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**JOHN A. BOBANGO**  
reflects on his term as  
PIKE's International President

# PIKE

## POWER PLAYER

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#### EDUCATION

University of Cincinnati, 1988 graduate

Bachelor of Science  
Industrial Engineering

#### CAREER

Vice-President, Gillette and  
The Art of Shaving, Procter & Gamble

Began career with P&G in 1988  
as a marketing analyst

#### FAMILY

Rae Ann Mang, wife of 26 years,  
whom I met at a PIKE spring formal,  
and our son, Jack, 14

#### CHALLENGE TO ALUMNI

Recall what PIKE gave to you as an undergrad and give back – it will pay you 10x dividends and prove that you can really change someone's life.

#### GREATEST LIFE ACCOMPLISHMENT

Moving my wife and four year old son to Japan to live for six years. The Japanese people taught us about respect, humility, and finding quiet happiness in life. I had a chance to return a small portion of their generosity after the Great Tohoku earthquake in March 2011. After the disaster, nearly 70,000 refugees were living in shelters that lacked some of the basic human needs, such as clean clothing.

As General Manager of P&G Northeast Asia Fabric & Home Care, I mobilized my team to build a laundry facility that served 13 shelters until evacuees could be placed in proper temporary housing.

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Board Member,  
United Way of Massachusetts Bay  
and Merrimack Valley

Board Member,  
Japan Society of Boston

Certified Barbeque Judge,  
Memphis in May (MBN),  
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The Japan Sake Education Council

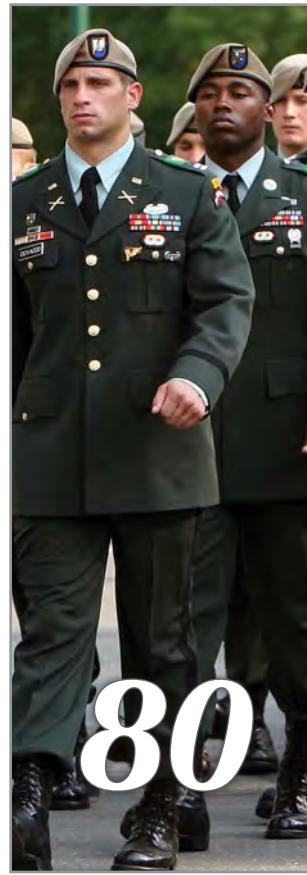
President,  
Alpha Xi of Pi Kappa Alpha  
College Educational and  
Charitable Foundation  
2003-2006

Trustee,  
University of  
Cincinnati  
Foundation  
2001-2011

#### PERSONAL LIFE MISSION

Simply to make a difference. Everyone has different strengths and weaknesses and experiences. I like to focus on a few things where I know I can use my specific talents to make the biggest impact – whether that is with my family, my business, or my community.

I believe in QUANTITY time, not just quality time.



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## Update

### Changes to PIKE Professional Staff

Executive Vice President Justin A. Buck announces the following changes to the Pi Kappa Alpha professional staff:

**Jeffery T. Farris** (Toledo, Epsilon Epsilon '12) will serve as director of services covering the eastern half of North America. Farris will work closely with the Fraternity's chapters including serving as the primary point of contact for chapter officers and university officials. Farris will also assist in managing the chapter consultant program. Previously, he worked as a chapter consultant traveling the New England and Atlantic Coast regions, and conducted an expansion project at the University of Maryland. He served Epsilon Epsilon Chapter as president, and is Gold Level Certified through PIKE University. Farris holds a bachelor's degree in medicinal and biological chemistry.



In this role, Teixeira will be charged with the development and implementation of the PIKE membership development program, *The True PIKE Experience*. Specifically, he will provide support and direction to chapters working to implement *The True PIKE Experience*, and enhance all supplemental programming including online resources and tutorials for the program. Teixeira will also be charged with coordinating the evaluation of chapter awards and year-end summaries, assisting with the facilitation and enhancement of PIKE University events and creating further chapter related resources. Teixeira served as chapter consultant during the 2015-16 academic year, supporting the Great Lakes and Keystone Regions. He also conducted an expansion project at the University of Maryland. He is Gold Level Certified through PIKE University. Teixeira holds a bachelor of science in kinesiology-physical education and a minor in business from California State-Fresno.



**Zachary G. Leibold** (California State-Sacramento, Theta Tau '10) departed the Fraternity's staff in May 2016, returning to Sacramento, California. Leibold spent his first year on staff as a chapter consultant and was promoted to director of volunteer development in spring 2015. Alumni & Volunteer Officer Ben Boden remarked, "Zach has been an invaluable asset to the International Fraternity's staff. Over the past year, Zach has been able to audit many of our existing programs in the alumni and volunteer department, adding efficiency to our business processes. He has also played a vital role in helping us develop new tracking metrics on the advisory board and alumni association sides of the house. I am extremely proud of the work Zach has done for our Fraternity."



**Andrea N. Wade** (Phi Mu) joined the communications team as marketing coordinator. Her primary responsibilities will be to maintain/update the content calendar supporting email, social, magazine, and event communication channels; production of the PIKELine e-newsletter, as well as shared responsibilities for social media postings, and editing of magazine submissions. Wade is a graduate of the University of Memphis, where she earned a bachelor of communication and fine arts in advertising. During her undergraduate experience, she served as programming director for the Panhellenic Council.



**Devon N. Teixeira** (California State-Fresno, Iota Beta '10) has been promoted to the position of director of membership development.

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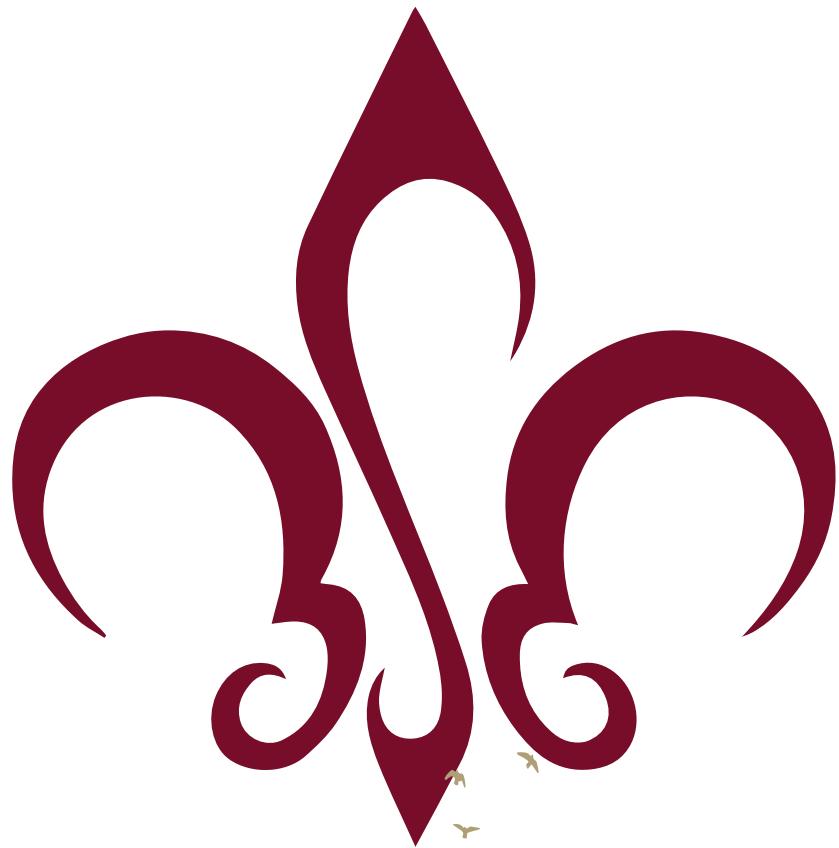
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# PASSING THE GAVEL

**John A. Bobango reflects on two years as international president, and looks ahead to PIKE's future**

This summer at the 2016 International Convention in New Orleans, Pi Kappa Alpha International President John A. Bobango (*Arkansas State, Delta Theta '74*) will pass the gavel of presidency on to the man who will serve from 2016 to 2018.

The *Shield & Diamond* recently had a conversation with Brother Bobango about his term in office, and what he sees on the horizon for the Fraternity.

But first, who is the gentleman from Arkansas who has risen to prominence both in the legal field and in the Fraternity? Prior to his election as international president at the 2014 Convention, Bobango served three terms as Pi Kappa Alpha's international vice president and two terms as international legal counsel. He is a former Foundation trustee, a former Cumberland regional president and a former member of the Fraternity's staff. Bobango was also a member of the Fraternity's Finance Committee and president of the Risk Awareness Foundation. He is a member of the President's Council and the Foundation's Founders Society.

Professionally, he is the managing partner of the law firm of Farris Bobango.

In the local community, he served on the Memphis City Council from 1996 to 2000, and formerly served as chairman of the Joint City and Shelby County Community Redevelopment Agency. Bobango and his wife, Lisa, reside in Germantown, Tennessee, and have two children, Allen and Mary Lauren. Over the course of the conversation, Bobango answered several key questions about the Fraternity, and shed light on his personal experiences:



**John Bobango (center) interacts with undergraduates at the 2015 Academy in Memphis, Tennessee.**

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**You've been involved with the Fraternity since your initiation in 1974, including your activity on an international level for almost 23 years, in a number of different roles. How did those experiences prepare you to be International President?**

One of my favorite books is *Good to Great* by Jim Collins. The book is an analysis of why some companies become great and why some good companies fail or never improve. One of the important aspects of a great company is leadership that understands

the organization from the ground up and the essential operations of the business. I first heard the phrase "*Once a Pike, Always a Pike*" as a student member in 1974. What I did not understand, nor appreciate, at the time is the deep meaning and profound impact this simple phrase would have on me.

I have been fortunate to serve Pi Kappa Alpha in several capacities. My involvement allowed me to gain insight into the issues that confront the Greek community, the needs of our Fraternity specifically, and the decision and planning process used by our Fraternity. My PIKE experiences have enabled me to see how it all fits together and, most importantly, how everyone works together and stays connected to the mission of Pi Kappa Alpha.

**In your inaugural speech in Baltimore, you mentioned a desire to educate members to prevent hazing, alcohol abuse, and sexual assault. How much progress have you seen in these areas?**

We have made substantial progress in our education and programming to address hazing, alcohol abuse and sexual assault. Our mission states that "Pi Kappa Alpha is dedicated to developing men of integrity, intellect, and high moral character...." Hazing does nothing to help us achieve that mission. It is demeaning and adds no value to a fraternity experience, or any experience for that matter. The complete elimination of hazing would dramatically enhance the reputation of not only Pi Kappa Alpha, but fraternities in general.



A Bobango family photo: from left, daughter Mary Lauren, wife Lisa, John, daughter-in-law Maddy, and son Allen.

In 2015, Pi Kappa Alpha launched its participation in the Fraternal Health & Safety Initiative (FHSI) to fight the most pressing social issues on college campuses today. The PIKE consultant corps plays a key role in providing chapter resources and leadership education on the complex issues that can prevent our chapters from performing in alignment with Pi Kappa Alpha's standards, values and principles. The training also addresses the prevention of sexual assault and the consequences of high-risk alcohol consumption. Pi Kappa Alpha signed on as a sponsor for the national "It's On Us" campaign, an initiative to help put an end to campus sexual assault. We have raised awareness of these issues through presentations, frank conversations and open dialogue, and through PIKE University curriculum. We want our members to not only be educated to help try and prevent negative situations from arising, but to hold individual members accountable when necessary.

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**Serving as Pi Kappa Alpha's International President places you in some very select company. What did you take away from this experience?**

I am very honored to be included in the company of these outstanding men. I have always said, "If you want to thrive within an organization, say yes when asked, show up, be involved, and listen." At the conclusion of each Supreme Council meeting, Foundation meeting, real estate meeting, or Finance Committee meeting, I left knowing more about myself, leadership, and the kind of thoughtful discussions necessary to reach a conclusion. By fulfilling the obligations of each successive position that I held, I had the opportu-

nity to accept more responsibility and help accomplish more along the way. My experience in the Fraternity as an active member of Delta Theta Chapter, a member of the professional staff, and a volunteer have each provided me with the lessons, knowledge, and the experience necessary to fulfill the role as international president.

**Being International President requires you to volunteer a lot of your personal time. How have you been able to balance your personal and professional life as a Fraternity volunteer?**

A lesson for all of our undergraduate brothers is that any time you take on a "volunteer role," you have to accept that it will impact all of those around you. Numerous people have helped me balance my responsibilities. I am married to a wonderful person, my best friend and the love of my life, Lisa. She supports and encourages me in all I do while keeping me grounded and balanced. The members of the Supreme Council assist each other with our Fraternity commitments. My legal assistant, Janice Crowder, has been extremely helpful in keeping me on track with both my profes-





**Active in civic and local events, John A. Bobango was selected as 2015 King of Carnival Memphis.**

sional and Fraternity commitments. The members of the law firm have also been very supportive of my Pi Kappa Alpha involvement. They have each acknowledged, as have I, that I come back reenergized and more focused on whatever other personal and professional commitments I have as a result of the passion I have for PIKA.

**Do you have a favorite memory from your term as International President?**

I have thoroughly enjoyed my last two years as president and as I look back, I realize there are more moments than I can possibly mention but will note a few. In fall 2014, Executive Vice President & CEO Justin A. Buck (*Southeast Missouri State, Epsilon Iota '96*) and I traveled to Auburn University to meet with the Upsilon Pikes. Both of my children, Mary Lauren and Allen, graduated from Auburn. During our visit we had a brief meeting with the chapter, followed by a productive, engaging question/answer session. After our meeting, Justin and I, along with Lisa, Mary Lauren, and Allen, were graciously treated to a fabulous five-course dinner with chapter representatives in the PIKE house. During the dinner, a few of us remarked that we really need to have Ken Lowe (*North Carolina, Tau '70*), President & CEO of Scripps Networks, produce a culinary show at Upsilon and possibly at other PIKE Fraternity houses. It was a wonderful and memorable experience for all of us.

Another memory was when I was traveling to Birmingham, Alabama, to

attend the Birmingham Area Alumni Association Founders Day Dinner in spring 2016. Prior to the trip, I arranged to visit Past National President Richard F. Ogle (*Alabama, Gamma Alpha '61*). My visit with Richard and his wife, Rhonda, was very enjoyable. Richard was the outgoing president of Pi Kappa Alpha at the 1978 National Convention in San Francisco when I was a chapter consultant and I have maintained a long friendship with Richard ever since. In fact, I treasure my friendships with all of the living past presidents of Pi Kappa Alpha.

Finally, Justin Buck, International Vice President Shad Williams (*Oklahoma State, Gamma Chi '90*) and I attended the annual Delta Theta alumni golf tournament last summer. Having the opportunity to go back to Delta Theta, where my PIKE experience began, as president of the International Fraternity, was very special for me.

**Have there been any people who have had a significant influence on you in your official role?**

Without question, the past presidents of our Fraternity have influenced me in my role as international president. These brothers have guided our Fraternity through the years and have contributed their time, money and resources to Pi Kappa Alpha. Their unique perspectives and insights have benefitted me, both personally as well as in my role as international president. During my tenure on the Supreme Council, I have served under

five presidents, who have each brought a variety of talents to the table, not only to the benefit of our Fraternity, but to the men serving alongside them.

**During your keynote speeches, you have referenced several quotes by Peter Drucker and William Shakespeare, among others. What is your favorite quote, and what does it mean to you?**

I would choose a line written by William Shakespeare. "We know who we are, but know not who we might be." When I first read this quote, it resonated with me because of my experiences in Pi Kappa Alpha. All of these experiences, the leadership opportunities, and the friendships formed have made an impact on me and contributed to my development. "We know who we are" describes us before we become a member of Pi Kappa Alpha. "But know not who we might be" reveals our development as we progress through the leadership opportunities in the chapter, attending PIKE U events, and the development of lifelong friendships. I believe the second part of that quote will always apply to each of us, and to the PIKE experiences we have yet to encounter.

**Overall, where do you think Pi Kappa Alpha ranks in relation to other fraternities? How do we stay ahead?**

Considering all relevant data in various categories, including new member recruiting, initiations, number of chapters, average chapter size, and the expansion program, there is no doubt Pi Kappa Alpha is one of the best fraternities in North America. The Fraternity must continue to expand, develop and improve in all these areas to remain at the top. As a leader in the fraternity world, Pi Kappa Alpha must continue to recruit the best professional staff, involve the very best volunteer leaders and deliver outstanding PIKE U leadership events. Most importantly, our chapters must continue to recruit the very best men to execute our mission as they are the key to our future success.

**You and your Supreme Council developed the Fraternity's six-year strategic plan. Can you describe the focus of that plan and the results you hope to realize?**

The Supreme Council has reviewed and analyzed every critical and strategic area of the Fraternity. In February 2016, the Council conducted a strategic planning session, facilitated by

former chapter consultant and regional president Chris Peterson (*Florida, Alpha Eta* '91). We developed six pillars to focus on over the next six years: Quality Growth, Asset Development, Membership Development, University/Community Relations, Chapter Support and Alumni Engagement. The pillars enumerate the specific areas to support our Fraternity's growth and to expand the services provided to our chapters. Subsequent strategies and tactics enabling us to move forward in these key areas are to be reviewed by the Council at their next meeting with final adoption slated for later this year.

**So what do you believe are the Fraternity's keys to success moving forward? And how can we stay ahead of the competition?**

To maintain and sustain what Pi Kappa Alpha has accomplished in 148 years, we must focus on quality recruiting. Recruitment in any organization is essential and the key to addressing any deficiencies. The importance of recruiting and properly educating our new members must always be mission critical. Recruiting is the growth engine of our existence. We need to continue to recruit quality men who want to be leaders. We must communicate to potential members the value of our Fraternity. Members of Pi Kappa Alpha are provided leadership opportunities and leadership programming through PIKE U events that are not available to non-Pikes. PIKE U leadership events are a differentiator that we need to better leverage into the future.

**What advice do you have for Pi Kappa Alpha's next generation of young leaders?**

Be a role model. Teach our Fraternity history and values, and do not be afraid to make changes and decisions that are critical to sustaining Pi Kappa Alpha. Our Fraternity has evolved over time and will need to continue to do so to remain relevant. We must think strategically and make bold decisions so Pi Kappa Alpha can solidify its place in today's dramatically changing arena of higher education.

**Where do you see the Fraternity heading in the next 10, 20 years and beyond, and what will be needed to get there? What priorities should the Fraternity have going forward?**

Our Fraternity will certainly have challenges in the future. We will compete for time, money and resources with other organizations. We will need to constantly address the



**The 2014-16 Supreme Council: (from left) Shad D. Williams (Oklahoma State, Gamma Chi '90), Vice President; John M. Silberstein (Chapman, Theta Psi '85), Legal Counsel; Mathew J. Forrest (Southern Illinois, Iota Mu '94), Past International President; John A. Bobango, President; Mark C. Dziatczak (Wayne State, Delta Nu '91), Vice President; Michael W. Riley (Kansas State, Alpha Omega '84), Vice President; Michael R. McMillan (California-San Diego, Kappa Phi '97), Vice President**

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relevance of fraternity. Pi Kappa Alpha has a great story to tell. We need to do a better job of telling our story and the accomplishments of our brothers and chapters. We should take more initiative to enhance our relationships with university administrators. In recruiting new members we will need to expand the use of technology and social media.

**What advice might you offer to your successor?**

Serving as president is an incredible honor. Focus on a clear vision and strategic direction for Pi Kappa Alpha and ask questions. We have the best professional staff in the fraternity world. Let the professionals do their jobs, and your job as a volunteer will be productive and enjoyable. Arrange your schedule to attend as many of the events as possible. The two-year term

as president will pass quickly; however, you will make memories for a lifetime.

**How would you like to be remembered as International President?**

The 2014-2016 Supreme Council was engaged, focused, and provided clear direction for Pi Kappa Alpha. This Council affirmed that hazing in any form is not allowed. The Council implemented the redesign of the website to expand the content and emphasize the purpose and values of the Fraternity, and enhanced and expanded the technology platform. We stressed the importance of communicating the story of Pi Kappa Alpha and its members through marketing and public relations efforts. We also identified the importance of improving relationships with university administrators and began inviting university presidents to attend and present at PIKE U leadership events.

Finally, I would like to be remembered as a loyal brother who "paid forward" to Pi Kappa Alpha through my service to the Fraternity for all the benefits that I received from being a member of the Fraternity. I continually receive more from the brotherhood than I could ever contribute. ♦



From left: Alex Smout, Randy Ross, Isaac Bahney, Jake Ferzacca, Senator Pat Roberts (Kansas State, Alpha Omega '55), Adam Wassell, Justin Azar, Jordan King, and Dan Corah met in Senator Roberts' office on April 20, 2016. It was the senator's 80th birthday.

# PIKES STORM THE HILL

by Jordan L. King (Arizona, Gamma Delta '10)

Pikes stormed Capitol Hill this spring to lobby for the Collegiate Housing Infrastructure Act (CHIA), and to continue to cultivate and maintain Pi Kappa Alpha's and the Greek world's relationships with members of Congress and their staffs.

This annual event provides an opportunity for members of Congress to hear directly from Greek student leaders. Four PIKE undergraduate members were selected for this opportunity: Justin Azar (*Michigan State, Iota Iota '13*), Isaac Bahney (*Kansas, Beta Gamma '16*), Jake Ferzacca (*Ohio State, Alpha Rho '15*), and Alex Smout (*Washington, Beta Beta '15*). These four brothers went through a training process to fully understand the legislative agenda and express it cohesively when speaking with members of Congress and their staff.

In total, 65 undergraduates were selected from fraternities and sororities to participate in this event. Attendees were divided into teams of four, consisting of two undergraduates and two alumni.

The alumni who represented PIKE were: Dan Corah (*Colorado State, Epsilon Theta '83*), chief real estate officer for PIKE; Jordan

L. King (*Arizona, Gamma Delta '10*), director of finance for PIKE; Randy Ross (*California Polytechnic-San Luis Obispo, Iota Theta '98*) who currently serves as executive director of public affairs for Nomura; and Adam Wassell (*North Carolina-Greensboro, Lambda Rho '09*), director of development for the PIKE Foundation.

The legislative agenda was primarily focused around the Collegiate Housing Infrastructure Act (CHIA), as it has been in past years. CHIA would eliminate an arbitrary distinction in the current tax code that allows colleges and universities to use charitable contributions to build and maintain student housing, but prevents other not-for-profit student housing entities, such as fraternities and sororities, from doing the same. More than just the idea of creating tax parity, CHIA would answer affordability and safety related concerns on college campuses. Room and board costs outweigh tuition costs at most public universities. Generally speaking, living in a chapter house can dramatically reduce the cost of room and board for students, which relieves part of the financial burden of attending college. On a safety note, roughly 50

percent of all Greek houses do not have fire suppression systems in place. Passing CHIA would enable chapters to raise more funds for these highly-effective improvements.

CHIA was initially introduced in the Senate by Pat Roberts [R-KS] (*Kansas State, Alpha Omega '55*), and in the House of Representatives by now Speaker of the House, Paul Ryan [R-WI] (*Delta Tau Delta*). The current lead sponsor in the House is chairman of the House Rules Committee, Congressman Pete Sessions [R-TX] (*Southwestern, Alpha Omicron '76*).

While on Capitol Hill, the PIKE representatives had the chance to meet with three alumni: Congressman Pete Sessions [R-TX], Congressman David Young [R-IA] (*Drake, Delta Omicron '89*), and Senator Pat Roberts [R-KS].

Collectively, the PIKE representatives met with 52 members of Congress. The entire group of attendees, from all organizations, met with 425 members of Congress, all in one day. ♦

# PIKES & POLITICS

The Fraternity has developed a remarkable list of public servants and statesmen, from student body presidents to city council members, and from ambassadors to candidates for president of the United States. Many say that running for office in the chapter makes politicians out of young undergraduates. This could be true. Many of our alumnus politicians may have developed their first interest in politics while in college.

The first Pike to receive national prominence in the political arena was **Oscar W. Underwood** (Virginia, Alpha 1882). Underwood began his career by practicing law in Birmingham, Alabama. He later became chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee of the Alabama 9th District in 1892.

Underwood was elected to the House of Representatives in 1894, took office in 1895, and served until 1915. He was the first House Minority Whip from 1900-1901, and was chairman of the powerful Ways and Means Committee. He was elected to the United States Senate in 1915 and served until 1927. He served as the chairman of Cuban relations while in the United States Senate, and was Senate Minority Leader in 1920.

Brother Underwood's aspirations to become president of the United States began at the 1912 Democratic National Convention. There, six names were placed into nomination, including Underwood. A political battle between House Speaker Champ Clark of Missouri and New Jersey Governor Woodrow Wilson dominated the convention. Finally, during the 46th roll call vote, Underwood withdrew his name, paving the way for Wilson to win the nomination. Wilson preferred Underwood as his vice president, but the Pike turned down the offer. As history shows, Wilson went on to defeat President William H. Taft and former President Teddy Roosevelt to become our 28th President.

Underwood's name resurfaced again at the 1920 Democratic Convention where he received two and a half votes on the final presidential nominating ballot. In 1924, when the Democrats met in New York to select their candidate, Underwood made his strongest bid for the nomination. Going into the convention, he had strength as an anti-Prohibition and anti-Klan senator. After over 100 roll call votes, Underwood could not keep pace. When the delegation from Iowa switched all of its votes to Underwood's opponent, his contest was over. This was the last time Underwood ran for the country's highest office.



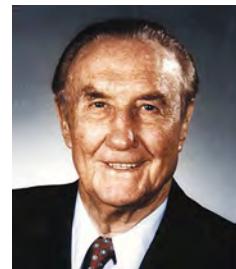
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For example, while at Indiana University, Past National President Ed Pease (*Indiana, Delta Xi '70*) was the chapter's president. In 1980, he was elected to the Indiana State Senate. Pease was also considered for the U.S. Senate seat vacated by Dan Quayle when he was elected vice president in 1988. In 1996, Pease was elected United States Representative of Indiana's 7th District, a position he held until 2001.

Over the years, numerous Pikes have played an important role in our country's politics at all levels. This article highlights just a small selection of these great Pikes.

Another Pike who ran for president was **J. Strom Thurmond** (South Carolina, Xi '59), who served for 48 years as a United States senator from South Carolina. Thurmond, a heavily decorated World War II veteran and former Democrat turned Republican, is referred to as one of the more colorful politicians in our nation's history. His political career began after a six-year stint as a teacher and superintendent of schools. Thurmond served as a city attorney from 1923-29 and in the state senate from 1933-38. He was a circuit judge from 1938-42 and resigned from the bench to join the U.S. Army during WWII. Thurmond took part in the Normandy Campaign, and later retired as a major general. After retirement from the Army, he was elected governor of South Carolina, a post he held until 1951.



Strom Thurmond

Thurmond's bid for the presidency came in 1948. On July 17 of that year, then Governor Fielding Wright of Mississippi invited southern democrats to meet in Birmingham, Alabama to select a regional ticket of candidates for the convention. The delegates to this meeting chose Thurmond as their nominee for president. The ticket won 39 electoral votes and 2.4 percent of the popular vote.

Thurmond did run as a vice presidential candidate in 1960, receiving 14 electoral votes on the proposed ticket with Senator Harry F. Byrd of Virginia. He left office as the only member of either house of Congress to reach the age of 100 while still in office, and as the oldest-serving and longest-serving senator in U.S. history (although he was later surpassed in length of service by Robert Byrd and Daniel Inouye). Thurmond holds the record as the longest-serving member of Congress to serve exclusively in the Senate. He is also the longest-serving Republican member of Congress in U.S. history. At 14 years, he was also the longest-serving dean of the United States Senate in U.S. history.



