediately notice that Pike has the largest and nicest home in the Greek system, confirming that this award was well deserved.

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eventually owning over 100 companies including newspapers, radio stations, television stations, and billboard advertising. The website of the foundation that survived him shows what a positive lasting impact this man continues to have on this world: www.dwreynolds.org.

The above accomplishments are enough in and of themselves to be worthy of a Myths & Legends article. But, perhaps no area of Alpha Nu's history is more instructive than their success in the realm of housing. The fruit of their labor is best illustrated by the \$2,700,000 renovation to the chapter house completed earlier this year. This most recent achievement is however only a milestone in what has been a long and deliberate road for the chapter and its alumni.

The turn of the 20th century brought with it a new chapter for the Greek movement. The rage sweeping across college campuses was Greek housing. A temptation common then, as it is now, was for every chapter to rush out and buy the first house that it could afford. The men at Alpha Nu, however, showed an uncommon discipline and patience when deciding upon a property. Instead of giving in to the expedient, they held out for the exceptional.

Over the course of their first eighteen years, the chapter rented no less than four different houses as temporary residences. All the while they were setting aside funds, and keeping their eyes open for the right opportunity. As fate would have it, this might have been fortuitous, at one point the entire chapter was fighting in the first world war. Doubtless, had the chapter acquired a house before the war, it would have been lost in absence of the members.

The opportunity Alpha Nu had been waiting for came in 1923 when a series

of adjacent lots went up for sale. The lots at 920 (now referenced as 916) South Providence Road were exactly the kind of location the chapter had been looking for, and while the chapter was unable to pay for the lots outright, it was able to finance the purchase.

While the undergraduate chapter worked to pay off the lots, the alumni began a capital campaign. Four years later in 1927, the house was complete, and the chapter moved in. For the last eighty-two years, the house at 916 Providence Road has served as the only home for Alpha Nu Chapter. This makes it second only to Alpha Chapter in amount of time continuously living in a house which was built as a Pike house.

Over the last eighty-two years, the house has undergone several renovations, the most substantial of which was the one completed this year. While occasional major renovations will always be needed, both the location of the land, as well as the architecture and design of the building are testaments to the results of proper planning and management of fraternity real estate.

Whether looking at Alpha Nu's prestigious alumni, its International Fraternity involvement, or its masterful success in real estate, it has certainly earned a place amongst Pi Kappa Alpha's legendary chapters. What will Alpha Nu accomplish in its next hundred years? No one knows, but surely it will take place at 916 South Providence Road. This location, next to campus and a "stone's throw" from Tigers Memorial Stadium/ Faurot Field, is as preeminent as this chapter's history.

Delta Pi Chapter Supports Peter Martin Golf Classic

Delta Pi Chapter at San Jose State once again held the annual Peter Martin Memorial Alumni Golf Tournament, an alumni/reunion event which the chapter supports each summer. This year marked the fifth annual Peter Martin Golf Classic, which took place on June 27, 2009 with 56 golfers at the Santa Teresa Golf Course in San Jose, California. Over 100 attendees visited the Delta Pi Chapter House immediately following the awards ceremony.

Peter Martin '86 died in a motorcycle accident in 2005. Each year, the Delta Pi alumni host the Peter Martin Memorial Golf Tournament, reaching out to the alumni going back to the late 1970s. The tournament continues to grow in size every year. This year, brothers flew in from as far as 300+ miles away to attend the event.

Sean Stanton '87 took over as the tournament chair this year, and did an outstanding job with the help of JP Jones '03. Current Chapter President Kevin Ghodoosian '05, with the help of undergraduate brothers, did a phenomenal job coordinating



the barbecue and refreshments at the chapter house after the Tournament. Kurt Carrasquilla '89 was recognized by Alumni Advisory Board Chairman John Lake '85 for his involvement as the past alumni advisory board chair, golf tournament chair since inception, and his overall assistance to the chapter since they were recolonized in 1998.

In recognition of Peter Martin, the Tournament namesake, and his incredible loyalty to Delta Pi Chapter, the alumni have created an annual Peter Martin Loyalty Award. This award is offered to the one brother who is recognized for excellence in loyalty to the brotherhood. The person selected is nominated and reviewed by

the executive council and is awarded a plaque during the golf tournament awards ceremony. In addition, the recipient has his green fees sponsored by Gretchen Martin, Peter's mother. This year's recipient was John Miranda '08. Congratulations to John Miranda for continuing to be a leader in the Fraternity and the ideals of Pi Kappa Alpha.

For those of you who were not able to join us this year, it is our hope that you will be able to attend the tournament next year on June 26th, 2010, location to be determined. For more information, please contact Tournament Chairperson Sean Stanton '87 via email at sean@bayarea.net.

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Gamma Eta (Southern California)

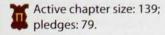
Active chapter size: 123; pledges: 10.

Gamma Theta (Mississippi State)



Active chapter size: 61; pledges: 40.

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Gamma Kappa (Montana State)

Active chapter size: 35; pledges: 20.

Gamma Mu (New Hampshire)

Active chapter size: 62; pledges: 25. The chapter sent nine men to the Philadelphia Leadership Summit. A Gamma Mu brother was elected as the Order of Omega president for the University of New Hampshire. As of October the men had 667 hours of community service, putting them well within their reach of their 1,000 hour goal. On campus, each man is encouraged to be involved in at least one additional organization. Pike members hold five of the nine executive positions on the IFC. Brother Matthew Willard '08 is serving with the United States Army in Iraq. In November, the second annual Taylor Trudeau

Cycle for Life cycling marathon was held in memory of Taylor Trudeau '04 who passed away in August 2008 from leukemia. The first event raised over \$4,000, and the chapter anticipated surpassing that total this year. In intramurals, the Pike flag football, coed flag football, broomball and 3 vs. 3 basketball teams are undefeated.

Gamma Xi (Washington State)

Active chapter size: 76; pledges: 23. The chapter sent twenty men to the Spokane Leadership Summit. Brothers have a cumulative GPA of 3.09 and two freshmen were named Mortar Board Scholars. On campus, Gamma Xi was the top contributing student group to the Pullman Relay for Life. Chapter members are represented on the student senate, Finance Realty Insurance Club, Hawaii Club, Zzu Crew and the F.I.R.E. Club. One brother is on the varsity baseball team and the men are currently the overall intramural champs.

Gamma Omicron (Ohio)

Active chapter size: 48; pledges: 30.

Gamma Pi (Oregon)

Active chapter size: 31.

Gamma Rho (Northwestern)

Active chapter size: 70.

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Delta Beta (Bowling Green State University)

Active chapter size: 64; pledges: 42. Delta Beta Chapter has had a history of solid performance on campus and nationally. The past 18 months they have far surpassed any other fraternal organization on their own campus. After winning a Chapter Excellence Award in Memphis for the first time since 1953, the Delta Beta Chapter was happy to see their hard work pay off. This fall they enjoyed a successful rush, and the men truly embrace the values of SLAG 365 days a year. Delta Beta has held the student body presidency for two consecutive years, had a Homecoming King and Homecoming Court member for two years, and received the 2008 All-Sports Trophy and the 2008 Philanthropy Cup. Delta Beta members received the Student Leader of the Year Award and the Student Life Award. As of this year the chapter has a fully functioning Alumni Board and they welcomed over 100 alumni back at Homecoming. In the spring of 2009 they logged 1,650 community service hours resulting in \$3,447 for charitable organizations.

Gamma Sigma (Pittsburgh)

Active chapter size: 54; pledges: 20. The chapter sent ten men to the Philadelphia Leadership Summit, Gamma Sigma Chapter currently has taken a prestigious spot in the University of Pittsburgh's IFC. As one of seventeen fraternities in the council, the chapter has 25 new members, more than any other fraternity on campus. Brothers hold various executive positions throughout student organizations and within the student government. Five brothers play club sports at Pitt, and sixteen brothers are on the Dean's List, each making above a 3.5 GPA. The chapter will participate in the Carols for Cancer campus

event in December, a holiday inspired show featuring unique Christmas carols sung by each organizations. This campus fundraising event will benefit the University of Pittsburgh Cancer Institute.

Gamma Tau (Rensselaer)

Active chapter size: 70. The chapter sent six men to the Philadelphia Leadership Summit.

Gamma Upsilon (Tulsa)

Active chapter size: 52; pledges: 25. The chapter sent four men to the Kansas City Leadership Summit. In academics, the men led the way in scholarship with the highest GPA among all fraternities at Tulsa. During Homecoming weekend the



Delta Lambda (Florida State)

Active chapter size: 177; pledges: 60. Delta Lambda was named the 2009 Fraternity of the Year by the FSU administration last spring. Their categories of excellence included campus leadership, service, brotherhood, pledge education and generally superior achievement. The administrators do not include alumni relations or athletics, two areas in which Delta Lambda is also especially strong. On October 10, 2009, the 6th annual Ryan L'Homme Memorial Scholarship was presented to Andrew Paige '06. Andrew is a civil engineering major with an overall GPA of 3.72. Among his awards include five semesters on the Dean's List, Golden Key Club, Phi Sigma Theta Honor Society, National Society of Collegiate Scholars and Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society. This award is in memory of Ryan L'Homme of Brandon, Florida. Ryan was a freshman at FSU in 2000, and was chosen to be one of the refounding fathers of Delta Lambda on the FSU campus. He died after being hit in the temple by a softball while playing intramural softball for the Delta Lambda Chapter in March 2000. In the photo above, Andrew Paige (center) is with Ryan's parents, Teri and Charles L'Homme.

men welcomed alumni back to the chapter house. The new patio they built has been nice for tailgating and will be enjoyed throughout the year. Gamma Upsilon is active with service projects around the city, and hosed the third annual Pikefest 5K Run in October. raising approximately \$1,500 for the Ryan Gibson Foundation for Leukemia Research. On campus, many members are involved with organizations such as Habitat for Humanity, student association, university ambassadors, orientation leaders and various scholastic organizations. The chapter has won intramurals five out of the past six years, and currently

are positioning themselves for another win this year.

Gamma Phi (Wake Forest)

Active chapter size: 92.

Gamma Chi (Oklahoma State)

Active chapter size: 62; pledges: 27.

Gamma Psi (Louisiana Tech)

Active chapter size: 50; pledges: 22.

Gamma Omega (Miami)

Active chapter size: 78; pledges: 10. The active chapter hosted an alumni weekend this fall that included a tailgate party prior to the Miami vs. Oklahoma game. In communi-

I AM PIKE UNIVERSITY



Daniel Ryan, Alpha Kappa Chapter President Missouri University of Science and Technology daniel.ryan@mst.edu

My Pike University Experience:

I've attended Pike University Leadership Summits since I was a pledge in the fall of 2005.

I've been to two Kansas City summits, the Orlando and Memphis Conventions (2006 and 2008), The Academy, the Chapter Executives Conference, and the Chicago Leadership Summit. I've been there in many capacities: a pledge, a committee head, alumni relations chair, secretary, rush chairman, and vice president.

My Extracurricular Activities:

I'm involved in the Missouri S&T Student Council; St. Pats Celebration Committee; Students Today, Alumni Tomorrow; Alpha Phi Omega Service Fraternity; Theta Tau Omega Leadership Fraternity; Blue Key International Honor Fraternity; American Society of Mechanical Engineers; Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society; Missouri S&T Club Roller Hockey Team; and the American Society of Engineering Management/Institute of Industrial Engineers

My Favorite Pike University Memory:

I remember going to my first Pike University event in Kansas City as a pledge and getting to meet many brothers from different chapters. It showed me the strength of the International Fraternity and reaffirmed the fact that my brothers would always welcome me.

How Pike University Helps My Chapter:

Pike University has not only given our chapter an avenue of education which will help us remain successful, but has also shown our new members how great it is to be a Pike.

My Best Pike University Lesson:

Sometimes a chapter may have existing programs for which they lack the expertise to implement improvement. However, since Pike University provides an arena in which chapters can interact with each other, we are able to gain and refine new ideas to apply to our chapter programming. For example, we worked with Iota Delta Chapter (Rose-Hulman) to help them with their house operations, and they gave us help with designing and improving our website. Sometimes you need to look outside your normal realm of thought to find the answers to problems within your chapter, and Pike University allows this to take place.

My Advice for First Time Pike University Attendees:

GO!!! You will be missing out an some of the finest programming offered during your college career. Don't miss the opportunity to better yourself as well as your chapter.

My Favorite Quote:

"Leadership is action, not position."

Donald H. McGannon

Why I Lead:

Leadership is like success – it is difficult to obtain, but life is much more enjoyable once you have it. Besides, the world has many followers, why would I want to be like everyone else?

For more information about Pike University programs, visit us on the web at www.pikeuniversity.org, or contact Director of Education and Pike University Rick Burt at rburt@pikes.org.

ty service, the chapter participated in the United Mitochondrial Disease Foundation walk and held their second annual Pike Platoon event this fall. The men are represented on the IFC and the IFC judicial board. Four members are on the U of

M football team, and they all start in their positions of offensive lineman (2), linebacker and quarterback/holder. The Pike flag football team went undefeated and currently holds the lead in points for the President's Cup. This fourth consecutive win will retire the Cup in the chapter's name.

Delta Gamma (Miami University)

Active chapter size: 82; pledges: 5.

Delta Epsilon (Tennessee-Chattanooga)

Active chapter size: 41; pledges: 13.

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Delta Alpha (George Washington)

Active chapter size: 108; pledges: 30. The chapter sent thirty men to the Philadelphia Leadership Summit. The men hosted the annual alumni brunch in October 2009, and in addition to the large turnout it was the formal organization of the Delta Alpha Alumni Association. The alumni enjoyed touring the chapter house and the group also took a campus tour. One brother has been elected student senator and two other brothers led the orientation of the Class of 2013 in Colonial Inauguration, one of the most recognized orientation programs in the nation. The brothers participated in the DC AIDS Walk, an annual event in support of the Whitman-Walker Clinic, a facility which has been serving people diagnosed with HIV/AIDS in the DC area for almost four decades and is also one of the premier AIDS facilities nationwide. A highlight of the event was the opportunity for chapter members to speak with DC Mayor Adrian M. Fenty. Based upon their performance, attendance, dedication and hard work, the men of Delta Alpha Chapter were named Greek Week champions during the largest all-Greek event of the year at George Washington University. The brothers of Delta Alpha continued the tradition of athletic excellence by winning their third Ken Pikus Cup championship in the past four years. The university's Ken Pikus Cup is named after Delta Alpha 1990 initiate Ken Pikus who passed away in 1994. They continue to do well in all areas of intramural sports this year.

Delta Eta (Delaware)

Active chapter size: 37; pledges: 10. The chapter sent five men to the Philadelphia Leadership Summit.

Delta Theta (Arkansas State)

Active chapter size: 67; pledges: 23.

Delta lota (Marshall)

Active chapter size: 44.

Delta Mu (Southern Mississippi)

Active chapter size: 31; pledges: 21.

Delta Nu (Wayne State)

Active chapter size: 79; pledges: 32. To retain its chapter's scholastic excellence, Delta Nu has hosted study nights with members and friends where the men get together on campus for study sessions. The active chapter hosted a successful alumni vs. actives softball game. After the initial game was over, where the actives won, the two groups mixed up the rosters and continued to play. Community service continues to be important for



Epsilon Theta (Colorado State)

Active chapter size: 66; pledges: 19. The chapter sent fifteen men to the Denver Leadership Summit. Epsilon Theta continued another successful semester in fall 2009, reaching out to the community and representing Pi Kappa Alpha as

a dominant fraternity. To kick off the semester, the chapter held a non-alcoholic awareness concert on the chapter property with several hundred people in attendance. Two non-profits spoke at the concert, Fort Collins Project Smile and the HART



Center. Project Smile provides dental care to elementary school kids who cannot afford it, and the HART Center of Fort Collins is a sober living facility for students. For CSU's annual Cans Around the Oval event, Pike collected over 5,200 pounds of non-perishable food for the Larimer County Food Bank; once again the largest donation of any individual Greek organization at CSU for the third consecutive year.

the chapter and this semester they have participated in the Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk, and have volunteered at a local elementary school. As part of the Homecoming Week events, Delta Nu hosted a Campus Takeover which took place in the center of campus and included five fantastic carnival games, bringing thousands of students by to enjoy this event throughout the day. In addition to this successful Homecoming Week event, Delta Nu took first place in the student organization spirit competition, and the men received the President's Cup trophy once again, securing them the honor of having their picture on the Homecoming game tickets next year.

Intramural teams consist of volleyball, floor hockey and football, and all teams are currently winning their perspective leagues.

Delta Xi (Indiana)

Active chapter size: 40. Delta Xi Founding Father Kyle Blessinger '07 wrote to the headquarters office to say how proud he was of the continued success of his chapter. Blessinger, an airman first class in the United States Air Force, said the chapter has experienced great success with philanthropic events and campus involvement. They continue to qualify very well in the Men's Little 500 and last academic year the brothers raised money for the Boys and Girls Club through a 24 hour

cycle-o-thon which was held in front of the main library on campus. Members helped out with the Boys and Girls Club annual Halloween carnival this fall, and they continue to help out with the day to day activities of the club including weekly bowling outings.

Delta Omicron (Drake)

Active chapter size: 34; pledges: 2. The chapter sent four men to the Kansas City Leadership Summit.

Delta Pi (San Jose State)

Active chapter size: 78; pledges: 24. Delta Pi alumnus John Ordaz '88 and current actives conducted a historical tour of the San Jose State University campus for the Cub Scouts. The chapter once again supported the Peter Martin Memorial Alumni Golf Tournament this year (see story on page 17).

Delta Rho (Linfield)

Active chapter size: 10. The chapter sent three men to the Spokane Leadership Summit.

Delta Sigma (Bradley)

Active chapter size: 48; pledges: 20. Several Delta Sigma members are serving on Bradley Univeristy's IFC. Positions held are president, vice president, director of risk management and director of philanthropy and service. One member served as IFC recruitment counselor. Their annual St. Baldrick's Day event raised over \$10,000 which the St. Baldrick's Foundation uses to support childhood cancer research. In academics, the chapter has raised their GPA to 2.98.

Delta Chi (Nebraska-Omaha)

Active chapter size: 62. The chapter sent eight men to the Kansas City Leadership Sum-

mit. Delta Chi's GPA is the highest of any fraternity at UNO. Their spring 2009 event, Just Can It, collected over 22,000 cans and received national recognition on Good Morning America, and the men are preparing for the annual Pike Spike event. On campus, a Delta Chi member won the student government presidential election for the fifth consecutive year and they hold two senate seats. A Pike was elected Homecoming King for the second consecutive year. They are excelling in athletics with an undefeated kickball team and the best Greek football team on campus.

Delta Psi (Maryland)

Active chapter size: 63. The chapter sent ten men to the Philadelphia Leadership Summit.

Delta Omega (High Point)

Active chapter size: 44. Delta Omega Chapter held their first annual Coach to Cure tailgate fundraiser for Muscular Dystrophy Awareness on October 3, 2009. Coach to Cure is a partnership between the American Football Coaches Association and Parent Project Muscular Dystrophy.

Epsilon Alpha (Trinity)

Active chapter size: 37.

Epsilon Delta (North Texas)

Active chapter size: 63; pledges: 19.

Epsilon Epsilon (Toledo)

Active chapter size: 75; pledges: 25. In academics the chapter GPA is impressive with five men at 4.0, 31 men received above a 3.5 and more than 50 men received above a 3.0. Three individuals were invited to join the Golden Key

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Epsilon Upsilon (Gannon)

Active chapter size: 44; pledges: 2. The chapter sent five men to the Philadelphia Leadership Summit. Epsilon Upsilon brothers participated in Gannon's Invitation to Volunteer Everywhere on September 19, 2009. As a brotherhood they completed numerous

projects including landscaping, fence construction and roof maintenance totaling 44 hours of community service at Safenet, an organization that provides housing and support for abused women.





Eta Omicron (Louisiana-Monroe)

Active chapter size: 82. As of October, the men had already completed twelve community service projects this academic year, with ten more on the schedule. A couple of the projects they worked on included working with the ULM baseball team at the CenturyLink Family Day and the ULM softball team at the 1st United Methodist Church pumpkin patch event helping to unload over 5,000 pumpkins. On campus, six more brothers were selected to serve on the SGA and four are in their second round of interviews for the 2010 Freshman Orientation Staff. The chapter won second place during the student spirit competition at the October 2009 ESPN 2 football game at ULM. Pike was one of the Greek organizations on campus to host an alcohol awareness seminar taught by the captain of the ULM police department.

National Honor Society, which is awarded to those in the top 15% of their graduating class. During Homecoming, the actives welcomed the 30 alumni who stopped by the annual tailgate event, and the Ohio State vs. Toledo game brought 60 alumni out for the tailgate party. The men recently contributed approximately 1,500 philanthropy hours by participating in the 30 Hour Famine for Lucas County (Ohio) Children. Epsilon Epsilon and Delta Delta Delta placed first in the Homecoming float competition. A new position to the Internal Cabinet of the chapter is media chair, which is responsible for the documentation and organization of the chapter's media files, including video, pictures and any other form of rush materials.