Senator **John J. Sparkman** (Alabama, Gamma Alpha '24) of Alabama was the founding chapter president of Gamma Alpha Chapter. In 1952, he ran for vice president as the running mate of Democrat Adlai Stevenson.

Sparkman was an attorney and former college instructor

who began his political career as a member of the 75th Congress in 1937, Democratic House Majority Whip in 1946, and served until he was appointed to fill the unexpired term of the late Senator John Bankhead in 1946. He served in that position until 1979.

Sparkman won the vice presidential nomination by acclamation at the 1952

Democratic National Convention. He and Adlai Stevenson were defeated by the Republican's Eisenhower-Nixon ticket.

Sparkman served as Minority House Whip from 1946-47 and was succeeded by another Pike, Republican **Leslie C. Arends** (Illinois, Beta Eta '61), who was the previous Minority House Whip. Arends was the longest-serving whip in U.S. House of Representatives history, ranking second in the party in the House. He alternately served as majority whip and minority whip for House Republicans from 1943-74. Brother Arends served 40 years in Congress, from 1934-74, one of the longest terms in our nation's history.



**John Sparkman**



**Leslie Arends**

Pi Kappa Alpha has been represented in the Senate, Congress, or a governorship continuously since 1931 when **Ibra Blackwood** (Wofford, Nu 1900) became governor of South Carolina. Kentucky leads all states with producing the most state and national politicians with Alabama, Virginia, and Mississippi close behind.

The Fraternity has also had its share of lieutenant governors, including **Kenneth Tuggle** (Kentucky, Omega '22), Kentucky 1943-47; **Harry Waterfield** (Murray State, Epsilon Lambda '58), Kentucky 1955-59 (while Brother A.B. "Happy" Chandler was Governor); and **Luther Hodges** (North Carolina, Tau '60), North Carolina 1952-54.

Hodges succeeded to the governor's office upon the death of William Umstead and served a full term in 1956.



**Luther Hodges**



Two Pikes entered the 1956 race for president, and one made the ballot. **T. Coleman Andrews** (Richmond, Omicron '41), served Virginia as auditor of public accounts and held numerous other public and civic posts, including a group chairmanship in first Hoover Commission. The former U.S. commissioner of Internal Revenue ran for president on the States' Rights Party.



**Coleman Andrews**

Pi Kappa Alpha's other 1956 presidential hopeful was Democratic Kentucky Governor **A.B. "Happy" Chandler** (Transylvania, Kappa '19) (1898-1991). Brother Chandler was another of our nation's more colorful politicians with a long career of public service. Happy, as he was most often referred to, first worked as a football coach for Centre College in Kentucky from 1922-24. He began a law practice in 1924 and was elected to the Kentucky State Senate in 1929. In 1931, he was elected lieutenant governor of Kentucky and won the governor's post in 1935.

Chandler resigned as governor in 1939 when he was appointed to the United States Senate to fill the vacancy created by the death of Marvell Mills Logan. He was elected to fill the remainder of the term in 1940 and won a full term in 1942. After leaving the Senate, he served as the commissioner of baseball from 1945-51. Chandler oversaw a significant American history milestone when, in 1947, Jackie Robinson



**A.B. "Happy" Chandler**

(the first African American to play for any major league sports team) was permitted to play for the Brooklyn Dodgers. In 1955, Chandler ran and won another term as governor of Kentucky. He was named to the Baseball Hall of Fame in 1982, and has the distinction of being the oldest living inductee to the Hall of Fame at 84 years old.

Several alumni held presidential appointments, including former Secretary of Transportation and 1989 PIKE Distinguished Achievement Award recipient **Samuel K. Skinner** (Illinois, Beta Eta '57). He served as chief of staff under President George H.W. Bush.



**Sam Skinner**

**Claude R. Wickard** (Purdue, Beta Phi '22), the founding chapter president of Beta Phi Chapter at Purdue University, was Secretary of Agriculture under President Franklin D. Roosevelt. Wickard was also the first Democrat elected to the Indiana State Senate in 1932.

**C. Wesley Roberts** (Kansas State, Alpha Omega '21) was chairman of the Republican National Committee in 1953, the year PIKE recognized him with the Distinguished Achievement Award. He was the father of U.S. Senator Pat Roberts [R-KS] (Kansas State, Alpha Omega '55).

Another alumnus politician who was a familiar face in the Fraternity for his involvement at both the local and national levels was former Iowa Governor **Leo A. Hoegh** (Iowa, Gamma Nu '29). Hoegh was elected to the Iowa State House in 1936 but left to join the war efforts in WWII. A decorated U.S. Army officer, lawyer, and politician, Hoegh served as the 33rd governor of Iowa from 1955-57. Prior to that, he was a state representative from 1937-42. His career in elected office came to an early end after his willingness to raise taxes to jump-start improvements to Iowa's roads and schools alienated his conservative Republican allies.

Hoegh, a recipient of three battlefield recognitions in World War II, also served in the Eisenhower administration as Civil Defense administrator from 1957-58 and director of the Office of Civil and Defense Mobilization from 1958-61.

He was a member of the President's Commission on Education Beyond High School. Brother Hoegh's involvement with PIKE included serving as District President, National Secretary, National Treasurer, Trustee of the Shield and Diamond Fund, Memorial Foundation trustee and president, and as an officer on the Centennial Commission in 1968.



**Leo A. Hoegh**



Hundreds of Pi Kappa Alpha brothers have held local public offices. Former Executive Director of Pi Kappa Alpha **Pat Halloran** (Nebraska-Omaha, Delta Chi '62) was a member of the Memphis City Council from 1976-79.

**Roy Nixon** (Memphis, Delta Zeta '76) and **Bill Morris** (Memphis, Delta Zeta '53) both held the elected position of sheriff of Shelby County, Tennessee, and both served as the county's mayor.



**Pat Halloran**

**Frank Lucchino** (Pittsburgh, Gamma Sigma '57) was the Allegheny County (Pennsylvania) controller and ran for, but lost, a heavily contested Democratic primary for mayor of Pittsburgh.

**Tom Garland** (East Tennessee State, Epsilon Zeta '57) ran for, but lost, a seat on the Tennessee Public Service Commission. He later served as Chancellor of the State University and Community College System for Tennessee (now known as the Tennessee Board of Regents).

**John Anderson** (Massachusetts, Theta Mu '84), former chapter advisor for PIKE's chapter at the University of Massachusetts, served as a city councilor in Pittsfield, Massachusetts.



One of the nation's most beloved senators was **Everett McKinley Dirksen** (Bradley, Delta Sigma '60). A Republican, Dirksen was a member of Congress from 1932-48 and a senator from 1951 until his death in 1969. As Senate Minority Leader for a decade, he played a highly visible and key role in the politics of the 1960s, including helping to write and pass the Civil

Rights Act of 1964 and that of 1968, both landmarks of civil rights legislation. Senator Dirksen was the honorary chairman of Pi Kappa Alpha's Centennial Commission in 1968. He is the only known Pike to ever be pictured on a United States postage stamp.

One of the three U.S. Senate office buildings in Washington D.C. is named after him.



**Everett M. Dirksen**



#### SHORT TERMERS

Brother **John W. Brown** (Ohio State, Alpha Rho '67) served as the governor of Ohio for 11 days. He had been lieutenant governor since 1953 when then Governor Frank Lausche resigned to take a seat in the U.S. Senate prior to his term ending January 14. Brown later served the state of Ohio as a member of the House of Representatives and the Ohio State Senate. He again served as lieutenant governor from 1963-75, becoming Ohio's longest serving lieutenant governor.

**Herbert Walters** (Tennessee, Zeta '17) served in the United States Senate without being elected. In 1963, the Morristown, Tennessee resident was appointed by Tennessee Governor Frank Clement to fill the unexpired term of Estes Kefauver.

Brother **Evan Mecham** (Utah State, Gamma Epsilon '43) won the Republican Senate primary in 1962, but was unsuccessful in the general election at unseating Carl Hayden, who had held the seat since 1927.

Brother Mecham, a World War II prisoner of war in Germany and author of the book *Come Back America*, served as Arizona's governor a little over a year, between 1987-88.



**Evan Mecham**

**Charles Patrick "Pat" Roberts**

(Kansas State, Alpha Omega '55) is the senior United States senator from Kansas. A member of the Republican Party, he has served since 1997.

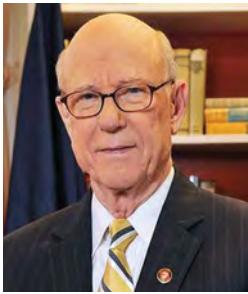
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Roberts was a senior member of the Senate Armed Services Committee, chairing the Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities. This subcommittee oversaw the military's work in the area of homeland security and the efforts to prevent proliferation of nuclear, chemical, and biological weapons.

As the Chairman of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, he was responsible for an investigation into the intelligence failures prior to the 2003 invasion of Iraq. He is currently the dean of the Kansas congressional delegation.

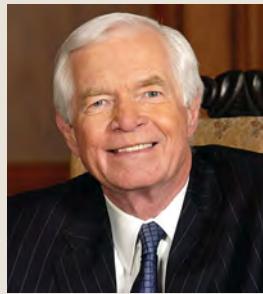
Roberts is currently serving his fourth term.



**Pat Roberts**

**United States Senator Thad Cochran**

(Mississippi, Gamma Iota '56) began his career in Washington, D.C. in 1972 as a member of the House of Representatives. Six years later, he was elected to the Senate and holds the distinction of being the first Republican senator from the state of Mississippi. The one time treasurer for Gamma Iota Chapter at Ole Miss was pushed by the Mississippi delegation for vice president at the 1988 Republican National Convention. Brother Cochran served as Honorary Chairman for the Campaign for Pi Kappa Alpha in 1991. He was a trustee of the Pi Kappa Alpha Memorial Foundation from 1979-80, and has been a guest speaker at numerous international workshops and conventions.



**Thad Cochran**

Currently, Cochran is the senior member on the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry and serving his second term as the chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee. In 2014, he secured his seventh term as Mississippi Senator in an intense primary run-off election against Chris McDaniel. Cochran is currently the dean of Mississippi congressional delegation.



**W. Robert Pearson** (Vanderbilt, Sigma '63) is a former Foreign Service officer who served as United States ambassador to Turkey (2000-03) and later as director of human resources in the Foreign Service until his retirement in 2006.



**W. Robert Pearson**

He has a broad background in European and security issues, as well as wide management experience overseas and in Washington, D.C. As the United States Ambassador to Turkey, he managed U.S. interests in the country through two severe domestic economic crises, a general election, the war in Afghanistan, and the liberation of Iraq. He was a member of the U.S. Navy Judge Advocate General's Corps from 1969 to 1973. A later posting to Beijing, China saw him serve as a political officer (1981-83) then as staff assistant in the East Asian and Pacific Affairs Bureau. He began his Foreign Service career with a two-year assignment in Auckland, New Zealand.

As deputy chief of mission of the U.S. Embassy to France from July 1997 to July 2000, Pearson closely followed the evolution of the European Union, defense, and security issues within the Atlantic Alliance and the EU. He actively promoted business ties between France and the U.S., and helped in the opening of five new American offices in France's regions. Pearson was appointed deputy executive secretary of the National Security Council from 1985-87.

He served twice at NATO, from 1993-97 as deputy permanent representative to the U.S. Mission during the Balkan crisis and NATO's enlargement, and from 1987-90 on the international staff as chair of NATO's Political Committee. Between 1991 and 1993, Pearson was also executive secretary of the Department of State.

He became the fourth president of the nonprofit International Research & Exchanges Board (IREX) in November 2008.

**Karl C. Rove** (Utah, Alpha Tau '70) is a Republican political consultant and policy advisor. He was Senior Advisor and Deputy Chief of Staff during the George W. Bush administration until Rove's resignation on August 31, 2007. He also headed the Office of Political Affairs, the Office of Public Liaison, and the White House Office of Strategic Initiatives. Since leaving the White House, Rove has worked as a political analyst and contributor for Fox News, Newsweek, and *The Wall Street Journal*.

Rove is credited with the success of George W. Bush's 2000 and 2004 presidential campaigns. Bush recognized Rove as "The Architect" in his 2004 victory speech. Additionally, Rove has been credited with the campaign victories of politicians such as John Ashcroft, Bill Clements, Senator John Cornyn, Governor Rick Perry, and Phil Gramm.



**Karl Rove**

**Pete Sessions** (Southwestern, Alpha Omicron '76) is a Republican member of the U.S. House of Representatives where he represents Texas' 32nd congressional district. Sessions is the chairman of the House Rules Committee. Prior to that, he was the chairman of the National Republican Congressional Committee.



**Pete Sessions**

As the chairman of the House Rules Committee, he is a member of House leadership.

Most known for its role as legislative gatekeeper, assisting in the scheduling of legislation for floor consideration, the Rules Committee also has important oversight responsibilities. These responsibilities include oversight of the rules of the House, the House's internal organization, the Congressional budget process, the ethics process, and relations between Congress and the Executive and Judicial Branches. Additionally, Congressman Sessions serves on the Rules Subcommittee on Legislative and Budget Process. With the broad reach of the Rules Committee, he is able to influence every piece of legislation before it reaches the House floor. In 2008 and 2010, he was elected by the House Republican Conference as chairman of the National Republican Congressional Committee. In 2010, Republicans made the greatest expansion in the House since the Eisenhower Administration under Sessions' leadership, and he helped House Republicans hold the majority in the 2012 cycle.

In the 2014 Republican primary, Sessions polled 28,954 votes (63.6 percent), and in 2016, he polled 49,632 votes (61.4 percent) to gain re-nomination in the Republican congressional primary.

**David Young** (Drake, Delta Omicron '89) was elected to serve Iowa's 3rd Congressional District in the United States House of Representatives in 2014. Formerly, from 2006 to 2013, he served as the chief of staff to Iowa Republican senator Chuck Grassley. He was previously chief of staff to Kentucky senator Jim Bunning from 1998 to 2006.



**David Young**

In the 114th Congress, Congressman Young served on the U.S. House Committee on Appropriations. He was also assigned to the U.S. House Appropriations Subcommittees on Agriculture; Homeland Security; and Transportation, Housing, and Urban Development.



From left: At the 2012 International Convention, 2007 Distinguished Achievement Award Winner Pete Sessions presented the 2012 Distinguished Achievement Award to Jon Kyl. They were joined by then International President Kevin E. Virta (Western Michigan, Epsilon Psi '83).

**Jon Kyl** (Arizona, Gamma Delta '61) served as United States senator from Arizona, where he was Senate Minority Whip, the second-highest position in the Republican Senate leadership.

No stranger to the political sphere, his father, John Henry Kyl, served as a U.S. Representative.

Jon Kyl worked in Phoenix, Arizona, as a lawyer and lobbyist before he, too, was elected to the United States House of Representatives, serving from 1987-95. In 1994, he was elected to the U.S. Senate and continued to receive re-elections until he retired.

He received recognition from *Time* magazine as one of America's Best Senators in 2006. The following year, he was ranked as the fourth-most conservative U.S. senator by National Journal. From 2003-07, he was the chairman of the Republican Policy Committee. In 2007, he also became chairman of the Republican Conference. December of the same year, he became Senate Minority Whip. In 2010, he received recognition as one of the 100 most influential people in the world for his persuasive role in the Senate.

He retired at the end of his third term in 2013.



**Douglas Anthony "Doug" Ducey**  
 (Arizona State, Delta Tau '82) was sworn in as the 23rd and current governor of Arizona on January 5, 2015. Prior to his term as governor, Ducey served as the 32nd state treasurer of Arizona; the first open seat for governor in 12 years. He is a member of the Republican Party. He previously served as the CEO of Coldstone Creamery before selling the company in 2007.



**Doug Ducey**

In 2011, Ducey was elected as state treasurer of Arizona. He oversaw over \$12 billion in state assets and served as an investment manager for local governments as the state's chief banker and investment officer. As the treasurer, he also served as the chairman of Arizona State's Board of Investment; as the State's surveyor general; on the State's Land Selection Board; and on the State Loan Commission. In addition, he served as the president of the Western State Treasurers' Association and as the western region vice president for the National Association of State Treasurers.

In 2012, Ducey was inducted into the Pi Kappa Alpha Foundation's prestigious Order of West Range.



#### **Current members of the United States Senate:**

W. Thad Cochran [R-MS] (Mississippi, Gamma Iota '56) Chairman of the Appropriations Committee  
 C. Patrick Roberts [R-KS] (Kansas State, Alpha Omega '55) Chairman of the Agriculture Committee

#### **Current members of the United States House of Representatives:**

Brian Babin [R-TX] (Texas-Austin, Beta Mu '68)  
 Pete Sessions [R-TX] (Southwestern, Alpha Omicron '76) Chairman of the Rules Committee  
 John Rice Carter [R-TX] (Texas Tech, Epsilon Gamma '63)  
 David E. Young [R-OH] (Drake, Delta Omicron '89)

#### **Former members of the United States Senate:**

Oscar W. Underwood [D-AL] (Virginia, Alpha 1882) 1895-1915.  
 John J. Sparkman [D-AL] (Alabama, Gamma Alpha '24). 1946-79.  
     Chairman of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations  
     Chairman of the Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs  
     Chairman of the Senate Select Committee on Small Business  
 Everett M. Dirksen [R-IL] (Bradley, Delta Sigma '60). 1951-69. Senate Minority Whip and Minority Leader. Helped author the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Current Senate office building named after him.  
 J. Strom Thurmond [D/R-SC] (South Carolina, Xi '59) 1954-2003. Three terms as president pro tempore; ran for President in 1948.  
 William B. Spong [D-VA] (Hampden Sydney, Iota '39), 1966-1973  
 Frank E. Moss [D-UT] (Utah, Alpha Tau '32) 1959-77. Last Democrat to represent Utah in the Senate.

**Nick Lampson** (Lamar, Epsilon Kappa '64) was a Democratic member of the U.S. House of Representatives from Texas's 9th Congressional District from 1997 to 2005. In 2006, he was elected to Congress to represent the 22nd district, where he served from 2007-09.



**Nick Lampson**

Locally, Lampson was elected in 1976 as property tax assessor for Jefferson County, Texas. He served in that post for 19 years until resigning to run for Congress.

He is best known in Congress for his efforts on children's safety issues. He founded the first-ever Congressional Missing and Exploited Children's Caucus, which helped create the national Amber Alert program. In time, this caucus became the largest bi-partisan caucus on Capitol Hill, having almost equal numbers of Republicans and Democrats. Lampson has been recognized by John Walsh, host of America's Most Wanted, and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children for his work. Lampson continues to work on issues relating to missing and exploited children.

Jon L. Kyl [R-AZ] (Arizona, Gamma Delta '61) 1995-2013. Senate Minority Whip. Recognized in 2010 as one of the top 100 most influential people in the world.

#### **Former members of the United States House of Representatives:**

Oscar W. Underwood [D-AL] (Virginia, Alpha 1882) 1915-27.  
 Served as the first Democrat Minority Whip in the House. Ran for Democratic nomination for President against Woodrow Wilson.  
 Everett M. Dirksen [R-IL] (Bradley, Delta Sigma '60). 1933-49.  
 John J. Sparkman [D-AL] (Alabama, Gamma Alpha '24).  
     1937-46. Eleventh Majority Whip of the United States House of Representatives  
 Leslie C. Arends [R-IL] (Illinois, Beta Eta '61) 1943-74. Served as Republican Whip.  
 Silvio O. Conte [R-MA] (Massachusetts-Amherst, Theta Mu '86) 1959-91.  
 Tom Bevill [D-AL] (Tennessee, Zeta '82) 1967-97. Credited with the first 911 call ever made.  
 Herbert H. Bateman [R-VA] (William and Mary, Gamma '46) 1972-2000.  
     Served as a first lieutenant during the Korean War.  
 W. Thad Cochran [R-MS] (Mississippi, Gamma Iota '56) 1973-78.  
 C. Patrick Roberts [R-KS] (Kansas State, Alpha Omega '55) 1981-87.  
 Jon L. Kyl [R-AZ] (Arizona, Gamma Delta '61) 1987-95.  
 Richard K. "Dick" Armey [R-NY] (Texas-Arlington, Eta Upsilon '87) 1985-2003. House Majority Leader 1995-2003.  
 Robert E. "Bud" Cramer Jr. [D-AL] (Alabama, Gamma Alpha '68) 1991-2009.  
 Edward A. Pease [R-IN] (Indiana, Delta Xi '71) 1997-2001. Former national president of Pi Kappa Alpha.  
 Nicholas V. Lampson [D-TX] (Lamar, Epsilon Kappa '64) 1997-2009.

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# NEW ORLEANS

The lure of the Big Easy has drawn Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity four times in its history

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by Megan Cook

“In New Orleans, the long, rocky road to respectability and recognition seemed completely traversed. We’ve arrived. Pi Kappa Alpha finally has grown into a well-known national organization.

That feeling of self-confidence, of the knowledge that our humble order could be the very best in the land, was most evident in New Orleans.”

R. John Kaegi (Oregon, Gamma Pi '67)  
1980 Shield & Diamond

# New Orleans Conventions Through the Years...



1909 Convention

## 1909

It was the spring of 1909. Construction had just begun on the soon-to-be-infamous RMS-Titanic and the first men had reached the North Pole. That same spring, PIKE held its second biennial convention – one of the five most important conventions – in New Orleans, Louisiana, with 28 of 30 chapters in attendance.

Northern expansion was on the forefront of many people's minds after the proposal had been defeated at least three other times. During the Convention, J.W. Hudson (Tennessee, Zeta 1895), the delegate from the Knoxville alumni association, proposed that the constitution be amended to read, "Active chapters shall be confined to reputable colleges and universities throughout the United States of America."

After spending the entire morning discussing northern expansion, Hudson asked for the vote to be delayed to the afternoon so delegates could seek instruction from their chapters. That afternoon,



1909 Convention attendees

some delegates still had not heard from their chapters, and the vote was tabled again.

As the Convention drew to a close, the decision was brought again from the table. After a quorum call, the vote was held and 19 chapters voted yes, finally making PIKE a national Fraternity in every sense of the word.



1920 Victory Convention

## 1920

While expansion was at the forefront of the decisions made in New Orleans, other important decisions that the Fraternity still uses were adopted in 1909 such as the current coat-of-arms and the division of the Fraternity into districts.

In 1920, Pikes descended on the Big Easy again for the “Victory Convention”. Following the Armistice in World War I, the first Victory

Convention was the most attended event to date by both undergraduates and alumni with 47 of 48 chapters present.

The same year, the Supreme Council was reduced to three members and chapter house ownership was encouraged among other legislative actions.

## 1936

Sixteen years later, Pikes returned to New Orleans for the third time. The 1936 Convention was full of firsts with a presentation of chapter and individual awards, a memorial service, a display

of PIKE relics, and a video (with sound) of William Alexander, the only living founder. Of the 78 chapters at the time, 76 were present in New Orleans.

1936 Convention



# 1980

After nearly 50 years, Pikes flocked to New Orleans again in 1980.

With 130 of 174 chapters in attendance, there was an air of confidence that manifested itself in the attendee's attire. Men wore coats and ties, replacing the blue jeans and jerseys of the 70s conventions.

The same year, undergraduates voted to institute a \$250 fine for chapters who fail to have a delegate at convention.



Upper left: Past President William Nester, new president Virgil McBroom, and Executive Director Dick Murgatroyd at the 1980 Convention.

Below: Former Louisiana Gov. Edwin Edwards, the 1980 model initiate, received his certificate of membership in Alpha Iota Chapter from Bill Nester.

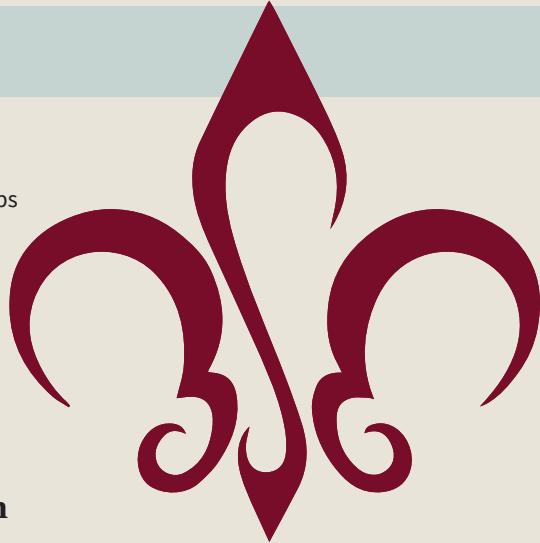


# 2016

Pikes will return to the Big Easy on August 3-7 for the 2016 International Convention. With the hotel just footsteps from the historic French Quarter, attendees will have the opportunity to experience New Orleans while conducting the business of the Fraternity.

Make sure you're part of New Orleans Convention history by registering at:

[www.pikes.org/convention](http://www.pikes.org/convention)



**PIKE**  
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION  
NEW ORLEANS  
2016



by Andrew Denoyer  
(Cincinnati,  
Alpha Xi '15)

# WE are PIKE U

In February 2016, 48 brothers from Alpha Xi Chapter (*Cincinnati*) drove to Chicago for PIKE University. Being a new initiate, I didn't know what to expect. Upperclassmen told me that it was a great experience and that it was a good opportunity to get out of town to spend time with my brothers. As a result, I went into the adventure with an open mind and a positive attitude, hoping to get something out of this event while having fun in the process.

On Friday evening, three brothers and I kicked off the weekend by making a four-hour drive from Cincinnati to Chicago. Time seemed to fly on the way to PIKE University – my brothers and I got lost in conversation about everything from school to our experiences in PIKE. We were curious as to what PIKE University was all about.

Upon arrival, we were very excited to get out of the car, check in to our hotel, and experience the city of Chicago. That evening, a few of us ate dinner at Lou Malnati's, a local pizza place. Then, we walked through Millennium Park, visited the Nike store and walked the bridges that extend over the Chicago River. After a few hours, we came back to the hotel to get some sleep for the early morning ahead.

Saturday morning was much more than I had expected. When we walked down for breakfast, I entered a large room filled with many enthusiastic and passionate brothers. The energy in the room was palpable, and I met guys from all over the place. It was especially interesting to see the diversity of the Fraternity firsthand. I met brothers from different walks of life who shared the same goals and interests as myself.

When the sessions began, I honestly thought they would be lectures on information we already knew, but I was completely wrong. Each speaker spoke with enthusiasm and passion about how to make our chapters better. Each session I attended offered something new, and I took away a lot that I have since applied to my experience in Alpha Xi Chapter. Not once did I feel pressured or forced to go to the sessions. Instead, I actually wanted to go and learn how to make a



Alpha Xi Chapter (Cincinnati)  
at the 2016 Chicago Leadership Summit

difference on a scale much larger than my own chapter. One of the highlights of the day was hearing from leadership lecturer Mike Bohn (*Cincinnati, Alpha Xi '15*). His energy filled the room and left everyone motivated to lead our chapters to greatness.

As the day of sessions came to a close, a few new friends and I decided to explore a bit more of Chicago. We revisited Lou Malnati's and met with a few high school friends who are now students at DePaul University. After returning to the hotel, we met and shared stories about our collegiate experiences with brothers from different chapters. We spoke about our goals in life, and what we had been through in the past. But not once did I feel an awkward tension. Our conversations, which happened so naturally that it felt like we had known each other for years, helped me realize that brotherhood is what makes our Fraternity so unique.

Going to PIKE U is something I will absolutely do again. Those who are willing to go the extra mile will learn how to make a difference in their chapters, not only from the sessions, but by interacting with brothers from across the region. PIKE U has had a positive impact on Alpha Xi Chapter, and has shown me that being a Pike is much more than what meets the eye; it's the ability to gain the best collegiate experience, and an opportunity to provide the same for those who follow. ♦



From left: Alpha Xi Chapter brothers Nathan T. Anderson '15, Bhavik S. Modi '11, and Michael Bohn '15 enjoying the great City of Chicago.