Epsilon Zeta (East Tennessee State)

Active chapter size: 61. This past summer, Epsilon Zeta alumni reorganized the house corporation and immediately started raising funds for the renovation of the chapter house. A heat pump was installed to update the heating system and allow for air conditioning which was nonexistent. Some of the plaster walls on the first floor were removed, insulation installed and drywall put up. The ping pong room off of the living room was redesigned by installing a refrigerator, microwave, dishwasher and sink, and tables were brought in, turning the area into a kitchen and dining area. The living room furniture was replaced with leather couches and chairs and ceramic tile was

installed on the front porch. Drywall was installed on all of the ceilings on the first floor and all of the walls were painted. Great progress was made on house improvements, but there is still more to be completed. Don Reece Lawson '59, Housing Corporation secretary is asking any brother who would like to donate to the cause to send checks to Pi Kappa Alpha House Corporation, P.O. Box 4121 CRS, Johnson City, TN 37604, or contact him at GoldManDe@aol.com.

Epsilon Eta (Houston)

Active chapter size: 63; pledges: 9.

Epsilon lota (Southeast Missouri State)

Active chapter size: 66; pledges: 32. The chapter sent sixteen men to the Kansas City Leadership Summit.

Epsilon Kappa (Lamar)

Active chapter size: 40; pledges: 20.

Epsilon Lambda (Murray State)

Active chapter size: 40; pledges: 14.

Epsilon Mu (East Carolina)

Active chapter size: 46; pledges: 12.

Epsilon Nu (Georgia State)

Active chapter size: 22; pledges: 20. An Epsilon Nu brother serves as vice president of the Southeastern Interfraternity Conference. To provide an ongoing educational experience for interfraternal leaders throughout the southeast, student affairs professionals established the Southeastern Interfraternity Conference in 1966. In its 43rd year of existence, SEIFC continues to be the premier leadership training conference for Interfraternity leaders.

Epsilon Pi (Sam Houston State)

Active chapter size: 40; pledges: 25.

Epsilon Sigma (Tennessee-Martin)

Active chapter size: 64.

Epsilon Phi (Central Arkansas)

Active chapter size: 56; pledges: 4. The Arkansas Game and Fish Commission plays a major role in the state helping to feed the hungry by issuing additional doe tags each year. Every year an estimated 190,000 deer are killed and only 1,200 are donated. The brothers of Epsilon Phi Chapter have started a community service project to help further the effort. If 60 deer can be donated, almost 11,000 meals will be provided. Epsilon Phi members will schedule hunts each season on both commercial and private properties. The hours that each member participates will be logged and the meat gathered will be donated and distributed throughout the community. This will make a huge impact in the community and they will continue to help in the future, as well as spreading the message for others to participate. The chapter has twelve members on the varsity football team.

Epsilon Chi (Pittsburg State)

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

Epsilon Omega (East Central)

Active chapter size: 18; pledges: 22.

Zeta Alpha "A" (Kettering)

Active chapter size: 42.

Zeta Alpha "B" (Kettering)

Active chapter size: 33.

Zeta Beta (Delta State)

Active chapter size: 36; pledges: 11.

Zeta Gamma (Eastern Illinois)

Active chapter size: 43.

Zeta Epsilon (Western Kentucky)

Active chapter size: 84.

Zeta Eta (Arkansas-Little Rock)

Active chapter size: 13.

Zeta lota (Old Dominion)

Active chapter size: 50; pledges: 20. In academics, the scholastic chair has revamped the program with broader study hour session selection, academic big brothers and incentive programs. ODU's Pike chapter has lived up to its reputation as an athletic fraternity, winning the intramural football championship title nine years in a row and the softball championship the past four. The chapter also contends for top academic honors. In November the chapter sponsored its first chili cookoff on campus with proceeds benefitting the National Fallen Firefighters Fund. In continued community service, the men have a semester long Pikes On Your Side program to assist the local community in many ways. On campus, Pikes have leaders in student government, the IFC board, the Dean of Students Council and the club lacrosse team. This year's major goal is an internal revamping project to rejuvenate all chairs and positions by revisiting all of the duties and responsibilities. They believe the changes will bring the chapter as a whole back to a much stronger collaborative group, allowing them to maintain dominance and make great strides at Old Dominion.

Zeta Kappa (Ferris State)

Active chapter size: 22.

Zeta Xi (Western Carolina)

Active chapter size: 16; pledges: 4.

Zeta Omicron (California State-Northridge)

Active chapter size: 47; pledges: 10.

Zeta Pi (South Florida)

Active chapter size: 43.

Zeta Rho (North Dakota)

Active chapter size: 22; pledges: 17. The chapter sent twenty-four men to the Kansas City Leadership Summit.

Zeta Sigma (Florida Tech)

Active chapter size: 57.

Zeta Tau (Eastern Kentucky)

Active chapter size: 26; pledges: 16.

Zeta Phi (Missouri-St. Louis)

Active chapter size: 37; pledges: 18. The chapter sent eighteen men to the Kansas City Leadership Summit. The chapter received the Outstanding Generosity Towards the City recognition from Bel-Ridge, Missouri for helping the city with a children's fishing event. The men went door to door to inform the citizens about the event and participating in the event by assisting the children. Brothers are represented in the student government, and one brother was named Homecoming king while another placed second for Big Man on Campus.

Zeta Omega (Louisiana-Lafayette)

Active chapter size: 62; pledges: 32. The chapter hosted the Sleep Out for Faith House event, which raised money for the Faith House facility that provides safety, shelter, empowerment and advocacy to survivors of domestic violence. In academics, Zeta Omega had nine members with a 3.5 GPA or above, and several members are members of the Greek honor society, Order of Omega. One brother was selected for Phi Alpha Phi, an organization recognizing the top 10% of graduating seniors. On campus, a brother hold the position of SGA treasurer, and the men are also represented in positions as senate chair, three college senators and a grad school senator. The vice president of communications/public relations and the secretary for the IFC are also Pikes. A brother



Iota Delta (Rose-Hulman)

Active chapter size: 85. The men exceeded their stated goals for last year's GPA. Going from a 3.11 to a 3.18 cumulative GPA they moved back into first place among all fraternities as well as the campus average. This fall they were able to strengthen the bonds between the actives and alumni during Homecoming as 75 alumni returned to the chapter house for a visit. Community service did not stop for the chapter during the summer break and between the summer and the first few weeks of school they have volunteered for more than 900 hours of community service. It is their goal to have 100% chapter participation in at least one event. On campus they have helped with Brush-Up for Homecoming, Homework Hotline and several members are involved in varsity sports. lota Delta already has a strong start on continuing to hold the Intramural Championship trophy, establishing a lead in tennis, flag football and soccer.

won the UL cross country meet in 2009 and was All-Sun Belt for the indoor season of 2009.

Eta Alpha (Clemson)

Active chapter size: 81; pledges: 36. During the Special Olympics Fall Games held in Anderson County this October approximately 60 brothers and pledges volunteered to provide child friendly games for family members and activities for the athletes between events.

Eta Epsilon (Angelo State)

Active chapter size: 32; pledges: 22.

Eta Zeta (Middle Tennessee State)

Active chapter size: 50; pledges: 14.

Eta Eta (Morehead State)

Active chapter size: 25; pledges: 7.

Eta Kappa (South Alabama)

Active chapter size: 24; pledges: 10.

Eta Mu (Armstrong Atlantic State)

Active chapter size: 31; pledges: 18.

Eta Nu (Northern Illinois)

Active chapter size: 66; pledges: 12.

Eta Rho (Northern Kentucky)

Active chapter size: 74; pledges: 32. The annual Rent-A-Pike event was held in October, with the proceeds from this event benefitting St. Jude Children's Research

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Mission: Possible

A story of Pi Kappa Alpha's third oldest chapter and its struggle to return from the brink of closure.

by Wes Pearce (William and Mary, Gamma '06), with Logan Reynolds (Central Oklahoma, Lambda lota '06)

"As the president of Gamma Chapter at the College of William and Mary, it's hard to express how far we have come as a chapter without first providing background information on how our transformation came to fruition."

- Wes Pearce '06

"We saw an opportunity to make a change for the better, so we took it!"

The William and Mary campus was alive with band cadences and Greek chants; sidewalks once graced by the footsteps of our nation's most influential leaders were now blanketed with overwhelmed wide-eyed freshmen accompanied by nervous parents. It was my first week in college.

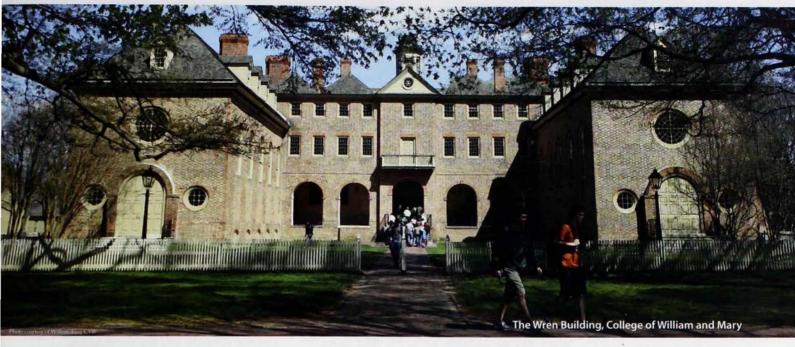
Unlike most freshmen, I had already become very familiar with the campus. This was due largely in part to my interactions the summer before my senior year working at a local surf shop. Fraternities were literally the last thing on my mind, and I knew nothing about them. I soon learned a close friend with whom I worked was in a fraternity, which sparked my first interaction and interest. As the summer progressed, my friend began showing me around the campus of William and Mary, introducing me to what seemed like the entire student body. One day at his house, I couldn't help but notice the conveniently placed oversized flag above his television with the Greek letters IIKA on it. I finally decided to ask what this whole 'Pike thing' was about; that was all it took for this journey to begin.



I was soon plugged into a group who welcomed me like I was one of their own. Even though I knew nothing about fraternities, these men had a reputation that preceded them; they knew how to have a good time and hosted some of the best social events with sororities on campus. Throughout the next eight months and following high school graduation, this reputation was further confirmed, and when it came time for recruitment, it was natural for me to choose the men of Pi Kappa Alpha as my new brothers. I was very determined to learn more about this brotherhood that had taken an interest in me.

Two years flew by, during which I served in various capacities for the Fraternity. Yet it wasn't until the beginning of my junior year that I began to realize the ticking time bomb Gamma Chapter had become. The Fraternity was cruising nicely through the social scene at William and Mary, and seemed completely invincible to risk; we could not have been more wrong. Our good times were soon interrupted abruptly after two resident life infractions - alcohol related incidents involving the chapter house. This right hook was soon followed by a knockout punch; an event which officially placed our chapter on probation. During William and Mary's Homecoming festivities, our chapter leadership was put in a very difficult situation. Trying to satisfy both the membership and alumni, we struggled to abide by university guidelines as well. Our first mistake was the lack of communication regarding the event, and before we knew it, we had an unofficial tailgate party taking place on campus. This, along with alcohol, began to flow

Left: Gamma Chapter has a long and proud history. This photo from 1912 shows chapter members seated on the steps of the Wren Building on the campus of William and Mary.



into the chapter house and quickly became a major issue against university policy. The event was unfortunately in front of the majority of the school's undergraduate population and administration. Thus began our probation with the university.

Despite these actions, I asked myself, what would this really change? It wasn't until one chapter meeting after these events that I began to fully understand the severity of our situation. It was a Sunday night, and our current president walked into the chapter room with a manila-colored folder. As he walked by, I could see the label signifying it as from the International Fraternity. I felt like a defendant waiting to hear his judgment from a jury, and expecting only to receive a slap on the hand. The president opened the folder and began to read, "It is my unpleasant duty to inform you that effective immediately, the executive vice president of the Pi Kappa Alpha International Fraternity has administratively suspended Gamma Chapter's charter, and may no longer operate in the name of Pi Kappa Alpha".

Completely blind sided, I listened to sanction after sanction as it was read, each one like a heavy stamp of disapproval: clear \$15,000 in debt with the International Fraternity, stamp; restructure all internal and external operations and create a detailed chapter action plan, stamp; agree to conduct a membership and organizational review in accordance with William and Mary and the International Fraternity, stamp! What had happened? Was our situation really that bad?

Our first of many meetings with the Greek Life office followed shortly after. As I sat down with Assistant Director of Greek Life Jennifer Leung, she started the conversation by asking what Pi Kappa Alpha was offering to its members outside of the social aspect. This burning question led to some much needed re-evaluation, ultimately realizing we had lost connection with some of the very entities that allow our chapter to even exist: the university, the community of Williamsburg, the International Fraternity, and even Gamma Chapter alumni.

"It is very important that you establish some sort of strategic investment for the future to ensure Gamma Chapter's survival, and begin to look at the bigger picture," Leung charged, and I couldn't have agreed more. I could tell this probationary period would not be an easy road, and the finish line was guarded by the hurdle of presenting our new strategic plan through an organizational review in front of a panel of administrators.

Our disconnection with the International Fraternity then came to the forefront, as the Memorial Headquarters staff conducted a membership review and brought to our attention the seriousness of our current debt, which hovered near \$15,000. In hindsight, this action was much needed, although not easy to swallow. Unfortunately, there were chapter members who no longer saw eye-to-eye with the Fraternity, and who were subject to the review in order for Gamma Chapter to begin redirecting its efforts.

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We were on probation with the university, on probation with the International Fraternity, thousands of dollars in debt, had just lost a portion of our membership, and our charter was suspended.
What had happened to our chapter?

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"You have to learn how to help yourselves as a brotherhood, before anyone else can help you. But know that the alumni are here to help; as soon as the chapter is ready to reach out, we will reach back."

To recap, we were on probation with the university, on probation with the International Fraternity, thousands of dollars in debt, had just lost a portion of our membership, and our charter was suspended. In addition, morale was extremely low, and motivation was nonexistent. What had happened to our chapter? We were flying free and having a great time less than two months ago and now had hit rock bottom, with no clue how to climb our way out. The first thing to cross my mind was to look for some form of documentation of programming to help get us back on track. After rigorously searching, I learned that, due to lack of transition, somewhere along the line the trunk that had once carried years' worth of programming for Gamma Chapter had been lost. Then I thought, most chapters can only dream of having the amount of alumnus members our brotherhood has produced, so why aren't we utilizing them? My next move was going to be aimed at our alumni, but I caught myself and realized we had not made a strong effort to reach out to this crucial group in nearly three years. We had wandered into the dark alone, and had no way of seeing the right direction.

Our situation was similar to sweeping the front porch of a house, and instead of really cleaning, just pushing all the dust under the welcome mat; this was our chapter and how we dealt with issues, except someone finally lifted up our "welcome mat". I knew something had to change; someone had to step up and turn our chapter around, otherwise we would be the membership that allowed the third oldest chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha to be shut down.

Gamma Chapter - Mission: Possible THEN NOW November 2008 November 2009 Performing Score (CVA) 1.17 (Non-performing) 3.0 (Near Excellent) **Chapter Executives Pike University** Conference, Convention **Events Attended** Academy, Leadership Summits Alumni Advisory Board **Alumni Advisors** None of three members Charter Suspended, Membership Review, Clear of any judicial **Judicial Status** University/ sanctions International Fraternity **Probation Period Debt to Fraternity** \$14,052 \$0

As the semester progressed, elections grew closer, and I began contemplating my next move within the leadership of Gamma Chapter. After the membership review, our chapter gained an advisor, which was the first ray of hope, and I took full advantage of this resource.

"You have to learn how to help yourselves as a brotherhood, before anyone else can help you. But know that the alumni are here to help; as soon as the chapter is ready to reach out, we will reach back." This statement could not have been more true or more motivating. Before we could look outward to our alumni, we had to show them we were willing to make a change for the better, and begin improving areas that had been long overdue. The thought of decades of alumnus members who were depending on us to keep the Fraternity alive was even more positive pressure and encouragement.

After weeks of probation and a plateau of improvements, I attended the Chapters Executives Conference during January 2009 hosted by Pike University in Memphis, Tennessee. I was contemplating a big move to run for leadership, and decided going to an event such as this could do nothing but help; in hindsight, this is probably the biggest understatement of my entire story.

This was my first Pike University event, and as my brothers and I stepped foot in the elaborate Peabody Hotel in downtown Memphis, I was blown away. The halls and lobby were blanketed with garnet and gold, and PiKA was being sported like it was going out of style. We pushed through the sea of Pikes and made our way to our rooms to get ready for the opening session.

Returning downstairs, the banquet hall was packed from wall to wall with over 500 in attendance. Looking around at the crowded white draped tables, I had a stark realization how big this thing we call Pi Kappa Alpha really is. I was awestruck. As the days progressed, I met men who were driven, motivated, and passionate about the Fraternity. At the conclusion of the Conference, I was infused with the fire and drive to make Pi Kappa Alpha at William and Mary the ultimate college experience, and became obsessed with getting our chapter back on track. We arrived back to campus and hit the ground running, instilled with the hunger and ambition to create that change, along with an



arsenal of positive ideas and resources to begin the revival of Gamma Chapter.

That was me less than a year ago, and my journey from a wide eyed freshman to now president of a thriving chapter has not been an easy road. Change is never easy, and transforming the mentality of members, alumni and even the university filled Gamma's road with countless obstacles. Since the Chapter Executives Conference in Memphis, Gamma Chapter now has more promise than anyone could have imagined, and a brotherhood that continues to strive for excellence. We are officially off probation with William and Mary, and successfully completed our organizational review. We satisfied the sanctions placed by the International Fraternity by clearing our \$15,000 debt. Our newly constructed Strategic Action Plan has also created a foundation for many written programs, upon which future leaders can build. We recently initiated one of the largest pledge classes on campus, raised nearly \$2,000 for charity with a very different showing this year for Homecoming, and increased our level of excellence from nonperforming to near excellent within a nine month period.

This was a journey involving many parties—our newly structured Alumni Advisory Board was a vital player. Gamma Chapter Advisor Evans Poston (William and Mary, Gamma '99) has spearheaded a fleet of support from our growing alumni database, enabling the membership to utilize the past experience and skills of those who came before us. Along with our added accountability to the William and Mary Greek Life Staff and the International Fraternity, we are continuing to push Pi Kappa Alpha further on this campus than anyone thought possible. We now strive

to embody the values of the True Pike. All this could not have happened without my Gamma Chapter brothers and their willingness to take this Fraternity to new heights every day.

There may be other chapters in similar situations, experiencing the feeling that you have dug so far down there is no way to climb out. But no matter how bad things have become, no matter how big a hole you have dug, you are never too deep to climb out.

There are plenty of opportunities at your finger tips: your university, your alumni, the International Fraternity staff, and most importantly, those men who sit next to you every week in chapter meetings. As for Gamma Chapter, we saw an opportunity to make a change for the better, so we took it.

Don't ever be so proud that you can't ask for help from any of these resources, because all it takes is that one spark, that one ignition, to light the fire that instills the passion to make a seemingly impossible mission possible.





The material for this story was provided by Gamma Chapter President Wes Pearce '06 (left), and written in conjunction with Chapter Consultant Logan Reynolds (Central Oklahoma, Lambda Iota '06). To contact

Pearce and learn more about what it took to make a change and achieve excellence within his chapter, email him at wespearce88@gmail.com. Looking around at the crowded white draped tables [at the Chapter Executives Conference], I had a stark realization of how big this thing we call Pi Kappa Alpha really is.

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Iota Pi (California-Los Angeles)

Active chapter size: 67; pledges: 26. Actives and alumni gathered in August 2009 for a day with their brothers. The day began with the group volunteering for the Santa Monica Baykeeper organization to help clean up and re-plant native vegetation for a creek that runs through the UCLA campus. That evening, the group, along with their family and friends, gathered for the 10th annual UCLA Pi Kappa Alpha alumni Dodger game at Dodger Stadium. It was a fun night seeing old friends and making new ones for both actives and alumni. Among the brothers active in this service event were Garrett McPerry '07, Evan Barrett (Johns Hopkins, lota Tau '93), Mike Onorato '05, Matt MacFarland '95 and Brett Long '07.



Kappa Gamma (Florida International)

Active chapter size: 91. The men of Kappa Gamma strive to lead in the community volunteer arena defining them as a service organization. During 2009 they have been active in assisting players training for the Special Olympics, among other local tennis-related activities. They began their relationship with assisting USTA Florida earlier this year to assist special-needs children in their efforts to train for the tennis portion of the South Florida Special Olympics. Their efforts expanded to bringing 30 men to work alongside these children during the Special Olympics held at Miami-Dade College. The men lead on campus as well as off, and have participated in events benefitting Mothers Against Drunk Driving, the American Diabetes Association and Make-a-Wish.

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Hospital in Memphis. The fundraising event was held at Northern Kentucky University in the multipurpose room of the Student Union. The men made themselves available to the highest bidder for up to four hours of service for tasks that included cleaning, painting and raking leaves.

Eta Sigma (West Georgia)

Active chapter size: 33; pledges: 11.

Eta Tau (Austin Peay State)

Active chapter size: 32.