Does your chapter/colony have a PIKE U story to share? Email it to [pikeuniversity@pikes.org](mailto:pikeuniversity@pikes.org).

# Congratulations!

To the men earning Garnet Level Certification for the 2015-16 academic year.

Clark Abourisk (Arizona, Gamma Delta)  
Matthew Adamson (Washington State, Gamma Xi)  
Terry Alexander III (Louisiana-Lafayette, Zeta Omega)  
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Ryan Walker (Louisiana-Monroe, Eta Omicron)  
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Eric Wilson (Arizona State, Delta Tau)  
Tyler Wilson (South Dakota, Kappa Pi)  
Tucker Wingo (Tennessee-Chattanooga, Delta Epsilon)  
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*"Recruitment is the life blood of any fraternity and my chapter has emerged as a top recruiting chapter because of the tools given to us at PIKE University."*

– Ralph Ruiz

(California State-Fresno, Iota Beta '11)

# TEXAS RISING

**How PIKE at the University of Texas-Arlington achieved phenomenal recruitment success.**



**B**etween the bright lights of Dallas and the Old West culture of Fort Worth sits the University of Texas-Arlington, home of Eta Upsilon Chapter. Eta Upsilon prides itself on campus involvement, with members serving as a summer student ambassador, vice president of Student Affairs, and on the Interfraternity Council. Even after achieving this level of success, these men set their sights on higher goals. They were determined to challenge the top PIKE chapters in North America, and they were going to do it with relentless recruitment efforts.

Two brothers, who both served terms as president and recruitment chairman, energized the chapter to put Eta Upsilon in the Greek life driver's seat at UTA. Brothers Jalen Johnson '13 and Karar Rabib '12 used three key tactics to achieve an 86 percent increase in new members: 1) a structured committee system, 2) proactive summer recruitment, and 3) the interview process.

## BUILDING A WINNING TEAM

Johnson and Rabib began matching brother's strengths with open positions on the recruitment committee.

"We knew it was vital to place men in positions where they could succeed," Johnson revealed. After recruiting committee members, they shared their vision of where the chapter was going. Recruiting committee members from different classes resulted in men encouraging their closest brothers to participate in recruitment. "This

created a wildfire effect, where brothers recruited each other to participate. Once the chapter saw how successful we were in summer recruitment, combined with the work the committee had put in, the brothers bought into the vision."

## 365 RECRUITMENT

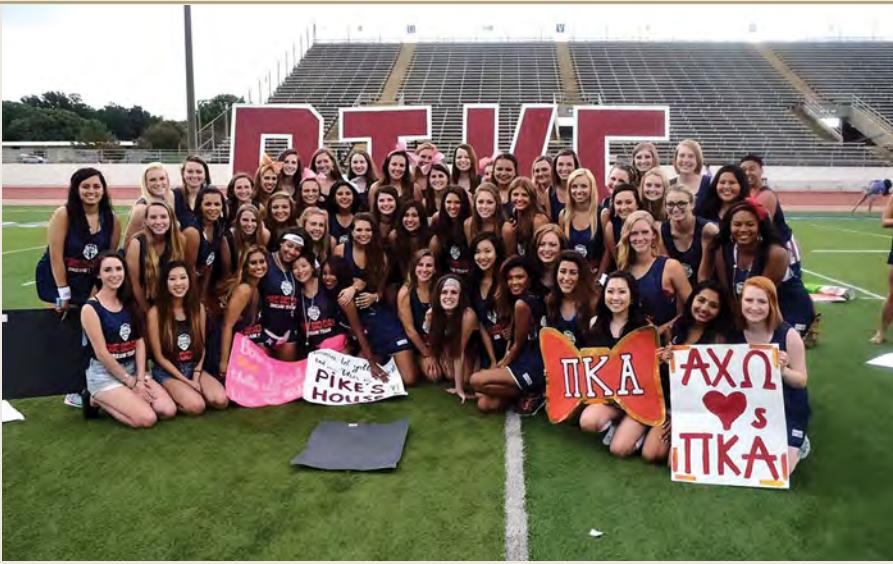
Some chapters don't see the purpose behind summer recruitment. Because other chapters on campus don't take advantage of summer recruitment opportunities, they think that they shouldn't either. In reality, summer recruitment is essential, proactive recruitment. Eta Upsilon built a summer recruitment program around two foundations: summer orientation and summer recruitment events.

**Summer Orientation:** Orientation at UTA is spread over two days; an evening social event and a student orientation fair. The chapter staged brothers in each campus restaurant to meet as many men as possible. The next day, another set of brothers manned the orientation booth at the fair. Johnson and Rabib wanted potential recruits to meet as many brothers as possible, which echoes PIKE's core recruitment formula: "A recruit will join the fraternity where he believes he has the most friends."

**Summer Recruitment:** Over the summer, Eta Upsilon hosted bi-monthly recruitment events, planned by the committee and financed by the chapter. Brothers also held smaller one-on-one sessions. "If guys were just hanging out and playing video games, going out to eat, or going to the gym, they would invite recruits to go with them," Rabib explains. It was the combination of larger events and one-on-one interaction

## NEW MEMBERS RECRUITED

**2013-14: 36  
2014-15: 41  
2015-16: 67**



that gave the chapter maximum exposure to potential recruits. Many of the recruits Eta Upsilon signed during fall recruitment had been socializing with brothers almost two months before the beginning of the fall semester.

### **PROFESSIONAL RECRUITMENT (THE INTERVIEW PROCESS)**

"The entire interview process was something brand new on this campus, but after hearing from PIKE's professional recruitment staff about how successful the interview process is, we figured why not give it a shot," Johnson shared. Johnson and Rabib tailored the sample interview script from the resource center at [www.pikes.org](http://www.pikes.org) to UTA and the personality of their potential recruits. Rabib explained that by tailoring the script, recruits were able to understand more about the chapter and how it's organized, as opposed to just attending recruitment events. Eta Upsilon used an introduction interview to get to know a recruit if they had not met him before. After a few more interactions, which allowed the recruit to make friends with other brothers, he was called in for the closing interview.

Once Rabib and Johnson saw how successful the interview process was, they hosted workshops to teach the interview process to the recruitment committee. The following year, Eta Upsilon created multiple interview teams, placing even more recruits in a professional recruitment setting where brothers could showcase Eta Upsilon's successes. This resulted in a large number of commitments before recruitment week even started.

Rabib and Johnson, along with every Eta Upsilon brother, truly believe in recruiting the most, best men. They achieve this by creating a plan, being proactive, recruiting year round, and most importantly, motivat-

ing the chapter to strive for the best. Their hard work and dedication is reflected in the quality of men they recruited. A quick snapshot of a few top recruits includes:

- Five Presidential Scholars
- Pike legacies
- Eagle Scouts
- Several state champions and all-state high school athletes
- Three former Division I athletes

To reach this level of success, it takes discipline, hard work, dedication, and vision. Rabib and Johnson embraced a vision just two years ago. They turned that vision into a reality. "If a chapter like ours can move recruitment mountains, so can any other chapter in the nation," said Rabib, adding some last minute advice:

"Recruitment helped fix our problems. Following the recruitment game plan from PIKE's professional recruitment staff and requesting a recruitment visit is the best advice we can provide. The recruitment visit, in addition to brothers attending PIKE University events, led to the changes that revolutionized our recruitment program. The PIKE philosophy says to recruit the most, best men. If your goal is a 40-man new member class, make sure each recruit can add value to your chapter. Lastly, be proactive; every interaction is an opportunity to recruit. Don't wait for those around you to start recruiting. Be the first, and don't be afraid to try something different. Recruitment is the ultimate competition and those who work the hardest will see the best results. Our chapter probably isn't much different than other chapters, but we've been able to succeed by having clearly defined goals and plans, then proceeding to outwork everyone else on campus." ♦

by Jerod Williams  
(Southeast Missouri State, Epsilon Iota '08)

### **SUMMER ORIENTATION CAPTAINS:**

Ensure the chapter is signed up for every orientation over the summer, including freshmen and transfer orientations. Assign brothers to work the orientations and create a master schedule, so new students meet the most Pikes possible.

**INTRAMURAL CAPTAIN:** Leads recruitment of players from intramural and club sports teams. Meets with varsity coaches to recruit varsity athletes. Plans Monday Night Football or other weekly sporting recruitment events.

**REGIONAL CAPTAIN:** Leads outreach to feeder schools for UTA and gets names of students coming to UTA.

**INTERVIEW CAPTAIN:** Books rooms for Part 1 and Part 2 interviews, sets up interview meetings.

**SOCIAL CAPTAIN:** Leads planning and execution of recruitment social events. Includes events such as dinners and cook-outs.

**GREEN BOOK CAPTAIN:** Manages recruits' contact information in an Excel file or Google Doc; tracks total chapter contacts/interactions with each potential new member.

**SCHOLARSHIP CAPTAIN:** Makes sure everything with the chapter scholarship is set up, from getting alumni donations to promoting it at local high schools.

**MARKETING CAPTAIN:** Coordinates chapter marketing material including information on recruitment events, as well as the chapter scholarship, securing alumni donations and promoting scholarship at feeder high schools.

**RECRUITMENT WEEK CAPTAIN:** Plans events for recruitment week, including booking the events, food and paperwork for the entire week.

**BROTHERHOOD CAPTAIN:** Personally invites brothers to events ensuring full attendance at summer events and school-year events. This captain and his committee are in charge of recruiting the chapter.

**MOVE-IN DAY CAPTAIN:** Plans move-in day. Sets up a spreadsheet with times and location of all the PNMs, divides brothers among the different halls and keeps everyone organized. Plans a post-move-in day event.

**RETENTION CAPTAIN:** Maintains constant contact with new recruits to make sure they don't feel left out or unimportant.



## Kappa Rho Chapter Returns to Coastal Carolina

**G**rowth. That's the word that comes to mind to describe the newly reinstalled Kappa Rho Chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha. On April 16, 2016, Kappa Rho was officially re-installed at Coastal Carolina University. One hundred brothers joined the bonds of Pi Kappa Alpha as refounding fathers of Kappa Rho Chapter. It was an honor to be a part of the start of such a special experience, but even more of an honor to carry on the proud tradition of Pi Kappa Alpha.

The group received its start as a colony in October 2014. Expansion Consultants Byron Peebles (*Florida Gulf Coast, Lambda Xi '09*) and Brett Helberg (*California-San Diego, Kappa Phi '11*) began the process of colonization by interviewing over 300 students. Since its beginning as a colony, and now chapter, the membership has never fallen below 100 members.

The colony was immediately the largest fraternity on campus. During the 2015 spring semester, the group took a big step forward by holding community service events, including beach clean-ups and food drives, with co-sponsoring organizations. The men also made a name for themselves by participating in and winning several intramural championships, including 5-on-5 basketball, the most popular intramural sport on campus.

The colony took another step forward during fall 2015 recruitment, and ranked well nationally in recruitment numbers. After extending bids to 42 men, the colony had the largest member count to date. They added to their impressive intramural championship total by winning four additional titles, including 7-on-7 flag football. Later that semester, the colony submitted its petition to charter, but didn't become complacent. Using that momentum, they sprinted into their final semester as a colony in spring 2016.

The group had its best semester at the right time, excelling in all areas. Community service events were being held regularly, and the men participated in

the South Carolina Adopt-A-Highway program. While the colony had only raised \$4,600 in its first three semesters combined, they raised over \$5,000 for the Fallen Firefighters Foundation in spring 2016. With the ladies of Gamma Phi Beta, the colony had the highest total donated for Relay for Life. The highlight of the semester was winning the Greek Week dance competition with the ladies of Alpha Delta Pi.

On February 22, 2016, the colony received its approval to charter and the 100 members were officially initiated two months later on April 15, 2016. Kappa Rho Chapter is grateful to Theta Sigma Chapter (*Winthrop*), Mu Eta Chapter (*Methodist*), Lambda Phi Chapter (*North Carolina-Wilmington*), Eta Mu Chapter (*Armstrong State*), Theta Gamma Chapter (*Georgia College & State*), and Zeta Iota Chapter (*Old Dominion*) for their assistance on that memorable night.

The following day, April 16, Kappa Rho Chapter was reinstalled at Coastal Carolina University by International Vice President Shad Williams (*Oklahoma State, Gamma Chi '90*), Palmetto Regional President Kyle Waltz (*Southeast Missouri State, Epsilon Iota '96*), Director of Expansion Joshua Murphy (*Arizona, Gamma Delta '07*), Colony Consultant Eric Johnson (*Kennesaw State, Mu Beta '12*), and past Expansion Consultant Byron Peebles (*Florida Gulf Coast, Lambda Xi '09*). In celebration of the unforgettable weekend, Kappa Rho Chapter held a banquet at the Marriot Spa and Resort at the Grande Dunes in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. In front of 250 guests, Kappa Rho Chapter offered its gratitude to everyone who guided the group along the way.

Growth. That is the shining example of Kappa Rho Chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha. International Vice President Williams said, "Let the ceilings of today be the floor of the generations tomorrow." Kappa Rho takes this to heart and will not stop growing and achieving its goals. ♦



## 100 BROTHERS INITIATED

# The Path To Chartering

What does it take to go from interest group to full fledged chapter?

In the 2015-16 academic year, PIKE established colonies at Maryland, Oregon, Oregon State, Christopher Newport, Creighton, and Northern Colorado, recruiting over 500 new members. The past year's achievement simply adds to a near perfect track record of expansion success over the past 16 years.

Six new chapters were chartered this year. With the unexpected closure of chapters, it is important to maintain our market share and continue to grow and expand our reach. Many people think of expansion as a 6-8 week process in which the original founding fathers of a new chapter are recruited.

While that may be the most crucial phase of the ultimate success, there are years of work leading up to colonization, and more work after that. The entire expansion process begins an average 18 months prior to consultants hitting the ground and starting to recruit. Add those 18 months to the post recruitment period and one project will take an average of three years.



## POST PROJECT

(16-18 months)

Chartering Phases:

Phase 1 – Complete by end of first semester

Phase 2 – Complete by end of second semester

Phase 3 – Complete by end of third semester



## PRE PROJECT

(18 month average)

Submission of Letter of Intent to expand/ Expansion Application

University Presentation

Alumni Cultivation/Alumni Advisory Board built and trained



## DURING PROJECT

(6-8 weeks on campus)

Recruitment

Training

Goal Setting



## PETITION TO CHARTER

Submission during third semester at completion of Phase 3

3 Votes:

1. Inspection committee made up of regional president, general alumnus member, general undergraduate member
2. Supreme Council
3. Undergraduate presidents, alumni associations and international officers



## Delta Kappa Chapter Returns to San Diego State

After an arduous 18-month process, on April 23, 2016, Delta Kappa Chapter of The Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity was reinstated at San Diego State University. The chapter was installed with 113 brothers, all of whom are honored and humbled to be considered refounding fathers of Delta Kappa Chapter.

Expansion Consultants Patrick Hamel (*Methodist, Mu Eta '13*) and Christopher Ehiogu (*Texas-Arlington, Eta Upsilon '11*) formed the colony in fall 2014. During the process, the consultants interviewed hundreds of interested students and recruited one of the largest founding father classes to date.

The colony immediately immersed itself into the campus and Greek communities by participating in many different events. During their first semester, colony members participated in Kappa Delta's Shamrock Run and won Delta Zeta's Ultimate Throw Down. Spring brought Delta Gamma's anchor slam, Greek Week – in which they teamed up with Alpha Phi – and Relay For Life, with 40 brothers participating and five walking for the full 24 hours.

Participating in other organizations' philanthropy events during the group's first fall semester inspired the colony to host its own event. In spring 2015, brothers held the inaugural Fireman's Challenge, raising \$10,000 for the Burn Institute. The following semester, the men hosted Cycle for Life, with the colony president and external vice president riding for all four hours.

The highlight of the year was the second annual Fireman's Challenge, where local firemen participated, in spring 2016. Colony members have enjoyed having the ability to give back while forming friendships with philanthropy events.

On April 23, 2016, 113 brothers were initiated into the bonds of Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity. This would not have been possible without the help of initiation teams from Kappa Phi Chapter (*California-San Diego*), Kappa Omicron Chapter (*Nevada-Las Vegas*), Mu Epsilon Chapter (*California State-Fullerton*), Gamma Delta Chapter (*Arizona*), Theta Psi Chapter (*Chapman*), Iota Epsilon Chapter (*California State-Long Beach*), Iota Theta Chapter (*San Luis Obispo, California*), Lambda Lambda Chapter (*California-Irvine*), and an initiation team composed of the colony's alumni advisory board and representatives from PIKE international headquarters.

The next day, April 24, 2016, International President John A. Bobango (*Arkansas State, Delta Theta '74*), Golden West Regional President Matthew Greco (*Chapman, Theta Psi '03*), Delta Kappa Chapter Advisor Jack Sword (*San Diego State, Delta Kappa '67*) and Director of Expansion Joshua Murphy (*Arizona, Gamma Delta '07*) reinstated Delta Kappa Chapter at San Diego State University. To conclude the exceptional weekend, the chapter celebrated with a banquet held at the Prado Restaurant in Balboa Park, which was planned by brother Brandon Tran '16 and his committee. The event was attended by 300 guests, including Lee Ann Allman, president of Sandton Technologies, alumni, family and friends.

Delta Kappa Chapter expresses gratitude to Chapter Consultant Eric Johnson (*Kennesaw State, Mu Beta '12*), their alumni advisory board, the Pi Kappa Alpha Memorial Headquarters staff, San Diego State University, and all who have supported and encouraged the men throughout this process. ♦



113 BROTHERS INITIATED



## Beta Gamma Chapter Rechartered at the University of Kansas

Beta Gamma Chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity was officially reinstated at the University of Kansas on April 30, 2016. The chapter initiated 90 brothers, all of whom are deserving to carry the title of refounding fathers of Beta Gamma Chapter.

Expansion began in September 2014, headed up by Expansion Consultants Trey Gibeault (*Arkansas-Little Rock, Zeta Eta '10*) and Zach Ryan (*Florida, Alpha Eta '10*). During their time at the University of Kansas, they interviewed an impressive amount of potential new members and successfully gave bids to over 100 interested students. Colony Advisor Philip Bennett (*Rockhurst, Kappa Epsilon '08*) offered excellent guidance to the new members on how to embody the ideals and values of Pi Kappa Alpha properly.

As the colony grew in numbers, so did its presence on campus. The men were heavily involved in several organizations both on and off campus. The group experienced great success in intramural tournaments including basketball and flag football. In addition to their intramural success, the men hosted a successful Cycle for Life event. Additionally, the colony placed third in Homecoming with Delta Delta Delta after creating an outstanding float.

On April 29, 2016, 90 brothers were fully initiated into the fellowship of the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity with the assistance of several initiation teams from Epsilon Chi Chapter (*Pittsburgh State*), Epsilon Omega Chapter (*East Central Oklahoma*), Gamma Upsilon Chapter (*Tulsa*), Kappa Epsilon Chapter (*Rockhurst*), Delta Chi Chapter (*Nebraska-Omaha*), Alpha

Omega Chapter (*Kansas State*), Gamma Beta Chapter (*Nebraska*), and Lambda Iota Chapter (*Central Oklahoma*).

These initiation teams showcased an abundance of guidance and valuable lessons that each brother took away with him that night. Each brother is beyond grateful for these teams' time and the effort it took to make this significant night the most memorable event of their lives.

The following day, April 30, 2016, Beta Gamma Chapter was officially reinstated at the University of Kansas by International President John A. Bobango (*Arkansas State, Delta Theta '74*), Heartland Regional President Larry Eby (*Southeast Missouri State, Epsilon Iota '88*), and Director of Expansion Joshua Murphy (*Arizona, Gamma Delta '07*).

Beta Gamma Chapter members celebrated their initiation at the Intercontinental Hotel in Kansas City, Missouri. The installation committee planned the event, and with their relentless work, the chapter had an unforgettable experience. The event had an exceptionally large attendance including family, alumni, and friends. To conclude, Beta Gamma had an incredible weekend full of excitement and optimism toward future endeavors.

Beta Gamma Chapter would like express its appreciation to all involved in making the colonization process come to fruition.

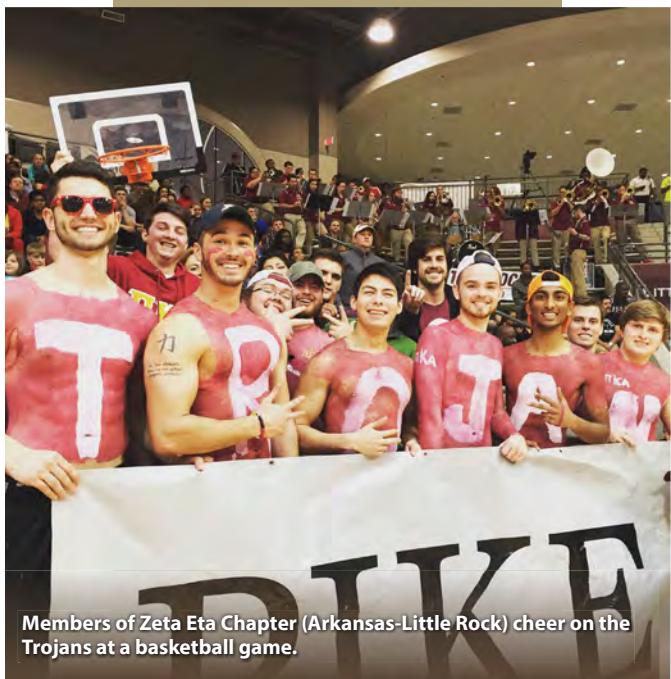
The chapter is exceptionally grateful for the immense amount of support and motivation given by now Chapter Advisor Phil Bennett, the alumni advisory board, the Pi Kappa Alpha Memorial Headquarters staff, and the University of Kansas. ♦



90 BROTHERS INITIATED

## Founders Day Celebrations Highlight Spring Chapter Activities

### Arkoma Region



Members of Zeta Eta Chapter (Arkansas-Little Rock) cheer on the Trojans at a basketball game.

#### ARKANSAS (Alpha Zeta)

Initiates: 208. New Members: 0. 100% φρκα Club. CEF: \$64,321.

#### ARKANSAS-LITTLE ROCK (Zeta Eta)

Initiates: 45. New Members: 0. CEF: \$5,515. Zeta Eta Chapter secured the campus cup with a 200 point lead over Delta Chi and Kappa Sigma. The chapter has raised nearly \$2,000 for their philanthropy, Relay for Life. The chapter has the highest GPA on campus, and over 95 percent of members are involved in other campus leadership roles organizations.

#### ARKANSAS STATE (Delta Theta)

Initiates: 130. New Members: 0. CEF: \$9,578.

#### ARKANSAS TECH (Colony)

New Members: 68. CEF: \$0. Evan Gray and Tyler Emerson were selected among the university's 36 Who's Who Among Students.

#### CENTRAL ARKANSAS (Epsilon Phi)

Initiates: 40. New Members: 0. CEF: \$708. Epsilon Phi celebrated International Work Day by completing renovations to the chapter house and outdoor basketball court. This spring, Epsilon Phi had the largest new member class of all fraternities at Central Arkansas. In addition, the chapter sent 14 members to PIKE University events during the 2015-16 academic year. Two members attended The Academy in Memphis, Tennessee; three members attended the Kansas City, Missouri, Leadership Summit; four members attended the Chapter Executives Conference in Memphis, Tennessee; and five members attended the Dallas, Texas, Leadership Summit. One brother was recognized as becoming the chapter's first PIKE U Gold Certified member. The new member education process encouraging cohesion, community service, campus involvement, and a commitment to excellence has become the cornerstone of Epsilon Phi.

#### CENTRAL OKLAHOMA (Lambda Iota)

Initiates: 67. New Members: 0. 100% φρκα Club. CEF: \$8,222. Lambda Iota recently held its Bounce for the House philanthropy event benefitting the Ronald McDonald House with Alpha Delta Pi. The event included a silent auction, a guest speaker who was a previous resident at the Ronald McDonald House, and numerous inflatables for children. The chapter is gearing up for a golf tournament to finish out the year. Lambda Iota will be renting a new chapter house through its House Corporation this upcoming school year.

#### EAST CENTRAL (Epsilon Omega)

Initiates: 51. New Members: 0. CEF: \$2,936. Epsilon Omega Chapter is currently the largest fraternity on campus and is competing with the sororities to be the largest Greek organization on campus. With one varsity athlete and several club athletes, the chapter has competed in every intramural sport on campus. In terms of campus involvement, each member of Epsilon Omega is a member of at least one other campus organization, with several men holding presidential offices.



### Reading Chapter Notes

Chapters marked with a badge and/or new member pin are among PIKE's top recruiting chapters for the period 1/1/16 through 5/17/16. See PIKE'S TOP 25 on page 35.

Chapter statistics are as of 5/17/16. All members of chapters denoted as 100 percent φρκα Club support the Pi Kappa Alpha Foundation through their chapters' donations to their endowment funds.

Each chapter's Chapter Endowment Fund balance is indicated with "CEF". Primarily funded by undergraduates through φρκα Club membership, alumni may also support these funds which provide PIKE University tuition scholarships. To donate or to learn more visit [www.pikefoundation.org](http://www.pikefoundation.org) or call 901-748-1948.

Epsilon Omega has the second highest Greek GPA on campus, with a cumulative GPA of 3.1. In philanthropy, brothers raised several hundred dollars for the Bret D. Isenhower Memorial Scholarship in honor of a brother who fell in combat on September 9, 2011.

Epsilon Omega had the privilege to special initiate Mr. John Cole '16, the son of Jerry Cole '63, a founding father of Epsilon Omega Chapter.

### NORTHEASTERN STATE (Theta Epsilon)

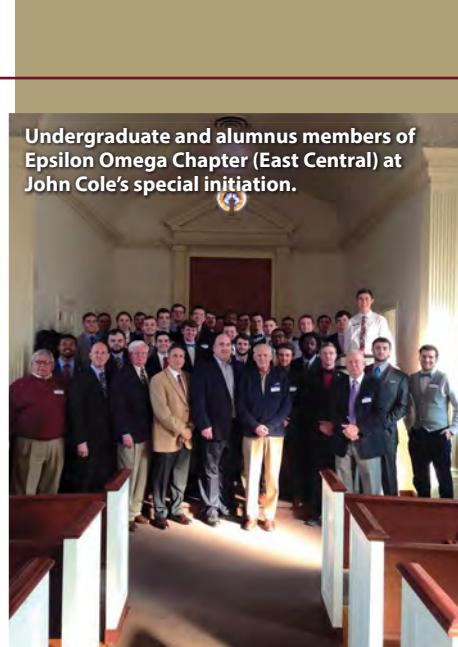
Initiates: 46. New Members: 1. CEF: \$1,612.

### OKLAHOMA STATE (Gamma Chi)

Initiates: 95. New Members: 0. 100% φρκα Club. CEF: \$10,965. Gamma Chi Chapter achieved a 3.08 GPA for the spring semester. The men worked with Alpha Chi Omega in Spring Sing, receiving the male director of the year award. In April, the chapter completed projects for International Work Day and hosted its annual alumni banquet. The chapter concluded spring by welcoming 13 men into the bonds.

### TULSA (Gamma Upsilon)

Initiates: 73. New Members: 0. 100% φρκα Club. CEF: \$26,960.



### BINGHAMTON (Mu Gamma)

Initiates: 56. New Members: 0. CEF: \$890.