Eta Upsilon (Texas-Arlington)

Active chapter size: 33; pledges: 5.

Theta Alpha (North Alabama)

Active chapter size: 29.

Theta Beta (Montevallo)

Active chapter size: 20; pledges: 3.

Theta Gamma (Georgia College & State University)

Active chapter size: 37; pledges: 12.

Theta Epsilon (Northeastern State)

Active chapter size: 23; pledges: 19.

Theta Zeta (Northern Iowa)

Active chapter size: 42; pledges: 8.

Theta Kappa (Indiana Southeast)

Active chapter size: 23; pledges: 11.

Theta Lambda (Creighton)

Active chapter size: 79; pledges: 7. The chapter sent twelve men to the Kansas City Leadership Summit.

Theta Mu (Massachusetts)

Active chapter size: 61; pledges: 9. Theta Mu's annual alumni weekend is a collaboration between the brothers and alumni that marks a special bond and is a time for building memories. The October 16, 2009 event began with a golf tournament at Hickory Ridge Country Club followed by an intense poker tournament at the chapter house. The next day there was a breakfast and address on current affairs of the chapter, and later the active chapter narrowly beat the alumni in an afternoon football game. After that match the group had a great tailgate event prior to the UMass vs UNH football game. The weekend ended with a blockbuster party at the chapter house. For chapter news and updates, alumni are encouraged to contact alumni relations chair William Faherty '88 at wfaherty@student.umass.edu.

Theta Xi (Texas A&M-Commerce)

Active chapter size: 32.

Theta Omicron (Indiana State)

Active chapter size: 61; pledges: 19.

Theta Pi (Alabama-Huntsville)

Active chapter size: 47; pledges: 15. The chapter sent eleven men to the Philadelphia Leadership Summit. Actives and alumni brothers hosted a back to school cookout for Huntsville area Big Brothers Big Sisters. The event brought over 150 children from the area together to have fun and to win school supplies for the upcoming year. The men are preparing for their second annual Pikes on Bikes event, benefitting the Lance Armstrong Livestrong Foundation. The ride begins at the Theta

Pi Chapter in Huntsville and ends at the Eta Kappa Chapter at the University of South Alabama - a distance of approximately 370 miles. On campus the men are involved in many organizations including student government, T.R.U.E. Chargers Student Alumni Association, ASCE, IEEE, Concrete Canoe Team, campus housing, AIAA, ROTC and the Catholic Student Association. They have received two awards from the university which included the prestigious President's Award which is presented to the best overall fraternity as judged by faculty and a Greek Week award for participation. Last year the chapter participated in all intramural events and won the IFC sports trophy for the fourth consecutive year. They also won the university's dodgeball tournament as well as the intramural soccer tournament and the Greek Week Olympiad award.

Theta Sigma (Winthrop)

Active chapter size: 65; pledges: 13. Winthrop's soccer teams, in conjunction with Theta Sigma Chapter, set out to raise \$10,000 for the American Cancer Society with a Kicks Against Cancer game, but ended up raising \$19,150. The organizers would have been happy to see 50 people in the stands, but there was closer to 500 in attendance. The soccer match blended two squads of Eagles men's and women's soccer players. Winthrop men's soccer coach, Rich Posipanko, and his wife, Gayle, found out last summer that Gayle had breast cancer. The timing of the event fell the day before Gayle's final treatment, and she commented that it was like watching her ordeal come full circle.

Theta Tau (California State-Sacramento)

Active chapter size: 49; pledges: 15.

Theta Upsilon (Tennessee Tech)

Active chapter size: 28; pledges: 11.

Theta Psi (Chapman)

Active chapter size: 75; pledges: 31. The overall chapter GPA continues to improve and more members have applied to the Greek honor society, Order of Omega, than ever before. In October the chapter held their annual alumni and family barbecue during Homecoming weekend with over 100 alumni and family members in attendance. The event also raised approximately \$2,000 for the annual Pike Presents philanthropy. Three members serve on the Chapman University Associated Students Senate.

Theta Omega (California-Davis)

Active chapter size: 59; pledges: 5.

lota Alpha (Wyoming)

Active chapter size: 27; pledges: 10. The chapter sent two men to the Denver Leadership Summit.

lota Beta (California State-Fresno)

Active chapter size: 61.

lota Gamma (Nebraska-Kearney)

Active chapter size: 54; pledges: 25. The chapter sent sixteen men to the Kansas City Leadership Summit. lota Gamma appreciates the alumni involvement and welcomed the second attorney to their Alumni Advisory Board who will serve as legal counsel and an operations advisor. Last spring they had thirty alumni attend the Dr. Kent Estes Memorial Golf Tournament. Community service is an important part of chapter activities and last academic year they were able to participate in 4,200

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Kappa Psi (California Polytechnic State-Pomona)

Active chapter size: 21; pledges: 28. The chapter enjoyed a very successful fall rush as they implemented the tactics learned at the Pike University CEC event. The zealous rush captains promise this is just the beginning of rush success at Kappa Psi Chapter.

hours of service. This dedication to service won them a recognition award for being the top community service chapter in the Greek system at last spring's Greek Week awards banquet. On campus they pride themselves for having 100% of the men involved in additional organizations including student government, student alumni foundation. sports administration club, and the honors program. They have varsity athletes in golf, baseball and track and field.

lota Epsilon (California State-Long Beach)

Active chapter size: 27.

lota Theta (Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo)

Active chapter size: 107; pledges: 40.

lota lota (Michigan State)

Active chapter size: 94; pledges: 20.

Iota Kappa (California-Santa Barbara)

Active chapter size: 55.

lota Lambda (Columbia)

Active chapter size: 23; pledges: 17.

lota Omicron (Santa Clara)

Active chapter size: 90.

lota Rho (Saint Joseph's)

Active chapter size: 30. The chapter sent eleven men to the Philadelphia Leadership Summit.

lota Sigma (James Madison)

Active chapter size: 58. The chapter sent nine men to the Philadelphia Leadership Summit.

lota Tau (Johns Hopkins)

Active chapter size: 69. Last spring Nick Gilson '08 was recognized with the Emerging Leader Award from the Johns Hopkins University Student Government Association. The Emerging Leader Award recognizes undergraduates who have made new and significant contributions to student activities or show significant improvement and development in their dedication to student activities. Gilson was acknowledged for his efforts as president of the Class of 2011 Council. He was one of only two undergraduates to earn this award.

lota Upsilon (Georgia Southern)

Active chapter size: 80.

Iota Chi (Connecticut)

Active chapter size: 44. The chapter sent twelve men to the Philadelphia Leadership Summit.

Iota Psi (Appalachian State)

Active chapter size: 73; pledges: 11.

Iota Omega (Western Ontario)

Active chapter size: 48.

Kappa Alpha (Illinois State)

Active chapter size: 81; pledges: 1. The chapter sent ten men to the Kansas City Leadership Summit.

Kappa Delta (Northeastern)

Active chapter size: 71; pledges: 9. Fall service activities have kept the chapter busy. Over half of the chapter members spent the night at Harvard's Indoor track to support the Relay for Life event where they raised \$3,300 for the charity. The Kappa Delta Chapter was able to bring widely known State Radio to perform at their third annual PIKEoberfest this past fall, and more than 1,000 students stood out in the rain to enjoy the free concert. The chapter continues to exemplify leadership on campus by holding half of all current IFC positions including both treasurer and secretary on the executive board. Thirty-nine brothers spent a weekend at a chapter retreat in order to align goals for the semester. Recent alumnus brother Scott Doliner '07 devoted many hours programming a custom organizational system for the Kappa Delta Chapter. This system allows brothers to login online to view messages and calendar events, as well as other tools useful for running a successful chapter. His donation of time and expertise is greatly appreciated.

Kappa Epsilon (Rockhurst)

Active chapter size: 70. The



chapter sent seven men to the Kansas City Leadership Summit. Kappa Epsilon had a 3.34 GPA in spring 2009, the highest among fraternities at Rockhurst. The chapter recently sponsored a campus blood drive with the Community Blood Center of Kansas City. Nine brothers made a service trip to Houghton, Michigan where they cut and chopped wood for underprivileged families' winter supply, and logged 270 service hours. During Homecoming week the chapter swept senior, junior and sophomore Homecoming kings. Kappa Epsilon won the 2009 Intramural Cup, and has finished second in coed softball this year.

Kappa Zeta (Louisville)

Active chapter size: 72; pledges: 24.

Kappa Eta (New Mexico State)



Active chapter size: 80. The chapter sent one man to the Denver Leadership Summit. Brother Ross Conner '07 received the distinguished award of Male Scholar Student Athlete for the graduating class of 2009. He has one more season with the Aggie football team as linebacker while he obtains a second degree. Another brother was

appointed student regent by the Governor of New Mexico last spring. As student regent he will work with the four other members of the NMSU Board of Regents to provide oversight of the university. Chapter members are also represented on the student senate and the IFC executive board. Community service and intramurals are activities that the chapter prides itself in, and last spring they celebrated their third consecutive intramural championship and third consecutive undefeated season.

Kappa Theta (George Mason)



Active chapter size: 75; pledges: 37. The chapter sent seven men to the Philadelphia Leadership Summit. Kappa Theta implemented a new rush system consisting of two brothers serving as rush chair, and a committee dedicated to assisting rush efforts. Their popular broomball rush event brought together 50 potential new members along

with many other guests. The chapter has raised over \$6,000 from philanthropy events, and have recently focused on raising money for leukenmia research in support of a family member of a Kappa Theta brother who has received a diagnosis.

Kappa lota (Rhode Island)

Active chapter size: 54; pledges: 31. The chapter sent one man to the Philadelphia Leadership Summit.

Kappa Kappa (North Carolina-Charlotte)

Active chapter size: 58; pledges: 16.

Kappa Lambda (Western Illinois)

Active chapter size: 49; pledges: 12.

Kappa Mu (Wilfrid Laurier)



Ryan Bernier '08

Active chapter size: 37; pledges: 19. The Kappa Mu Pikes

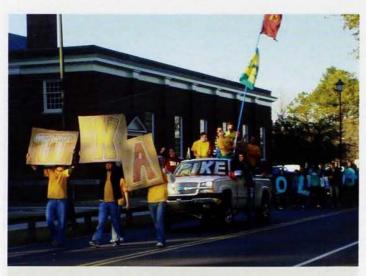
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Lambda Delta (Vermont)

Active chapter size: 45; pledges: 6. The chapter sent thirteen men to the Philadelphia Leadership Summit. The annual pig roast was very successful and 25 alumni came over for the event. The Lambda Delta Chapter will celebrate their 10th anniversary in April 2010. The chapter participated in the annual Burlington fire truck pull to raise money for charity and took first place in the competition. The 24 hours Bike-a-Thon took place in October

and the men raised money for ALS research, a charity close to their hearts. They are hosting a powder puff football tournament which will also benefit ALS research. The cumulative chapter GPA is 3.0 due to the success of their strong scholarship program with daily study sessions held at the library. They continue to thrive as campus leaders and in athletics they have six men on the UVM rugby team.





Colony at North Carolina-Wilmington

Colony size: 43. In the photo above, Pike is represented in the UNC-Wilmington Homecoming parade.

won the A Division intramural dodgeball championship at the Laurier Athletic Complex this past summer. After a winning season of 12-1, the men swept the playoffs and defeated their opponent in the championship match.

Kappa Nu (Pacific)

Active chapter size: 54; pledges: 9.

Kappa Omicron (Nevada-Las Vegas)

Active chapter size: 54. The chapter sent four men to the Spokane Leadership Summit.

Kappa Pi (South Dakota)

Active chapter size: 24: pledges: 11. The chapter sent twelve men to the Kansas City Leadership Summit. The Kappa Pi Chapter has dedicated significant resources in 2009 to housing improvements. The year the chapter has enjoyed \$9,190 in renovations to make the chapter house a more productive and comfortable living and working space. Major improvements this year include the construction of a new chapter room to hold meetings and major events, an energy efficient air conditioning system and hot water heater. These projects were made possible by the generous donations of alumni and the Chapter Housing

Corporation, whose combined efforts funded half of the total renovation expense.

Kappa Sigma (Slippery Rock)

Active chapter size: 29; pledges: 5.

Kappa Tau (Maine)

Active chapter size: 61.

Kappa Upsilon (American)

Active chapter size: 47; pledges: 7.

Kappa Phi (California-San Diego)

Active chapter size: 102; pledges: 30.

Kappa Omega (Wisconsin-Whitewater)

Active chapter size: 52; pledges: 8.

Lambda Alpha (California-Riverside)

Active chapter size: 45. The chapter sent two men to the Denver Leadership Summit.

Lambda Beta (Florida Atlantic)

Active chapter size: 59; pledges: 33.

Lambda Gamma (Montclair State)

Active chapter size: 36; pledges: 5. The chapter sent three men to the Philadelphia Leadership Summit.

Lambda Epsilon (Alberta)

Active chapter size: 33. The chapter sent four men to the Spokane Leadership Summit.

Lambda Zeta (Drexel)



Active chapter size: 92. The chapter sent fifty-one men to the Philadelphia Leadership Summit. The Lambda Zeta Chapter competed in the annual Cape Express Beach Blast Soccer Tournament for the third consecutive year and the team won their bracket. They then prevailed in the finals with an exciting 4-3 win and were named the Men's **Open Division Champions** for the third year in a row. Over 950 teams played their games on the 30x40 yard plots of sand on the beaches of Wildwood, New Jersey. In October 2009 the chapter held a block party to raise awareness and funds for the HERO Campaign, an organization that promotes the importance of designated driving. The Drexel Police Department closed off area streets for the event, which was open to the public, and included bands, disc jockeys and free food.

Lambda Eta (William Woods)

Active chapter size: 18; pledges: 13. The chapter sent eight men to the Kansas City Leadership Summit.

Lambda Theta (Dayton)

Active chapter size: 46; pledges: 5.

Lambda lota (Central Oklahoma)

Active chapter size: 74; pledges: 33. A study hour program resulted in improved chapter GPA for the spring 2009 semester. Lambda lota placed second in the overall Homecoming competitions at UCO, placing first among all fraternities. Also during Homecoming, the chapter won their fourth consecutive cheer and dance competition and a brother was selected as the Homecoming king, making this the fourth out of the past five years a Pike has been named Homecoming king. The chapter is proud of brother Daniel Stockton '06 who serves as an undergraduate international vice president.

Lambda Kappa (Charleston)

Active chapter size: 86; pledges: 20.

Lambda Lambda (California-Irvine)

Active chapter size: 105; pledges: 22.

Lambda Mu (Embry-Riddle)

Active chapter size: 63; pledges: 23. The chapter sent twelve men to the Denver Leadership Summit.



Lambda Nu (Boston)

Active chapter size: 64; pledges: 43. The chapter sent thirty men to the Philadelphia Leadership Summit. The Lambda Nu Chapter continues to build upon last year's top 10 recruitment success in only its seventh round of recruitment efforts. In addition to the record success in numbers, they are dedicating to achieving their fourth consecutive Fraternity of the Year award in only their fourth year since receiving their charter. Each chapter success puts them closer to obtaining this goal. Thriving in a campus community that is making significant advancements in relations with the Greek organizations, Lambda Nu is confident that they will be able

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Gamma Sigma Alpha National Greek Academic Honor Society

The Pi Kappa Alpha International Fraternity would like to congratulate the following brothers on their initiation into the Gamma Sigma Alpha National Greek Academic Honor Society during the 2008-2009 academic school year.

Gamma Sigma Alpha National Academic Greek Honor Society is committed to the academic success of its members and alignment with the academic missions of its host institutions. Students are eligible for membership based on grade point average and membership in a Greek fraternity or sorority. The Society strives to uphold the high ideals of scholastic achievement and therefore, only students with a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 or above (on a 4.0 scale) at the start of their junior year or a grade point average of 3.5 or higher in any semester during their junior or senior year are eligible.

Achieving at least a 3.5 or higher cumulative GPA is an obvious sign that a student has made a sincere pledge to exceptional performance in the classroom in addition to his involvement with Pi Kappa Alpha and other campus and civic engagements.

We wish these gentlemen all the best in their future careers and life endeavors. Pi Kappa Alpha is dedicated to teaching the ideals that help develop future leaders.

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Sean Harb (Alpha Sigma Chapter)
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Gamma Delta (Arizona)

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Kappa Epsilon (Rockhurst University)

Lambda Rho (North Carolina-Greensboro)

Colony at Virginia Commonwealth

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Gamma Alpha Chapter (Alabama)	43
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to sustain quality growth and continue to recruit the most best men at Boston University.

Lambda Xi (Florida Gulf Coast)

Active chapter size: 86; pledges: 18.

Lambda Omicron (Rogers State)

Active chapter size: 14; pledges: 18. Seven Lambda Omicron brothers helped with the freshman orientation camp which gave them an opportunity to meet potential members. The chapter supported St. Jude Children's Research Hospital with proceeds from their annual Rock-a-Thon event, as well as the 5K memorial for Lambda Omicron brother Nich Micheal '06 who died in a car accident in September 2009. Pike hosted their third annual Halloween Trail of Terror for the local youth. In campus leadership, they have brothers represented in the Alpha Chi National Honor Society, student government, criminal justice society, student senate and one brother has served as the RSU mascot for the past two years. Each active brother is involved in at least one additional student organization. The Pike intramural basketball team enters this season holding the championship trophy and expects a repeat win.

Lambda Pi (Hofstra University)

Active chapter size: 34.

Lambda Rho (North Carolina-Greensboro)

Active chapter size: 42; pledges: 14.

THE COLONIES

Colony at DePaul

Colony size: pledges: 34.

Colony at Stetson

Colony size: pledges: 33.

Colony at Virginia Commonwealth

Colony size: 1; pledges: 48. The colony sent four men to the Philadelphia Leadership Summit.

Colony at Trinity University

Colony size: pledges: 64.

Colony at McNeese State

Colony size: 55. The colony sent two men to the Philadelphia Leadership Summit and one man to the Denver Leadership Summit. Homecoming week saw 19 Pikes on the ballot for the Homecoming court, and out of the seven elected five were Pikes with Travis LaVergne being elected Homecoming king. McNeese's long standing traditional mud volleyball tournament, held during Homecoming week, was won by the Pike team and brought them front page attention on the Lake Charles American Press, a local newspaper.

Colony at North Carolina-Pembroke

Colony size: 30. The colony participated in the university's Relay for Life dodgeball tournament in April 2009, which benefitted the American Cancer Society. The colony won first place in the tournament and also won the MVP team award. In August 2009 the men hosted a golf tournament benefitting the Shriners Children Hospital.

Colony at Emory

Colony size: 62. Even as a young colony, they have grown to be the 3rd largest fraternity on campus and enjoyed the highest matriculation ratio this fall. The men have one of the highest GPAs at Emory with over 1/3 of the colony involved in either the National Honor Society or the Dean's List. The alumni are very important to the success of the colony and they meet monthly with the alumni advisory board, work closely with their alumni advisors on planned activities and participate in events with the alumni association. They are planning an alumni golf tournament to be held in the spring semester. The newly formed community service committee is planning a large service event with Atlanta-area youth groups and will also work with other fraternities and sororities on community service events. Two members volunteer with the Emory Emergency Medical

Services on a weekly basis. Most members are involved in additional campus organizations, including the College Council, student government, research institutions, Residence Hall Association, varsity sports and the Emory University radio station. The colony was chosen to plan and lead Emory University's campus-wide trick-or-treating event for area high-risk youth. In campus athletics, the volleyball team placed second in the ZBT/SDT volleyball tournament in the fall. They have two flag football teams competing in the intramural season, with the A team training for the championship title.

Colony at Lehigh

Colony size: 88. The colony sent eight men to the Philadelphia Leadership Summit.

Colony at Texas State

Colony size: 88.

Colony at Cal State-Chico

Colony size: 69.

Colony at Towson

Colony size: 112. The colony sent five men to the Philadelphia Leadership Summit.

Colony at Memphis

Colony size: 58. The colony members, Mid South Area Alumni Association and the Theta Chapter members at Rhodes College are participating in a Toys for Tots toy drive event. The three groups are collecting toys for underprivileged children to receive during the holidays.

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"I want to encourage other alumnus brothers to build better leaders and scholars within their chapters by investing in the PiKA scholarship program."

— William C. "Wick" Watkins (Upsilon '51) Issues facing today's college students are more diverse and more challenging than ever. The experience provided through fraternity involvement is as important to shaping young men's lives today as it has ever been. Loyal, forward-thinking alumni from Upsilon Chapter recognize the need to support their chapter and its student leaders, thereby ensuring a quality Pike experience and continued success for Pi Kappa Alpha at Auburn University

William C. "Wick" Watkins (Auburn, Upsilon '51), L. Owen Brown (Auburn, Upsilon '61), David H. Dyson (Auburn, Upsilon '72), Bill Ham, Jr. (Auburn, Upsilon '73), and generous alumnus contributors to the Upsilon Chapter

Endowment Fund see the return on their investment evidenced in the continuing operational excellence and quality chapter members and leaders of Upsilon Chapter.

Director of Services Eric J. Hren (Toledo, Epsilon Epsilon '04) reports "Upsilon Chapter has scored a near excellent (3.0) to excellent (3.5 above) rating four of the past five years. During the same five year period, the chapter has received the Raymond L. Orians Chapter Excellence Award three times. Upsilon Chapter has remained a 100-man chapter, putting them among the top chapters on the Auburn campus in size (26 total fraternity groups); and the chapter has participated strongly in Pike University programs, sending on average 10 men each year for the past five years. Areas of programming excellence include alumni relations, financial management, house operations, athletic programming, and International Fraternity involvement. During the past year the chapter raised \$42,000 for philanthropy."

Fueling this drive for excellence is the scholarship support provided through the Pi Kappa Alpha Educational Foundation. The William C. "Wick" Watkins Scholarships are presented annually to Upsilon student members and recognize outstanding loyalty to Upsilon Chapter and dedicated service

At left: First row, seated from left: Patrick Wilson, Wick Watkins, Zack Wells. Second row, from left: Chapter Advisor Roger Bell, Chris Cooper, David Leffard, Stephen Gibbons, LJ Vatella. Not Pictured - Adam Chambley.



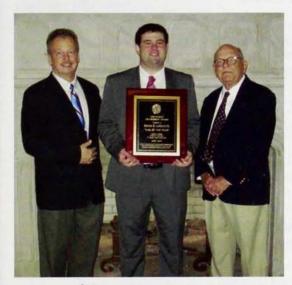
At right: Bill Ham, Jr., Mayor of Auburn, and the late Wes Bilbo, 2008 Bill Ham Award recipient.

and devotion to upholding the principles set forth in the Pi Kappa Alpha Preamble. In 2009, six \$1,000 scholarships were awarded to outstanding student leaders including Patrick Wilson '07, Adam G. Chambley '07, Christopher W. Cooper '07, Lawrence J. Vatella '07, Stephen Z. Wells '05, and William S. Gibbons, Jr. '05.

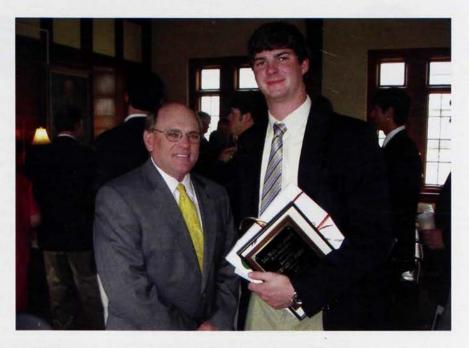
Watkins remarked, "Two of the best things that ever happened to me are my wife, of over 53 years and PiKA for 58 years. The brotherhood that I experienced while in school, and all the years after, inspired me to set up a scholarship for the young brothers. This is my way of expressing thanks for the privilege of being in IIKA and also an excellent way for me to give something back to deserving young Pikes. All I can say to Pikes everywhere is "thanks PiKA!"

L. Owen Brown endowed the Bill Ham, Sr. Memorial Scholarship which is presented annually and recognizes leadership and community service involvement. The scholarship requires the successful attainment of 30 or more credit hours and includes a financial need component. Ross Parrish '07 is the 2009 recipient of the Bill Ham Sr. Memorial Scholarship.

Speaking of the scholarship's namesake, Brown said, "Bill Ham, Sr. deserves all the credit. He was an inspiration to many of us.



From left: Upsilon Chapter Advisor Roger Bell, "2009 Dave Dyson- Man of the Year Award" recipient David Leffard and Wick Watkins.



Bill had been the head cheerleader as an undergraduate at Auburn. He always brought that enthusiasm and friendliness to any interaction I ever had with him. He was kind, helpful, sincere, and he cared for the men in the chapter and Fraternity. He was always ready to lend a helping hand as well as to assume leadership positions in an effort to help his community, his University, his chapter, and his Fraternity. They just don't get much better than Bill Ham."

The David H. Dyson Servant Leadership - Outstanding Undergraduate Scholarship recognizes servant leadership within Upsilon Chapter. Nominees are identified by members of the active chapter and by chapter advisors, with consideration given to service to Upsilon Chapter and Auburn University, character and competence as a student and brother, and academic effort and performance. David Leffard '05 is the most recent recipient of the Dyson Outstanding Undergraduate Award.

David Dyson explains what motivated him to endow the scholarship: "I created the scholarship to add more tangible appreciation to those providing servant leadership to the chapter, and to encourage more younger members to want to emulate the honorees. In 1984, Bill Ham and I met at his house in Auburn to discuss ways we could encourage more positive action among undergraduate members. One of the decisions we made was to start awards for more areas of chapter

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leadership and to add financial stipends to those that were already offered. In the 25 years since, awards have been offered for the outstanding member, outstanding officer, academic achievement and improvement, athletics, house management, brotherhood, and more."

What Upsilon Chapter scholarship recipients are saying:

"I am extremely grateful and humbled to receive the William C. 'Wick' Watkins Loyalty Award. With this award, Mr. Watkins and the Upsilon Chapter of the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity have motivated me, along with many other Pike brothers, to achieve excellence in both our academic and social settings. I know that this scholarship will continue to promote high achievement within the Upsilon Chapter for many years to come."

- Stephen Gibbons Fall '05

"I am proud to be a member of Pi Kappa Alpha, and to be the recipient of this scholarship has really meant a lot to me. I know that hard work and dedication are pivotal to the success of any individual, and to be recognized for exhibiting these traits by the fraternity that helped ingrain them in my character is truly an honor."

Zack Wells Fall '05

"It is such an honor to be a recipient of this prestigious award. We at the Upsilon Chapter owe so much of our success and tradition to Mr. Watkins. The 'Wick' Watkins Loyalty Award is just one of many ways in which he has helped to better our Fraternity. I am extremely proud to be a part of the prestigious group that

has received this award today and in the past, because it truly encompasses the characteristics and qualities of a true Pike."

- Patrick Wilson Fall '06

"The Wick Watkins Scholarship Award has helped me strive to be more involved and active in the fraternity as well as on campus."

L.J. Vatella Fall '07

"With all the responsibilities of being college students and active members of the Upsilon Chapter, it's great to have the support of devoted alumni like Brothers Watkins, Brown and Dyson to assist us throughout our college careers."

Christopher Cooper Spring '07

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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 9/14/2009 and 11/20/2009.

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Homecoming and Tailgates Highlight Fall Events

ALPHA GAMMA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Louisiana State

The Alpha Gamma Alumni Association hosted the third annual Steak and Cigar Night at the chapter house the night before LSU's Homecoming with over 100 fathers, actives and alumni in attendance. The alumni association would like to thank Chapter Advisor Craig Broussard '76 for hosting the event and they encourage alumni to mark their calendar for next year's annual alumni event which will once again take place on the Friday night prior to Homecoming game day. Brother Kurt Coste '77 is organizing an Alpha Gamma reunion for the 1972-1982 alumni era to be held in Metairie, Louisiana in the spring of 2010. Details for the spring event will be distributed in the alumni e-newsletter. Alumni interested in helping to plan this reunion event are encouraged to contact Kurt Coste at kurt@topgunsinc.com.

ALPHA ZETA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Arkansas

The Alpha Zeta Alumni Association meets regularly every four to six weeks for a social luncheon at the Crowne Plaza Hotel on Shakelford Road in West Little Rock for all alumni in the Little Rock area. The association will target a football weekend for alumni to gather in Fayetteville during the 2010 season so all can visit the house, meet the undergraduate members and renew friendships with brothers they have not seen in several years. The alumni association officers are Joe Pete McNeil '50, president; Larry Cargile '61, first vice president, Jared Henderson '00, second vice president, Bob

Ritchie '55, treasurer and David Love '73, secretary.

The Monticello Corporation (MC). Alpha Zeta's housing board, has been assessing the housing needs of the undergraduate chapter over the past two years, and has now hired architects and engineers to help make informed decisions on how to best address these needs. The MC, through its architects and engineers, is currently working closely with the University of Arkansas' Facilities Management Department and its Design Review Board, with the aim of providing housing that is the best on campus, and which is also competitive among off-campus housing options as well. The MC looks forward to providing all Alpha Zeta alumni with updated information over the coming months, as the project proceeds through the UA's planning process. Please visit http://hoapikealumni. com for more information on alumni association events and news.

ALPHA THETA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION West Virginia

Over 50 Alpha Theta brothers gathered and shared good times at reunions this year. The annual reunions have become popular over the years attracting brothers from across the country. Update your contact information at www.wvupikes. com to receive information about upcoming alumni association events and news.

Attendees at the August 2009 golf outing, which was held in Virginia, included Paul Murphy '84, John Terlingo '84, Bob Yuro '82, J.P. Chipps '80, Tom Whalen '80, Scott Heide '81, Joe Feola '79, Don LaFon '79, John Hig-



Andy Barrett and John Allevato share Alpha Theta memories.

gins '79, West Partin '78, Mike Shook '77, Dan Snyder '75 and Jeff Barker '68. Next year the golf tournament will be held in Pittsburgh.

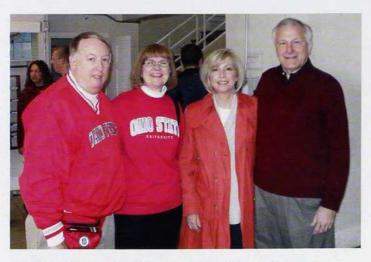
The Morgantown, West Virginia reunion was also held in August 2009, and was attended by Zack Shackelford '07, Grayson Owen '06, Migual Frisco '84, Michael Murray '78, Don McIntosh'71, Chet Schwer '66, Leon Yates '66, Doug Benson '65, Dan Brennan '65, Gary Earp '65, Mack Gardner '65, Bob Elliott '64, Rob Risher '64, John Allevato '62, Bill Chittum '62, Doug Ladish '62, Jack Russell '62, Larry Cobb '59, Ed Ayres '58, Andy Barrett '58, Rich Hopkins '58 and Tom Pendleton '55.

ALPHA RHO ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Ohio State

The Alpha Rho Alumni Association recently held multiple events to coincide with the Ohio State Homecoming. On October 22, 2009 a Dine and Donate event at Hoggy's restaurant provided the as-

sociation with a donation of 15% of the night's total bill. Many thanks go out to the management of Hoggy's in appreciation of their generosity in hosting this event. The following day a number of area alumni met up at Varsity Club to re-live some memories at this timeless campus classic. Finally, on game day, October 24, the actives of the Alpha Rho Chapter opened their house to alumni and their families for a pre-game barbecue. At each event the undergraduates had copies of the most recent newsletter, Brotherly Bulletin, on hand to share with the alumni. The newsletter showcases recent achievements, accomplishments, and activities of the chapter, and may be viewed in the alumni section of http:// www.OSUPikes.com. Each of these three events was a success, drawing numerous alumni from near and far alike. Photos from these events, as well as photos of the new facility, may also be viewed at the website.

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Alpha Rho alumni and families enjoyed the Ohio State Homecoming events.



Alpha Omega Alumni Association held its 11th annual golf tournament at Colbert Hills in Manhattan, Kansas in August 2009, with 74 alumni and undergraduates participating in the event. Highlighting the event was the pairing of alumni/undergraduate teams, allowing each group a chance to get to know each other. After the tournament, the group visited the chapter house before the awards dinner. The alumni had an informal gathering in Kansas City in November prior to attending the Kansas State men's basketball game. The association needs help in funding the website and newsletters. Donations may be sent to Alpha Omega Alumni Association, 12855 Century, Overland Park, Kansas 66213. Questions concerning the alumni association may be directed to Dan Schierling '81 at dschierl@arizant.com or 913-461-1972.

BETA ALPHA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Pennsylvania State

The biannual meeting of the Beta Alpha Building Corporation was held in October at the chapter house. The house looks great after a summer renovation program that in-

cluded new hardwood flooring installed throughout the first floor, carpeting installed on the stairs and upper hallways, new couches and end tables in the trophy room and lounge and new tables and benches in the dining room. The actives purchased a new flat screen TV and cabinet for the lounge. Alumni are encouraged to stop by the house to say hello and see the new upgrades to the house. Any alumni interested in getting involved with the building corporation should contact Rick Ward '66 at riw@ everkerr.com or Keith Minarik '94 at kminarik26@yahoo.com. The spring alumni event will be held on April 24, 2010 during Blue White Weekend. A block of hotel rooms have been arranged and alumni may contact Ben Jellison at bjellison@shanercorp.com to reserve a room.

BETA BETA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Washington

The Beta Beta Alumni Association hosted two successful events this fall. In August, 40 brothers were in attendance for pre-game festivities at the Pyramid Alehouse before heading across the street to Safeco Field to watch the Mariners take on the Tampa Bay Rays. Highlights included Pi Kappa Alpha being recognized on the jumbotron and



Beta Beta alumni, friends and families held a tailgate before watching the Seattle Mariners take on the Tampa Bay Rays.

a brother throwing an Evan Longoria homerun back onto the field from the beer garden. In the second alumni event, the Beta Beta annual Homecoming tailgate was taken to another level with over 120 people in attendance where they enjoyed steaks and roast duck as the main course. If you were unable to be at either of these events, contact BBAA president Don Isaak '95 at donisaak@hotmail.com to find out about the next event.

BETA ETA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Illinois

Demolition of the old house at 102 E. Chalmers has begun. Pictures, video and updated news may be found at the new Beta Eta Alumni Association website at www.illinipikes.com.

BETA KAPPA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Emory

Alumni are involved and excited about the progress of the Colony at Emory University as the undergraduate men work towards full chapter status. The Alumni Advisory Board, lead by chapter advisor Marc Grunden (Western Carolina, Zeta Xi '90) is actively involved in helping the colony succeed, and they are happy to report that in addition to the three Beta Kappa's on the board they also

have a number of alumni from other chapters who care deeply about Beta Kappa's return to Emory. Brothers involved with the advisory board include Yale Wedig (Florida Southern, Delta Delta '67), operations; Sean Thomasson (Florida State, Delta Lambda '01), finance: Larry Davis '70, risk awareness; Chris Phillips (East Tennessee State, Epsilon Zeta '85), membership development; James Gates (Georgia, Alpha Mu '98), alumni relations; Jon Baio '84, scholarship and Larry Stoumen '82, housing. If you are interested in becoming involved with the Colony at Emory University or Beta Kappa Alumni Association, please contact association president Larry Stoumen at Istoumen@bellsouth.net.

BETA PI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Pennsylvania

The Beta Pi Alumni Association will celebrate Founders Day on March 27, 2010. Information will be posted as plans are finalized. The association maintains one of the largest PiKA yahoo groups at http:// groups.yahoo.com/group/BetaPiAlumni. Once you log on and register you will join over 240 Beta Pi alumni spanning seven decades. The association also maintains a website at www.pika-upenn.org where once you log on and register you can update your contact

information, search the database, view event photos and catch up with news and more. For further information on the alumni association, contact Joel Catania '71 at jlclii@aol. com.

BETA OMICRON ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Oklahoma

The alumni have been very supportive to the undergraduate chapter as volunteers and contributors in various ways, and are always looking for additional alumni volunteers to assist in any way. With the advanced technology there are positions that can be filled without having to be at every alumni meeting or chapter advisory team meeting. Plans are being finalized for the 3rd annual Founders Day celebration and annual alumni meeting which will be held during the first part of March 2010. The alumni association is looking for area captains in Tulsa, Denver, Houston and Dallas. For information on any alumni association news or volunteer opportunities, contact president Hub Caldwell at hub@ sbcglobal.net or 405-813-7523.

GAMMA MU ALUMNI ASSOCIATION New Hampshire

The 5th annual Gamma Mu Alumni Association golf tournament was held in September 2009 at the Windham Country Club with 24 alumni and undergraduate brothers in attendance. Everyone enjoyed the day as well as the informal awards ceremony and impromptu dinner that followed. The winning team, with a score of 64, was the threesome of Tom Foley '81, Dave Weisburg '81 and Dave Kalil '81. The second place team, with a score of 65, was Glenn Martin '82, Dana Akers '82, Jeff Angle '82 and Scott Briggs '81. Third place recognition went to Jeff Sheehy '79, Ken Kraus '81 Dave Miller '78 and John Woodrow '78 with a score of

66. The longest drive award went to Dave Kalil and closest to the pin went to Ken Kraus. The alumni enjoyed meeting the undergraduates who participated, and they hope these quality men will bring more actives with them next year. While acknowledging how busy everyone is, the alumni stressed the importance of participating in these events to celebrate the common bond of brotherhood. If you choose to embrace its meaning fully, the term "brother for life" is so much more than a slogan. Brothers who were not able to participate this year were missed, and are encouraged to stay connected to their Gamma Mu brothers through participation in the alumni association.

GAMMA XI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Washington State

Over 75 Gamma Xi alumni, undergraduates, family members and friends attended the 1st annual Paul Gilfry '81 Memorial Tailgater on September 12, 2009 at Qwest Field in Seattle prior to the Cougars taking on the Hawaii Warriors. Gilfry passed away in January 2009 after a long battle with cancer. He loved the game in Seattle and historically organized the association tailgater prior to the game.

Prior to the Homecoming game in October, a large group of alumni, undergraduates and quests gathered at the chapter house in Pullman for a fun pregame rally. Upcoming events include the Cougar Hardwood Classic basketball game at Key Arena in Seattle on December 22, 2009. The Cougars will be taking on the Tigers from LSU, and once again the alumni association has acquired a block of tickets and will host a pregame rally. The 23rd annual Gamma Xi Alumni Association golf tournament will be held in late June 2010 at the Willows

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Pi Kappa Alpha Welcomes New Alumni Associations

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

Check our website at www.pikes.org to find an alumni association.

Congratulations to these recently chartered alumni associations:

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Jeff Labrecque

jpl1868@aol.com

Lambda Eta Chapter Alumni Association (William Woods University) Clayton Thompson lambdaetapikes@gmail.com

Greater Louisville Alumni Association
(Kappa Zeta Chapter, University of Louisville and the greater Louisville, Kentucky area)

Mark Klinglesmith
Mark.klinglesmith@greaterlouisvillepike.com

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

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Delta Beta alumni at Falcon Homecoming 2009.

Run Golf Course in Redmond. For information on all alumni events, visit www.wazzupikes. com or contact Dan Studer '92 at wazzupikes@comcast.net or 425-333-5230.

GAMMA OMICRON ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Ohio

The theme of the recent fall meeting and awards banquet of the Gamma Omicron Chapter was Leave It Better Than You Found It! Approximately 60 actives and alumni gathered in Athens, Ohio in October 2009 for the annual meeting and awards presentation where the group celebrated the accomplishments of both the chapter and alumni association. Keynote speaker Carole Preston, assistant director for student life, discussed characteristics of students today and the importance of fraternities in their lives. They were encouraged to honor their commitment and dedicate themselves to creating a lasting chapter.

Kevin Vance '87, alumni association president, addressed the brothers and expressed his gratitude for everything that the alumni and actives have done to better the active chapter and the alumni association. Brothers celebrating

important anniversaries - 70, 60, 50, 40, 30, 20 and 10 years - were recognized for their dedication and commitment to Gamma Omicron. During the evening, the Outstanding Alumnus of the Year award was presented to both Craig Street '89 and Brian Gunnoe '94 for their dedication and service to the undergraduate chapter. The Mert Simons Award was presented to Jay Clark '88 for his commitment and service to the alumni association. The Dave Ritchey Award was given to Rod Loveless '93 for his continued concern for others and dedication to brotherhood. The Pledge of the Year award was presented to Scott Russell '09 for his great attitude and for his leadership in maintaining the physical aspects of the house. The prestigious Martha Banfield Scholarship is awarded to an active who has served in a leadership position while maintaining an excellent GPA. This year's recipient of the \$6,000 Martha Banfield Scholarship was Andrew Wenum '07.

All brothers are invited to attend the spring alumni association meeting in Cleveland, Ohio during the weekend of March 5-7, 2010. Visit the website at www.oupike.com for information on association news and upcoming events.

DELTA BETA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Bowling Green State

Falcon Homecoming 2009 was a huge success with over 50 alumni attending events throughout the weekend. Saturday morning's annual meeting of the alumni and undergraduates included the announcement of the reorganized Alumni Advisory Board and Delta Beta Alumni Association. Delta Beta's ten member advisory board includes chairman and chapter advisor Steve Daley '86; co-operations advisors Mike Young '85 and Roger Dudley '05; co-financial advisors Shaun Parker '05 and Steve Zielaskiewicz '05; recruitment advisor Jonathan Miller '05: educational advisor Thomas Gauthier '05; scholarship advisor Mark Pontious '05; risk awareness advisor Ben Mossing '05 and ritual/judicial advisor Mike Vecchio '05. Serving as alumni association president is Tom Turner '88. The association announces plans to celebrate Founders Day on February 27, 2010.

Delta Beta alumni and friends are encouraged to contribute to the Legends of Delta Beta II Capital Campaign to help endow the chapter now and into the future. The campaign goal is to raise \$50,000 and to continue the relationship with the Bowling Green State University Foundation, Inc. The funds will help to continue supporting the chapter members with scholarships and assisting members who attend Pike University Leadership Summits. For information on the business and news of the alumni association, contact Tom Turner at 216-410-3435 or Alumni Advisory Board chair Steve Daley at 614-746-9637.