### COLUMBIA (Iota Lambda)

Initiates: 43. New Members: 0. CEF: \$738. This spring, Iota Lambda secured a five-star ALPHA standard rating from Columbia University, the highest rank a fraternity can achieve. The chapter celebrated Founders Day with alumni from the last 20 years at the Parlour on the Upper West Side. In athletics, chapter members participated in both dodgeball and soccer. Iota Lambda members also participated in Columbia's Relay for Life and provided a dunk tank.

### CORNELL (Beta Theta)

Initiates: 84. New Members: 0. CEF: \$12,759. Beta Theta brothers had a busy winter overseeing house improvements, succeeding in intramurals, and working in their community. The spring new member class has proven to be scholars, leaders, athletes, and gentlemen, and brothers are eager to see where they will take their chapter in the coming years.

On a sunny 35 degree day in March, brothers took to the lake to participate in the third annual Ithaca Polar Plunge for Special Olympics New York. In athletics, the brothers enjoyed strong finishes in flag football, tennis, ultimate Frisbee, soccer, and bowling. Pi Kappa Alpha is currently in first place on Cornell's Fraternity All-Sports Championship leader board.

### HOFSTRA (Lambda Pi)

Initiates: 38. New Members: 0. CEF: \$1,063.

### MONTCLAIR STATE (Lambda Gamma)

Initiates: 60. New Members: 0. CEF: \$159. Lambda Gamma chapter members raised \$9,500 for the New York Fire Department and the New York Police Department with their fifth annual Pike Hike, a 17 mile walk from Fort Lee to the September 11 memorial site. The chapter also held its 13th annual Pike Dream Girl contest, raising over \$2,000 for the Mike Pisano scholarship fund and for leukemia research.

## Atlantic Coast Region



Beta Theta Chapter (Cornell) spring 2016 new initiates



Lambda Gamma Chapter (Montclair State) brothers and friends after walking across the George Washington bridge

## **NEW YORK (Alpha Upsilon)**

Initiates: 136. New Members: 1. CEF: \$271.

## **RENSSELAER (Gamma Tau)**

Initiates: 103. New Members: 0. 100% φφκα Club. CEF: \$20,927.

## **ROWAN (Mu Alpha)**

Initiates: 87. New Members: 0. CEF: \$125.



## *Bluegrass Region*



Alpha Lambda Chapter (Georgetown) football players



Kappa Zeta Chapter (Louisville) brothers volunteering at Cochran Elementary School as part of the Cardinals Club tutoring program.



Epsilon Lambda Chapter (Murray State) wins Kappa Delta's Shamrock Shootout.

## **RUTGERS (Alpha Psi)**

Initiates: 76. New Members: 0. CEF: \$685.

## **SYRACUSE (Alpha Chi)**

Initiates: 80. New Members: 0. CEF: \$1,979.

## **WEST POINT (Colony)**

Initiates: 1. New Members: 22. CEF: \$0.



## **GEORGETOWN (Alpha Lambda)**

Initiates: 24. New Members: 0. CEF: \$2,389. Alpha Lambda Chapter welcomed 10 new members this spring. In addition, the chapter has 17 members on Georgetown's football team.

## **LOUISVILLE (Kappa Zeta)**

Initiates: 85. New Members: 0. 100% φφκα Club. CEF: \$4,687. Kappa Zeta members used this semester to prepare for fall recruitment by designing and purchasing a large banner. The chapter's Founders Day event raised over \$500 in donations, with the help of generous alumni. On campus, Kappa Zeta has several members who hold leadership positions in student organizations including the president of the Indian Student Association, IFC president, residence advisors, and student orientation staff. The chapter won the people's choice award for best performance during the Fryberger competition. Kappa Zeta Chapter also held a Cycle for Life event this spring.

## **MOREHEAD STATE (Eta Eta)**

Initiates: 25. New Members: 0. CEF: \$352. Eta Eta Chapter has been busy planning its annual Ballard Cup, honoring Chapter Eternal Brother Matt Ballard '04 and his family. Proceeds from this event benefit the chapter's two scholarships in his name for students from Rowan County Senior High School. Chapter members have also been volunteering at a nursing home.

## **MURRAY STATE (Epsilon Lambda)**

Initiates: 88. New Members: 0. CEF: \$2,911. Epsilon Lambda teamed up with Alpha Sigma Alpha this holiday season and donated over 100 toys for children in need. In intramurals, the chapter came in second in basketball and soccer, and made it to the semifinals of the campus-wide intramural basketball tournament. Epsilon Lambda won first place in the last three sorority philanthropies. The chapter completed a successful International Work Day with many brothers and local alumni participating. Epsilon Lambda currently has three members serving on student government association, one member serving on IFC, and two members serving as IFC delegates. One brother is on the university's rowing team.

# PIKE'S TOP 25

How many new members were signed and initiated during the period of January 1-May 17, 2016? Here are PIKE's Top Recruiters.

| NEW MEMBERS   |                            |               | INITIATIONS |   |                            |               |    |
|---|----------------------------|---------------|-------------|---|----------------------------|---------------|----|
|    | Southern Methodist         | Beta Zeta     | 39          |    | Southern Methodist         | Beta Zeta     | 37 |
|    | Northwestern               | Gamma Rho     | 33          |    | Miami University           | Delta Gamma   | 33 |
|    | Miami University           | Delta Gamma   | 33          |    | Northwestern               | Gamma Rho     | 32 |
|    | Arizona State              | Delta Tau     | 31          |    | Santa Clara, California    | Iota Omicron  | 31 |
|    | Santa Clara, California    | Iota Omicron  | 31          |    | Duke                       | Alpha Alpha   | 27 |
|    | California State-Chico     | Lambda Psi    | 30          |    | Dayton                     | Lambda Theta  | 27 |
|    | Dayton                     | Lambda Theta  | 29          |    | Montclair State            | Lambda Gamma  | 25 |
|    | Duke                       | Alpha Alpha   | 27          |    | Ohio State                 | Alpha Rho     | 24 |
|    | Ohio State                 | Alpha Rho     | 27          |    | Arizona State              | Delta Tau     | 24 |
|    | Montclair State            | Lambda Gamma  | 27          |    | California State-Chico     | Lambda Psi    | 24 |
|   | California-Irvine          | Lambda Lambda | 27          |   | Florida State              | Delta Lambda  | 23 |
|  | Rowan                      | Mu Alpha      | 26          |  | Rowan                      | Mu Alpha      | 23 |
|  | California State-Fullerton | Mu Epsilon    | 26          |  | California State-Fullerton | Mu Epsilon    | 23 |
|  | South Carolina             | Xi            | 25          |  | Arizona                    | Gamma Delta   | 22 |
|  | Florida State              | Delta Lambda  | 25          |  | Chapman                    | Theta Psi     | 22 |
|  | Old Dominion               | Zeta Iota     | 25          |  | Vermont                    | Lambda Delta  | 22 |
|  | Chapman                    | Theta Psi     | 25          |  | Kennesaw State             | Mu Beta       | 22 |
|  | Arizona                    | Gamma Delta   | 24          |  | Wake Forest                | Gamma Phi     | 21 |
|  | Oklahoma State             | Gamma Chi     | 23          |  | Syracuse                   | Alpha Chi     | 20 |
|  | Kennesaw State             | Mu Beta       | 23          |  | Cornell                    | Beta Theta    | 20 |
|  | George Mason               | Kappa Theta   | 22          |  | Utah                       | Alpha Tau     | 21 |
|  | Vermont                    | Lambda Delta  | 22          |  | Rockhurst                  | Kappa Epsilon | 20 |
|  | Utah                       | Alpha Tau     | 21          |  | Arkansas                   | Alpha Zeta    | 19 |
|  | Wake Forest                | Gamma Phi     | 21          |  | Rutgers                    | Alpha Psi     | 19 |
|  | Syracuse                   | Alpha Chi     | 20          |  | Pennsylvania               | Beta Pi       | 19 |
|  | Cornell                    | Beta Theta    | 20          |  | Southern California        | Gamma Eta     | 19 |
|  | Pennsylvania               | Beta Pi       | 20          |   |                            |               |    |
|  | Rockhurst                  | Kappa Epsilon | 20          |   |                            |               |    |

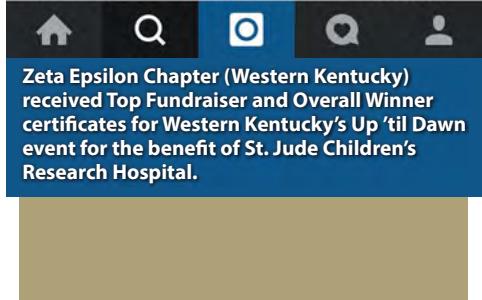


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**wkupikes** Last night our chapter won two big awards at St Jude's Up Till Dawn. A lot of hard work was put into this event and we would like to thank everyone



## NORTHERN KENTUCKY (Eta Rho)

Initiates: 112. New Members: 0. CEF: \$10,484. Eta Rho held its first annual Dalmatian Classic, featuring a golf outing with 30 teams, and raising awareness for suicide prevention. Northern Kentucky University's Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life recognized Eta Rho for outstanding achievements in service, integrity, fellowship, leadership, and inclusiveness. The chapter continues to lead the Director's Cup, which includes the most championships and participation in intramural sports



## TRANSYLVANIA (Kappa)

Initiates: 18. New Members: 0. CEF: \$1,182.

## WESTERN KENTUCKY (Zeta Epsilon)

Initiates: 68. New Members: 0. CEF: \$1,131. Zeta Epsilon Chapter has used this semester to improve in recruitment and philanthropy. The chapter's new members have an average GPA of 3.15, higher than any class in the last five years. In philanthropy, Zeta Epsilon participated in the campus Up 'til Dawn event and was recognized for raising the highest amount and having the highest overall donor for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. The chapter also participated in a snowman splash community service event benefitting the Save the Kids coalition. Twenty-five members of Zeta Epsilon attended Jesus Prom as dates for children with special needs.

# What are Chapter Endowment Funds?



Each chapter has a Chapter Endowment Fund (CEF) that is managed by the PIKE Foundation.

Undergraduates support their CEF when they join the φρκα Club. Alumni may also contribute to their chapters' funds, which once endowed, annually produces awards for students to attend PIKE University events.

A CEF is considered endowed once it has achieved a balance of \$10,000. When that threshold is met, the fund will produce PIKE University scholarships perpetually. The CEF is a great way for alumni to make an impactful gift that will benefit the young men of their chapters for years to come.

Please consider making your tax-deductible gift today at [www.pikefoundation.org](http://www.pikefoundation.org). For questions, contact Director of Scholarships and Programs Ginny Stalker at 901-748-1948 x141.

## Delta Region



Zeta Beta Chapter (Delta State) Sacred Hearts Southern Missions community service weekend trip

### DELTA STATE (Zeta Beta)

Initiates: 32. New Members: 0. CEF: \$18,283. Zeta Beta members raised and donated almost \$9,000 for different charities and spent over 1,000 hours in their communities. Two men from Zeta Beta attended Chapter Executives Conference in Memphis, Tennessee, and three members attended Pike University in Atlanta, Georgia. The chapter has two members, Drake Mobley '12 and JC Blackmon '13, who were among the eight students selected for Delta State University's Student Hall of Fame. The chapter currently has 33 undergraduate members, and every member is involved in at least one other campus organization or activity. The chapter was awarded five out of six possible awards during the annual DSU Greek awards banquet including Highest Overall Chapter GPA, Outstanding Scholastic Achievement Program, Educational Programming, and H.L. Nowell for Chapter Excellence. Mobley received the Greek Man of the Year award. Along with these accolades, three of the four men selected for Order of Omega are Zeta Beta members: JC Blackmon '13, David Hector '13, and Conner Taylor '14. Mobley and Blackmon were also selected for student hall of fame.



Four brothers from Zeta Beta Chapter (Delta State) volunteered to valet park during Grammy Museum Grand Opening in Cleveland, Mississippi.



Brothers of Zeta Omega Chapter (Louisiana-Lafayette) renovated a facility for Baby-n-Me.



Eta Omicron Chapter (Louisiana-Monroe) was named as the 2016 Volunteer of the Year by the Wellspring Alliance for Families sponsored by the United Way.



Gamma Psi Chapter (Louisiana Tech) won the IFC basketball tournament on Karl Malone Court

### LOUISIANA-LAFAYETTE (Zeta Omega)

Initiates: 82. New Members: 0. 100% φφκα Club. CEF: \$10,051. Zeta Omega Chapter participated in multiple community service events including volunteering in the Lafayette Mud Park Challenge and helping renovate a facility for Baby-n-Me. Zeta Omega acquired a new house in January and has completed countless projects to improve the location. In addition, the chapter participated in fraternity row clean-up day. Wil Perkins '13 was recently elected as the student government association president. The chapter continues to thrive in fraternity intramurals and consistently has members on varsity and club athletic teams.

### LOUISIANA-MONROE (Eta Omicron)

Initiates: 105. New Members: 0. 100% φφκα Club. CEF: \$27,552. Eta Omicron Chapter is currently in first place in the all-university athletic standings, positioning them for their eighth consecutive championship win. The chapter took home six awards from the university's annual Greek awards ceremony, including IFC chapter of the year. Eta Omicron members have completed 31 community service projects donating 5,000 hours to local organizations as of March. Four brothers are on ULM's freshmen orientation staff including the staff leader. Eta Omicron members were also elected to the Mardi Gras court. The chapter has members on the ULM football, golf, and track teams.

### LOUISIANA STATE (Alpha Gamma)

Initiates: 101. New Members: 0. CEF: \$22,945. Alpha Gamma had 14 brothers volunteer to help set-up, cook, and clean at the St. Aloysius Fish Fry during Lent. In athletics, the soccer team finished third overall, the basketball team made it to the second round of playoffs, and the softball team went undefeated, outscoring its opponents 42-8. Upcoming events for Alpha Gamma include participating in the Run for Miles 5k, in memory of Chapter Eternal Miles Liner '11; Fireman's Challenge benefitting the Baton Rouge Fire Department; an alumni crawfish boil; and an alumni-chapter night out to the LSU-Mississippi State baseball game.

### LOUISIANA TECH (Gamma Psi)

Initiates: 52. New Members: 2. CEF: \$5,759. Gamma Psi Chapter's Pitch for Pike charity softball tournament will benefit a chapter friend whose family lost their home in the flooding in Monroe, Louisiana. In addition, the chapter recently partnered with Alpha Chi Omega and Phi Mu to host Valentine's Day and Easter events at the Boys and Girls Club. In athletics, Gamma Psi now has two members on the varsity football roster. The chapter cinched the IFC basketball championship, as well as the IFC "Benchathon" trophy, and won second place during Greek Week with partners Kappa Delta and Kappa Alpha. Gamma Psi improved in academics over the winter quarter, moving up two spots in the IFC academic rankings. The chapter held parent's weekend and a formal.



### MCNEESE STATE (Lambda Upsilon)

Initiates: 73. New Members: 0. CEF: \$2,924. This past Mardi Gras, Lambda Upsilon brothers collected beads from other Greek organizations and the community to donate them to Autism Services of Southwest Louisiana. McNeese State recently held its annual Greek Week, with Lambda Upsilon Chapter taking first place for the seventh straight year – winning every year since being on campus. During the

week, brothers competed in a cook-off, a dodgeball tournament, an obstacle course, trivia, and a Habitat for Humanity philanthropy event. Two brothers were also selected for Spring Court. Spring court members obtain high scholastic honors and are highly involved on campus and in the community.

### MILLSAPS (Alpha Iota)

Initiates: 25. New Members: 2. CEF: \$1,488.

### MISSISSIPPI (Gamma Iota)

Initiates: 185. New Members: 67. CEF: \$4,625. Gamma Iota Chapter hosted its annual powderpuff games this past February raising \$15,000 for The Damascus Endowment, an organization that sends local children with special needs to summer camp at Camp Bratton Green in Canton, Mississippi. The chapter's donation will send 33 children to camp this year.

### MISSISSIPPI STATE (Gamma Theta)

Initiates: 62. New Members: 0. CEF: \$5,934. Gamma Theta Chapter is currently in the process of planning its annual Pikes for Pups philanthropy event, giving students and members in the community a chance to save and adopt a dog from the Starkville area. Included in the event will be several exciting raffle prizes such as tickets to the SEC baseball tournament and gift cards. Gamma Theta hopes to raise \$5,000 and supplies to donate to the Homeward Bound Project. The chapter is also in the process of finding major sponsors for their second annual Pike Diamond Classic philanthropy event next fall. Chapter GPA rose almost half a point over the last semester, and community service hours roughly doubled.



### NORTHWESTERN STATE (Mu Kappa)

Initiates: 37. New Members: 0. CEF: \$20. This semester, Mu Kappa Chapter hosted its first annual Fireman's Challenge, raising over \$1,000 for St. Jude. The chapter also participated in International Work Day. In campus involvement, a brother was elected SGA president, three members are orientation leaders, three members are activities board members, six brothers are SGA senators, five men are cheerleaders, and one brother is the IFC vice president.

### SOUTHEASTERN LOUISIANA (Mu Nu)

Initiates: 32. New Members: 1. CEF: \$64. The brothers of Mu Nu Chapter are currently in first place as they go into their intramural basketball championship. The chapter has also won Greek Week. Two brothers, Austin Rogers '15 and Neil Bourgeois '15, are currently serving on the IFC executive board. Bourgeois was named to Who's Who Among Students. Philanthropy events included Cycle for Life.





## Dixie Region



## Founders Region

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### ALABAMA (Gamma Alpha)

Initiates: 135. New Members: 0. CEF: \$32,216.

### ALABAMA-HUNTSVILLE (Theta Pi)

Initiates: 46. New Members: 0. 100% φρέκα Club. CEF: \$13,462. Theta Pi members have spent over 2,000 hours serving in their community, raising over \$48,000 for different charities. The chapter has been working to build strong relationships with area organizations and businesses to receive sponsorships for their annual Fireman's Challenge. Theta Pi Chapter has the largest spring class of all fraternities on campus. In athletics, the chapter was tied for first in IFC basketball. Theta Pi's alumni advisory board received national recognition and Brother Steven Beshears '14 was selected as the first team campus leader for Tilt.

### AUBURN (Upsilon)

Initiates: 137. New Members: 0. CEF: \$45,511. Upsilon Chapter held its inaugural Fireman's Challenge event benefiting the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation. The chapter also hosted numerous sorority philanthropy events and a St. Jude benefit night at Burger Fi. The brothers volunteered to help set up for the annual Opelika Victorian front porch tour. The annual Wesley Scott Bilbo Draw Down was held on Upsilon's Founders Day and was attended by many alumni and family members.

### NORTH ALABAMA (Theta Alpha)

Initiates: 20. New Members: 0. CEF: \$1,154.

### SOUTH ALABAMA (Eta Kappa)

Initiates: 38. New Members: 0. CEF: \$543. This semester, Eta Kappa Chapter donated \$1,000 worth of tablets to a local elementary school to support primary education. The chapter completed its annual week long philanthropy event, Pike Fest, which raised over \$2,000 for Special Olympics. Throughout the week, sororities participated in fundraising activities as well as Olympic style games in several sports. The chapter sponsored other events such as Magic Pike, a penny drop; a crawfish boil; and a finale dance competition between the sororities. Eta Kappa held its brotherhood retreat in Orange Beach, Alabama, at the end of the semester.

### AMERICAN (Kappa Upsilon)

Initiates: 26. New Members: 0. CEF: \$3,229.

### CHRISTOPHER NEWPORT (Colony)

New Members: 74. CEF: \$0. Christopher Newport Colony hosted Meet the Pikes night, where other Greek organizations were introduced to the new members of the colony. In the colony's first Greek Week, the men won the loudest Greek organization at kick off and placed in several other events. Currently, Christopher Newport Colony's main objective is to establish a good, respectful reputation and presence on campus. They are off to a great start and have already



Christopher Newport Colony Greek Week Kickoff

scheduled a number of events, including several mixers with sororities and a semi-formal date function. They have also participated in several sorority philanthropy events, raising hundreds of dollars. Although building a good reputation in the community is paramount, the men plan to have many brotherhood events. With 74 new members, Christopher Newport Colony is approaching the biggest fraternity – which has 88 members including their graduating class. The colony is still recruiting new members and building a colony with the best quality men Christopher Newport has to offer. Since dozens of colony members are varsity athletes, the colony strives to generate a large fan base for all athletic events.

#### **GEORGE MASON (Kappa Theta)**

Initiates: 83. New Members: 27. CEF: \$1,409.

#### **GEORGE WASHINGTON (Delta Alpha)**

Initiates: 39. New Members: 0. CEF: \$5,969.

#### **HAMPDEN-SYDNEY (Iota)**

Initiates: 49. New Members: 0. CEF: \$1,980.

#### **JAMES MADISON (Iota Sigma)**

Initiates: 84. New Members: 0. CEF: \$2,645.

#### **MARSHALL (Delta Iota)**

Initiates: 29. New Members: 1. CEF: \$4,157.

#### **MARYLAND (Colony)**

New Members: 78. CEF: \$3,864.



Zeta Iota Cycle for Life

#### **OLD DOMINION (Zeta Iota)**

Initiates: 73. New Members: 4. CEF: \$3,144. Zeta Iota Chapter members were very involved in philanthropy events this year. Brothers held their second annual Firetruck Pull with Zeta Tau Alpha, raising \$1,400 for pediatric and breast cancer research. The event featured co-ed teams pulling their chapter firetruck 150 feet to the finish line. The chapter recently held its first A Walk in their Boots philanthropy event during which participants walked a 2.5 mile route around campus with proceeds benefiting the Student Veterans House. The chapter also hosted its first Taylor Trudeau Cycle for Life event raising \$2,550 for Leukemia, Lymphoma, and Melanoma research. In athletics, Zeta Iota won first place in intramural basketball and second place in intramural floor hockey. Zeta Iota Chapter recently celebrated its 50th anniversary with an undergraduate and alumnus dinner.



## ROANOKE (Phi)

Initiates: 26. New Members: 0. CEF: \$1,410.

## TOWSON (Lambda Omega)

Initiates: 93. New Members: 0. CEF: \$876. Lambda Omega brother and Towson basketball player Timajh Parker-Rivera '14 is on his way to becoming the most played and winningest player in university history after winning 66 games. In philanthropy, the chapter partnered with Phi Sigma Sigma to raise over \$13,000 for Tigerthon with proceeds benefitting Children's Miracle network. The brothers also raised over \$1,500 supporting Special Olympics at Towson's Polar Plunge. In addition to fundraising, Lambda Omega brothers make a difference in their community by volunteering at the local food bank. Lambda Omega's previous president was elected as the IFC president and member Kyle Critchlow '14 received his Garnet Certification at Pike University.

## VIRGINIA (Alpha)

Initiates: 56. New Members: 0. CEF: \$3,779. Alpha Chapter recently completed a landscaping community service project dedicated to the university. Working alongside the university's grounds crew, the chapter uprooted plant beds and weeds in preparation for a new set of vegetation. Alpha used International Work Day to add dining tables and chairs, weed and mulch the front lawn, and build more furniture for the chapter room.

## VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH (Lambda Chi)

Initiates: 101. New Members: 0. CEF: \$7,509.

## VIRGINIA TECH (Epsilon)

Initiates: 155. New Members: 0. CEF: \$13,382. Epsilon Chapter began the spring semester by sending its president and treasurer to Chapter Executives Conference in Memphis, Tennessee. Continuing the spring semester, the chapter participated in Delta Gamma's annual Anchorsplash philanthropy, raising \$1,000 for Service for Sight – the most of any participating organization. The chapter also donated \$250 to the No Hokies Left Behind program, a collaborative effort between the Virginia Tech Police Department, Blacksburg Police Department, IFC, and several other organizations to increase campus safety. Epsilon members used International Work Day to clean up and improve the landscaping and backyard of the chapter house. In athletics, Epsilon entered two teams into a 3-on-3 basketball tournament hosted by Virginia Tech Relay for Life.

## WASHINGTON & LEE (Pi)

Initiates: 31. New Members: 9. CEF: \$924.

## WEST VIRGINIA (Alpha Theta)

Initiates: 103. New Members: 0. CEF: \$4,694. This semester, Alpha Theta Chapter held its annual two-day Fireman's Challenge benefitting the Morgantown Fire Department, sent 30 members to the university's Greek Day of Service, and donated water to Flint, Michigan. The chapter also held its annual Founders Day banquet for undergraduates and alumni, and International Work Day.

## WILLIAM & MARY (Gamma)

Initiates: 52. New Members: 0. CEF: \$28,608.

## Golden West Region



Iota Theta Chapter in San Luis Obispo, California, put in community service hours at the Growing Grounds Nursery

### CALIFORNIA-IRVINE (Lambda Lambda)

Initiates: 93. New Members: 7. CEF: \$27,197. Lambda Lambda Chapter members held their annual Cuck Fancer event with Alpha Epsilon Pi benefitting young adult cancer research. Together, the chapters raised money via online donations and campus fundraising, and registered members of the UC Irvine campus into the bone marrow registry. Lambda Lambda members also hosted a joint philanthropy with Phi Kappa Psi to raise sexual assault awareness. The chapter hosted its second annual Fireman's Challenge, a weeklong event ending with a field day, benefitting the Orange County Fire Authority Benevolent Association.



New initiates of Iota Theta Chapter (San Luis Obispo)

### CALIFORNIA-SAN DIEGO (Kappa Phi)

Initiates: 120. New Members: 8. CEF: \$1,506.

### SAN LUIS OBISPO, CALIFORNIA (Iota Theta)

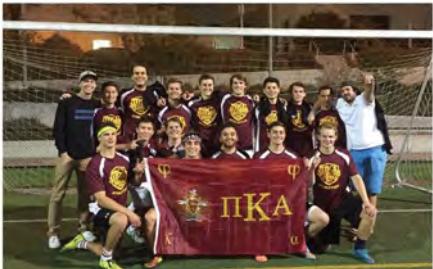
Initiates: 82. New Members: 0. CEF: \$2,468. During winter quarter, Iota Theta Chapter sponsored its most popular philanthropy event of the year, Ballroom for Breast Cancer, raising over \$10,000 for the Susan G. Komen Foundation. Iota Theta members participated in other community service events like refereeing the local elementary school's basketball league and volunteering at a nursery.



Mu Epsilon (California State-Fullerton) Pikes  
at a recruitment event



Theta Psi Chapter (Chapman) previous alumni advisor and current Golden West Region president, Matthew Greco (far right), received the Chapman University Greek Alumnus of the Year Award



PIKE INTRAMURAL CHAMPS



San Diego State (Delta Kappa) Pikes

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#### CALIFORNIA STATE-FULLERTON (Mu Epsilon)

Initiates: 188. New Members: 0. 100% φφκα Club. CEF: \$9,606. Mu Epsilon Chapter's third annual Firefighter's Challenge and PIKES in Color club event benefited Taylor Trudeau Cycle for Life. The chapter held a successful alumni baseball tailgate with over 125 undergraduates and alumni present and sponsored an alumni golf tournament.

#### CALIFORNIA STATE-LONG BEACH (Iota Epsilon)

Initiates: 49. New Members: 12. CEF: \$354. Iota Epsilon Chapter hosted an alumni vs. undergraduates basketball game in April to celebrate the chapter's undefeated basketball season. In other athletic news, Iota Epsilon teams placed in the top three in volleyball, soccer, football, and basketball before winning the Greek system's esteemed Sports Cup. In philanthropy, the men held a Taylor Trudeau Cycle for Life event in April. Iota Epsilon brothers are volunteering for a candidate currently running in the Long Beach city council race.

#### CHAPMAN (Theta Psi)

Initiates: 125. New Members: 0. CEF: \$24,396. Theta Psi Chapter recently created a team with the B+ foundation, an organization working to fight against childhood cancer. The chapter partnered with C.A.R.E.S to host the annual Men of Integrity event aimed toward raising sexual assault awareness. The chapter had two members nominated for the Man of Integrity award and received high praise from the university for the event. The chapter's previous alumni advisor, and now current Pi Kappa Alpha Golden West region president, Matthew Greco '03, was awarded the Chapman University Greek Alumnus of the Year Award for his outstanding work with the chapter on campus and in his professional life. The chapter held its annual Cycle for Life event with the addition of the raffling of a Schwinn bike to the chapter with the most participation.

#### NEVADA-LAS VEGAS (Kappa Omicron)

Initiates: 64. New Members: 12. CEF: \$12,011. Kappa Omicron Chapter sent 20 brothers to PIKE U, positioning them to win the most improved attendance award. Brothers recruited 12 of the most, best men, including a member who was invited to play on the university's football team. In intramurals, the chapter won the basketball championship with members who played on the team receiving the opportunity to travel to compete in regionals. Kappa Omicron won Delta Zeta's philanthropy event.



#### SAN DIEGO STATE (Delta Kappa)

Initiates: 113. New Members: 7. Delta Kappa Chapter received its charter on April 23, 2016. The chapter brought home its first two IFC and intramural championships in soccer and made it to the final for basketball. In philanthropy, the men rekindled their association with the Miracle League of San Diego, sponsoring the Rays. The entire chapter attended the Rays' first game. (See story on page 30.)

#### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (Gamma Eta)

Initiates: 80. New Members: 0. CEF: \$12,537. Gamma Eta Chapter has been successful in several aspects on campus including academics, with the highest cumulative fraternity GPA on campus; and philanthropic efforts, with the chapter preparing for its annual Fireman's Challenge.

## Great Lakes Region



### ADRIAN (Zeta Lambda)

Initiates: 48. New Members: 0. 100% φφκα Club. CEF: \$2,584. This semester, Zeta Lambda Chapter held its 50th anniversary celebration and the chapter's fourth annual Fireman's Challenge benefitting the Lenawee County Boys and Girls Club. On International Work Day, chapter members built an award shelf for upcoming years. Their athlete spotlight is Max Ohr '14 who is traveling to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to compete for the ACHA Europe Selects Team, a hockey team that will travel through Europe in January 2017 playing various hockey teams.

### FERRIS STATE (Zeta Kappa)

Initiates: 35. New Members: 0. CEF: \$2,161.

### KETTERING (Zeta Alpha A)

Initiates: 30. New Members: 0. CEF: \$2,195. Zeta Alpha A is the third largest chapter on campus with the third best GPA of 10 chapters. During elections, Austin Smith '14 was elected president, Preston Zalewski '14 is internal vice president, Brandon Yarch '15 is external vice president, Zachary VanMaldeghem '14 is treasurer, and Nathan Deane '15 is secretary.

### KETTERING (Zeta Alpha B)

Initiates: 20. New Members: 3. CEF: \$1,893. Over the winter, the brothers of Zeta Alpha B spent time away from campus in their various Co-Op employment positions. Members follow a variety of career paths including business, engineering, and medicine. Upcoming events include the chapter's annual alumni bash, Spike for a Cure, and intramurals where brothers will compete in water polo, soccer, softball, and volleyball in pursuit of Kettering University's Greek Cup.

### McMASTER (Mu Delta)

Initiates: 69. New Members: 0. 100% φφκα Club. CEF: \$1,134. Mu Delta Chapter was recognized as the top fundraising team after raising over \$7,500 for McMaster's annual Relay for Life event. In another event, the brothers spent an afternoon volunteering at the Wesley United Church serving meals to those in need. The chapter participated in a seminar presented by McMaster EngiQueers which focused on the language of sexuality and the concept of heteronormativity.

### MICHIGAN (Beta Tau)

Initiates: 129. New Members: 0. CEF: \$15,232. In February, Beta Tau Chapter co-hosted Winterfest, a large-scale broomball tournament, raising \$60,000 for the Autism Alliance of Michigan. The chapter also competed in Michigan's annual Freeze the Puck on Cancer hockey tournament, a Greek-wide philanthropy event benefitting various cancer research organizations, and spent Valentine's Day distributing cards and spending time with residents at the Brookhaven Manor retirement home. The chapter also participated in Greek Week, International Work Day, and Relay for Life.

### MICHIGAN STATE (Iota Iota)

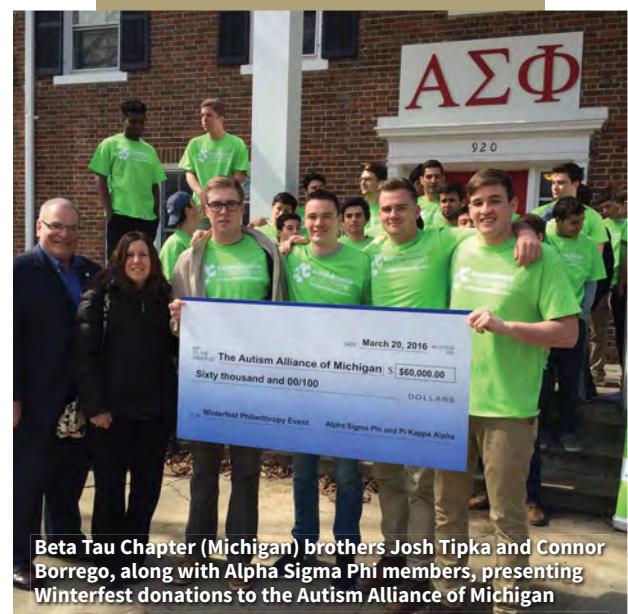
Initiates: 163. New Members: 0. CEF: \$305. In addition to Iota Iota Chapter's Fireman's Challenge and other annual philanthropies, the chapter hosted its first annual Pikes and Tykes dodgeball tournament benefitting Dance Marathon and Sparrow Children's Hospital. Iota Iota members also raised over \$2,500 for Flint, Michigan, by reaching



Mu Delta brothers volunteering at the Wesley United Church



Beta Tau Chapter (Michigan) 2016 Winterfest team



Beta Tau Chapter (Michigan) brothers Josh Tipka and Connor Borrego, along with Alpha Sigma Phi members, presenting Winterfest donations to the Autism Alliance of Michigan



Kappa Mu Chapter (Wilfrid Laurier) entered soccer and basketball teams for intramural sports. Both teams made the finals.



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out to family and friends for donations. The chapter is the largest fraternity on campus and performed well in intramurals. The chapter held its annual alumni golf outing in April.

### **WAYNE STATE (Delta Nu)**

Initiates: 88. New Members: 0. 100% φρκα Club. CEF: \$13,596. Delta Nu members spent the winter focusing on their house with renovation projects continuing into the spring. This semester, two full bathrooms, three bedrooms, and the parking lot have been remodeled. A half bathroom and a laundry room were also installed. In April, the chapter held its largest event, a 5k benefitting the American Brain Tumor Association, in memory of Brother Joseph Sazyc III '10.

### **WESTERN (Iota Omega)**

Initiates: 60. New Members: 1. CEF: \$1,335. After an excellent spring semester, the gentlemen of Iota Omega Chapter celebrated their annual Fireman's Ball in the beautiful city of Toronto. Arley Coffin (Alpha Gamma Delta) received the title of Dream Girl during the ball.

### **WESTERN MICHIGAN (Epsilon Psi)**

Initiates: 37. New Members: 0. CEF: \$11,570. Epsilon Psi Chapter is working with other student organizations to hold a basketball tournament, benefitting the Intrepid Fallen Heroes Foundation, and a

water drive for the citizens of Flint, Michigan. The chapter also helped remove litter from the streets of Kalamazoo, Michigan, and cleaned houses that the Ark Shelter provides for runaway youth.

### **WILFRID LAURIER (Kappa Mu)**

Initiates: 67. New Members: 0. 100% φρκα Club. CEF: \$1,757. Kappa Mu Chapter members hosted an alumni night and formal with more than 65 alumni in attendance to celebrate their 20th anniversary. The chapter recently implemented a scholarship fantasy league, bringing the chapter GPA from a 3.0 to a 3.2. Brothers volunteered with service dogs, leading to a total of 70 community service hours per man for the semester. On campus, Kappa Mu maintained a strong presence as Simon MacLeod '13 was elected president of the school of business and economics.



## *Great Plains Region*

### **CREIGHTON (Colony)**

Initiates: 2. New Members: 75. CEF: \$19,528. Colony at Creighton was recently colonized with 74 members, 100 percent campus involvement, and a cumulative 3.4 GPA. Along with participating in intramurals, the colony is co-sponsoring Pi Beta Phi's Lemonade for Literacy and participating in Relay for Life at the university.

### **IOWA (Gamma Nu)**

Initiates: 93. New Members: 0. CEF: \$6,952. Gamma Nu Chapter competed for its fifth consecutive intramural championship. A new team-based scholarship program has been put into place to increase the overall chapter GPA. The executive board is looking forward to seeing members' grades improve as a result. The chapter enjoyed a formal at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, and a family weekend, highlighted by a trip to the Hawkeyes spring game.

### **IOWA STATE (Alpha Phi)**

Initiates: 107. New Members: 0. 100% φρκα Club. CEF: \$48,715. Alpha Phi Chapter members were active in their community with activities like picking up trash, sending cards to a six-year-old girl with Osteoporosis, and making dinner for youth and shelter services. The chapter participated in Greek Week and International Work Day.



The colony at Creighton at Meet the Pikes Night



Gamma Nu Chapter (Iowa) spring new members

### **MINNESOTA (Beta Chi)**

Initiates: 88. New Members: 0. CEF: \$817.

### **NEBRASKA (Gamma Beta)**

Initiates: 113. New Members: 0. 100% φρκα Club. CEF: \$20,284. Gamma Beta Chapter ranked seventh out of 23 campus fraternities with a 3.28 GPA. Members raised over \$5,000 for Dance Marathon, more than any other fraternity, with proceeds benefitting the Children's Hospital & Medical Center in Omaha. The chapter continues to stay heavily involved on campus with a member serving as a student government senator and other members being selected for Omicron Delta Kappa and Mortar Board. In March, Gamma Beta hosted its annual Founders Day formal in celebration of 148 years as an organization. The chapter remains ranked first overall in athletics and has two or more teams who compete in every intramural sport. The chapter also participated in the Out of Darkness walk, a campus-wide event that spreads awareness on mental illness, and Relay for Life.



Gamma Beta Chapter (Nebraska) members at the university's annual dance marathon



Theta Zeta Chapter (Northern Iowa) members at dance marathon with their Miracle Kid Jared



Iota Gamma Chapter (Nebraska-Kearney) Chapter did highway clean up with the ladies of Alpha Phi



Delta Chi Chapter (Nebraska-Omaha) at their Just Can It kick off event



Kappa Pi Chapter (South Dakota) brothers at the PIKE University Leadership Summit in Chicago

## NEBRASKA-KEARNEY (Iota Gamma)

Initiates: 59. New Members: 0. 100% φφκα Club. CEF: \$17,337. This semester, Iota Gamma Chapter held its annual Pike Spike philanthropy sand volleyball tournament and participated in a water walk where members walked 3.6 miles while holding jugs of water. Iota Gamma members partnered with Alpha Phi to clean a two mile stretch of highway. Brothers are working with their local police department to collect cans for their Put Hunger Behind Bars campaign.

## NEBRASKA-OMAHA (Delta Chi)

Initiates: 118. New Members: 0. 100% φφκα Club. CEF: \$31,674. Delta Chi members started their spring semester by sending four executive members to Chapter Executives Conference in Memphis, Tennessee, to learn about leadership and the Fraternity. In March, the chapter held its International Work Day and Founders Day formal events. The same month, the brothers held their 13th annual Just Can It philanthropy event with Salvation Army to raise 40,000 food items. Members also built cardboard shelters to sleep in for the night to raise awareness about homelessness.

## NORTH DAKOTA (Zeta Rho)

Initiates: 61. New Members: 0. CEF: \$11,142. Zeta Rho Chapter updated its scholarship plan to increase chapter standards and to foster an excellent learning environment. Chapter members recently renovated their kitchen, downstairs bathroom, and laundry room. In December, Zeta Rho won four awards at a Greek awards banquet including the president's award, chapter accountability, and chapter excellence for GPA.

## NORTHERN IOWA (Theta Zeta)

Initiates: 23. New Members: 1. CEF: \$1,311. Theta Zeta members recently participated in Dance Marathon, dancing for 12 hours straight and fostering new friendships with their miracle kid, Jared. The same weekend, the brothers of Theta Zeta helped park cars and coach athletes at the Northeast Iowa Special Olympics. This spring, the chapter partnered with the Cedar Bend Humane Society for their inaugural Pikes 4 Pups event benefitting the shelter. Theta Zeta Chapter also sponsored a donation drive for the Humane Society. This semester, chapter members transitioned into new campus executive positions – five brothers hold executive positions in campus organizations. Other campus involvement areas include ROTC, club athletics, PSE, CAB, and wishmakers.

## SOUTH DAKOTA (Kappa Pi)

Initiates: 82. New Members: 4. 100% φφκα Club. CEF: \$4,998. This year, Kappa Pi Chapter sent over 70 brothers to PIKE University events around the nation. Their chapter, the largest on campus, boasts a 100 percent involvement rate, holding more than 65 key leadership positions at the university. In philanthropy, Kappa Pi developed an exclusive partnership with the University of South Dakota Children's Center, a campus children's education center. Each week, brothers spend time with the children and complete various projects throughout the facility. Their chapter also developed a public relations program where every month, the chapter names a PIKE Campus Partner of the Month and provides the honoree(s) with breakfast, a card of appreciation, and social media recognition. This April, Kappa Pi Chapter hosted its fifth annual PIKE Week of Service.

## SOUTH DAKOTA STATE (Colony)

New Members: 41. CEF: \$0.

# Heartland Region



## KANSAS (Beta Gamma)

Initiates: 89. New Members: 5. CEF: \$7,536. After 18 months, the colony at Kansas' petition to charter was approved. Initiation took place on April 29, 2016 and the chartering banquet was on April 30, 2016. (See story on page 27.)

## KANSAS STATE (Alpha Omega)

Initiates: 112. New Members: 0. 100% φφκα Club. CEF: \$64,680. Alpha Omega Chapter is currently in the process of installing two brand new basketball goals for members to enjoy. Once the goals are installed, the chapter plans to host a basketball recruitment event with a cookout and 3-on-3 tournaments.

## MISSOURI (Alpha Nu)

Initiates: 146. New Members: 1. CEF: \$43,043. This past year, Alpha Nu worked on house improvements including the addition of a first floor lounge and wooden floors to the third floor. Continuing to improve the lives of others, Alpha Nu has multiple members participating in College Mentors for Kids and placed first in Polar Plunge. The chapter also volunteered with Special Olympics Missouri.

## MISSOURI-ST. LOUIS (Zeta Phi)

Initiates: 32. New Members: 0. CEF: \$12,250. Zeta Phi Chapter raised almost \$5,000 for Missouri Special Olympics and participated in the organization's annual Polar Plunge. Zeta Phi members participated in multiple brotherhood events including a poker night and bowling.

## MISSOURI S&T (Alpha Kappa)

Initiates: 128. New Members: 0. 100% φφκα Club. CEF: \$34,773. Alpha Kappa Chapter kicked off the spring semester by volunteering at JDRF's annual retreat in St. Louis, an organization with which the chapter has a longstanding relationship. Next, they traveled to Potosi, Missouri, to clean the park and build a paintball facility at YMCA camp. Alpha Kappa is very proud to have a commanding first place lead in intramurals with only a few sports remaining. The chapter raised over \$1,000 for JDRF with its fifth annual pig roast.

## MISSOURI STATE (Zeta Chi)

Initiates: 115. New Members: 0. CEF: \$1,207. After several years in the making, Zeta Chi settled a deal on its first house. The chapter also held its inaugural Cycle for Life event with the help of a Red Bull sponsorship. In athletics, Zeta Chi won the fraternity futsal tournament for the second consecutive year.

## PITTSBURG STATE (Epsilon Chi)

Initiates: 54. New Members: 0. CEF: \$4,177. Epsilon Chi Chapter has more members now than it has had in nine years. In philanthropy, the chapter hosted Shave-A-Pike, benefitting the St. Baldrick's Foundation, and participated in Alpha Sigma Alpha's annual Swing-A-Thon, raising \$2,000 for the Ronald McDonald House and donating a handmade swing to a family. Epsilon Chi has continued to dominate intramurals, winning the intramural championship for the third year in a row. The chapter was also recently voted best fraternity on campus.

## ROCKHURST (Kappa Epsilon)

Initiates: 95. New Members: 0. 100% φφκα Club. CEF: \$23,205. Kappa Epsilon Chapter is using the funds earned from the Scholarship Cup

Alpha Nu Chapter (Missouri) brothers volunteered for Special Olympics



The Zeta Chi Chapter (Missouri State) futsal team won the IFC championship



Brothers of Alpha Kappa Chapter (Missouri S&T)

to improve the study area of the chapter room. In the fall semester, the men earned a 3.48 overall GPA. In athletics, the chapter's intramural teams won first place in soccer, second in basketball, and third in softball. Nine brothers are members of the Rockhurst baseball team. In community service, Kappa Epsilon members built community gardens at St. Francis Xavier Church in Kansas City. This chapter also adopted the Supporting Kids Foundation, a foundation that helps families with children who are battling cancer, as its philanthropy. Casey McGraw '97 is on the board of the foundation.

### SOUTHEAST MISSOURI STATE (Epsilon Iota)

Initiates: 81. New Members: 0. 100% φρκα Club. CEF: \$27,630. Epsilon Iota Chapter finished the school year first overall in intramurals, second in homecoming, and second in Greek Week. The chapter also achieved a 2.94 GPA, its highest level in several years, while

raising over \$10,000 for charity and completing 2,000 hours of service. Alumni Jay Knutson and Ed Gargas are current members of the Southeast Board of Regents. Epsilon Iota held a ground breaking ceremony for their new house, which is a part of Greek Village at SEMO, along with its annual Alumni Weekend. The house is expected to be ready by the fall 2017. For information on the house, or to participate in the <sup>3</sup>Building on Tradition<sup>2</sup> Campaign, contact Larry Eby at [Larry.Eby@vastbroadband.com](mailto:Larry.Eby@vastbroadband.com).

### WILLIAM WOODS (Lambda Eta)

Initiates: 41. New Members: 0. CEF: \$1,555.

## Keystone Region



Beta Sigma Chapter (Carnegie-Mellon) brothers gather at The Fence



Lambda Zeta Chapter (Drexel) won in the IFC hockey league

### CARNEGIE MELLON (Beta Sigma)

Initiates: 51. New Members: 1. CEF: \$5,220. Beta Sigma's new member class boasts a combined 3.5 GPA and includes four varsity athletes. This semester, the chapter held a higher overall GPA than the campus average. Brothers will be applying their skills while interning and working at industry leading firms including Tesla Motors, Citi Bank, Allianz, Credit Suisse, Dimensional Funds, Alcoa, Clark Construction, BNY Mellon, and The American Gas Association. The chapter participated in International Work Day by cleaning, reorganizing their house, and cleaning up surrounding property. Chapter members also converted a previously unused room in the house into a scholarship room. Beta Sigma brothers participated in 1000plus, Carnegie Mellon's day of service.

### DREXEL (Lambda Zeta)

Initiates: 133. New Members: 0. CEF: \$7,202. Lambda Zeta Chapter won DPhiE's philanthropy event, Deepher Dude, and raised over \$4,500 for Cystic Fibrosis research and awareness. Chapter members helped reopen and clean a local baseball field during their annual Field of Dreams community service event. On International Work Day, members installed a new sound system. The chapter hosted

multiple alumni events this semester including the annual alumni softball game.

### GANNON (Epsilon Upsilon)

Initiates: 36. New Members: 0. CEF: \$3,876. Epsilon Upsilon Chapter hosted its first annual Gannon Greek Ball with over 200 Greeks in attendance, raising over \$2,000 for an epilepsy awareness organization, the AJO Forever Foundation. The chapter completed eight community service events throughout the spring semester. Brothers are preparing for the 2016 Epsilon Upsilon reunion beginning July 28th. Chapter members include multiple rugby players, a varsity cross country athlete, a competitive cheerleader, two student government vice presidents, an IFC vice president, a GUBotDev (robotics club) founder, and multiple men involved in ROTC.



Epsilon Upsilon Chapter (Gannon) held a brunch with Gannon winter commencement speaker and Epsilon Upsilon alumnus Mark S. Zagorski '90, doctor of humane letters and CEO of eXelate

### LEHIGH (Gamma Lambda)

Initiates: 78. New Members: 0. 100% φφκα Club. CEF: \$15,871. This spring, Gamma Lambda members continued their participation with the Jewish Relief Agency, the cooking club at Broughal Middle School, and Habitat for Humanity. Continuing their philanthropic semester, the chapter hosted Relay for Life in April and sponsored its third blood drive of the year. The chapter was in first place in the upper-classmen intramural league after basketball championship win.



Epsilon Upsilon Chapter (Gannon) brothers after a university rugby match

### PENNSYLVANIA (Beta Pi)

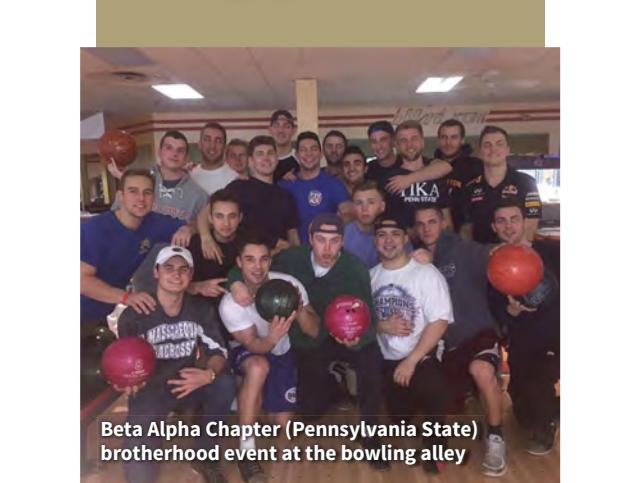
Initiates: 48. New Members: 0. CEF: \$143,468. Beta Pi had a very eventful semester including a Founders Day event, with notable alumni Bruce Wolfson '71 and Paul Zaentz '69 in attendance. In philanthropy, the chapter participated in Relay for Life and sold calendars featuring several mascots of Greek organizations to raise money for ASPCA. Zach Rosen '13 and Jon Kluger '14 ran the Love Run in April, a half-marathon. Shahriar Shams-Ansari '14 and Ashish Sharma '14 attended the ILMUNC China conference in Shanghai. Aren Raisinghani '16 was elected class president.



Gamma Lambda Chapter (Lehigh) brothers lending a hand at the Jewish Relief Agency

### PITTSBURGH (Gamma Sigma)

Initiates: 129. New Members: 0. CEF: \$71,263. Before spring break, Beta Alpha Chapter held a brotherhood bowling event with more than 30 brothers in attendance. Due to the event's popularity, the chapter made this a monthly event. Members participated in multiple philanthropy events including Kappa Delta's car bash benefitting Prevent Child Abuse America. A fence removal and replacement project were the highlights of International Work Day.



Beta Alpha Chapter (Pennsylvania State) brotherhood event at the bowling alley

### SLIPPERY ROCK (Kappa Sigma)

Initiates: 41. New Members: 0. CEF: \$137. Over the past two years, Kappa Sigma Chapter has maintained the highest GPA among all fraternities. The chapter also received recognition from the university's IFC for the best collaborative event and the best community service event. On campus, Logan Steigerwalt '14 was re-elected as student government president and Scott Vogelgesang '15 was elected



Mu Lambda Chapter (West Chester) new members



## Lone Star Region



Eta Epsilon Chapter (Houston) brothers at the PIKE University Dallas Leadership Summit



Epsilon Delta Chapter (North Texas) members spent over 820 hours working in Eureka Park to make it accessible for handicapped children

IFC president. Seven members are also in the armed forces. The chapter competed in Greek Week benefitting Morgan's Army and the fight against Cystic Fibrosis.

### WEST CHESTER (Mu Lambda)

Initiates: 95. New Members: 0. CEF: \$25. Mu Lambda members recruited eight quality men who have a combined 3.41 GPA, including two varsity athletes. Brothers celebrated Founders Day with a large brotherhood barbecue. Chapter members have forged relationships with key offices on campus, resulting in partnerships with the WCU alumni association, Alpha Delta Pi, and the honors school association for a 5K walk and run that kicked off Greek Week. The chapter also partnered with Sigma Pi to host Dancing with the Greeks during sexual assault awareness month. Mu Lambda Chapter held a swap with Zeta Tau Alpha.

### ANGELO STATE (Eta Epsilon)

Initiates: 45. New Members: 0. CEF: \$25,744. Members of Eta Epsilon Chapter raised over \$3,000 this spring. Chapter brothers are on the rugby team, the baseball team, and brothers who are involved in College Republicans. The chapter hosted its annual Dream Girl formal to celebrate 45 years since being charted at Angelo State.

### HOUSTON (Epsilon Eta)

Initiates: 38. New Members: 0. CEF: \$1,019.

### LAMAR (Epsilon Kappa)

Initiates: 69. New Members: 0. 100% φφκα Club. CEF: \$4,825.

### NORTH TEXAS (Epsilon Delta)

Initiates: 92. New Members: 2. CEF: \$20,152. Epsilon Delta Chapter members spent over 800 hours working in Eureka Park to make it accessible for handicapped children and donated their entire Homecoming fund, over \$3,000, to the cause. The chapter also held its annual Teeter Totter philanthropy event benefitting MDA and its annual Fireman's Challenge benefitting the Denton Fire Department. In intramurals, Epsilon Delta's basketball team B went undefeated the entire season and won the intramural championship. Brothers won the Sigma Serves Children volleyball tournament, too. Epsilon Delta Chapter hosted Pi Kappa Alpha Director of Health and Safety Kim Novak, and Jim Schnyder (Missouri, Alpha Nu '87), a Pepsi Co. recruiter who spoke about the secrets of the professional recruiter. The chapter held a successful Founders Day event, putting them in contact with alumni around the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

### SAM HOUSTON STATE (Epsilon Pi)

Initiates: 34. New Members: 0. CEF: \$1,598.

### SOUTHERN METHODIST (Beta Zeta)

Initiates: 127. New Members: 0. CEF: \$12,759.

## **SOUTHWESTERN (Alpha Omicron)**

Initiates: 57. New Members: 0. CEF: \$897.

## **STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE (Epsilon Omicron)**

Initiates: 51. New Members: 3. CEF: \$455. Two Epsilon Omicron brothers are on the basketball team that made it to the third round of March Madness, one brother is on the football team, and three brothers are on the track team. In philanthropy, the chapter partnered with Alpha Chi Omega for their annual Pike and Alpha Chi Omega Hugs and Pampers diaper drive for underprivileged families. The chapter held its third annual alumni golf tournament and participated in The Big Event, a city-wide community service project that helps the citizens of Nacogdoches.

## **TEXAS (Beta Mu)**

Initiates: 107. New Members: 0. CEF: \$6,666. Beta Mu Chapter holds the top Greek GPA on campus, with a 3.2 overall GPA. The men raised more than \$7,000 through a pancake supper for Dell Children's Medical Center's pediatric cancer research effort, and Social Co-Chair Matt Offill '14 was elected to Student Government representing the Cockrell School of Engineering. Beta Mu met the 25 Man commitment, sending brothers to Pike University in Dallas, where the chapter's alumni advisory board coordinated a Founders Day lunch. Pike Alumni & Volunteer Officer Ben Boden (Iowa State, Alpha Phi '01) and Chief Real Estate Officer Dan Corah (Colorado State, Epsilon Theta '83), as well as Lone Star Regional President Nat Mucha, joined the Founders Day gathering. The chapter hosted both a Moms and a Dads weekend in Austin, and their social calendar was highlighted by January's traditional Pikes Peak winter party and the spring Texas Round-up Weekend where PIKE entertained more than 900 guests. The traditional spring formal closed out the semester.