DELTA GAMMA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Miami

Mark your calendar now for the 2010 Delta Gamma reunion to be held Labor Day weekend, September 3-5, 2010. The alumni association has reserved the entire Courtyard Marriott in Hamilton, Ohio, but you must call the hotel to make your own reservations. The tentative schedule for the reunion weekend is a Friday night registration and cash bar reception with pizza and Mac-n-Joe's hoagies. Saturday morning activities will include a golf tournament for all interested, and Waynesville antiquing or USAF Museum will be organized for non-golfers. The group will reunite on Saturday afternoon for a cookout at the chapter house followed by an evening banquet which will include a group photo and dancing to the oldies. On Sunday there will be a breakfast buffet before departure or more golf for those interested. Contact alumni association president Roger Harris '62 at wholetooth@aol.com, 609-654-4883 or 513-478-2646.

EPSILON IOTA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Southeast Missouri State

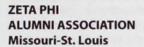
Many alumni came out in support of the Pike Olympics and the Fall Golf Classic this year. Homecoming at Southeast Missouri State was a great alumni event, and the active chapter was competitive as usual. For information on upcoming alumni events, contact Brian Kohlberg '00 at bmkohlberg@yahoo.com.

EPSILON OMEGA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION East Central

The Epsilon Omega Alumni Association is currently working on many events for the upcoming year, including the 4th annual Epsilon Omega Alumni Association reunion which will be held on August 7, 2010 at the Ardmore Convention Center. For further information on association membership and to receive invitations to upcoming events, please visit alumni@eastcentralpikes.com.



120 alumni brothers, family members and friends attended the successful third annual Eta Omicron Alumni Association Homecoming tailgate party.



The Zeta Phi Alumni Association worked with the active chapter over the summer and into the fall on their successful recruitment which resulted in the largest pledge class in almost ten years. The undergraduates are enjoying the new chapter house, and it has also served as an important recruitment tool. The alumni association has been very active in helping create a sub-group of the University's alumni association, the UMSL All-Greek Alumni Group, where they have two members holding officer positions.

ZETA CHI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Missouri State

The presentation to recolonize Zeta Chi took place on October 8, 2009, and included a day full of meetings and a presentation by Ryan Collett '04 (Kansas State, Alpha Omega), Director of Expansion for Pi Kappa Alpha and Jim Roebuck '81, Zeta Chi Alumni Association president. Meetings with university administrators and the IFC Expansion Committee were held, and Zeta Chi alumni answered the call to "line the halls" with an impressive show-

ing of 25 alumni in the hallway outside the meeting room during the presentation. The IFC reviewed the four fraternities that presented and unfortunately Pike was not the one chosen for the campus. The alumni association was deeply disappointed, but appreciates all of the work so many put into the preparation of the presentation. Keeping the Zeta Chi brotherhood together through alumni will remain very important.

October 9, 2009 started the 30+ year Zeta Chi float trip weekend on the Eleven Point River with 30 alumni attending the event. Many Zeta Chi stories were told and retold around the camp fire. Next year's trip is scheduled for the first full weekend in October 2010. All Pikes from any chapter are welcome to participate. Visit www.zetachipikes.com for information on association news and upcoming events.

ETA OMICRON ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Louisiana-Monroe

The 2009-2010 annual donation request drive for the Eta Omicron Alumni Association kicked off in August with a goal this year of raising \$20,000 in support of Eta Omicron Chapter. Eta Omicron's



The Theta Tau Alumni Association hosted the 2009 CSU-Sacramento Homecoming BBQ on October 10. Approximately 100 Pikes and their guests participated in the event.

38th Founders Day will be celebrated March 19-20, 2010. The class of 1985 will celebrate their 25th anniversary and receive their silver certificates: the class of 1995 will celebrate their 15th anniversary, and Eta Omicron charter members will celebrate their 38th anniversary. Join the Eta Omicron Facebook sites, GoPike and The Old Pikes. For more information on association news and events. contact Tommy Walpole '80 at hopike@bellsouth.net or 318-343-7789.

ETA OMEGA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION North Carolina-Pembroke

Thirty-two colony members were among the 120 alumni brothers, family members and friends attending the successful third annual Eta Omega Alumni Association Homecoming tailgate party in October 2009. Many people worked to make this day a success, and the association appreciates all those who helped. Unveiled prior to Homecoming week was the memorial bench that the association donated to the university. The bench, which is placed in memory of all deceased Eta Omega brothers, is prominently located adjacent to the student center. Mark your calendars for the next alumni association meeting,

April 29-May 2, 2010, at the Court Capri in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. For information on the Eta Omega Alumni Association, contact association president Howard Hughes '78 at bigdaddy@sc.rr.com.

THETA OMICRON ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Indiana State

The Theta Omicron Alumni Association would like to thank everyone who attended the Homecoming events, and a special thanks to all who donated funds to make the events so successful. The next planned alumni event will be the annual association meeting, held in coordination with Founders Day celebrations on March 6, 2010 at the chapter house. Please make plans now to attend the annual meeting and Founders Day celebrations. The Pike basketball event will also be held in the spring, so watch for updates on the event date. Questions or comments on alumni association matters may be sent to thetaomicronalumniassociation@gmail.com.

THETA TAU ALUMNI ASSOCIATION California State-Sacramento

The recently chartered Theta Tau Alumni Association kicked



The Kappa Omega Alumni Association saw a great turn out for their



Mark your calendars for the Founders Day alumni bowling tournament on February 20, 2010 at Newington, Connecticut. For information on this event or other alumni news. visit www.ctpikes.com. You may also contact alumni association president Jeffery Shaw '00 at alpinejeff@aol.com or Kevin Penner '02 at ac191298@ hotmail.com, or visit them on Facebook at CTPIKES.

KAPPA OMEGA **ALUMNI ASSOCIATION** Wisconsin-Whitewater

The Kappa Omega Alumni Association would like to thank everyone who participated in their annual alumni golf tournament this year. The successful tournament saw the highest turnout to date, and the association appreciates the work of Jeff Davis '00 and Ryan Bailey '00 who planned the outing. Mark your calendars for the PIKE Bowl on February 20, 2010 at Starin Park.

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The Central Virginia Alumni Association's flagship event was the first annual CVAA Charity Golf Tournament, which had over 30 participants.

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The Atlanta Alumni Association will welcome Bob Certain '67 from Beta Kappa Chapter at Emory University as the speaker at the Founders Day dinner on March 4, 2010 at the Petite Auberge Restaurant. Make your reservations at akjcmcf@ bellsouth.net for this meaningful Founders Day event. Commemorative certificates will be presented to 25, 50 and 75 year members. Brothers who have entered Chapter Eternal since Founders Day 2009 will also be remembered.

In spite of a rainy night, auctioneer Oliver Porter '56 (South Carolina, Xi) generated more than \$1,000 at the 34th

annual auction in October 2009. Half of the net proceeds go to the two scholarships the association created in memory of former Supreme Council member D.C. "Jack" Jackson '51 (Georgia, Alpha Mu), and former Executive Secretary, 1933-1940, and Order of West Range member Robert M. McFarland, Jr. '19 (Georgia Tech, Alpha Delta). Donations for either of these scholarship funds may be sent directly to the Pi Kappa Alpha Educational Foundation in Memphis, or to the secretary/treasurer of the Atlanta Alumni Association at 262 Heaton Park Drive, Decatur, Georgia 30030-1027.

For information on upcoming alumni association events, contact president Jim Mastrom '74 (West Georgia, Eta Sigma and ESACTIUS) at jpmsr55@ earthlink.net.

BIG SKY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Montana State, Gamma Kappa Chapter

Gamma Kappa Chapter and the Big Sky Alumni Association celebrated another great Homecoming weekend in Bozeman in October 2009. Alumni from several states made the trip back to participate in a full weekend of events. This year many alumni gathered for

ing an alumni Homecoming tailgate BBQ on October 10, 2009, welcoming a big group of alumni, actives, pledges and guests. The event was a huge success as the active chapter spent time meeting and talking with the alumni. CSU-Sacramento won the Homecoming game 38-17 over Idaho State.

IOTA MU

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The lota Mu Alumni Asso-

ciation hosts quarterly First

Thursday happy hour socials

in Chicago and St. Louis on the

first Thursday of every quarter.

The Chicago socials are held at

Westend Bar at 1326 W. Madi-

son Street, Chicago, Illinois

Southern Illinois

60607, and the St. Louis socials are held at Bar Louie at 14 Maryland Plaza, St. Louis, Missouri 63108. Upcoming First Thursday socials are scheduled for January 7, 2010, April 1, 2010 and July 1, 2010. All evening socials begin at 6:30 and serve as an opportunity to reconnect and network with fellow SIU brothers. Please visit www.siupikes.com for further information on alumni association news and events.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION William Woods

sociation is off to a great start



The Mid-South Metropolitan Alumni Association, serving Pike brothers in the Memphis metropolitan area, enjoyed a tailgate, complete with an impressive cooker, prior to the University of Memphis vs Ole Miss game.

a bowling tournament fund raising event after the Bobcat football game; a welcome reprieve from the bitter weather everyone endured during the football game. Special thanks go to Don Cape '91, proprietor of Old Chicago in Bozeman, for his donation of pizzas during the fund raising event.

CENTRAL VIRGINIA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

In April 2009 the Central Virginia Alumni Association (CVAA) of the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity was formed. The CVAA provides an opportunity for both professional and social networking. The association's goal is to help Pike brothers currently living in the Central Virginia area meet or reconnect in order to form friendships on a firmer and more lasting basis. Although the primary objective is social, the CVAA aims to provide professional networking, undergraduate and community support as well as to raise money and donate time to local charities.

Since its inception, the CVAA has participated in the Central Virginia Wine Festival in June

2009, and has hosted monthly happy hour socials at The Melting Pot. Their flagship event was the first annual CVAA Charity Golf Tournament with over 30 participants, which raised \$3,000 for The Comfort Zone Camp, a bereavement camp for children that is offered free of charge to children ages 7-17 who have experienced the death of a parent, sibling or primary caregiver. If you are interested in getting involved or learning more about the CVAA, visit www. cvaapikes.org or contact Jeff Labrecque '00 (Virginia Tech, Epsilon).

HOUSTON PIKES ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Houston Pikes Alumni Association was formed in February 2009 to connect members of Pi Kappa Alpha living in the Houston area, provide regular social and networking events and to support our local chapters. The association hosts monthly happy hour meetings on the first Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm. If you are interested in attending one of the monthly meetings or getting involved in the association, please contact them



Past International President William N. LaForge (center) holds the Alumni Association of the Year Award won by the National Capital Area Alumni Association.

at houstonpikesalumni@gmail. com. You can also find them on LinkedIn under Houston Pike Alumni Association.

LAS VEGAS AREA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The alumni association continues to gather on the first Friday of each month for a happy hour social at different locations in the Las Vegas area. Notices of the monthly events are sent out on the email list serve. The association also collects alumni information to submit to the Shield & Diamond each quarter. If you are not currently receiving phone calls or emails about the monthly events, or would like to have the association submit your alumni news to the Shield & Diamond, contact association secretary Jason Frame '97 at Jason@iframe.net. The association recently worked with the chapter to form a new housing corporation, The Las Vegas Tazewell Society, and they will be working to secure a chapter house in the near future. For information on how you can become involved in the housing corporation, please contact corporation board president Chris Hinojos '97 at CHinojos@

apartmentguide.com or 702-860-0848.

MID-SOUTH METROPOLITAN AREA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The newly organized Mid-South Metropolitan Alumni Association, serving Pike brothers in the Memphis metropolitan area, enjoyed a tailgate cookout prior to the University of Memphis vs Ole Miss game. This successful alumni event brought together over 100 alumni who stopped by to visit with one another during the cookout. The association has chosen Toys for Tots as their philanthropy for the first year, and during their Halloween party they had a donation bin for the organization. The association will work with the consultants from the headquarters office as they establish the new Pike Colony at the University of Memphis. Please email Tommy Kiggins '91, trkiggins4@hotmail.com, with your contact information so you can receive invitations to upcoming alumni events and the association can keep you informed of any colony news.

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Phoenix Area Alumni Association members at the Gamma Delta Chapter installation banquet. From left: Bryan Benson (South Dakota, Kappa Pi '99), Michael Stull (Wyoming, Iota Alpha '86), Chapter Advisory Board member Dan Wickman (Arizona, Gamma Delta '82), Nick Sindorf (Rockhurst, Kappa Epsilon '01) and Josh Grotheer (Iowa, Gamma Nu '03).



The Northeastern Florida Alumni Association has been formed for all alumni of Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity, from any chapter, living in the area.

NASHVILLE AREA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Twenty-one Nashville Area Alumni Association members and guests gathered at Greer Stadium in August for a picnic and to enjoy a Nashville Sounds game. Please visit the association's recently launched website, www. nashvillepikealumni.com. This website effort was led by Ben Brown '97 (Coastal Carolina, Kappa Rho) and was much appreciated. The association's holiday social will be communicated through email as well as posted on the website. Pike alumni from all chapters are encouraged to attend events and get involved in the Nashville Area Alumni Association. For more information on the alumni association news and events, contact president David Graham '69 (Tennessee-Martin, Epsilon Sigma) at nashvilleareapikealumni@comcast. net or 615-297-3858.

NATIONAL CAPITAL AREA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The National Capital Area Alumni Association hosted its annual executive meeting and dinner in September 2009 at the Peacock Café in Georgetown, D.C. In attendance were 40 brothers from across the country that now live in the mid-Atlantic region. The NCAAA was honored to have as a guest speaker Past International President and Trustee of the Pi Kappa Alpha Educational Foundation William LaForge (Delta State, Zeta Beta '69). In addition to the fantastic turnout and reminiscent stories, the association elected a new executive council. The new council consists of Daniel Berger '99 (Arizona, Gamma Delta), president; Justin Ackley '01 (Utah, Alpha Tau), first vice president; Robert Jones, second vice president; Jason Atkin '99 (Utah, Alpha Tau), treasurer; and Jonathan Langford '04 (Southern California, Gamma Eta), events coordinator. The association also elected their first scholarship chairman, former president of the NCAAA Anthony Meyer '99 (Utah, Alpha Tau). Brother Meyer will be in charge of administering the Joseph A. Pavelka Scholarship.

On March 2, 2010, the executive council of the National Capital Area Alumni Association will host Founders Day on Capitol Hill. Last year this event had over 120 attendees, including Representatives John Carter (R-TX) and Pete Sessions (R-TX), and Senators Thad Cochran (R-MS) and Jon Kyl (R-AZ). Also in attendance were former Representatives Bud Cramer (D-AL) and Ed Pease (R-IN), three former Pi Kappa Alpha international presidents and five Pi Kappa Alpha Educational Foundation trustees. This year the NCAAA expects the number of attendees to surpass 200 as the event will be held in the Cannon Caucus Room, room 345, of the Cannon House Office Building. For more information on the Founders Day on Capitol Hill, or to register for this event, visit www.ncaaapikes.com. Questions may be directed to Justin Ackley at M.Justin.Ackley@ ncaaa.com or event coordinator Jonathan Langford at Jon. Langford@ncaaa.com.

NORTHEASTERN FLORIDA PI KAPPA ALPHA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

All alumni of Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity, from any and all chapters, currently living in Northeastern Florida are welcome to join this new alumni association. For membership information, please visit http://www.linkedin.com/ groups?gid=2280592. Within this group they will post information on local events involving area Pikes, alumni events, networking opportunities, job opportunities, various social gatherings and opportunities to communicate to other brothers. This is your association so feel free to post gatherings or news on this page in order to share with other alumni. The alumni group plans to meet every two months, so please contact Aaron Kaufman (Florida, Alpha Eta '05) with your name, email and mailing address so you can be informed about upcoming alumni association events.

Over 30 alumni attended the September 2009 fall kickoff luncheon of the NE Florida Pi Kappa Alpha Alumni Association, hosted by John Kaegi '67 (Oregon, Gamma Pi), at the Blue Cross Blue Shield-Florida offices. The luncheon was attended by brothers from the Alpha Eta Chapter at Florida, Delta Delta Chapter at Florida Southern, Delta Upsilon Chapter at Stetson, Eta Beta Chapter at Seton Hall, Kappa Nu Chapter at Pacific, Beta Kappa Chapter at Emory, Alpha Nu Chapter at Missouri, Epsilon Sigma Chapter at Tennessee-Martin, Theta Kappa Chapter at Indiana University Southeast, Alpha Tau Chapter at Utah, Alpha lota at Millsap, Eta Alpha Chapter at Clemson, Delta Psi Chapter at Maryland, Alpha Theta Chapter at West Virginia, Gamma Lambda Chapter at Lehigh, Zeta Pi Chapter at South Florida and Zeta Alpha Chapter at Kettering. Brother Sam Kouvaris '74 (Clemson, Alpha Eta and Maryland, Delta Psi) spoke to the group on the Fraternity and what it has meant to him over the years. Kouvaris is sports director/managing editor of WJXT Channel 4, the local station in Jacksonville covering 10 counties (see story



Upstate South Carolina Alumni Association members (from left) Whitney Zimmerman (Rose-Hulman, lota Delta '06), Tommy Graham (Delta State, Zeta Beta '69), Shane Duncan, Stephen Christian (East Carolina, Epsilon Mu '86), John McCann (Delaware, Delta Eta '75), Ralph Born (Purdue, Beta Phi '69), Michael Hancock (Clemson, Eta Alpha '01), Tim Groves (Purdue, Beta Phi '77), Blake Coleman (Georgia, Alpha Mu '96) and Jamie Pagel (Northern Arizona, Theta Rho '83).

on page 55). During his speech, he challenged the group with the thought "you get out of an organization what you put into it". He said that Pike had given a lot to him in his undergraduate days and he now wants to give back to the Fraternity.

Some of the NE Florida Pikes gathered in October for a happy hour social and evening of fellowship at TPC Sawgrass in Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida. Three new brothers joined the group including Nate Bryham (Wisconsin-Whitewater, Kappa Omega '00) and Marvin Newman (Presbyterian, Mu '78).

PHOENIX AREA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Phoenix Area Alumni Association provided one of eight installation teams that cumulatively initiated over 100 men during the recent installation of the Gamma Delta Chapter at the University of Arizona. Association members also participated in the installation ceremony and attended the installation banquet. The association hosted the first annual Fireman's Ball brotherhood event, and plans are being made for 2010 Founders Day gala, All Arizona Pikes are encouraged to participate in the alumni association events. For more information, please visit www.phoenixpikes.com.

SAN DIEGO REGIONAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The San Diego Regional Alumni Association is proud to announce its new charter, offering the first Pike alumni association in the San Diego area. The association is already enjoying strong alumni involvement and encourages all alumni in the area to join them for events and meetings. A recent event was a tailgate before a Chargers game with brothers from around the country celebrating the chartering of the new alumni association and to kick off the football season. All Pikes living in the San Diego area are encouraged to register with the association's website at www.sandiegopikealumni.com to ensure they receive information on association news and upcoming events.

STEEL CITY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Pittsburgh, Gamma Sigma Chapter

The Steel City Alumni Association will celebrate Gamma Sigma's Founders Day on February 27, 2010. Please check the website at www. pittpika.com for details on this memorable evening, as well as alumni association newsletters and announcements of other alumni events.



Wilmington area alumni and UNCW colony members at the first annual alumni golf tournament.

TECH PIKES ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Texas Tech, Epsilon Gamma Chapter

The Texas Tech Alumni Association celebrated their 2nd annual reunion in September 2009 during the game weekend against Rice University. Different generations of Epsilon Gamma initiates had a wonderful time catching up with each other and making new friends. The group is energized as the date draws closer for recolonization and construction for their new chapter house. The capital campaign for the construction of the new lodge will be presented to all Epsilon Gamma alumni in the very near future. Questions regarding recolonization, upcoming alumni events, the capital campaign, or if you want to donate your time, please contact Burke Barclay '92 at burke-hbhomes@ sbcglobal.net or 817-296-2758.

UPSTATE SOUTH CAROLINA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Upstate South Carolina Alumni Association held a gathering on September 22, 2009, its first official social since chartering earlier this year. Over ten different chapters were represented, and membership continues to grow as word spreads about this new alumni association. Visit www.upstatescpikes.com to stay informed of upcoming events and to connect with the

70+ alumni already registered on the site. You may also contact Shane Duncan (Winthrop, Theta Sigma '94) for association information or to learn how you can get involved.

WILMINGTON AREA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Wilmington Area Alumni Association continues to host many events for alumni and their guests. August 2009 was especially busy as they held several events including a social at Surfs Bar & Grill, an alumni family day at the beach and they held an alumni advisors meeting with the Pike Colony at UNCW officers. In September they had a social at a local restaurant and October brought the first annual alumni golf tournament. Sixteen alumni and colony members paired up and participated in the golf tournament, enjoying the beautiful day and camaraderie. In both November and December the alumni again met for a social at local restaurants. Alumni interested in assisting with any upcoming chartering activities for the Colony at UNCW, or interested in serving as an alumni advisor should contact association president Scott Hammatt '98 (LSU, Alpha Gamma) at Scott. Hammatt@ge.com. Hammatt may also be contacted regarding alumni association news and upcoming events.