## **TEXAS-ARLINGTON (Eta Upsilon)**

Initiates: 94. New Members: 0. 100% φφκα Club. CEF: \$6,003. (See story on page 22.)

## **TEXAS A&M (Theta Theta)**

Initiates: 131. New Members: 0. CEF: \$1,344.

## **TEXAS A&M-COMMERCE (Theta Xi)**

Initiates: 41. New Members: 0. 100% φφκα Club. CEF: \$3,831. The first president of Theta Xi, Don Hodges '78, announced a \$1,800 donation from the housing corp. to the university for the Mayo Memorial while serving as the keynote speaker at the chapter's Founders Day banquet. The chapter also welcomed its new faculty advisor, Devin Girod (Louisiana-Monroe, Eta Omicron '08), and recognized Hank Moore '89 as alumnus of the year. Theta Xi House Corporation established a website in efforts to add to the \$20,000 it has raised so far. The chapter continues to raise money for the Taylor Trudeau Foundation and Commerce local businesses. Brothers served their community by hiding 800 Easter eggs for the pre-kindergarteners at Commerce Elementary School.

## **TEXAS STATE (Zeta Theta)**

Initiates: 104. New Members: 0. 100% φφκα Club. CEF: \$5,185. Zeta Theta Chapter members participated in Texas State's annual Bobcat Build, helping residents in the community with yard work and other difficult tasks around their houses. The chapter also hosted an all-you-can-eat crawfish boil, benefitting the Black Sheep Volunteer Fire Department and featuring the talent of the singer/song writer, Parker McCollum.



## **TEXAS TECH (Epsilon Gamma)**

Initiates: 105. New Members: 10. 100% φφκα Club. CEF: \$6,557. Epsilon Gamma Chapter is the largest fraternity at Texas Tech with 166 members, including the student body president. Chapter members had the distinct honor of holding the United States flag at TTU baseball's opening day. This was a semester of many firsts for Epsilon Gamma since rechartering in 2012, including the chapter's inaugural mother's appreciation weekend, International Work Day, and repeat intramural championships in two separate sports. In February, the chapter sent 15 brothers to PIKE University in Dallas, Texas where Mark Swanson '82 was the Leadership Lecture Series speaker. One member joined the Peace Corps after graduating in May. Another brother plays for the Texas Tech football team. Chapter members hope to raise \$50,000 for Relay for Life.

# Magnolia Region



Mu Beta Chapter (Kennesaw State)

## ARMSTRONG STATE (Eta Mu)

Initiates: 36. New Members: 0. CEF: \$1,145.

## COLUMBUS STATE (Mu Iota)

Initiates: 40. New Members: 0. CEF: \$22. In April, Mu Iota Chapter spearheaded the first IFC Philanthropy event. The chapter had one brother nominated for Fraternity Leader of the Year and two brothers nominated for New Member of the Year. The brothers hosted their second annual Cycle for Life philanthropy and are now number one in intramural slow pitch softball. The chapter raised a total of over \$300 selling coupon books to help send brothers to PIKE University Leadership Summits and Conventions. The chapter is actively working on building its Chapter Endowment Fund.

## EMORY (Beta Kappa)

Initiates: 36. New Members: 0. CEF: \$4,124.

## GEORGIA (Alpha Mu)

Initiates: 107. New Members: 0. CEF: \$753. For the second consecutive year, Alpha Mu Chapter raised over \$26,000 for UGA Miracle, which donates to Children's Health Care of Atlanta. The brothers held their second annual Easter egg hunt for the Boys and Girls Club in Athens, and a toy drive which benefited Clark Howards' Clark's Kids' Christmas. All of the rocking chairs on the back porch have been replaced, new stages built, and a projector installed in the basement.

## GEORGIA COLLEGE AND STATE (Theta Gamma)

Initiates: 55. New Members: 0. CEF: \$497.

## GEORGIA SOUTHERN (Iota Upsilon)

Initiates: 20. New Members: 0. CEF: \$2,282.

## GEORGIA STATE (Epsilon Nu)

Initiates: 51. New Members: 0. CEF: \$1,940. Epsilon Nu Chapter maintained an overall 3.2 GPA and excelled in intramural sports, leading the standings for the Jernigan Cup.

## GEORGIA TECH (Alpha Delta)

Initiates: 79. New Members: 0. CEF: \$10,240. Alpha Delta's Warrior Run 5k benefitted the Wounded Warriors Foundation. Multiple brothers participated in a St Baldrick's competition, raising over \$500 for the organization and shaving their heads. The chapter also held a successful Pike fight night. Alpha Delta undergrads hosted multiple events for alumni including a tailgate before a Georgia Tech baseball game and a Top Golf tournament. Many improvements have been made to the house, including a new water fountain; new tables in the foyer; and a new fridge. Plans have also been made to rearrange the layout of the dining room and to replace and upgrade the laundry system.

## KENNESAW STATE (Mu Beta)

Initiates: 114. New Members: 0. CEF: \$94. Mu Beta Chapter initiated the largest new member class on campus for the fifth consecutive semester. In athletics, the chapter won the fraternity league championship in flag football, with the A-team eliminating the B-team in the playoffs, and the fraternity league basketball championship, with a perfect 7-0 record. Chapter members raised over \$44,000 for the Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation with their annual Founders Day 5K, donating over \$39,000 to the cause after covering expenses. Three brothers were elected as SGA senators, Brother Joe Yates '14 received the Outstanding Greek Community Member award, and Brother Brad DeLee '13 was named the Council Member of the Year for his work as chapter president, chapter vice president, and IFC vice president.

## NORTH GEORGIA (Psi)

Initiates: 89. New Members: 0. 100% φφκα Club. CEF: \$3,245.

## WEST GEORGIA (Eta Sigma)

Initiates: 48. New Members: 0. CEF: \$405. This spring, Eta Sigma brothers had the highest IFC GPA for the third consecutive semester. Undergraduates welcomed 25 Eta Sigma alumni to the chapter house to celebrate Founders Day. Numerous alumni were instrumental in raising over \$5,000 for house improvements, and alumni have continued to show their support through the formation of an alumni advisory board. Chapter members won Kappa Delta's charity dodgeball tournament. On campus, two members hold IFC positions, and 10 members are varsity athletes. The men participated in International Work Day to make improvements to the chapter house.

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# Midwest Region



## BRADLEY (Delta Sigma)

Initiates: 38. New Members: 0. CEF: \$5,059. Delta Sigma members have been busy preparing for their philanthropy event benefitting St. Baldricks and two other events they are co-sponsoring with other campus organizations. On International Work Day, chapter members updated furniture, renovated parts of the kitchen, and painted the hallways and main room. This semester, Delta Sigma Chapter updated its Constitution and created a new academic plan.

## EASTERN ILLINOIS (Zeta Gamma)

Initiates: 17. New Members: 0. CEF: \$1,017. Before the holiday break, Zeta Gamma Chapter had a secret Santa exchange between brothers. This semester, the chapter held its highly anticipated human foosball event. The brothers won intramural A-league and B-league basketball championships.

## ILLINOIS (Beta Eta)

Initiates: 158. New Members: 0. CEF: \$316. Beta Eta Chapter welcomed 11 new initiates this spring. The past semester included the annual Fireman's Challenge, and Dance Marathon, where the chapter was recognized as the largest organizational donor. Beta Eta placed first in intramural soccer and won the annual PIKE vs. ATO philanthropy hockey event.

## INDIANA (Delta Xi)

Initiates: 113. New Members: 1. CEF: \$49,039. Delta Xi members participated in almost all competitive sports leagues. The chapter also qualified for this year's Little 500.

## INDIANA SOUTHEAST (Theta Kappa)

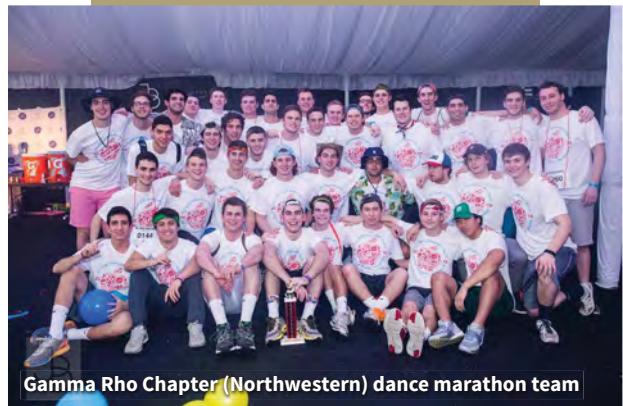
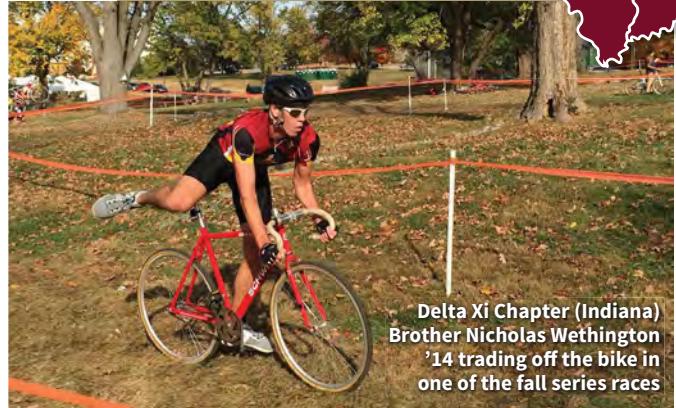
Initiates: 49. New Members: 0. CEF: \$2,348. Theta Kappa members and alumni celebrated Founders Day with a formal at a local winery. On International Work Day, the chapter traveled to O'Bannon Woods State Park and cleaned the 12 mile hiking trail. Chapter members raised over \$1,000 for the university's first annual Dance Marathon. This semester, the chapter also hosted a successful Cycle for Life, sponsored a campus wide speaker series, and participated in multiple community service opportunities.

## INDIANA STATE (Theta Omicron)

Initiates: 94. New Members: 0. 100% φρκα Club. CEF: \$14,288. Theta Omicron Chapter was awarded the Fraternity of the Year Award for the 11th year in a row. Chapter President Brandon Nettrouer '12 won Fraternity Man of the Year, and Josh Grady '13 won the Community Builder award. On Valentine's Day, chapter members delivered a variety of gifts and sang to Brionna, an 8-year-old with mitochondrial disease. This January, the chapter started phase 1 of its \$3.8 million housing project. The chapter sent 29 members to the PIKE U Leadership Summit in Chicago.

## NORTHWESTERN (Gamma Rho)

Initiates: 92. New Members: 0. CEF: \$97,354. Gamma Rho members are eager to work with the alumni advisory board that was established by their previous executive board. Chapter members hope to create another large-scale annual philanthropy event, improve their sorority relations, and strengthen their alumni network.



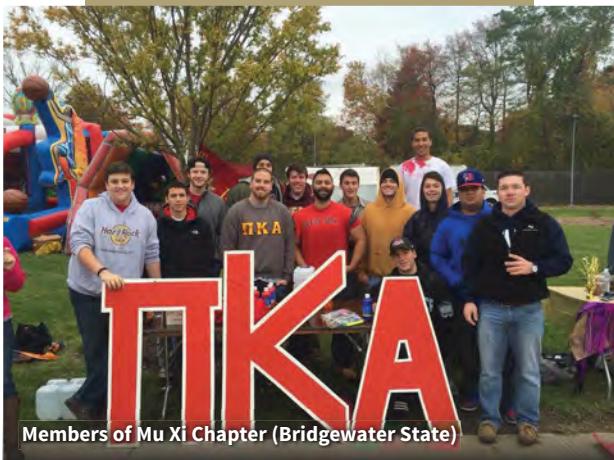


### PURDUE (Beta Phi)

Initiates: 117. New Members: 0. CEF: \$5,029. Beta Phi members used International Work Day to renovate their basement. This semester, the chapter raised funds for the Purdue Out of the Darkness campus walk, benefitting suicide prevention, and Relay for Life. Twenty members attended PIKE University in Chicago.



## New England Region



### ROSE-HULMAN (Iota Delta)

Initiates: 127. New Members: 10. 100% φρκα Club. CEF: \$34,588. Iota Delta Chapter held its annual Fire Truck Pull and raised over \$11,000 for Special Olympics.

### VALPARAISO (Colony)

New Members: 27. CEF: \$488. Colony members recently co-hosted their first Reality of Fatality hip-hop dance competition between teams from Indiana and Illinois. In athletics, the colony competed for an intramural championship with its volleyball and softball teams. The colony has members on the varsity tennis and track teams. Members also participated in Chi Omega's Swishes for Wishes basketball tournament and Pi Beta Phi's Arrowspike volleyball tournament. Colony members held an Olympic Games social with Chi Omega. For the first time in 25 years, Valparaiso Pikes competed in Song Fest, winning an award for the most creative use of theme. The colony also held a Fireman's Challenge and participated in Dance Marathon.

### WISCONSIN (Beta Xi)

Initiates: 81. New Members: 0. CEF: \$906.

### WISCONSIN-WHITEWATER (Kappa Omega)

Initiates: 48. New Members: 0. CEF: \$15,457.

### BOSTON (Lambda Nu)

Initiates: 42. New Members: 11. CEF: \$186.

### BRIDGEWATER STATE (Mu Xi)

Initiates: 32. New Members: 6. CEF: \$0. The newly chartered Mu Xi Chapter recently hosted its first Taylor Trudeau Cycle for Life philanthropy event that raised over \$2,000 benefitting Leukemia, Lymphoma, and Melanoma research. As of this semester, the chapter has four brothers on the golf team and one brother on the tennis team. The Mu Xi Chapter also has the most teams competing in intramural sports at Bridgewater State University and has won numerous intramural league championships.

### MASSACHUSETTS (Theta Mu)

Initiates: 99. New Members: 0. 100% φρκα Club. CEF: \$2,787. Theta Mu Chapter organized a fundraiser at Moe's restaurant, raising over \$1,000. Chapter members worked alongside other campus Greeks for their successful Sock Drop event, benefitting a local family shelter, Jessie's House. This semester, chapter members participated in intramural softball, and attended their spring formal.

### BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS (Kappa Delta)

Initiates: 89. New Members: 0. CEF: \$11,164. Over this past semester, Kappa Delta Chapter has made great strides in the area of philanthropy with involvement with Connor's Cure, a foundation founded by World Wrestling Entertainment dedicated to raising money for pediatric cancer research and Relay for Life. The chapter raised over \$7,000 for Connor's Cure and over \$6,000 for Relay for Life.

### RHODE ISLAND (Kappa Iota)

Initiates: 109. New Members: 0. CEF: \$0.

## HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT (Epsilon Alpha)

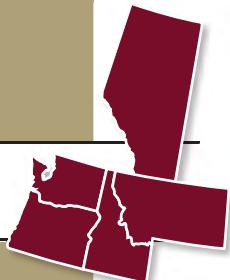
Initiates: 22. New Members: 0. CEF: \$1,858. House renovations have kept Epsilon Alpha Chapter busy during the spring semester. Chapter members refurbished the house's aging wood floors, repainted the white trim, fixed electrical issues, installed bathroom shower stalls, and fitted security screens to the windows.

## VERMONT (Lambda Delta)

Initiates: 88. New Members: 0. 100% φρκα Club. CEF: \$8,894. Lambda Delta members received recognition at the annual Greek awards, winning awards for GPA, excellence in recruitment and retention, excellence in philanthropy, and winning intramurals. Lambda Delta members hosted their annual talent show and online auction with both efforts benefitting Hilarity for Charity. The chapter won Hilarity for Charity, bringing actor and HFC founder Seth Rogen to the University of Vermont for the third year in a row.



## Northwest Region



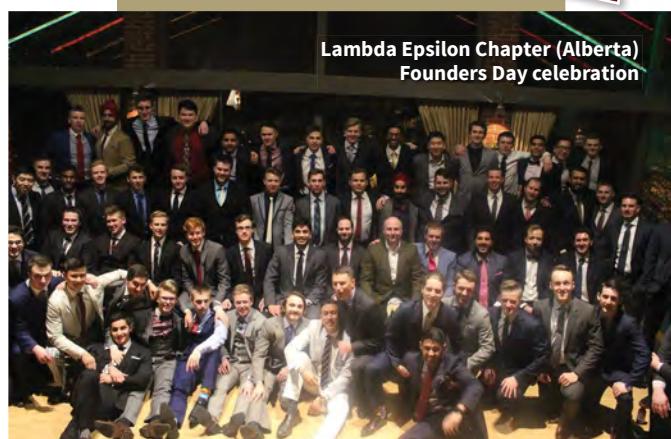
### ALBERTA (Lambda Epsilon)

Initiates: 57. New Members: 0. CEF: \$456. Lambda Epsilon Chapter had an eventful Founders Day weekend with an undergraduate vs. alumni hockey game, an awards dinner, and a silent auction. In philanthropy, chapter members participated in blood drives with Kappa Alpha Theta and won Alpha Gamma Delta's Purpose Week event benefitting the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. In spring intramurals, Lambda Epsilon members performed well in all sports and maintained an undefeated record in hockey and handball. Lambda Epsilon brothers also excelled in academics with many brothers receiving scholarships from the university and positions on student councils and unions.

### IDAHO (Zeta Mu)



Initiates: 52. New Members: 0. 100% φρκα Club. CEF: \$2,434. Zeta Mu members stayed busy with community service events this semester, from volunteering for the university-sponsored Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival, to rebuilding fences across town after a wind storm. The chapter also held its annual Kick N' Slide philanthropy event. In intramurals, the chapter placed in basketball, football, and weightlifting.



### LINFIELD (Delta Rho)

Initiates: 50. New Members: 0. CEF: \$1,019. Delta Rho members completed over 100 hours of community service this past fall. The chapter also holds the highest GPA of all the fraternities. This year, Brother Jonathan Williams, '14, served as the editor-in-chief of the campus student-run newspaper, The Linfield Review. Chapter members are involved with athletics, with top athletes in soccer, swimming, and track and field. The chapter held its philanthropy event, Walk A Mile in Her Shoes, to raise money for a local organization that benefits women who have been sexually abused.



## MONTANA STATE (Gamma Kappa)

Initiates: 54. New Members: 0. CEF: \$10,981.

## OREGON (Colony)

New Members: 44. CEF: \$13,631.

## OREGON STATE (Colony)

New Members: 48. CEF: \$12,763. Thanks to the efforts of Jarrett Way (North Texas, Epsilon Delta '13) and Travis Anderson (Nebraska, Gamma Beta '11), the colony was formed at Oregon State University during the winter term. Sorority members, friends, family, and other members of the Oregon State community were invited to attend the colony's Meet the Pikes night. Special appearances were made by Mark Massari (California State-Sacramento, Theta Tau '89), deputy director of athletics, and Leslie Schacht Drey, director of fraternity and sorority life. Colony members are involved in various sports, clubs, and contribute to the colony's 3.39 GPA.



## Pacific Coast Region



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Iota Beta Chapter (California State-Fresno) was recognized for their work by Valley Children's Hospital

## WASHINGTON (Beta Beta)

Initiates: 78. New Members: 7. 100% φφκα Club. CEF: \$26,055. Beta Beta Chapter partnered with sororities to create and donate sack lunches; participated in suicide awareness training; became safeTALK certified; and partnered with Seattle's Pike Place Market's Pike UP! campaign.



The chapter placed more emphasis on academics with weekly study tables scheduled after every chapter meeting. This spring, chapter members competed in intramurals such as Ultimate Frisbee, soccer, and 3-on-3 basketball.

## PULLMAN, WASHINGTON (Gamma Xi)

Initiates: 51. New Members: 0. CEF: \$75,870. Gamma Xi Chapter has placed an emphasis on giving back to the community and promoting continuous member education through various programming events.

## CALIFORNIA-BERKELEY (Alpha Sigma)

Initiates: 60. New Members: 0. CEF: \$19,234.

## CALIFORNIA-DAVIS (Theta Omega)

Initiates: 41. New Members: 0. CEF: \$1,033.

## CALIFORNIA STATE-CHICO (Lambda Psi)



Initiates: 102. New Members: 0. CEF: \$91. This spring, Lambda Psi Chapter competed in three intramural championships after being undefeated in all three sports; basketball, soccer, and softball. In addition to achieving intramural success this spring, the chapter co-hosted a philanthropy event that sold out the Senator Theatre in Chico, California, and raised over \$1,000 for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. In February, Lambda Psi sent five members to the PIKE University Leadership Summit in Irvine, California, where two members received Garnet Certification.

## CALIFORNIA STATE-FRESNO (Iota Beta)

Initiates: 68. New Members: 0. CEF: \$6,629. Iota Beta Chapter participates in food distributions where members pay for fresh groceries, and then distribute them at a local church to families in need. The men also raised more money than any other Greek organization during Kids Day, benefitting Valley Children's Hospital. The chapter won DG's Anchor Slam event and made it to the intramural basketball championship game. Iota Beta Chapter held its 30th annual mud volleyball philanthropy event.

## CALIFORNIA STATE-SACRAMENTO (Theta Tau)

Initiates: 85. New Members: 0. CEF: \$1,165. Theta Tau Chapter held its annual Fireman's Challenge in early April. Events included an obstacle course through campus, picture with a Pike, and a Dream Girl competition. The chapter also hosted a fundraiser at California Pizza Kitchen with proceeds benefitting the U.C. Davis Burn Institute. Future events include parents' day and community service events such as mentoring at after school programs.

## PACIFIC (Kappa Nu)

Initiates: 22. New Members: 2. 100% φφκα Club. CEF: \$10,082.

## SAN JOSE STATE (Delta Pi)

Initiates: 92. New Members: 0. CEF: \$12,717.

## SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA (Iota Omicron)

Initiates: 101. New Members: 0. CEF: \$143.



## Palmetto Region

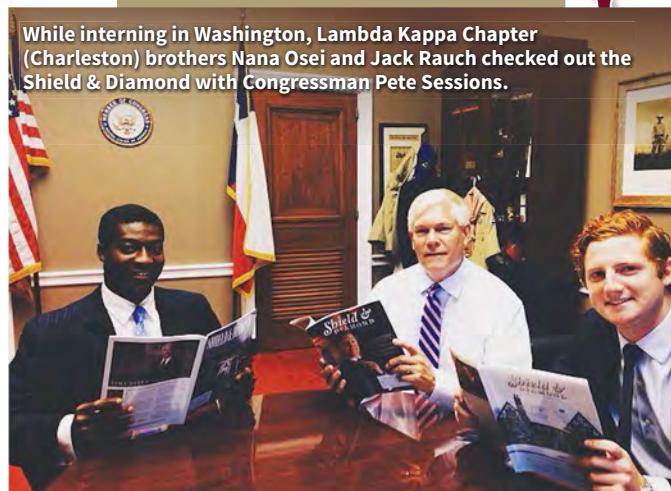


## CHARLESTON (Lambda Kappa)

Initiates: 78. New Members: 10. CEF: \$25. In athletics, Lambda Kappa Chapter won the intramural football league championship, and welcomed its first College of Charleston basketball player. In philanthropy, the chapter held its Footie for Barker event to raise money for the Franklin Barker West Scholarship; a Fire Truck Pull, benefitting local fire departments; and raised money for the B+ Foundation. The chapter placed a higher emphasis on academics and received the Borelli Award for most improved GPA.

## COASTAL CAROLINA (Kappa Rho)

Initiates: 98. New Members: 24. CEF: \$91. Kappa Rho Chapter received its charter in April. In philanthropy, chapter members raised over \$5,000 for Relay for Life. On average, each member records over 20 hours of community service a semester by picking up litter on the chapter's adopted highway, delivering food to the homeless, or volunteering for Relay for Life. In athletics, the chapter won a coed flag football championship and the fraternity league championship. (See story on page 24.)



## PRESBYTERIAN (Mu)

Initiates: 20. New Members: 0. CEF: \$1,832. This spring, Mu Chapter members worked the polls in South Carolina's Republican and Democratic primaries. Chapter members volunteered with the Special Olympics. There are nine chapter members on the football team and one brother on the baseball team. The chapter hosted an alumni weekend featuring a breakfast, clay shooting, and the chapter's Kyle Allen 5k.



## SOUTH CAROLINA (Xi)

Initiates: 112. New Members: 0. CEF: \$2,057. Xi Chapter raised nearly \$30,000 for St. Jude at its White Out Cancer basketball event and \$4,000 for the local Pets Inc. animal shelter during its Pike Puppies fundraiser.



## WINTHROP (Theta Sigma)

Initiates: 52. New Members: 0. CEF: \$1,772. This spring, hundreds of Theta Sigma members and alumni paid their final respects to former president and member of the advisory board, Jason Johns '09. Many members volunteered at Rock Hill's annual Special Olympics. The chapter held its annual alumni golf tournament and banquet and participated in International Work Day. Theta Sigma members will be working the Wells Fargo golf tournament during the summer, one of the chapter's biggest fundraisers.



## Pine Region



Mu Eta Chapter (Methodist) Operation Toy Drop  
at Fort Bragg

### BOONE, NORTH CAROLINA (Iota Psi)

Initiates: 79. New Members: 0. CEF: \$217.

### DUKE (Alpha Alpha)



Initiates: 88. New Members: 0. CEF: \$1,565. (See story on page 59.)

### EAST CAROLINA (Epsilon Mu)

Initiates: 95. New Members: 0. CEF: \$591. Brother Ryan Beeson '13 was elected SGA president for the upcoming school year. This spring, Epsilon Mu Chapter partnered with Zeta Tau Alpha for their second annual Strikeout Cancer softball tournament, raising over \$6,000 for cancer research. The chapter also received recognition at the Greek awards banquet, winning most outstanding community service project and Chancellor's cup for athletics. Epsilon Mu members completed over 2,000 community service hours this spring.

### WOFFORD (Nu)

Initiates: 61. New Members: 0. CEF: \$898. Nu Chapter held its annual Hoops for Heart basketball tournament benefitting the South Carolina School for the Deaf and Blind. Two senior brothers were recently initiated into the Phi Beta Kappa honor society, and the chapter was recognized by the university for having the highest fraternity GPA. Three brothers are on Wofford's football team, one brother is on the soccer team, and two brothers run cross country and track. Nu Chapter would like to thank all of its alumni and donors who have helped make their new house a possibility.

### HIGH POINT (Delta Omega)

Initiates: 55. New Members: 0. CEF: \$4,173.

### METHODIST (Mu Eta)

Initiates: 28. New Members: 0. CEF: \$921. Mu Eta Chapter and Alpha Sigma Alpha partnered with Fort Bragg's 82nd Airborne to collect toys and monetary donations for their annual Operation Toy Drop. The toys collected throughout the three-week period were then donated to the U.S. Army and given out to Gold Star families, military families in which a family member has been killed in action. This year, Mu Eta Chapter received over \$200 and hundreds of toys for the cause.

### NORTH CAROLINA (Tau)

Initiates: 52. New Members: 0. CEF: \$5,401.

### NORTH CAROLINA-GREENSBORO (Lambda Rho)

Initiates: 41. New Members: 0. 100% φρα Club. CEF: \$10,714.

### NORTH CAROLINA-WILMINGTON (Lambda Phi)

Initiates: 75. New Members: 0. CEF: \$1,204. Lambda Phi Chapter held its seventh annual Polar Plunge and raised nearly \$1,500, the most the chapter has ever raised for the event, benefitting the Pretty in Pink Foundation. The chapter also participated in Relay for Life. Lambda Phi members made it to the intramural basketball championship, and their Greek Week team won the yearly talent show. The chapter hosted a golf tournament for both undergraduate and alumni members at the Masonboro Country Club in April.

### WAKE FOREST (Gamma Phi)



Initiates: 101. New Members: 0. CEF: \$1,224.

## Chapters Take Note:

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Allie Allen and brother Zach

Allie Allen of Collierville, Tennessee, has a big brother who loves her. Her brother, Zach Allen (*Xi, South Carolina '15*), has the support of a chapter who wants to help his little sister in her search to find a cure for cancer.

Allie was diagnosed with a brain tumor in January 2013, and 10 days later, competed in the national hip hop dance championship where she and her teammates earned coveted national championship "white jackets" in Orlando, Florida.

Less than two weeks after her championship win, Allie underwent her first brain surgery and later learned that the tumor that was removed was an aggressive brain cancer, Grade 3 Anaplastic Ependymoma, a disease for which there is no cure.

After Allie's diagnosis, she became a patient at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee, where she underwent 33 rounds of radiation. Following radiation, she had a brain and spine MRI every three months to monitor the cancer's growth.

"Everything was 'normal' until March of 2015," Zach said. "Then, my mom was diagnosed with breast cancer. That summer, she went through surgery and chemo, which ended in early August. Unfortunately, that was only the beginning of a bad 2015."

Shortly after his mom's diagnosis, the Allen family learned that Allie's cancer had spread. That August, she had her second brain surgery and began another treatment of 33 rounds of radiation on her brain and

spine, with her appointments coinciding with her mother's, to be followed by chemotherapy.

Three years after her diagnosis, Allie is still fighting cancer, while some of the best and brightest doctors at St. Jude research her tumor and her form of cancer.

**"It means the world to me knowing my chapter is behind me and my family 100 percent," Zach said.**

Allie's doctors found that her tumor mutated into a high-grade glioma, a type of cancer that is very aggressive and has low survival rate with no cure. Currently the doctors have stopped all treatment, since chemo would do more harm than good. However, she continues to have scans every two months to monitor the glioma. If the cancer does spread and is in an operable area, she will undergo a third brain surgery.

Through everything she's faced, Allie refuses to stop fighting cancer. "Statistics may be done with me, but God is not," she says.

Zach also refuses to give up on his sister. "There are a few things you should know about my little sister," he said. "She is a great dancer, gives her all to everything she does, is full of laughter, can be a real

# Family in Fraternity

**Xi Chapter of South Carolina stands up to cancer with Allie Allen.**

by Megan Cook



pain, and I love her to death. She is a beautiful 17-year-old junior in high school who happens to be in the fight of her life known as cancer."

Motivated by Allie and her on-going battle with cancer, Xi Chapter partnered with Tri-Delta to sponsor a whiteout during the University of South Carolina Gamecocks men's basketball game against Tennessee to kick off Xi Chapter's \$50,000 fundraising campaign for St. Jude. In addition to the whiteout, the chapters hosted a percentage night at Nicky's Pizzeria in Columbia, South Carolina, and an event at Wild Wing Café, also in Columbia, before the whiteout game.

Allie and her family were able to attend the game, and as a surprise for her, the Charlotte Hornets Dance Team, the Honey Bees, performed during half time.

With their #dancerwithcancer events under their belt, Xi Chapter raised over \$26,000 as of March 15, but their fundraising for St. Jude is far from over. Xi has partnered with high school dance teams to fundraise for the Dancer With Cancer campaign.

**"It means the world to me knowing my chapter is behind me and my family 100 percent," Zach said. "That's what the brotherhood is there for, to lean on each other when we need it and to be stronger together. We are more than just a normal chapter, we are a family." ♦**





## River Valley Region



Alpha Xi (Cincinnati) brother Nick Wessels '13 coaching at the Hoops mentoring program



Lambda Theta Chapter (Dayton) floor hockey champions



Epsilon Epsilon Chapter (Toledo) Founders Day event

### BOWLING GREEN STATE (Delta Beta)

Initiates: 76. New Members: 0. CEF: \$6,851.

### CINCINNATI (Alpha Xi)

Initiates: 148. New Members: 0. 100% φρκα Club. CEF: \$24,407. Alpha Xi Chapter held its Founders Day reunion at Nippert Stadium. The men of Alpha Xi paired with Kappa Alpha Theta for Relay for Life and raised more money than any group on campus. The chapter also held their Fireman's Challenge in April with all proceeds benefitting the Taylor Trudeau Foundation. Over the duration of the spring semester, brothers spent their Saturday mornings serving at Hoops, a mentoring program for underprivileged children. Lastly, the chapter won Greek Week at the University of Cincinnati.

### DAYTON (Lambda Theta)

Initiates: 118. New Members: 0. CEF: \$220. Lambda Theta Chapter won Greek Week for the first time in seven years. The chapter's winning streak continued to the intramural field where members won the intramural IFC cup and floor hockey championship. Spring events included the chapter's second Greek Buddies event with a participation of 500 fraternity men, sorority women, and individuals with special needs.

### KENT STATE (Mu Theta)

Initiates: 48. New Members: 0. CEF: \$242.

### MIAMI UNIVERSITY (Delta Gamma)

Initiates: 111. New Members: 0. CEF: \$16,860.

### OHIO STATE (Alpha Rho)

Initiates: 97. New Members: 0. CEF: \$16,592.

### TOLEDO (Epsilon Epsilon)

Initiates: 95. New Members: 0. 100% φρκα Club. CEF: \$40,710. Brothers have completed over 2,500 hours of community service and raised nearly \$17,000. Epsilon Epsilon Chapter participated in campus-wide events such as Big Event, Toledo Color Run, and the University of Toledo's own Dance Marathon known as RockeTHON. The chapter has two brothers in the most prestigious organization on campus, Blue Key – only 13 leaders are chosen annually. Brothers also serve as the president of campus activities and programming, the president of LiftOff UT, the president of GSA, and the director of RockeTHON. The chapter hosted Senior Consultant Pat Hamel (Methodist, Mu Eta '13) during Founders Day weekend. Over 20 brothers attended the PIKE U Chicago Leadership Summit.

ΠΚΑ

# Alpha Alpha Chapter (Duke) raising money to support cancer research, brothers

By: Samantha Neal

Reprinted from *The Chronicle*

To support two brothers recently diagnosed with cancer, Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity (*Duke, Alpha Alpha Chapter*) has raised more than \$30,000 for cancer research and programs at Duke Children's Hospital.

Junior Petros Palandjian '14 – president of Alpha Alpha Chapter – and senior Will Clark '13 have led the efforts to raise money on behalf of junior Mark Schreiber '14 and freshman Bobby Menges '16. The GoFundMe page raised \$10,000 in the first seven hours after it was created and \$20,000 in the first 24 hours of its activity. An additional \$3,000 were raised through an auction at Devine's Restaurant and Sports Bar Thursday.

"We had a lot of support off the bat," Palandjian said. "It affects everyone in different ways, and it's been cool to see how everyone wants to get involved."

In addition to the ongoing online fundraising efforts, the Fraternity hosted events throughout the week, including a bake sale and t-shirt sale. Pi Kappa Alpha held a barbecue outside their section in Craven Quadrangle Friday during which approximately 45 brothers shaved their heads in solidarity with Schreiber and Menges.

Schreiber, who was diagnosed with brain cancer during winter break, said that he was moved by the support he has received from current brothers, alumni, other organizations on campus and parents.

"It's hard not to have a positive outlook when people have your back and really care about you," Schreiber said. "I can't tell you how much it means to me."

Menges was diagnosed with neuroblastoma – which he had first when he was five years old and again when he was nine – but said that the peer support from his fraternity brothers, especially his new member class, has made this recurrence distinct.

"My new member class made this card for me with individual notes and inside jokes," Menges said. "It seems simple, but it really meant a lot to me. I still have the card hanging in my room."

The fundraising efforts have started to expand beyond Duke to local and national levels, Palandjian said. He noted that 25 other chapters of Pi Kappa Alpha have



provided support, and said some small businesses have contributed as well.

As a result of the response that the GoFundMe page has received, the goal – which started as \$10,000 – has been increased multiple times, Schreiber said.

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As of Monday night, the page had almost 400 donations and 2,000 shares.

Palandjian noted that he is optimistic Schreiber will beat his cancer.

"He's a pretty special kid and insanely smart," Palandjian said. "He's one of the toughest kids I know. We know he's going to overcome this, and that's always been my attitude."

Palandjian said that he first met Menges during the pre-orientation program Project Waves, and he immediately found him outgoing and funny.

"I remember visiting him in the hospital the day he was diagnosed, and he was sitting there cracking jokes," Palandjian said.

Schreiber said that the Fraternity decided to donate the money raised to Duke Children's Hospital to support cancer patients between the ages of 15 and 29 – like himself and Menges – who cannot be treated as pediatric or adult cases.

"It can be such a disruptive thing in your life. You're not supposed to get cancer when you're young," Schreiber said. "There's a lot of resources aimed toward really young kids, and there are a lot of other resources aimed for adults, but they don't really know where to put us."

Both Schreiber and Menges are taking medical leave from Duke this semester to receive treatment close to home at Stanford University Medical Center and Winthrop University Hospital in New York, respectively. Palandjian said that members of the Fraternity have remained in contact with both throughout the process and Menges will be visiting campus for the event Friday and a group of brothers will be visiting Schreiber during spring break.

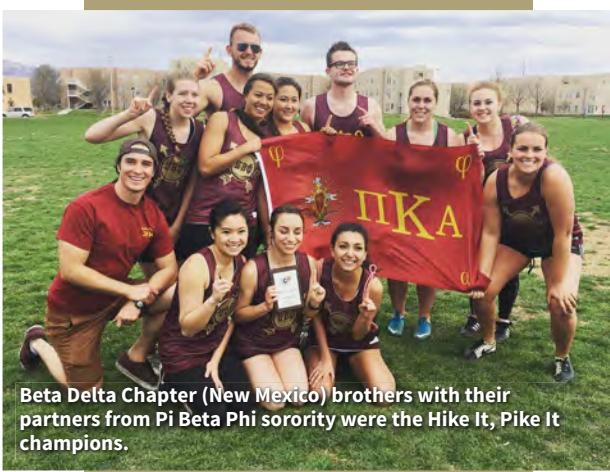
"We feel like a family in a large part," Palandjian said. "[A fraternity] is supposed to be about getting through things together, and it's always weird having someone who's not here." ♦



## Rockies Region



**Delta Tau Chapter (Arizona State)** President Pat Dampare '14 spent a week volunteering with dental students in the Dominican Republic to provide free dental care.



**Beta Delta Chapter (New Mexico)** brothers with their partners from Pi Beta Phi sorority were the Hike It, Pike It champions.



**Kappa Eta Chapter (New Mexico State)** fall 2015 new member class



**Alpha Tau Chapter (Utah)** brother Niko Hardman '15 at the Pikes with Puppies event

### ARIZONA (Gamma Delta)

Initiates: 125. New Members: 0. CEF: \$87,813.

### ARIZONA STATE (Delta Tau)

Initiates: 126. New Members: 0. CEF: \$142,694. This semester, Delta Tau members raised over \$3,700 for philanthropy and completed a total of 271 community service hours. In athletics, the chapter went undefeated in basketball, placed third in football, and made it to the semi-finals in soccer. The chapter also made it to the top three in four different sororities' philanthropy events. Two Delta Tau members currently serve on the IFC executive board.

### NEW MEXICO (Beta Delta)

Initiates: 66. New Members: 0. CEF: \$1,920. Beta Delta Chapter raised its GPA requirement to a 3.0, enabling the chapter to raise its overall GPA enough for it to receive the most improved GPA award. The chapter was also awarded the Debbie Morris Chapter of Advancement award, given to the chapter who displayed class and integrity in the face of adversity.

### NEW MEXICO STATE (Kappa Eta)

Initiates: 33. New Members: 0. CEF: \$226. Kappa Eta Chapter received the fraternity community service award for completing the most community service hours. In athletics, the chapter took home first place for wiffleball, second place for 7v7 flag football, second place for 4v4 flag football, second place for basketball, third place for volleyball, and first place in softball. The chapter also won first place with Chi Omega during Homecoming. The chapter performed extremely well in the annual Greek Week and Greek Olympics. Kappa Eta held its first annual Pike Spike for Puppies, and its annual Pike Powder Puff event, benefitting the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

### NORTHERN COLORADO (Colony)

New Members: 24. CEF: \$0.

### UTAH (Alpha Tau)

Initiates: 105. New Members: 0. 100% φφκα Club. CEF: \$13,661. Alpha Tau Chapter celebrated both the international Founders Day and its 104th chartering anniversary. Over 20 Alpha Tau brothers attended PIKE University in Irvine, California, taking home the Man Miles Award. Two members were recently nominated as legislative representatives for their colleges while another brother was elected student body attorney general. Alpha Tau's roof was renovated in response to safety concerns, including the addition of a metal fence to protect members. The chapter also plans to completely renovate its bathrooms this summer. Alpha Tau hosted a successful philanthropy week, including Pikes with Puppies, benefitting both Labs for Liberty and Camp Hobé. Members also took home the Greek ArrowSpike volleyball tournament championship hosted by Pi Beta Phi.

### UTAH STATE (Gamma Epsilon)

Initiates: 60. New Members: 0. 100% φφκα Club. CEF: \$6,901. Gamma Epsilon members visited a 1950's Dream Girl to bring her flowers and sing her the Dream Girl song while she was in the hospital. Watch the video at [pikes.co/USUdreamgirl](http://pikes.co/USUdreamgirl). Gamma Epsilon donated over \$150,000 worth of toys and blankets to the Primary Children's Hospital in Salt Lake City.

# Pikes and Tykes: Gamma Epsilon Chapter (Utah State) holds community toy drive

By: Clayton Gefre

Photo: John Zsiray

Reprinted from *The Herald Journal*

The brothers of Utah State University's Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity are reaching out to the community to benefit hospitalized children through their first ever "Pikes and Tykes" toy drive, an event already surpassing their expectations.

What started as a simple toy drive for Salt Lake City's Primary Children's Hospital turned into a major event for USU's Gamma Epsilon Chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha, who are known around USU's campus as "Pikes." In the first week of their three-week toy drive, the brothers gathered around \$2,000 worth of toys and \$1,500 in monetary donations, shattering their original goal.

"We've been really impressed with the Cache Valley community as a whole for their support," Chapter Public Relations Director Jonathan Whipple '14 said. "The response has been incredibly positive. A majority of our donations have come from people passing by our booth. The minute they hear about what we're doing, they've been eager to help."

Whipple, a sophomore who joined the chapter during his freshman year, said the idea to help the Primary Children's Hospital stemmed from a desire to hold a large-scale charity event for the hospital. While the chapter's previous philanthropic events were primarily food drives and blanket drives, Pikes and Tykes is one of the larger charity drives the chapter has held in recent years.

"Some of us were a little skeptical at first about how big the response would be, but with the whole chapter behind it, we've been seeing some really great results," Whipple said.

The 38 brothers of the chapter began the three-week event March 19, stationing themselves with a table outside Logan's Walmart at 1150 S. 100 West and petitioning shoppers for both toy and monetary donations. The positive response from the community was stronger than expected, allowing the chapter to expand to North Logan's Walmart location last Saturday.

"Our first goal was shattered within a few hours of us starting," Whipple explained. "Now we know how big we can make this."

Whipple said his favorite part was watching other children ask their parents for a chance to donate to the cause.

"The first weekend, I remember a brother-sister pair who couldn't have been more than seven years old who were shopping with their grandmother," he said. "When they saw us and learned about what we were doing, they begged her for a chance to donate something with their candy money. We've gotten some of our best responses from kids like that."

Although not initially planned to be an annual event, the success of the toy drive to date has caused the chapter members to evaluate options for continued growth.



"After all the positive comments we've received for doing this, we're definitely looking into doing this next year," Whipple said. "I don't think there's anything stopping us from expanding past Logan and even going all the way out to Brigham City." ♦

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The Wyoming Colony dodgeball team after their championship win at the Phi Alpha Theta tournament

## WYOMING (Colony)

New Members: 29. CEF: \$10,161. This semester, colony members at the University of Wyoming won Greek Week, received an award for being the most philanthropic fraternity, and won intramural championships in pool and dodgeball. Six members ran for student body senate and another member was elected as the IFC communications chair. Trevor Willoughby, colony member at University of Wyoming, is a member of the Nordic Ski National Champion team. Academically, the colony is committed to maintaining communal study hours three times per week.



## Sunshine Region



Lambda Mu Chapter (Embry-Riddle) brothers volunteered at Laps for Lupus

## EMBRY-RIDDLE (Lambda Mu)

Initiates: 50. New Members: 0. 100% φφκα Club. CEF: \$9,170. Lambda Mu Chapter sponsored Laps for Lupus, raising over \$1,000 for the Lupus Foundation. Brothers also volunteered at the Walk for Multiple Sclerosis. The chapter raised nearly \$3,000 with its Taylor Trudeau Cycle for Life event. On campus, the men competed fiercely during both Greek Week and intramurals. Every brother was involved in at least two other organizations while still maintaining a GPA above 3.0. Lambda Mu was honored to hold key leadership positions in the student government association, interfraternity council, Order of Omega, and orientation team.

## FLORIDA (Alpha Eta)

Initiates: 158. New Members: 0. CEF: \$36,780. Alpha Eta held its annual Tide Slide event, featuring a 100 foot slip and slide, in March, and raised over \$7,000 for Dance Marathon, benefitting Children's Miracle Network and Shands Children's Hospital. The chapter also sent eight dancers to the event to stay awake and dance for 26.2 hours. Brother Connor Santo (Florida Gulf Coast, Lambda Xi '11) was recognized as top fundraising captain by the overall director of Dance Marathon for singlehandedly raising over \$11,000. Alpha Eta received the President's Cup for the second year in a row for winning the most points in IFC intramural sports. Two brothers are on the university football team, and two are on the men's track team.



Alpha Eta Chapter (Florida) Champions of the IFC swim meet



Lambda Xi Chapter (Florida Gulf Coast) volunteered with Challenger Baseball

## FLORIDA GULF COAST (Lambda Xi)

Initiates: 88. New Members: 0. CEF: \$970. This spring, Lambda Xi Chapter volunteered with Challenger baseball, an organization for children with mental disabilities. The chapter also hosted Pie a Pike, and a Valentine's Day scavenger hunt, which both benefitted Brotherhood Ride, an organization that honors fallen first responders. Brothers were nominated for the Rising Greek Leader award, and ran for Kappa Delta's Daggerman, Phi Mu's miracle man, and various student government positions. The chapter is currently planning its alumni softball game.

## FLORIDA SOUTHERN (Delta Delta)

Initiates: 40. New Members: 0. CEF: \$1,421. This spring, Delta Delta Chapter members completed multiple lake cleanups at Lake Hollingsworth, and has been very involved with VISTE, Volunteers in Service to the Elderly. Because of their service to the organization, the chapter has been nominated for the Jeffrey Perkins Memorial Award, which is presented to the most outstanding organization.

## FLORIDA STATE (Delta Lambda)

Initiates: 262. New Members: 0. CEF: \$884. In concert with the Delta Lambda alumni association, the chapter implemented a unique alumni mentoring program this year, pairing 100 successful alumni with 100 undergrads majoring in similar fields. In sports, the chapter won the all-fraternity football, basketball and swimming championships. Brothers can be found on Seminole football, basketball, baseball, track, golf, swimming and lacrosse teams. On campus, brothers served as student body president, student senate president, chief justice of the honor court, interfraternity council president, and director of the office of entrepreneurship and innovation. Major upgrades and improvements were made this year to the chapter house. Delta Lambda initiated its annual Pike Dream Girl competition, with proceeds benefitting the winning sorority's philanthropy. The chapter also held its annual sorority line dance competition.



The brothers of Delta Lambda Chapter (Florida State)



Nine Zeta Sigma Chapter (Florida Tech) brothers attended the Atlanta PIKE University Leadership Summit

## FLORIDA TECH (Zeta Sigma)

Initiates: 37. New Members: 0. CEF: \$13,721. Zeta Sigma held its annual softball tournament, Autism Hits Home, raising money for a local autism support organization. Chapter members participated in Relay for Life and improved their house on International Work Day. Nine brothers attended the PIKE University Leadership Summit in Atlanta.

## JACKSONVILLE (Mu Mu)

Initiates: 54. New Members: 0. CEF: \$843. Former Mu Mu Chapter president and active sergeant at arms, Erik Fournier '15, accepted a position as a chapter consultant. During Greek Week, Chapter President Luke Myhree'15 was awarded Greek Man of the Year, and Cody Edwards '15 was recognized as New Member of the Year. The entire chapter received the President's Volunteer Service Award for the chapter's outstanding commitment to community outreach this year.

## SOUTH FLORIDA (Zeta Pi)

Initiates: 89. New Members: 0. 100% φρκα Club. CEF: \$7,482.

## STETSON (Delta Upsilon)

Initiates: 56. New Members: 0. CEF: \$1,966. Delta Upsilon Chapter held numerous philanthropy and community service events this year, including the chapter's annual I'm Logan It flag-football tournament in memory of Brother Logan Kushner, benefitting local youth sports programs and the Juvenile Diabetes Research Fund.

## WEST FLORIDA (Eta Pi)

Initiates: 56. New Members: 0. CEF: \$88.



Delta Upsilon Chapter (Stetson) brothers at a basketball game

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## Volunteer Region



Eta Tau Chapter (Austin Peay State) undergraduates and alumni participated in International Work Day



Epsilon Zeta Chapter (East Tennessee State) intramural baseball team



Delta Zeta Chapter (Memphis) members won the speed reading contest at Pi Beta Phi's Karaoke Night



Theta Chapter (Rhodes) had a very successful International Work Day

### AUSTIN PEAY STATE (Eta Tau)

Initiates: 42. New Members: 1. 100% φρκα Club. CEF: \$1,870. This spring, Eta Tau Chapter implemented a new scholarship program. The new member class started a PIKE Adopt-A-Plot to complete community service hours. Brothers used International Work Day as the kickoff event for the remodeling of their house. In athletics, Eta Tau's intramural basketball team won the Greek championship. In March, the chapter invited Pi Kappa Alpha Director of Health and Safety Kim Novak to campus to speak to the Greek community. Upcoming events include the chapter's Waggle Golf Tournament benefitting the Clarksville Humane Society.

### EAST TENNESSEE STATE (Epsilon Zeta)

Initiates: 35. New Members: 0. CEF: \$17,260. Epsilon Zeta members have been busy planning the annual reunion and golf tournament. In philanthropy, the chapter is raising money for Aiden, a six-year-old boy who is currently battling an extremely rare and aggressive form of cancer. Events included a baking and banner competition where sororities competed and Aiden was the judge, a formal dinner, and a head-shaving event. Epsilon Zeta is in the process of remodeling with projects including a new chapter room, a new roof, a game room, multiple bedrooms, and two bathrooms. The chapter recently received an award for its efforts in working with the Boys and Girls Club and its contributions for Relay for Life, where they donated more than every other fraternity and sorority combined. The chapter has intramural teams in football, basketball, soccer, and more.

### MEMPHIS (Delta Zeta)

Initiates: 23. New Members: 0. CEF: \$19,670. Delta Zeta Chapter is focused on restoring its image as the prominent leaders on campus through better organization increased financing, and relentless recruiting. Chapter members have increased their focus on academics, receiving recognition for most improved grades of fraternities in the fall. In philanthropy, Delta Zeta participated in a clothing collection and is looking forward to their Cycle for Life event. The chapter won the speed reading contest at Pi Beta Phi's Karaoke Night. Newly affiliated Delta Zeta members include six athletes – basketball players, soccer players, and baseball players. Thursday Poker night has been established to increase brotherhood among the chapter.



### RHODES (Theta)

Initiates: 57. New Members: 0. CEF: \$13,722. Theta Chapter members raised over \$500 for the Shasta Central Community Center with their Bump, Set, Pike event. Jay Hedges '13 was elected Rhodes Student Government President. Robert Stodola '15 and John Mark Stodola '15 were elected as class vice president and president, respectively. Alek DiMaggio '15 is a leader on the Rhodes College baseball team and Peter Daniels '14 throws Javelin for the track and field team. The chapter recruited 29 new members this school year, the highest of any chapter on campus.

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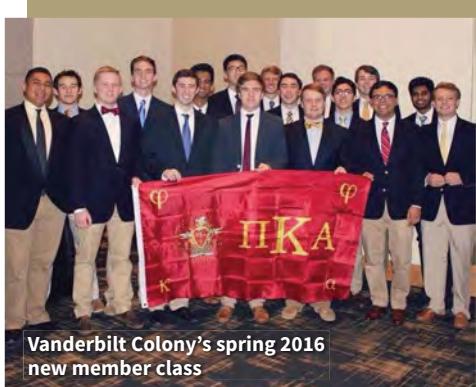
**Delta Epsilon Chapter (Tennessee-Chattanooga)** worked with Delta Zeta sorority's philanthropy project



**Epsilon Sigma Chapter (Tennessee-Martin)** had an impressive table at the spring 2016 recruitment event



**Theta Upsilon Chapter (Tennessee Tech)** Founders Day



**Vanderbilt Colony's** spring 2016 new member class

## TENNESSEE-CHATTANOOGA (Delta Epsilon)

Initiates: 77. New Members:

0. CEF: \$10,254. Delta Epsilon Chapter recently won the intramural fraternity basketball championship against BYX. Brother Harrison Warren '13 has been involved in public speaking with the 1N3 program to raise awareness about the dangers of drunk driving. Brother John Saylor '15, a member of the United States Army, is currently stationed in North Korea and will be there for next 18 months. This April, Delta Epsilon members took time out of their Saturday morning to clean Pike Highway, a one mile stretch of road adopted by the chapter. The chapter is using its Pikes Peak week to raise money for Chattanooga Fire Department Lieutenant Phillips' son, Noah. The men have a goal of \$25,000 to help the family get a trained service dog for Noah.



## TENNESSEE-MARTIN (Epsilon Sigma)

Initiates: 43. New Members: 0. CEF:

\$4,024. This spring, Epsilon Sigma Chapter wrote letters to bring hope to children in third world countries during a campus-wide Letters in Motion event. The chapter hosted its annual Pike Fights event, which raised over \$7,000 for the Weakley County Reading Railroad, and a Taylor Trudeau Cycle for Life. The chapter hosted its annual Founders Day celebration at the chapter house.

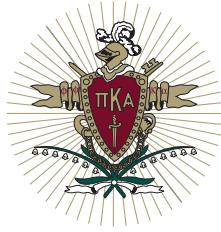


## TENNESSEE TECH (Theta Upsilon)

Initiates: 32. New Members: 0. CEF: \$2,104. Theta Upsilon recently became a debt-free chapter and had the most new members on campus. Three brothers play on the university's nationally ranked rugby team, which made it to the national playoffs. The chapter participated in International Work Day.

## VANDERBILT (Colony)

New Members: 87. CEF: \$16,596. Colony at Vanderbilt ranks first among fraternities in Greek Member Experience, an initiative started by Vanderbilt Greek Life to increase involvement on campus. Two colony members were elected as the presidents of their colleges, and eight colony members are on the varsity football team. Nineteen members participate in club sports. Colony members have been active in many sorority philanthropies including Tri Delta's Frats at Bat event, where they were the top fundraisers. Additionally, colony members took three of the four spots in the final round of Zeta Tau Alpha's Big Man on Campus pageant. Members have spent nearly 1,800 hours volunteering in their community. In April, the colony held its first annual Taylor Trudeau Cycle for Life event.