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ALABAMA-HUNTSVILLE Theta Pi



Paul Galloway (left) with Huntsville Mayor Tommy Battle.

Paul Galloway '80 was awarded 2008-2009 Volunteer Referee of the Year by the Huntsville, Alabama Region of the American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO). He was chosen out of a group of over 100 active referees for his work in both game officiating and referee instruction. He has been a volunteer youth soccer referee and coach for eleven years in the Huntsville area. Galloway holds an advanced referee certification from AYSO and soccer referee certifications from the Alabama High School Athletic Association and the United States Soccer Federation. He was the assistant coach for the Westminister Christian Academy Middle School Boys Soccer team during the 2008 and 2009 seasons. He has also served as referee and coach for the AYSO National Games in 2006 and 2008. He and his wife, Mercedes, have two teenage children. Galloway is a senior systems engineer at Teledyne Brown Engineering in Huntsville and may be reached at paul.n.galloway@nasa.gov.

ARIZONA Gamma Delta

Chris Hall '89 was recently promoted to General Sales Manager of Broadway ToyotaScion in Portland, Oregon. Broadway Toyota is a leader in passenger vehicle stores in the Pacific Northwest. Hall may be reached at chall@broadwaytoyota.com.

Andrew Steinberg '93 is the new executive vice presidentrevenue for the Kansas City Wizards. In this new role he will oversee revenue generation and brand development for the Wizards, which are moving ahead with plans to build a new stadium in Kansas City, Kansas. Steinberg previously worked for seven years in the University of Kansas Athletics Department, most recently as associate athletics director for marketing and revenue development. He began working with KU after serving as an associate with the law firm of Riling Burkhead & Nitcher in Lawrence. He has also worked for Nike and a sports marketing firm in Denver. Steinberg lives in Lawrence with his wife and two children.

ARKANSAS Alpha Zeta

Larry Adams '71 retired from the Army with twenty-two years of service. During his service he was awarded the Legion of Merit-Combat, Infantry Badge-Master, Parachutist Badge-HALO and Badge-SF Tab-Ranger Tab. He and his wife, Leandra, have two adult children. He lives in White Hall, Arkansas and may be reached at Ladams 1090@aol.com.

Jim Arnold '64 is a retired airline pilot captain from Delta Air Lines. Arnold served as a Lt. Colonel with the United States Air Force in Vietnam as an F-4 pilot where he received the



Lt. Col Arnold in Vietnam

Distinguished Flying Cross Air Metal with 2nd through 9th Oak Leaf Clusters. He lives in Marietta, Georgia and may be reached at CaptJim2@bellsouth.net.

Wes Baden '83 is the sales director-south region with Alcan Packaging. He and his wife, Amy, and their two children, Jake and Morgan, live in Stuttgart, Arkansas. He may be reached at wes.baden@alcan.com.

Dale Canfield '53 and his wife, Nan, are enjoying retirement in Chatham, New Jersey. He may be reached at *shipyard@verizon.net*.

Jim Capps '60 is a retired Air Force flight surgeon where he received the Legion of Merit. He and his wife, Judy, live in Conway, Arkansas and may be reached at jcapps@aol.com.

George Coffman '60 retired in December 2006 from the Arkansas Highway Police as major, and is currently chairman and owner of Commercial Transportation Executive Consultants, LLC. He and his wife, Janice, live in Benton, Arkansas and may be reached at coffman501@sbcglobal.net.

Dennis Curtis '69 is a financial advisor with Merrill Lynch. He

and his wife, Lyn, live in Cabot, Arkansas.

Don Gibson '66 is the president/CEO of Legacy National Bank. He and his wife, Carol Lynn, live in Fayetteville and may be reached at dgibbie@cox.net.

Ken Hirshey '78 is senior principal/CEO with Cyntergy AEC, an architecture, engineering and construction management company. He holds both a master and bachelor degree in civil engineering and has many years of professional experience in both the government and private sectors. Hirshey lives in Tulsa, Oklahoma and may be reached at khirshey@cyntergyllc.com.

David Hooker '78 lives in Las Cruces, New Mexico, where he owns four Shorty's Food Marts as well as other commercial properties.

Bill May '58 lives in Little Rock, Arkansas where he is the chairman emeritus at Arkansas Bankers Bank. He may be reached at bmay@arbankersbank.com.

William Neubert '57 is CEO and computer systems engineer with Silicon Solutions. He lives in Carthage, Missouri and may be reached at whneubert@hotmail.com.

ARKANSAS STATE Delta Theta

Buddy Jewell '81 has released a new single, Somebody Who Would Die for You, which is available at iTunes and amazon.com. Jewell has been recognized by the ACM, CMA and CMT Awards with multiple nominations. He and his wife,

Pikes in Print: Austin Peay Alumnus Illuminates Hidden History of Nashville

Perched on the banks of the Cumberland River, Nashville is best known for its role in the civil rights movement, world-class education and, of course, country music. In this unique collection of columns, longtime journalist and Tennessee native George Zepp'72 illuminates a less familiar side of the city. Learn the secrets of Timothy Demonbreun, one of the city's first residents, who lived with his family in a cliff-top cave; Cortelia Clark, the blind bluesman who continued to perform on street corners after winning a Grammy award; and Nashville's own Cinderella story, which involved legendary radio personality Edgar Bergen and his ventriloquist protégé. Cleverly rendered, using questions from readers across the nation, these little-known tales abound with Music City mystery and charm.

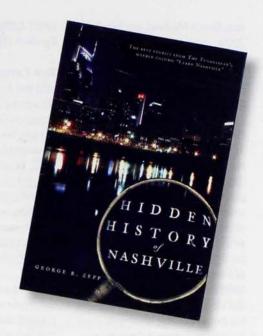
George Zepp is a locally renowned historian and journalist in the Nashville area, where he penned the local history column "Learn Nashville," which has enjoyed a seven-year run in the *Tennessean*. The column ran each Wednesday in the local news section from 2002 through 2007 and can now be found in the *Life* section on Saturdays. Zepp's career in journalism spanned more than 33 years, the majority of which were spent in Nashville at the *Tennessean*. In addition to his work in newspapers, Zepp has

contributed his local history expertise to numerous books and volumes on Nashville history.

What they're Saying about Hidden History of Nashville

"George Zepp has been a quiet hero to Nashville history lovers for years. His weekly Tennessean column unearthing the city's secrets and dispelling its rumors has been a must-read since 2002. Those of us who have faithfully clipped the columns and stuffed them into over-flowing folders have long urged him to anthologize them. What a delight to discover that Hidden History of Nashville, featuring many of our favorite 'Learn Nashville' columns, is finally available. It's a great-looking book, from its attractive cover to an inviting layout adorned by a generous collection of historic photos. The preface is fascinating, and the reading list and references at the end of the book are extremely valuable.

But best of all are the columns! Each one sparked by a question from a reader, these meticulously researched and well-written narratives deepen our understanding of this colorful and historic city. The chapter headings alone will lure you in: 'True Tall Tales: Coffee, Cave and Curse', 'Distant Troubles: Outlaws', 'Slaves and Slums',



and the tantalizing 'Naughty Nashville: Drinking, Stripping and Cavorting', just to name a few. Read about settlers & strippers, brewers & blues singers, entrepreneurs & Presidents. Life in any city is filled with surprises, but Zepp has discovered Nashville's untamed heart and offers it to us with a grin. Who would expect to find Teddy Roosevelt and Jesse James, James K. Polk and O. Henry, Edgar Bergen and Tennessee Williams, all making history here? Nashville has so much more to offer than the usual tourist fare -Hidden History of Nashville is a real joy for everyone who loves this city."

> – K. Lauder, Editor Nashville Historical Newsletter

Tene', have three children, Buddy III, Lacey and Joshua. You may follow his career and news at www.BuddyJewell.com.

David Nail '99 has a new album, I'm About to Come Alive, which is a collection of songs that capture the highs and lows and hometown flavor of his own experiences. The album has produced a hit single, Red Light, as well as a music video for this single that is seen on CMT and GAC. Nail wrote five of the eleven

tracks on the new album, and it received a positive review in an August 2009 issue of *People* magazine.

ARMSTRONG ATLANTIC Eta Mu

Chris Lowe '08 is a fire support specialist with the United States Army. Lowe sustained a gunshot wound in Kapisa Province, Afghanistan, and is now recovering at Walter Reed Army Medical Center. He was awarded the

Purple Heart in August 2009 for his heroic efforts. While recovering and undergoing physical therapy, Lowe enjoys cards and well wishes. You may send your cards to him at: SPC Christopher Lowe, Abrams Hall, Box 1019, 6900 Georgia Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20307.

BAYLOR Theta Nu

Grant Settle '03 and Megan Longeway were married on

August 1, 2009. The wedding party included Raymond Taylor '03, Drew Bryan '03, Lance Johanson '00, Craig Meyer '03, Jason McPheeters '98, Chris Adkins '01 and Brooks Bishop '04. The couple lives in Fort Worth, Texas.

CALIFORNIA-SAN DIEGO Kappa Phi

Michael McMillan '97 and his wife, Stacy, welcomed their

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son, Gavin Michael, on July 3, 2009.

CALIFORNIA STATE-NORTHRIDGE Zeta Omicron

Gary Hirsch '67 retired as reserve officer from the Hillsboro, Oregon police department after fifteen years of service. At the annual reserve banquet, the chief of police presented him with his badge emblazoned on a plaque in recognition of his service to the City of Hillsboro, Oregon, and to the department. Prior to his time with the Hillsboro police department, he was a reserve officer with the Los Angeles police department. He and his wife, Kathy, live in Aloha, Oregon, where he is a safety specialist with Washington County, Oregon. They have two grown sons and welcomed their first grandson in May 2008. The other grandfather is Randy Eledge (San Angelo State, Eta Epsilon '74). Hirsch would enjoy hearing from his Zeta Omicron brothers at gshirsch@comcast.net.

CALIFORNIA STATE-SACRAMENTO Theta Tau

Tab Tsukuda '81 is a senior manager in the Government Contract Services, Fraud Investigations and Disputes practice of Ernst & Young. He works out of their San Francisco office and resides with his two children in Danville, California. He may be reached at tab.tsukuda@ey.com.

CENTRAL FLORIDA Eta Phi

Jason Richmond '91 and his wife, Lisa, welcomed Ambrose Carvossa on October 8, 2009. Richmond may be reached at jason@richmondfp.us.

EAST CAROLINA Epsilon Mu

Tom Carroll '59 was inducted into the East Carolina University Athletic Hall of Fame on September 25, 2009. During his swimming career he earned varsity letters in 1958, 59, 60 and 61. He was a member of the 1959 NAIA National Championship team, and was team co-captain his senior year. He was recognized by the College Swimming Coaches Association of

America as an All American Swimmer eight times during his ECC swimming career for the various records he set individually, as a member of various team events and for various high place finishes in team events. In 1958 his 400 yard freestyle relay team finished first and set a new national record. In addition to his regular events, he was very valuable to his teams as a utility swimmer. He swam in every event at one time or another and swam in whatever event he was needed, even swimming in back to back events as needed. Carroll received his B.S. in Social Studies in 1961 and his master's degree in Education, Guidance and Counseling in 1963 from East Carolina. He also received his Ed.D in adult and community college education from NCSU in 1971. During his time at East Carolina he served Epsilon



Mu as pledge educator and sergeant-at-arms. He was also a member of several other campus organizations, and served as assistant varsity swim coach and freshman swim team coach in 1962. He and his wife, Yvonne, are enjoying retirement in Bartow, Florida.

EAST CENTRAL Epsilon Omega

Philip Pitts '71 has retired after 32 years of teaching and coaching in Electra, Texas. He now works for the Hulbert, Oklahoma ISD as a teacher and coach, and may be reached at endofthetrail2000@yahoo.com.



T.J. Riley '88 played an important role in establishing the Ardmore Young

Professionals Organization, and was named to Oklahoma Magazine's "40 Under 40" Oklahoma business leaders for 2009. Riley and his wife, Ashleigh, and their two daughters, Mattie and Mollie, reside in Ardmore where he is a risk reduction consultant and partner with The Bramlett Agency. He serves on the Ardmore Chamber of Commerce board of directors and is a graduate of Leadership Ardmore. Riley has officiated football for 20 years and currently officiates collegiately in NCAA Division 2 in the Lone Star Conference. He may be reached at tjriley@bramlettagency.com.

Leon Smith '63 and his wife, Gwen, are enjoying retirement in the small coastal town of Rockport, Texas, near Corpus Christi. He may be reached at *Lgsmith1@charter.net*.

FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL Kappa Gamma

Walter Gonzalez '94 and Yasmin Ode, were married



in Guatemala at Casa Santo Domingo with sixteen Pike brothers in attendance.



Chad Hornik '94 and his wife, Kathleen, welcomed their first child, Stella

Yvonne, on May 3, 2009.

Mario Rios '95 has relocated to Houston, Texas where he is the vice president with Texas State Public Adjusters; a firm assisting both commercial and residential clients with their insurance claim needs in order to obtain the maximum payout from their insurance company. He may be reached at mariorios 23@aol.com.

GANNON Epsilon Upsilon



Mark Eagan '00 and Jessica Coe were married on August 15, 2009. Two Epsilon Upsilon brothers were in the wedding party and several more were in attendance. The couple lives in Depew, New York where Eagan is a cardiovascular sales representative with Abbot Laboratories.

GEORGE WASHINGTON Delta Alpha

Adrian Crook '93 is a senior research analyst, education section with the New Jersey Office of Legislative Services. He has recently accomplished

Epsilon Phi Alumnus Serves as Ninth President of the University of Central Arkansas



Dr. Allen C.
Meadors (Central
Arkansas, Epsilon
Phi '66) a native
of Van Buren,
Arkansas, has a
varied background
that is deeply rooted

in health care administration and education. As an Air Force officer from 1969-1973, he served in the Medical Service Corps as a health administrator. After his service commitment, he was a health care administrator for Blue Cross and Blue Shield in Topeka, Kansas. Later, he served as the assistant director of Health for Kansas City, Missouri, and a health consultant involved in designing, developing, organizing, marketing and implementing health care programs in the Midwest and Western United States.

In 1977, Meadors was assistant professor and program director for Southern Illinois University. He recruited students and faculty, served as the students' counselor, coordinated with appropriate state and federal agencies and taught health management.

In 1982, Meadors became associate professor and director in the Division of Health Administration at the University of Texas at Galveston. He left that position several years later to become the first executive director of the Northwest Arkansas Radiation Therapy Institute in his home state of Arkansas. It was his responsibility to build this free-standing radiation therapy facility from the ground up. In his first year, more than \$3.5 million was raised, and eight months later, the facility was debt-free.

Meadors returned to higher education as professor and chair of the Department of Health Administration at the University of Oklahoma, and later served as the dean of the College of Public Health from 1989-90. In 1990, Meadors became the first dean of the College of Health, Social and Public Services at Eastern Washington University. He also held the faculty rank of professor.

Meadors then became the CEO and dean of Penn State Altoona. Under his leadership, enrollment increased, fundraising improved and intercollegiate sports revived. In fact, Penn State Altoona grew from the fifth-largest to the second-largest campus during his tenure.

In 1999, the UNC Board of Governors elected him Chancellor of UNCP. Under his leadership there, UNCP tripled its endowment; established a honor college; doubled the number of education majors; was granted full SACS accreditation; doubled its enrollment; significantly increased in its international partners and international enrollment; raised the entering freshmen class average SAT scores and GPA to an all time high; added nearly 200 new full-time tenure line faculty; received six outstanding financial audits; established six new endowed chairs; raised over \$60 million dollars in external funds; and over \$170 million dollars in new facilities and renovation projects.

Meadors earned a bachelor's degree in business administration from UCA, and then went on to earn four master's degrees, including an MBA, and received his Ph.D. in administration and education from Southern Illinois University. One of his last academic endeavors was to enroll in a computer sciences program at Saddleback College in Mission Viejo, California, where he earned an associate's degree. He has also earned certification as a Fellow in the American College of Healthcare Executives (FACHE), has written and spoken extensively on health care issues, and is a member of numerous professional and civic organizations.

Dr. and Mrs. Meadors have two grown sons, Tyson and Jarrett.

a life-long dream of becoming a published author with his book, Zeus Blinked, about a bright college senior, Aaron Simmons, who loses his mind. Aaron recounts all the little details that led to his downward spiral and to life in an asylum in this black but witty takedown of American adolescence. The book can be found at amazon.com, barnesandnoble.com and authorhouse.com. Crook lives in New Brunswick, New Jersey and may be reached at crookadrian@hotmail.com.

Don Rothrauff '04 founded VARAET, a company specializing in care products for high-end watches and jewelry. The products are earth friendly and formulated to gently clean without altering the factory finish. He will provide a 25% discount to Pikes at www.veraet.com when they use Pikes as a discount code.

Daniel Tannebaum '04has been appointed senior compliance analyst in the

Compliance Function of the Legal Group of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. He specializes in economic sanction policy as well as antimoney laundering regulations.

ILLINOIS Beta Eta

Michael Hopkins '88 has been named an astronaut candidate eighteen years after graduating from the University of Illinois with an aerospace engineering degree. From more than 3,300 applications, NASA selected nine people for the 2009 astronaut candidate class. Hopkins, an Air Force lieutenant colonel living in Alexandria, Virginia, serves as special assistant to the vice chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff at the Pentagon. While at the University of Illinois he played football and was named a first-team Academic All-American, a three-time first-team Academic All-Big Ten

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selection, a George Huff Award winner, an NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship winner and a recipient of the 1992 Big Ten Conference Medal of Honor, awarded to the student demonstrating proficiency in scholarship and athletics at each conference institution. He said that football was a priority for him growing up, but not necessarily the top priority. He always wanted to be an astronaut. His dedication to his studies earned him a 4.76 grade point average and the 1991 Playboy magazine student-athlete award winner. He also has an advanced degree from Stanford University. By the time he actually has a chance to fly a mission, the space shuttle will likely be retired. "At that point, the space station will be all we have going. My understanding is we won't be trained in the shuttle. We might be trained in Russia, so I may have to learn Russian for the Soyuz", Hopkins said. He and his wife, Julie, have two sons, Ryan and Lucas.

INDIANA STATE Theta Omicron

Jonathan Anderson '90 and his wife welcomed Ian Felix on October 22, 2009.

Michael Conner '80 retired from the Air Force Reserve in November 2008 at the rank of major after 23 years of service and a final 5 1/2 year active duty tour from 2002 - 2008 as a crew commander, C2 / Space and Missile Operations in the Command Center, Headquarters, Air Force Space Command, Peterson AFB. Colorado Springs, Colorado. He began his service in 1985 with the Indiana Air National Guard 113th Fighter Squadron, 181st Fighter Group in Terre Haute following graduation from Indiana State. He served with Theta Omicron Chapter brothers Col. Chris Colbert '79, Lt. Col. Greg Long '80,

Lt. Col. Cliff Thomas '79 and 1 Lt. Andy Baer '81. He resides in the Denver area with his wife, Kerri, and their son, Jace William. He may be reached at michaelconner@att.net.

Rick Hauser '95 and his wife, Christina, welcomed their third child, Zoe Christine, on June 23, 2009. She was welcomed home by her brothers, Cole and Carson. The family lives in Lebanon, Ohio.

Jason Ross '92 and Erin Unkefer were married on June 14, 2009 in Key West, Florida.

Dan Stoker '94 and his wife, Rebecca, welcomed their son, Ryon Joseph, on May 21, 2009. The Stokers also have a daughter, Haleigh, and the family lives in Beech Grove, Indiana.

Dismas Veeneman

'83 celebrated his 40th anniversary of ordination with family and friend in May 2009. Friends from every assignment he has had over the past forty years were present, including friends from the nine delightful years at Saint Joseph University Parish, Terre Haute. His association with the Pikes of Theta Omicron is a cherished part of those memories, as well as his association with the Pikes at Iota Delta Chapter at Rose-Hulman. He is currently the pastor at Saint Paul Catholic Church in Louisville, Kentucky.

IOWA Gamma Nu

Lonnie Nielsen '72 shot a 9-under 63 on the final round of the Dick's Sporting Goods Open in June 2009, taking him into the lead for the tournament. Nielsen finished at 21-under 195, a record in the three-year history of the event. As he entered the final round he was trailing the leader by three, but began his round with four birdies and

an eagle, pulling away on the back side to win. The victory came a day before his 56th birthday.

IOWA STATE Alpha Phi

Michael Langford '71

received the Stange Award for Meritorious Service by the College of Veterinary Medicine at Iowa State University. The award was established in 1970 to honor alumni for outstanding professional achievements in education, government, industry, practice, or other professional endeavors in veterinary medicine.

He currently serves as the research operation director for the Department of Homeland Security's National Biodefense Analysis and Countermeasure Center (NBACC) in Frederick, Maryland. Long recognized as one of the leading authorities in biodefense research, Langford spent 29 years of his 32-year career devoted to the development of vaccines and therapeutics for bioterrorism agents and infectious diseases.

During the past ten years Langford has held several senior leadership positions in the biodefense industry: technical director and chief scientific officer for DynPort Vaccine Company, president for Emergent Product Development Gaithersburg, LLC, and now research operations director for Battelle National Biodefense Institute, which is contracted to operate the NBACC for the Department of Homeland Security. Prior to this Langford served 22 years in the U.S. Army, retiring with the rank of colonel with his final assignment at the Walter Reed Army Institute of Research as the director of pathology. He obtained his board certification from the American College of Veterinary Pathologists in 1983, earned his Ph.D. in tropical medicine, virology from the University of

Hawaii in 1990, and graduated from the U.S. Army War College in 1996. During his military career he was the recipient of numerous awards, including the Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters, the National Defense Service Medal, the Humanitarian Service Medal, and the Overseas Service Ribbon with two oak leaf clusters.

KENTUCKY Omega

Giles Hertz '77 has accepted a faculty position at the University of Tampa after residing in Kentucky for 26 years. At the University of Tampa he will teach business law and entrepreneurship courses. Hertz previously taught at Northern Kentucky University after retiring from the full-time practice of law.

LEHIGH Gamma Lambda

George Davenport '57 graduated in 1959 from Lehigh

University in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and two years later from Long Island University with a back-to-back BA/BS in Industrial Engineering and English Literature. He then obtained graduate degrees from Georgia State University and a ScD in 1978 from the prestigious Albert Einstein Institute for Aeronautics and Astronautics at Princeton. He has university level teaching credentials in Florida and a Lifetime Adjunct Professor certificate in California. He has taught and lectured extensively in colleges and universities throughout North America on such subjects as mathematics, reliability engineering, the development of computers and the history of science. Davenport has been a featured speaker for, among others, the Society of American Military Engineers, The Society of Logistics Engineers, The American

Clemson Alumnus Highlights Sports in Florida



Sam Kouvaris (Clemson, Eta Alpha '74) is the sport director/managing editor at WJXT in Jacksonville, Florida. As sports director/

managing editor, Sam's responsibilities include the presentation of the daily newscasts and the leadership of the sports department. Along with the news director and general manager, he helps determine the sports coverage policy throughout the year. Kouvaris' play-byplay experience stretches from football to polo, and he has called events for CBS, NBC, ABC and ESPN. A threesport varsity athlete in high school, he also participated in football and baseball in college and on the semiprofessional level. He remains active in sports as a tri-athlete and the occasional fantasy baseball camp. As part of this sports coverage, he has tried out for the Jacksonville Tea Men and the USFL Jacksonville Bulls. He served as voice

of the Tea Men of the NASL in 1983. A popular feature on WJXT's Channel 4 News at 5:30 p.m. is "Stump Sam" where viewers are invited to send in their sports questions to see if they can stump him. Kouvaris has maintained about an 80 percent correct answer rate since the feature's inception in 1990. He maintains a sport-themed website, SamSportsline.com, with current sports information, as well as personal commentary.

Kouvaris' experience flying Navy tactical aircraft has been the highlight of his career. After a promotional flight with the Blue Angels, he completed six weeks of training from the U.S. Navy at Naval Air Station Jacksonville and Cecil Field, and was qualified to fly in the FA-18. He has done stories with several squadrons in the Atlantic Fleet and has one carrier arrested landing and launch.

A member of the Pro Football Hall of Fame selection committee, he is one of 38 electors asked each year to vote on candidates eligible for induction into the Hall. He is also a designated voter for the Heisman Trophy and the College Football Hall of Fame. Kouvaris is an Emmy Award winner and has won the Associated Press Broadcast Award, as well as other honors, including Sportscaster of the Year by numerous organizations. He serves on the board of directors for numerous charities in North Florida and is active at St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

Kouvaris lives in Jacksonville, Florida with his wife and their three children. Brother Kouvaris entertained some of the brothers at his monthly happy hour reception at Ruth's Chris on September 30, 2009 and exchanged pleasant stories of his days at both Eta Alpha Chapter and Delta Psi Chapter at the University of Maryland.

Metallurgical Association, and his own special interest group, American Institute for Aeronautics and Astronautics. He was a charter member of the American Rocket Society, which later became the AIAA.

A bulk of his scientific and engineering work will remain classified due to the programs in which he was involved; such disciplines as inertial navigation systems, propellant formulations, ballistic calculations, hard site installations and other space and missile defense projects. His experience includes both solid and liquid rocket motors. He was the chief engineer in charge of all the ground support equipment for the NASA Apollo Project at Cape Kennedy, and subsequently joined Sperry-Univac for the installation and development of very large scale computer systems both for the aerospace and energy industries.

Davenport has written and published many journals, papers, books and articles relating to aerospace and computer technology, and he is credited with the creation of a new mathematical operation and symbol for specific use in the calculation of complex variables in probability and statistics; and he developed new techniques for the computation of "Systems' Availability, Reliability and Maintainability" based on these mathematical advances. He has been listed in "Who's Who in the World." Davenport met his wife, Phyllis, in 1963 while they were both in California working for the Autonetics division of North American Aviation. They live in Jacksonville, Florida, and enjoy seeing their two children and four wonderful grandchildren. He is also enjoying the time he has recently spent reconnecting with brothers through the new NE Florida Alumni Association.

LINFIELD COLLEGE Delta Rho

Ryan Heisinger '97

completed a six month deployment to Iraq, Kuwait and Afghanistan as the operations officer for the Marine Corps Logistics Command. While deployed, he was responsible for the sustainment support and retrograde of equipment in and out of Iraq as well as supporting Marine Corps units in and about Afghanistan. He conducted joint operations with the Army and Air Force as well as the multi-national forces operating in those countries. At the conclusion of his deployment, Brother Heisinger was awarded the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal for superior service to the Marines and Sailors fighting in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring

Freedom. Heisinger, a captain in the United States Marine Corps, may be reached at ryanheisinger22@gmail.com.

LOUISVILLE Kappa Zeta



Robert Poff '03 and Stephanie Willis were married on September 12, 2009. Fifteen Kappa Zeta brothers attended the wedding with two brothers, Stephen Arnold '03 and Ryan Ball '03, serving as groomsmen. After a

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honeymoon trip to Mexico the couple returned to their home in Louisville.

LOYOLA MARYMOUNT Theta Eta

Farid Hamizadeh '83 is the corporate senior heat treat engineer for A.A.M., a tier one automotive supplier. In his position he travels globally for the company to install or expand the heat treat facilities. As well as being a member of Theta Eta Chapter, Hamizadeh has close ties with the brothers of Epsilon Epsilon Chapter at the University of Toledo. He and his wife, Dianne, have three daughters, Zowe, Hanah and Jordana. The family lives in Waterville, Ohio and may be reached at Fhamizadeh@msn.com.

MICHIGAN Beta Tau

Matt Kelly '95 is a district sales manager with KCI and is also pursuing his MBA. He and his wife, Jennifer, live in Raleigh, North Carolina and may be reached at kelly_matt5@hotmail.com.

MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE Eta Zeta

Cuyler Lanier '99 and his wife, Christa, welcomed their second daughter, Sydney Hope, on August 26, 2009. She was welcomed home by her sister, Alyssa Joy. The family lives in Murfreesboro where Lanier is the head girls basketball coach at Columbia Central High School in Columbia, Tennessee. He may be reached at cuy3@post.com.

MISSISSIPPI STATE Gamma Theta

Garry Frank '87 was inducted into the Mississippi State Sports Hall of Fame on October 3, 2009. While at MSU Garry competed in both track and football, lettering seven times



between both sports. He holds three school records in the shot-put and discus and won the NCAA Outdoor Shot-put Championships in 1988. He was selected as a 1987 track All-American. In football he played left tackle, nose guard, offensive tackle and center for the Bulldogs. He played in the Blue-Gray game in 1987 and in the Senior Bowl in 1988. Frank was drafted in the seventh round by the Denver Broncos and played for the Atlanta Falcons as well. He was the fourth pick in the first round of the World League of American Football and spent two years with the Frankfurt Galaxy. In powerlifting, he was the first man to break the 2500 pound barrier and held the record of 2,805 pounds in combined squat, bench and deadlift. Frank is currently the national president of the American Powerlifting Federation and the state representative for both Louisiana and Mississippi. He and his wife, Teresa, reside outside of Baton Rouge, Louisiana with their two children.

MISSOURI Alpha Nu

Eric Johnson '59 has retired from a 43 year career in dentistry, as a part time assistant clinical professor of orthodontics at the University of Missouri, Kansas City, School of Dentistry and in March 2009 from the private practice of orthodontics. He and his wife reside at Lake Quivira, Kansas.

MISSOURI S&T Alpha Kappa

Andy Reitter '04 and Erin Lackey were married in May 2009 with 25 Alpha Kappa brothers in attendance. The couple lives in Peoria, Illinois where Reitter is a cooling system validation engineer with Caterpillar Inc. He may be reached at andy@andyreitter.com.

MONTANA STATE Gamma Kappa



Patrick Fleming '03 and Nancy Murdock were married on September 15, 2009 in Las Vegas, Nevada. Twenty-five alumni gathered to celebrate the event and to enjoy some time in Las Vegas.



Steven Rossow '90 enjoyed some time fishing on the Deschutes River in central Oregon, filling his quota of Steelhead in a matter of a few hours.



NEVADA-LAS VEGAS Kappa Omicron



Best seat in the house! Chain crew Chris Hinojos '97 and John O'Connor '97 worked the UNLV vs BYU game on October 10, 2009.

Kenny Delzer '97 and his wife, Tisha, announce the birth of their second child, Alexis Lynn Delzer, on September 23, 2009.



Zac Higgins '99 and Gretchen Nystrom were married on August 14, 2009 on the Big Island of Hawaii. The wedding party included Tim Higgins '01, Eric Nystrom '97, Daniel Hinojos '98 and Tony Schum '99.

Leo Schafer '98 and his wife, Katie, welcomed their son, Gavin Leo, on September 26, 2009.



Bobby Zuniga '97 and his wife, Page, announce the birth of their first

child, Christian Gregory, on August 16, 2009.

NEW MEXICO STATE Kappa Eta

Raymond Vigil '00 is the manager, benefits analysis,

News of Bygone Days

125 YEARS AGO - 1884

The early years of the Fraternity were ones of mingled success and distress. From one cause or another, many chapters thus established by the mother chapter became inactive. About this time, several propositions were considered to merge the Fraternity into another one. In 1884, Theta Chapter considered applying, first to Beta Theta Pi, and, later, to Delta Kappa Epsilon, but decided not to make the applications.

100 YEARS AGO - 1909

In the chapter letter submitted for publication in a 1909 issue of the *Shield & Diamond*, Alpha Nu Chapter at the University of Missouri wrote: "We of Alpha Nu, after having had a visit from Brother Sale of the Supreme Council, and Brothers Smith, Mann and McKibben of Alpha Kappa Chapter, have been congratulating ourselves on getting our charter, and our pride in the fact that we are now brother Pi's is increasing every day."



75 YEARS AGO - 1934

Goodnite Sweetheart of IIKA, written by Harry Woodward, Pi, with Bud Workman as collaborator, was awarded first prize in the national song contest by chapter vote, according to announcement just made by the Supreme Council. The song is a dreamy waltz song and appeared on page 42 of the song-book issue of the April 1934 issue of the Shield & Diamond.

50 YEARS AGO - 1959

In the 1959 Shield & Diamond. Malcolm Colditz, president of Zeta Chapter at Tennessee wrote: "... A few weeks ago I was sitting at my desk and happened to glance at the back of my desk drawer. Here I noticed that for several years the men using this desk had carved their names in the back. Among the names was that of one of the brothers in 1934, who was later killed in action in WWII. This served to remind me that Pi Kappa Alpha is not merely composed of myself and the boys in Zeta at the present, but is composed of men who sat at my desk before I was born, of men from each of our chapters who are in every walk of life in almost every nation in the world – the old timers and the young initiates. Yes, this is Pi Kappa Alpha – not separate active chapters thinking only of themselves – not alumni groups who have practically forgotten their beloved fraternity, but one united brotherhood under the same name and ideals..."

25 YEARS AGO - 1984

From the December 1984 Shield & Diamond: Pi Kappa Alpha has revived its expansion program this past fall with the colonization of three groups at the University of California, Davis, Chapman College and Michigan State University. "We're very happy with all three groups and hope that we can install them by the end of the school year," Expansion Director Scott Bell commented, "In the meantime the Supreme Council has given us approval to colonize at the University of Minnesota, California State-Fresno and to re-charter Delta Chapter at Birmingham Southern. Unless something changes we're planning to officially colonize at Minnesota in April."

at Baylor Health Care System in Dallas, Texas. He has held various Human Resourses roles in the five years that he has been with Baylor Health Care System. Vigil and his wife, Amanda, have one son, Preston.

NORTH CAROLINA STATE Alpha Epsilon

Ernest Webb Spangler
'99 and Sherard Corbitt
Huffstetler were married on
October 17, 2009. The couple
lives in Charlotte where
Spangler is employed as an
industrial designer in product
development at Lowe's
Corporate in Mooresville.

OHIO Gamma Omicron

Andrew Ball '90 and Carol Pirman were married on October 16, 2009, near Niagara Falls, New York. The two have five boys as part of their newly blended family. They live in Lancaster, Ohio, where both teach in the Columbus City School System, and Ball is completing his M.A. in School Administration through the University of Dayton. He may be reached at oucatgrad92@yahoo.com.

OKLAHOMA Beta Omicron

Andrew Coats '54 has announced that he will retire

as University of Oklahoma College of Law dean on June 30, 2010 as the college completes its centennial. Coats, who has been dean since 1996, will be named dean emeritus and continue teaching at the law school after he steps down.

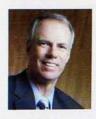
Coats is a former Oklahoma
City mayor and Oklahoma
County district attorney. He
also was president of the
American College of Trial
Lawyers, Oklahoma Bar
Association, American Board of
Trial Advocates of Oklahoma,
and of Crowe & Dunlevy, the
oldest and one of the largest
law firms in Oklahoma.

With Coat's guidance, the OU College of Law has achieved top-10 national

rankings in law school graduation, bar passage, and job placement. It also has tripled its number of endowed faculty positions while decreasing entering class sizes and improving the faculty-tostudent ratio to 12-to-1. He also guided the expansion that doubled the Law Center's size. Andrew M. Coats Hall includes the Dick Bell Courtroom and Auditorium and the Donald E. Pray Law Library, which boasts the state's largest law collection.

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OREGON Gamma Pi



John Kaegi '67 is Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Florida's (BCBSF) chief strategy officer. His

role includes facilitation of the processes and meetings of the corporate strategy committee supporting the development of critical business strategies. He also provides corporate leadership over solutions innovation to identify new opportunities in the marketplace. Kaegi's background includes nearly three decades of marketing, sales and strategic planning experience.

He joined BCBSF in 2002 as chief marketing executive and introduced a disciplined marketing process with customer/market intelligence as its base, which includes customer segmentation and targeting. He also organized marketing around customers through cross-functional Market Segment Teams and expanded the company's multi-cultural efforts.

Throughout his career, Kaegi has served on the board of directors and as an advisor to philanthropic organizations including the Long Island Museum of Science and Technology, Dowling College in New York, Suffolk County Council on Fitness and Health, Texas CASA, Big Brothers and Big Sisters of America and various Boy Scout troops. He also has been an advocate of United Way and the YMCA. Most recently, Kaegi served on the board of directors for the North Florida Chapter of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.

Kaegi holds a Bachelor of Science in Journalism from the University of Oregon and a Master of Business Administration from the University of Memphis. He served as the national editor of the *Shield & Diamond* magazine from 1972-1984, and continues his connection to his Pike brothers through the new NE Florida Alumni Association.

PACIFIC Kappa Nu



Damion Martin '98 and Emily French were married with several Kappa Nu brothers in attendance. Those at the wedding included groomsmen Brian Tibbens '96 (also cousin of bride), Bassel Mardini '96, Michael Griswold '96, Jorge Barriere '97, Benjie Reece '98, Will Downing '99, David Pace '99, Troy Bivens (California-Davis, Theta Omega '96), and Larry Chaves (Loyola-Marymount, Theta Eta '93).

RENSSELAER Gamma Tau



Sean Burns '03 and Mary Bond were married October 17, 2009 in Kingston, Rhode Island. Burns consults with fraternity and sorority alumni groups throughout the country implementing alumni communications plans as well as coordinating major fundraising efforts through annual campaigns and capital campaigns. Not only is he the house corporation president for his own Gamma Tau Chapter, but he also serves as chapter advisor for the Lambda Nu Chapter at Boston University. He assumed both of these volunteer roles after working on the headquarters

staff, where he focused on recruitment, membership development and alumni relations.

ROCKHURST Kappa Epsilon

Casey McGraw '97 and his wife, Rachel, welcomed their first child, Michael Andrew, on June 13, 2009. The family lives in Kansas City, Missouri and may be reached at rishpike@hotmail.com.

ROSE-HULMAN lota Delta

Richard Ditteon '88 is a physics professor at Rose-Hulman, and recently received an Honor Alumni Award for loyalty, meritorious service to Rose-Hulman and professional achievements. Ditteon, a 1975 physics graduate, has been director of the campus' observatory for 17 years. He has also served as faculty advisor for Pi Kappa Alpha and director of the Operation Catapult summer program.

SAN JOSE STATE Delta Pi

Kurt Carrasquilla '89

developed and taught the inaugural Essential of Wealth Management course at Stanford University this past summer. Additionally, he is starting his 12th year teaching Investments in the CFP Program for the University of California, Berkeley. Carrasquilla is vice president-wealth management with Morgan Stanley Smith Barney in San Jose, California.

SETON HALL Eta Beta

John Domanic '87 fished aboard the Orian in the White Marlin Open in August 2009, the largest sport fishing tournament in the world which was held in Ocean City, Maryland. He hooked the largest white marlin

caught in competition in 29 years, earning the team first place honors and \$905,000. He followed up by winning the white marlin division of the Manasquan River Marlin and Tuna Club tournament before going back to fish the tournament circuit in Baja, Mexico. Domanic is the sales manager with Baja Properties in Los Cabos, Mexico.

David Villalona '85 was appointed northeast regional managing director for the new Hummer organization. He left General Motors after 20 years for this exciting opportunity to oversee all activities that involve the new Hummer organization within the northeast region. Villalona resides in East Brunswick, New Jersey with his wife, Mary, and their three children, Angelea, Olivia and Dominic.

SOUTHEAST MISSOURI STATE Epsilon lota

Chad Mace '95 and his wife, Jamie, welcomed their daughter, Matylda Suzanne, on June 15, 2009.

David Sensiba '93 and his wife, Amy, recently completed their adoption of a special needs child. The family lives in Heidelburg, Germany where he continues to work for the Army as a social work officer.

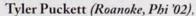
SOUTHERN ILLINOIS lota Mu



Travis Cacciatori '94 and Lauran Cort were married on September 18, 2009 at Michigan Shores Club in

Roanoke Alumnus and Towson Colony Advisor Takes Lacrosse to the Virgin Islands





the sport development associate at US Lacrosse, traveled to St. Thomas in the Virgin Islands to work with both local kids and parents to develop a lacrosse program on the island. Approximately 55 local children participated, and the week included fundamental skills, team play, and cross-sport coordination. At night, Puckett met with parents from



St. Thomas' after school programs and helped develop ideas on funding, administration, and coordination. Working for US Lacrosse, the national governing body of the sport, he administers and develops coaching education programs and national clinics in both emerging and established lacrosse areas in the continental United States and its territories. He also works

for the ESPN affiliate *Inside Lacrosse*, where he writes and edits print and web content on professional, collegiate, and high school lacrosse.

Puckett was recently named colony advisor for Pi Kappa Alpha's Towson University expansion project in Baltimore, Maryland.

Wilmette, Illinois. Pike brothers in the wedding party included **Ryan Flickinger '04** and **Timothy Kasten '04.** The couple resides in Alexandria, Virginia.

SOUTHWESTERN Alpha Omicron

Thomas Singletary '95 has been recognized by Crescendo Business Services in the September 2009 edition of *Texas Monthly* magazine as a 2009 FIVE STAR Best in Client Satisfaction Wealth Manager. Selection was based on a number of factors driven by

clients with a focus on best in class for client satisfaction. The 2009 FIVE STAR Wealth Managers is an elite group, representing less than two percent of the wealth managers in the Houston area.

TENNESSEE Zeta

Buck Lewis '74, the immediate past president of the Tennessee Bar Association and a shareholder in the Memphis office of Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz, PC, was elected vice chair of

the Tennessee Supreme Court's Access to Justice Commission in July 2009. He chairs the Commission's Task Force on Pro Bono Attorney Involvement. During his year as TBA president, Lewis led the TBA's Justice For All Campaign to provide more pro bono legal services to Tennesseans in need. The TBA recently received state and national recognition for the campaign. The Tennessee Society of Association Executives named the campaign the best statewide program by an association during the past

year. The program also won first place for service to the public from the American Bar Association Young Lawyers Division. Lewis was also recently named to the board of the Tennessee Supreme Court Historical Society. He is chair of Baker Donelson's Appellate Practice Section and former chair of the **Business Litigation Group and** Litigation Department, and focuses his own practice on complex business, personal injury, health care and class action litigation. He also

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has extensive experience in the areas of securities and governmental law.

Jack Silberman '03 and Shannon Smith were married on June 27, 2009. The couple lives in Mount Juliet, Tennessee where Silberman is an operations supervisor with Genco.

TENNESSEE-MARTIN Epsilon Sigma

Shad Adams '93 is working with the Epsilon Sigma Chapter to improve communication with alumni. To receive chapter updates and alumni news, please contact him at shad_adams@hotmail.com.

TEXAS TECH Epsilon Gamma

Abel Ortiz '91 announced the formation of Mixon, Moore & Ortiz, PLLC, a full-service law firm with offices located in historic downtown Galveston. The firm represents clients throughout the State of Texas in matters involving real estate, construction, corporate, contracts, tax, oil and gas, maritime, wills and estate planning and complex litigation as well as outsourced general counsel services. Ortiz may be reached at aortiz2@mmo-law.com.

TULSA Gamma Upsilon

Ben McCoy '03 and Danielle Bartlett were married on September 5, 2009 at the Victorian Mansion in Santa Monica, California. Gamma Upsilon brothers in the wedding party included

wedding party included
Grant Najera '03, Gordon
Houck '03, Chauncey
Pickering '02 and Justin
Harlan '05. There were many
additional Pike brothers in
attendance. The couple lives
in Los Angeles, California
where he may be reached at
benzo316@gmail.com.

UTAH Alpha Tau

Nick LeRoy '90 is a consumer marketing manager with Eli Lilly. He has accepted a ten month assignment in Shanghai, China helping to launch the consumer campaign for Cialis in the Chinese market. He will be living in Shanghai with his wife, Lori, and may be reached at npleroy@gmail.com.



Max Turnier '99 (left) and Jason Nguyen (Toledo, Epsilon Epsilon '03) both work for WINK-TV CBS in Fort Myers, Florida, bringing meaningful stories to the public forum while building a friendship based on the bonds of Pike brotherhood. The two met while covering a story as they performed live broadcasts side by side as competitors; Turnier as the reporter on one team, Nguyen as a photographer on the other. Once they realized they were both Pikes they went from competitive strangers to Pike brothers. Turnier joined WINK-TV in January 2009 and they now work together on a regular basis. This photo was taken at the Lee County gun range while working on a story about the sheriff's office training program.



WASHINGTON Beta Beta

Nat Mucha '94 works for Hansgrobe where he is a regional sales manager for the Central and Northwest Regions. He and his wife, Nichole, live in Dallas where he serves as alumni coadvisor for the Epsilon Delta Chapter at the University of North Texas and is a refounding father for the DFW Pike Alumni Association. Mucha may be reached at nmucha@hotmail.com.

WAYNE STATE Delta Nu

Michael Marcelli '01 is an executive analyst with the State Budget Division, Department of Finance and Administration in Santa Fe, New Mexico. He is responsible for generating the Governor's budget proposal for public education in the State of New Mexico. During his four year tenure as an executive budget analyst at the State Budget Division, he has critically analyzed a wide segment of state department budgets including the state police, corrections department, Homeland Security and agricultural/natural resource departments. During the 2010 legislative session, he will analyze and evaluate the impacts of legislative budget proposals on public education, and track and review legislation for cost and fiscal implications. Marcelli would enjoy hearing from his Delta Nu brothers as well as other Pikes he has met during various conferences and road trips across the country. He can be reached at Michael_marcelli@yahoo.com.

WEST GEORGIA Eta Sigma

John Spranza '93 is the director of student life at Georgia Highlands College in Rome, Georgia. In March



John Spranza received his national award and congratulations from Eric Lambert (LSU, Alpha Gamma '83) executive director of APCA.

2009, he was awarded the **National Programming** Advisor of the Year by the Association for the Promotion of Campus Activities (APCA) at their national conference in Atlanta. The award is the highest professional honor presented by APCA, which also recognizes campus performers and student leaders. Spranza was one of four finalists for the 2009 advisors' award, and it singles him out as tops in the country for creativity and diversity in student activities programming, as well as for excellent leadership demonstrated both on his campus and within APCA. In February 2009, Spranza was elected to serve a two-year term as treasurer for the Georgia College Personnel Association (GCPA) at its annual state conference in Athens. The GCPA is a state division of the American College Personnel Association which is one of the largest student affairs professional organizations in the country. Spranza has been at Georgia Highlands College since 2003, and is joined by several fellow Pikes in the administration and faculty at Georgia Highlands College, including college president Dr. Randy Pierce (Georgia State, Epsilon Nu '68), social sciences division chair Dr. Rob Page (Central Florida, Eta Phi '79), history professor emeritus Dr. James Cook (Emory, Beta Kappa '61) and information

technology specialist Taylor

Alpha Tau Chapter (Utah) Reunion Celebrates 50 Years of Brotherhood

Larry Stowe '60, and 43 of his Alpha Tau brothers who were active between 1956 and 1964 met on Saturday, June 27, 2009 at the recently acquired Alpha Tau Chapter house on Greek Row to celebrate 50 years of Pi Kappa Alpha brotherhood. He conceived of the reunion from his residence in Williamsburg, Virginia while planning to attend his 50th High School Reunion in Salt Lake City. Helping to organize the gala were Jim Barlage '60, Paul Bradley' 58, Harry Campbell, '62, Lance Parker '63, Dick Jonely '59 and Mike Leibsla '01, the current alumni coordinator for the chapter. Jonely, Stowe's Big Brother from 1959, was his "right-hand" man during the event.

The reunion began at 2:00 p.m., with the help of four current (and quite beautiful) Kappa Kappa Gamma sisters running the registration desk. Highlights of the reunion, which ran until midnight, included the reenactment of a weekly Fraternity meeting, resplendent with rousing renditions of favorite songs including Ole Virginny, How'd you like to be a PiKA, He Rambled, Gaudeamus Igitur and Viva la PiKA; a reading of the Preamble, led by former chapter presidents Dick Williams '55, Tony Cannon '58, and Mike Hurd '60; a humorous and touching review of our past with a slide show presentation by Lance Parker'63, using a fantastic web site he created for the occasion (http:// pikappaalpha1960.phanfare.com/); and



a performance by the famous 1960s era Alpha Tau Trio "Tom, Dick and Harry" (Tom Drury'62, Al Reeder'60 and Harry Campbell'62) of a few of their favorite "Kingston Trio" style songs. This was followed by a group photo from the front patio of the house, a chicken dinner provided by the one and only Colonel Sanders, story telling over dessert, and a few card games.

Current Chapter President Madson Thompson '05 addressed the group after dinner, and expressed how meaningful it was for the current chapter members to host this reunion and have it be the

first major event in the history of the "new" chapter house. They couldn't think of a better way to christen it. He also requested that, in 2012, we all return for a Grand Centennial Celebration of Alpha Tau. At least ten current brothers assisted with the event, running the cash bar, stocking the snack platters and serving dinner. Some were even seen sitting in on the card games. The true meaning of phi phi kappa alpha was shared by all. The funds remaining after expenses were given to the chapter in appreciation for use of the house and for their enthusiastic support of this reunion. This gift was designated to support future alumni functions.

Maddox (Emory, Beta Kappa

'99). Spranza has served as both the treasurer and president of the Eta Sigma Alumni Association, and is a previous chapter advisor for the Eta Sigma Chapter. He lives in Rome, Georgia with his wife, Deana, and their two sons, John and Nicholas.

WESTERN CAROLINA Zeta Xi

Bill Kerdyk '80 serves as the

Coral Gables vice mayor. He joined family members, friends and city and county officials in May 2009 to honor his father, the late William Kerdyk, Sr. (Miami, Gamma Omega '47) who served as the longest serving city commissioner. A busy stretch of Douglas Road along the eastern edge of Coral Gables will bear the name of Kerdyk, Sr., a man who heralded the city's historic image and protected the strict zoning code.

WESTERN KENTUCKY Zeta Epsilon

Johnny Henderson '96 is a senior investment consultant/



vice president with PNC Investments in Louisville, Kentucky. He was named Investment Consultant of the Year with PNC Investments Kentucky/Indiana Region and was also named in Bank Investment Consultant magazine's Top 50 Consultants. He and his wife, Sarah, have two children, Emma and Ellie, and he may be reached at jhenderson1868@hotmail.com.

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SHIELD & DIAMOND

WILFRID LAURIER Kappa Mu



Michael Epstein '00 and Elyse Levy were married on August 13, 2009 in Toronto, Ontario.

WYOMING lota Alpha

Zach Lehman '98, a dedicated and professional Marine, was part of a "60 Minutes" segment in October 2009 where a reporter and crew accompanied the forward air controller on patrol in Afghanistan. During the segment he narrowly avoided a Taliban ambush, but word reached their base and then the squad in time to prevent the ambush, allowing the Marines to slip into the cover of a cornfield for the patrol home, according to the CBS report. Lehman's home is in Hamstead, North Carolina, where he and his wife are expecting their first child together in January, and he is step-father to her daughter. He is slated for a December 16, 2009 return to the United States and may be reached at zlehman@juno.com.

Rusty Ludwig '89 has formed his own law practice, Ludwig Law Office, P.C., located in Sheridan, Wyoming, after practicing law for eleven years with another partnership. He and his wife, Kirsi, have one son. Ludwig would enjoy hearing from his lota Alpha brothers, especially those around the early days of forming the chapter in Laramie, at rustyludwig@bresnan.net.

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Joshua S. Meadows (Texas Tech, Epsilon Gamma '98)

Captain Joshua S. Meadows, 30, of Elgin, Texas, entered Chapter Eternal on September 5, 2009, while conducting combat operations in Farah province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation



Enduring Freedom. He was assigned to 1st Marine Special Operations Battalion, U.S. Marine Corps Forces Special Operations Command, based at Camp Pendleton, California.

Captain Meadows joined the Marine Corps in 1996 and was trained as a Pilot UH-1N Qualified. He was promoted to Captain on July 1, 2006, joining MARSOC on May 28, 2009. His decorations include a Purple Heart Medal, Bronze Star with a combat "V", a Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal, a Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, Combat Action Ribbon, Navy Unit Commendation, Selected Marine Corps Reserve Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal with bronze campaign star, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Sea Service Deployment Ribbon with two bronze stars, Rifle Expert Badge (4), and a Pistol Expert Badge (4).

Captain Meadows graduated from Elgin High School in 1997 and joined the U.S. Marine Corps while he was enrolled in school. He was an Eagle Scout and earned his private pilot's license at the age of 16. Josh was also a member of Texas First Families, Sons of the Republic of Texas and Sons of the Confederate Veterans. He was listed as active duty in May 1997 and then reported to boot camp in San Diego. In January 1998, he enrolled at Texas Tech and served as a member of a reserve unit in Austin, where he attended monthly drills and spent six weeks in the summer with his unit. While at Texas Tech, Meadows served Epsilon Gamma Chapter as vice president in 2000-01. He was commissioned as a 2nd Lt in December of 2001 and was designated a Naval Aviator in March 2004.

Josh met his wife, Angela, while they were both at Tech. Meadows graduated from TTU with a degree in business. He then was commissioned as an officer and attended a two-year program in flight school. During that time, Meadows was stationed in Pensacola, Florida and Corpus Christi. It was at this time that Angela and Josh married in Midland, Texas, the home of the bride and the former home of Josh's father's family. They moved to Carlsbad, California where Josh was stationed at Camp Pendleton for more than five years and flew Huey helicopters. In November 2008 Captain Meadows was assigned to a special forces team unrelated to flying. Josh and Angela were expecting their first child in a few weeks.

Josh and Angela were partners in the family ranching business with Angela's brother and his wife. Josh and Angela were planning a move back to the ranch when his service to our nation was done. Josh loved the ranch and had the same love for the land and animals that he had for his country and the Marine Corp.

An accomplished Marine, Josh was very proud to serve his country and had been deployed overseas several times throughout his military career. In August of 2008, Meadows was the lead Marine Corps Huey helicopter pilot seeing action in the Gulf of Aden in an operation that prevented a pirate attack on the Gem of Kilakarai, a Singapore cargo ship. Marines with the 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit, were deployed aboard the USS Peleliu provided aerial support and explosive ordnance disposal during the mission.

Everyone who knew Capt. Meadows considered him a friend. He was a devout Christian with a passion to serve the Lord. His friends described him as the kind of person everyone should strive to be, genuinely and effortlessly devoted to his country. Josh was described as "a man's man and Marine's Marine – no better friend. Whether he knew it or not, he was an example that those around him strived to emulate."

He is survived by his wife, his mother and his sister. He was preceded in death by his father. He is also survived by three uncles and their families.

Meadows will always be remembered as a true hero who made the ultimate sacrifice fighting for what he believed in.



Greater love hath
no man than to
lay down his life
for his brothers.

-John 15:13

Chapter Eternal continues on next page.

William A. Estes Jr. (Arizona, Gamma Delta '57)

Tucson philanthropist Bill Estes Jr. entered Chapter Eternal on August 9, 2009 after a long illness. He was 70 years old.

Estes served Gamma Delta Chapter as chapter president. While at the University of Arizona, he met his future wife, Shirley. They



married in 1960. After graduating, Estes served in the military in Germany.

After serving two years, Estes, his wife and young son returned to Tucson, where he began work with his father, W.A. "Bill" Estes Sr., who began a company in 1947 that later became Estes Homes. The company has built more that 40,000 homes in Phoenix, Tucson and Sierra Vista. The elder Estes retired and turned the company over to his son in 1973. In 1998, the business was sold to what is now KB Home for \$47 million.

In addition to being a well-known real estate developer and home builder, Estes was also well regarded for his work in the community, especially when it came to education.

Estes and his wife supported the University of Arizona. The Estes' gifts benefit a vast array of areas across campus. Their contributions helped develop and improve the Estes Strength Facility at McKale Center, the Eller College of Management, the Women's Plaza of Honor, the Alumni Association Alumni Plaza, and the College of Education. They also supported Arizona Athletics' remodeling and renovation of the Arizona baseball stadium.

In 2007, UA President Robert N. Shelton nominated the couple for the 2007 Southern Arizona Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals Philanthropists of the Year Award. They won the award for making a significant difference in multiple local charitable organizations, and inspiring and motivating other philanthropists with their gifts.

Additionally, Estes helped start a private school in South Tucson, was active in his church and donated to many charities. He was active within the Tucson Unified School District.

The Estes family bought the Tucson Toros minor-league baseball team in 1973. Estes Sr. sold the team to his son in 1975. A longtime backer of education, Estes was named by then-Gov. Janet Napolitano to the State Board of Education in 2005.

In addition to his wife, Estes is survived by two sons, a daughter and five grandchildren.

Michael E. Medlock (Arkansas State, Delta Theta '69)

Mike Medlock entered Chapter Eternal on Wednesday, October 28, 2009. As an undergraduate, he served Delta Theta Chapter as president in 1970. Later, he served as chapter advisor before becoming one of the founding members of the Delta Theta House Corporation. Medlock's leadership



and guidance were instrumental in Delta Theta building the chapter house on the ASU campus. He served on the House Corporation from the beginning until his death, spanning over 30 years of service to Pi Kappa Alpha. He was inducted into the Pi Kappa Alpha, Delta Theta Hall of Fame.

Medlock exemplified everything Pike stands for as a leader in all aspects of life. He was a very successful businessman, as founder and president of Insurance Network of Jonesboro. He also served on the ASU Board of Trustees for ten years, serving as chairman of the board.

He was selected as the Business Executive of the Year by the Arkansas State University College of Business Alumni Chapter. "We are extremely honored to present this award to Mike Medlock. Mike is an excellent leader and a friend to all his employees," said Dr. Len Frey, dean of the College of Business. "He is a visionary in the insurance industry, and he continues to develop partnerships with top international insurance companies in order to best serve his clients. Mike is a man of integrity, of compassion, a team player, deliberate, ethical, supportive, savvy and an educator." Before his death, Medlock was executive vice president for Bankcorp South Insurance Services. Medlock was a long-time supporter of numerous local organizations, including United Way, St. Bernards Foundation, Arkansas State University Foundation, and the Phil and Flo Jones Hospice House, among others. He has served on many boards, including the Jonesboro Municipal Airport Commission (past chairman), the board of Healthcare Medical Group, and as past president of the Ionesboro Chamber of Commerce.

His two brothers, Dan Medlock '72 and David Medlock '74 and son, Matt Medlock (*Arkansas*, *Alpha Zeta '05*) are also brothers of Pi Kappa Alpha.

Memorials can be made to place engraved bricks at the ASU Pike House in both the Pike Memorial Plaza and Pike Alumni Patio or to the Pike Scholarship Fund. Pike Memorial Gifts should be sent to Pi Kappa Alpha, 1410 Franklin Street, Jonesboro, AR 72401.

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TRINITY Epsilon Alpha

Bright, David '97 7/3/09

TULANE Eta

Weil, William '46 8/30/09

UTAH Alpha Tau

Madsen, Truman '45 5/28/09

UTAH STATE Gamma Epsilon

Badger, Leon '67 8/13/09 Robbins, Wayne '47 10/7/09 Rasmuson, Ellwood '39 7/29/09

VIRGINIA Alpha

Cooke, David '54 7/21/09

WAKE FOREST

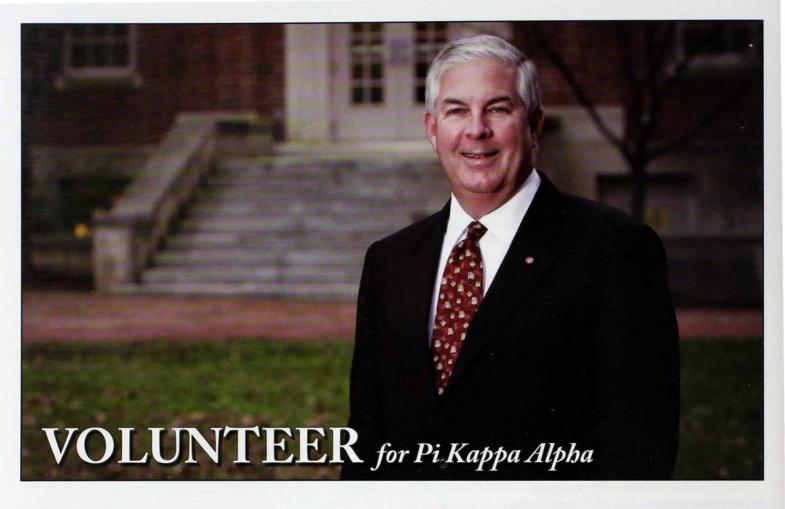
Thomas, John '55 10/3/09

WEST FLORIDA

Sheppard, Charles '72 7/17/09

WEST VIRGINIA Alpha Theta

> Troxell, Lewis '55 5/21/09 Yater, Chester '48 9/13/09



John McCann

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"As an alumnus, I want to set an example for my children, undergraduate brothers and alumni of the importance of volunteering. I learn a great deal from alumni whom I recruit as advisors, especially the strong passion that so many have toward their home chapters and their successes. This passion is very contagious.

My Pike volunteer experience started in the late 1970s as a chapter advisor to Epsilon Xi Chapter at Case Western and Alpha Rho Chapter at Ohio State. I then went 22 years without volunteering for Pike until my son Sean (North Carolina-Charlotte, Kappa Kappa '01) came to me in 2002 and told me his chapter advisor had quit. He wanted to know what I was doing. At first, I didn't know if I would have anything to offer after so much time away, but decided I wanted to volunteer again. I served Kappa Kappa Chapter as their advisor from 2002-2005.

To see how Kappa Kappa Chapter grew strong and to know that I had contributed to its success is very satisfying. Since that day in 2002, my life has been greatly enriched by friendships with alumni advisors who strengthen the bonds of our Fraternity on a daily basis.

As a regional president, my advising focus has switched from undergraduates to alumni. I have witnessed steady

advancement in the ways our Fraternity has elevated the importance of alumni volunteering and support at the local level. It started with the goal of every chapter having an advisor, then an accredited advisor, and now the goal is to have an alumni advisory board in place at every chapter. Alumni involvement is as important at the local chapter now as it has ever been!

Regional presidents communicate with advisors via quarterly conference calls, sharing recruitment best-practices and successes. I enjoy meeting fellow volunteers at Pike University Leadership Summits and discussing the impact we have on our undergraduate brothers and the impact they have on us.

Beyond volunteering for my church and local Habitat for Humanity, I feel that volunteering for Pike is personally beneficial because of the satisfaction I derive from recruiting alumni to get back involved with this great organization.

I encourage you to get involved today! Most alumni have memorable chapter experiences that were made possible, in part, by alumni volunteering as chapter advisors, in alumni associations, and housing corporations. If you were positively touched by an act of volunteering, now is your time to pay it forward to ensure future chapter success."

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