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## Alumni Invest In Upsilon Chapter And Its Young Leaders

Upsilon Chapter at Auburn University received a boost in support of its leadership training and personal development thanks to a very generous gift from Brother Steven C. Buckner (*Auburn, Upsilon '75*). Brother Buckner donated \$30,500 to the Upsilon Chapter Endowment Fund, which supports the chapter's annual attendance at PIKE University events. Brother Buckner has worked at Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner and Smith, Inc. in Alpharetta, Georgia for more than 30 years and currently serves as managing director. He attributes much of his success, both at Merrill Lynch and in life, to his affiliation with Pi Kappa Alpha.

This gift, along with the generous support the chapter receives from the William C. Watkins Scholarship, creates substantial perpetual financial

backing for the men of Upsilon Chapter. In 2017, the chapter will receive an estimated \$3,800 to help offset tuition costs associated with broadening their membership experience by attending PIKE University. Upsilon Chapter is a big champion of the Fraternity's program, having sent more than 140 men since the program's inception. Upsilon Chapter President Brandon Albritton '13 noted that chapter brothers are very thankful for Buckner's recent gift, which will provide opportunities for men in the chapter to attend PIKE U events. "PIKE University is where our brothers are molded into future leaders of the chapter and society. The gifts from Brother Buckner and Brother Watkins will provide these opportunities for many years to come."



Emerging leaders from Upsilon Chapter at Auburn University

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The PIKE Foundation is pleased to welcome the following first-time contributors to the Pi Kappa Alpha donor ranks. Listed below are those who gave generously between January 13 and April 6, 2016.

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### Alpha Theta Chapter (West Virginia)

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### Alpha Psi Chapter (Rutgers)

Justin Hawthorne '15

### Gamma Theta Chapter (Mississippi State)

Robert B. Boykin '59

Owen D. King '99

### Gamma Kappa Chapter (Montana State)

Nathaniel James Wilcox '15

### Gamma Chi Chapter (Oklahoma State)

Eric Lee Rock '85

### Gamma Psi Chapter (Louisiana Tech)

Tyler Hall '14

### Delta Beta Chapter (Bowling Green State)

Tyler Spiewak '15

### Delta Epsilon Chapter (Tennessee-Chattanooga)

Josh Micah Carlile '15

### Delta Zeta Chapter (Memphis)

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Timothy Bryan Taylor '77

### Delta Lambda Chapter (Florida State)

Walid Abu Naba'a '14

### Delta Upsilon Chapter (Stetson)

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### Epsilon Delta Chapter (North Texas)

Matthew Avis Feagan '15

Grant Hale '13

Christopher Lee '14

Jarrett Way '13

### Epsilon Lambda Chapter (Murray State)

Luke Crawley '14

### Epsilon Sigma Chapter (Tennessee-Martin)

Michael Drake Pritchard '15

Tyler J. Stephenson '13

Zackary Scott Vaughn '14

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### Epsilon Phi Chapter (Central Arkansas)

Logan Hirsch '14

### Zeta Beta Chapter (Delta State)

Conner Austin Taylor '14

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# The 1868 Club

Members of the 1868 Club have chosen to honor the beginning of this great Fraternity by donating \$18.68 each month for one year, or \$224.16 total. The 1868 Club is an ideal way to support Pi Kappa Alpha if you are a young alumnus or an alumnus who is not accustomed to giving regularly to the Foundation but feels strongly about giving back. Funds raised through the 1868 Club are unrestricted and support causes deemed valuable by the Foundation's Board of Trustees. (As of April 6, 2016.)

## Sigma Chapter (Vanderbilt)

Leland B. Stanford '53

## Psi Chapter (North Georgia)

Daniel D. Brooks '03

## Alpha Tau Chapter (Utah)

Steven A. Jones '97

Ryan Strauss '96

## Alpha Phi Chapter (Iowa State)

Patrick D. Haun '79

## Beta Zeta Chapter (Southern Methodist)

William L. Green '66

Roy A. Wyscarver '66

## Beta Phi Chapter (Purdue)

Michael R. Sutton '79

## Beta Chi Chapter (Minnesota)

David Lyle Teal '87

## Gamma Alpha Chapter (Alabama)

Frank Quarles Lassiter '96

## Gamma Theta Chapter (Mississippi State)

Christopher Allen Fields '93

## Gamma Mu Chapter (New Hampshire)

Patrick G. O'Keefe '07

## Gamma Omicron Chapter (Ohio)

Brian M. Davis '90

## Gamma Upsilon Chapter (Tulsa)

Caleb A. Lareau '11

## Delta Alpha Chapter (George Washington)

Nicholas J. Sampogna '06

## Delta Upsilon Chapter (Stetson)

Mark A. Marcus '14

## Epsilon Delta Chapter (North Texas)

Lawrence R. Bailey Jr. '74

Jared Dale Darter '08

Grant M. Hale '13

Christopher T. Lee '14

## Epsilon Mu Chapter (East Carolina)

Brian M. Day '96

## Epsilon Pi Chapter (Sam Houston)

Matthew G. Farris '09

## Epsilon Sigma Chapter (Tennessee-Martin)

Cody F. Black '10

Timothy M. Rogers '81

## Epsilon Omega Chapter (East Central)

Chaylum H. Hogue '10

## Zeta Beta Chapter (Delta State)

Ryan Keith Chunn '07

## Zeta Iota Chapter (Old Dominion)

Thomas A. Howarth III '02

## Eta Zeta Chapter (Middle Tennessee)

James Edward Thien '92

## Eta Upsilon Chapter (Texas-Arlington)

Cody K. Meyers '10

## Theta Alpha Chapter (North Alabama)

Brian P. Milster '02

## Theta Beta Chapter (Montevallo)

Daniel S. McBrayer '03

## Theta Psi Chapter (Chapman)

Nicolas D. Mulflur '13

## Iota Mu Chapter (Southern Illinois)

Nathan B. Rockholm '95

## Kappa Gamma Chapter (Florida International)

Anthony A. Rionda '09

## Kappa Epsilon Chapter (Rockhurst)

Matthew R. Chisam '09

Benjamin D. Sheard '09

## Kappa Theta Chapter (George Mason)

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## Kappa Nu Chapter (Pacific)

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## Kappa Omicron Chapter (Nevada-Las Vegas)

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## Lambda Chi Chapter (Virginia Commonwealth)

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Steven A. Wistrom '10

## Mu Beta Chapter (Kennesaw State)

Caleb Lee '12

## Mu Epsilon Chapter (California State-Fullerton)

James Wu '13

## Friend

Mindy Costabile

## CORRECTION

The PIKE Foundation regretfully omitted the following donors from The President's Council roster in the Spring 2016 Shield & Diamond. We deeply apologize and sincerely thank these gentlemen for their generosity and loyalty to Pi Kappa Alpha and our young leaders.

Brian J. Bateh (Montevallo, Theta Beta '95)

William Wallace Braden IV (Virginia Tech, Epsilon '00)

Fernando F. Kielhorn (Missouri S&T, Alpha Kappa '84)

Wayne Derek Little (Sam Houston State, Epsilon Pi '11)

Tanner A. Olson (Utah, Alpha Tau '11)

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### Zeta Iota Chapter (Old Dominion)

Jonathan Alan Payton '15

### Zeta Kappa Chapter (Ferris State)

Alex Ray Zavoral '15

### Zeta Pi Chapter (South Florida)

Joey Lombardi '15

### Eta Alpha Chapter (Clemson)

Jon Scott Beamer '93

### Eta Beta Chapter (Seton Hall)

Luis Martinez '85

### Eta Pi Chapter (West Florida)

Nathan Timmons '14

### Eta Rho Chapter (Northern Kentucky)

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### Eta Tau Chapter (Austin Peay State)

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### Eta Upsilon Chapter (Texas-Arlington)

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Joseph Abramo '14

### Lambda Lambda Chapter (California-Irvine)

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### Mu Lambda Chapter (West Chester)

Matt Haig '15

### Mu Nu Chapter (Southeastern Louisiana)

Austin Taylor Rogers '15

### Friend

Lorraine Crabb

Barbara Cutliff

El Laughlin

Jeremy Martin

Pat Thurmond Wade



# Generous Donors Enhance Freeman H. Hart Memorial Museum

## HONORING PIKE'S HEROES

The Pi Kappa Alpha Memorial Headquarters in Memphis, Tennessee serves as a memorial to brothers who gave their lives in defense of freedom. Notably, two PIKE brothers, Marine Gen. Louis H. Wilson Jr. (*Millsaps, Alpha Iota '39*) and Jacklyn H. "Jack" Lucas (*High Point, Delta Omega '56*), earned the Medal of Honor during World War II. Both served in the United States Marine Corps and received their awards from President Truman at the same ceremony on October 5, 1945.

To honor these men, the Pi Kappa Alpha Foundation petitioned Headquarters Marine Corps for a Medal of Honor display replica. With the assistance of retired Marine Lt. Gen. Robert "Boomer" Milstead (*Houston, Epsilon Eta '71*), the petition was granted. The Medal of Honor was received and has been added to the permanent exhibit highlighting the bravery of Wilson and Lucas.

In December 2015, Senior Marketing Officer W. Brent Phillips (*Missouri, Alpha Nu '87*) visited General Wilson's daughter, Janet Wilson Taylor, to view the family's collection of General Wilson's memorabilia. Janet and her husband, Jarred, have permanently loaned to Pi Kappa Alpha many artifacts that enhance the Medal of Honor display including General Wilson's Medal of Honor flag, his dress uniform from his time as Commandant of the Marine Corps, and personal Fraternity memorabilia. Janet and Jarry are also working with the National Museum of the Marine Corps to house more of General Wilson's collection.



**Senior Marketing Officer W. Brent Phillips and General Wilson's daughter, Janet Wilson Taylor**

## PRESERVING PIKE'S HISTORY

Joseph Caruso (*Florida Tech, Zeta Sigma '70*), Keith J. Ketchman (*Florida, Alpha Eta '74*), William N. LaForge (*Delta State, Zeta Beta '69*) and Ron Roark (*Drake, Delta Omicron '70*) funded the purchase of display cases to feature the original 1868 Minutes of Alpha Chapter and the recently acquired photo album belonging to Founder Frederick Southgate Taylor. The Taylor album was acquired during an online auction and has never been displayed in the Freeman H. Hart Memorial Museum of the Pi Kappa Alpha Headquarters. The original Minutes have long been the highlight of the museum experience and Taylor's personal album is an exciting addition to the museum collection. The new, custom display cases were selected

for compatibility with the museum design, and they provide state-of-the-art protection for the fragile documents, preserving them for the enjoyment of museum visitors in perpetuity.

**Far right:** The Fraternity's original Minutes, familiar to generations of Pikes, will be housed in a new, state-of-the-art museum case (right), as will a previously unseen photo album belonging to Founder Frederick Southgate Taylor.



# Giving Societies

The Pi Kappa Alpha Foundation is pleased to recognize the following donors who have moved into a new cumulative giving society during the period January 1-April 4, 2016.



## Founders Society | cumulative lifetime gifts total \$50,000 to \$99,999

W. Brooks Bigelow\* (Delaware, Delta Eta '61)

Todd M. Jochem (Indiana State, Theta Omicron '87)



## Junior Founders Society | cumulative lifetime gifts total \$25,000 to \$49,999

Steven Clark Buckner (Auburn, Upsilon '75)

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Rodger O. Riney (Oklahoma State, Gamma Chi '64)

Scott Fountain (Iowa State, Alpha Phi '80)

John Charles Scott (Alabama-Huntsville, Theta Pi '84)



## Garnet & Gold Society | cumulative lifetime gifts total \$5,000 to \$9,999

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Owen Douglas King (Mississippi State, Gamma Theta '99)

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Alfred C. Perone Jr. (Indiana State, Theta Omicron '78)



## Lily of the Valley Society | cumulative lifetime gifts total \$2,500 to \$4,999

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Randy W. Qualls (Middle Tennessee State, Eta Zeta '95)

Robert W. Bruce (Vanderbilt, Sigma '47)

Donald E. Reily (Southern Methodist, Beta Zeta '50)

Scott Thomas Dodd (Southern Methodist, Beta Zeta '83)

Eric Lee Rock (Oklahoma State, Gamma Chi '85)

G. William Dudley Jr. (Presbyterian, Mu '51)

Nathan B. Rockholm (Southern Illinois, Iota Mu '95)

Mark Stephen Frank (George Washington, Delta Alpha '04)

Matthew S. Sampson (San Jose State, Delta Pi '09)

Karl F. Grandel (Old Dominion, Zeta Iota '03)

Michael William Ware (Louisiana State, Alpha Gamma '79)

Barry Harris Hinden (California-Northridge, Zeta Omicron '68)

John P. Willis (Georgia State, Epsilon Nu '75)

Stuart S. Jordan (Randolph Macon, Iota Zeta '89)

## Cumulative Giving Societies

- ♦ Pillar Society | cumulative lifetime gifts total \$1,000,000 or more
- ♦ Rotunda Society | cumulative lifetime gifts total \$500,000 to \$999,999
- ♦ 47 West Range Society | cumulative lifetime gifts total \$250,000 to \$499,999
- ♦ 1868 Society | cumulative lifetime gifts total \$100,000 to \$249,999
- ♦ Founders Society | cumulative lifetime gifts total \$50,000 to \$99,999
- ♦ Junior Founders Society | cumulative lifetime gifts total \$25,000 to \$49,999
- ♦ Sabre & Key Society | cumulative lifetime gifts total \$10,000 - \$24,999
- ♦ Garnet & Gold Society | cumulative lifetime gifts total \$5,000 - \$9,999
- ♦ Lily of the Valley Society | cumulative lifetime gifts total \$2,500 - \$4,999
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## Shield & Diamond Society

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Mark Alan Casey (Massachusetts, Theta Mu '86)  
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Christopher C. Ehiogu (Texas-Arlington, Eta Upsilon '11)  
Linus E. Fenicle (Cincinnati, Alpha Xi '66)  
Walt A. Grage (Florida State, Delta Lambda '51)  
Brett B. Helberg (California-San Diego, Kappa Phi '11)  
Sean M. Kayes (East Carolina, Epsilon Mu '10)  
Daniel R. Krantz (Washington State, Gamma Xi '83)  
Emil J. Kunzi Jr. (Ohio State, Alpha Rho '47)  
El Laughlin (Friend)  
Jared Michael Leadingham (New Mexico State, Kappa Eta '03)

Christopher James McMahon (Southern Illinois, Iota Mu '92)  
Philip Mosca (Transylvania, Kappa '68)  
Robert Wayne Parker (Clemson, Eta Alpha '80)  
Glenn D. Pusch (Bradley, Delta Sigma '50)  
Thomas A. Riggan (East Carolina, Epsilon Mu '60)  
Anthony A. Rionda (Florida International, Kappa Gamma '09)  
Gregory Heath Roesler (Texas Tech, Epsilon Gamma '86)  
Roger W. Scearce (Florida Southern, Delta Delta '69)  
Forrest A. Smith (Virginia Tech, Epsilon '11)  
Roger Allen Starner (Iowa, Gamma Nu '53)  
Adam I. Wassell (North Carolina-Greensboro, Lambda Rho '09)  
Douglas Alan Zinsler (Drake, Delta Omicron '93)

## Gifts in Tribute

Tribute gifts to the PIKE Foundation are a thoughtful way to recognize or remember a chapter brother or loved one. These gifts were received January 15 through April 6, 2016.

### GIFTS IN HONOR

#### **Xi Chapter (South Carolina)**

Jared Andrew Nelms '09  
by John Anderson Nelms (Wake Forest, Gamma Phi '76)

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

by Reid D. Farrell Sr. (North Carolina State, Alpha Epsilon '44)

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

Douglas Jackson Ladish '62  
by Andrew R. Barrett (West Virginia, Alpha Theta '58)

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

by Donald E. Reily (Southern Methodist, Beta Zeta '50)

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

Ray Calvert Williams '63  
by Henry V. Krokosky Jr. (Carnegie Mellon, Beta Sigma '65)

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

by Edgar A. Chavarrie (Southern California, Gamma Eta '46)

#### **Delta Gamma Chapter (Miami-Ohio)**

by Richard Lyle Loveland (Miami-Ohio, Delta Gamma '49)

#### **Delta Theta Chapter (Arkansas State)**

John A. Bobango '74  
by David S. Kennedy (Memphis, Delta Zeta '64)

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

by Michael M. Smith (Lamar, Epsilon Kappa '09)

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

by Jeremy Martin (Friend)

#### **Theta Theta Chapter (Texas A&M)**

by Todd C. R. Eyre (Texas A&M, Theta Theta '88)

#### **Iota Mu Chapter (Southern Illinois)**

Sabin Jeremy Orr '95  
by N. Ryan Flickinger (Southern Illinois, Iota Mu '94)

### GIFTS IN MEMORY

#### **Colony at Vanderbilt University (Sigma Chapter)**

William Hamilton Parks II '42  
by Pat Thurmond Wade (Friend)

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

Donald Edward Wray '57  
by Jackie D. Beavert (Arkansas, Alpha Zeta '61)

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

Paul Harrison Everett '45  
by Robert A. Platt (Florida, Alpha Eta '45)  
James Harold Laughlin, Jr '48  
by Charles M. Gardner (West Virginia, Alpha Theta '65)  
Francis Dwight Lacy (West Virginia, Alpha Theta '62)  
El Laughlin (Friend)  
David Ray Vaughn (West Virginia, Alpha Theta '60)

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

Joe P. Davis '45  
by Barbara Cutliff (Friend)  
Phillip E. Goodman '45  
by V. Bailey Flemming (Missouri, Alpha Nu '47)  
Robert John Schliebe '53  
by Donald R. Bussick (Missouri, Alpha Nu '52)  
James Walker Tatum '47  
by V. Bailey Flemming (Missouri, Alpha Nu '47)

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

Harry D. Greene Jr. '47  
by Warren A. Foster (Bowling Green, Delta Beta '44)

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

Ted H. Pate, Jr '48  
by William Morse Calvert (North Carolina, Tau '52)

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

Gregg Joseph Ormond '74  
by Mitchell Martin Karig (Pennsylvania, Beta Pi '76)

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

John J. Kluck, Jr. '63  
by Harry M. Freeman (Mississippi State, Gamma Theta '62)

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

Thaddeus Earl Watkins '49  
by E. Garth Jenkins (Wake Forest, Gamma Phi '56)

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

Tracey C. Oswold '82  
by Douglas G. Thomas (Washington State, Gamma Xi '83)

#### **Colony at University of Oregon (Gamma Pi Chapter)**

James H. Barnes '68  
by Steve L. Tindell (Oregon, Gamma Pi '68)

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

Marshall R. Kohr '48  
by Ronald B. Livingston Sr. (Pittsburgh, Gamma Sigma '48)

#### **Delta Eta Chapter (Delaware)**

Frank Lawrence Serpico Jr. '52  
by David A. Collins (Presbyterian, Mu '51)

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

Chase Anthony Duvall '14  
by Omega Financial Inc. (Friend)

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

Kipp A. Struve '01  
by D. William Struve (Oklahoma, Beta Omicron '70)

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

Thomas C. Spillman '66  
by James L. Oller (Western Kentucky, Zeta Epsilon '66)

#### **Eta Beta Chapter (Seton Hall)**

John Joseph Grillos '70  
by Luis Martinez (Seton Hall, Eta Beta '85)

#### **Friend**

Nancy Q. Simpson Kraus  
by Frank A. Kraus (Mississippi State, Gamma Theta '58)

# Alumni Associations



## ARKOMA REGION

### DELTA THETA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Arkansas State

Douglas Duckert '05 came from behind to defeat Zach Rodgers '99 in heads up poker to become the 2016 Pike Poker Champion. Duckert, a lieutenant and surface warfare officer for the U.S. Navy, defeated 37 contenders to win his first PIKE title. After his victory, he said he would not be able to defend his title next year. Instead, he will be defending his country overseas.



Rodgers made his third straight final table and had a straight flush on his way to his second place finish. Brandon "Alaska" Mason '04 finished third with his back-to-back final table. Chris Tettleton '08 claimed fourth place with Robert Kersh '03 taking fifth.

A record 37 contenders competed for the 12th annual PPC Title. Over 50 brothers attended and raised over \$1,500 for various alumni projects such as scholarships, the house, and dues.

A special thanks to Brother Chad Niell '80, owner of Tiger Casino, for donating his building and food for the evening. Cameron Campbell '03 donated the table and chairs from his ARTents Company. Brandon Mason '04 and Chris Tettleton '08 donated part of their winnings to the house fund. Mason also provided cigars, and Mike Harrington '76 helped set up.

### EPSILON OMEGA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

East Central

This February, John Cole '16 was initiated into Epsilon Omega Chapter. He is the son of Epsilon Omega Chapter founding member and Tau Sigma Tau Colony member, Jerry Cole '63, and brother of Jamey Cole '89, both Chapter Eternal. Taking part in the ceremony were Epsilon Omega's current chapter president, Jared Campbell '14, as well as a member of Epsilon Omega's first initiation class, Felix Frazier '65.

"It is an honor to be able to call Mr. Cole my brother, and it means a lot to everyone involved that we were finally able to make this a reality," said Campbell.

Also in attendance were undergraduate members of Epsilon Omega Chapter; the longest tenured initiate of the chapter, Jerry Maynard '63; and other distinguished alumni including Gerald Williamson '09, Tom Riley '90, Jon Barnes '87 and Tommy Jon Riley '88.

The elder Cole was drawn to join the colonization efforts at East Central Teachers College by his uncle, Joe C. Scott (Oklahoma State, Gamma Chi '39), past Pi Kappa Alpha National president, who was present for the chapter's chartering ceremony in 1963. Jerry wanted his sons to follow in his footsteps with the Fraternity that he loved. The initiation of John completed that wish.

After his initiation, Cole said, "This means a lot to me, and I know that my father and his Fraternity brothers discussed this for several years before my dad passed away in 2006. I am grateful that the Epsilon Omega alumni and the current Epsilon Omega Chapter members could make this possible. Jerry Cole is extremely proud that the legacy is now complete."



### GAMMA CHI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Oklahoma State

Gamma Chi Alumni Association is looking forward to tailgates at all Oklahoma State football games this fall. Drop by University and Monroe to see the new house as it is being built. For further information on other events, visit their website [www.osupikes.org](http://www.osupikes.org), old school *Gamma Chi Pikes* on Facebook, or email alumni association President Nick Johnson '02 at [osupike21@yahoo.com](mailto:osupike21@yahoo.com) or Vice President Michael Price '96 at [pricems\\_osu@yahoo.com](mailto:pricems_osu@yahoo.com). If you do not receive emails or newsletters from the alumni association, please contact them to update your contact information.



## BLUEGRASS REGION

### ETA RHO ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Northern Kentucky

In February, Eta Rho Alumni Association celebrated Homecoming with a private party filled with alumni and friends. The association's Founders Day event broke attendance records, with over 140 undergraduates and

alumni in attendance. Special thanks to Brother Paul Frogde '97 for being the keynote speaker. If you're not receiving alumni emails, please send your updated contact information to [nkupikealumni@gmail.com](mailto:nkupikealumni@gmail.com).



## ZETA TAU ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Eastern Kentucky



Join Zeta Tau Alumni Association for the 15th annual golf outing on August 6, 2016 at the University Club of Kentucky.



DELTA

## ETA OMICRON ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Louisiana-Monroe

Eta Omicron Chapter and Eta Omicron Alumni Association celebrated the chapter's 44th anniversary with a weekend of activities in Monroe. Thanks to all of the alumni, parents, and friends who attended. The chapter and alumni association also hosted their annual International Work Day on April 16 with most of the time spent cleaning up after a flood that hit northeast Louisiana. The association's annual donation request drive is underway and donations can be mailed, made online, or made by using the chapter's mobile app. Next up is the International Convention in New Orleans on August 3-7. Eta Omicron



DIXIE

## HUNTSVILLE AREA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Huntsville Area Alumni Association celebrated Founders Day with an alumni vs. undergraduate basketball game that was followed by the annual meeting of the Huntsville Area Alumni Association and the Garnet Chargers Housing Corporation. The evening consisted of a formal awards dinner, followed by a keynote from Ryan Collett (Kansas State, Alpha Omega '04). Michael E. Worley (Eastern New Mexico, Theta Pi '85) received the first Order of the Oak for his lifelong dedication and



commitment to Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity and service to Theta Pi Chapter.

The HAA Association was able to raise over \$14,000 for the Earl C. Jacoby Scholarship, PIKE University, the Garnet Chargers Housing Corporation, and the HAAA Presidents Council. If you would like more information about the Huntsville Area Alumni Association, please go to HuntsvillePikes.org or email Huntsville.Pikes@gmail.com.



FOUNDERS

Alumni Association is excited to co-host an alumni event along with other associations from the Delta Region. For more information go to [www.ulmpike.com](http://www.ulmpike.com), their Facebook group The Old Pikes, or contact Tommy Walpole at [hopike@bellsouth.net](mailto:hopike@bellsouth.net)

**Below left:** In early March, Eta Omicron Chapter was flooded by heavy rains. The parking lot, back yard, and volleyball court were under water. Three weeks later (March 28th), the water finally went down past the volleyball court but still flooded the rest of the yard.

**Below Right:** Omicron Chapter Pikes from the 1970s celebrated their brotherhood during Homecoming.



association solidify its efforts. The golf outing was followed by Friday evening socials and two massive tailgate parties prior to the game on Saturday. The association held signing events for its charter and submitted its paperwork to the International Fraternity shortly after. There was a great turnout with brothers coming from as far as California, Washington, and Alaska.



#### GOLDEN WEST

#### IOTA THETA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION San Luis Obispo, California



Eighteen founders of Iota Theta Alumni Association went on a ski trip to Winter Park, Colorado, to celebrate Founders Day. The alumni association is newly formed and looks to ramp up activities and communication in the next year. Contact Karl Lee '89, [iotathetaalpha@gmail.com](mailto:iotathetaalpha@gmail.com) for more information.

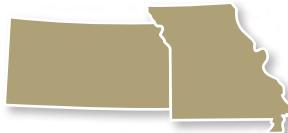
#### LAS VEGAS AREA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION



The six-time Nester Award winning Las Vegas Area Alumni Association continues to unite local UNLV graduates, as well as brothers from across the country, with its monthly first Friday happy hour, and seasonal events.

This Founders Day, the association hosted a putting tournament for brothers and family members.

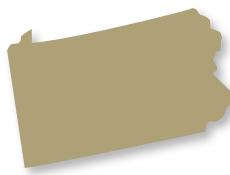
Keep an eye on the social media sites (Facebook [www.facebook.com/groups/LVAAA](http://www.facebook.com/groups/LVAAA) and Twitter @PiKALVAreaAlum) for details on upcoming events. Las Vegas is a melting pot for PIKE alumni from chapters across the country, and new members are always welcome. If you would like to join the email list, please contact Matt Tyburski (Cal State-Sacramento, Theta Tau '97) at [Matt1868@gmail.com](mailto:Matt1868@gmail.com).



#### HEARTLAND

#### ZETA CHI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Missouri State

Zeta Chi Alumni Association would like to congratulate the undergraduate chapter and housing corporation for announcing occupancy of the chapter house located at 1117 E. Elm St. beginning in fall 2016. The 32-man house is in the heart of the Greek neighborhood. The alumni association will be helping with donations. For information about becoming a member and for upcoming events, please visit [www.zetachipikes.com](http://www.zetachipikes.com). Zeta Chi alumni are encouraged to attend Homecoming events, happening October 14-16, 2016. The new Bearfest Village will be the pregame rally point before the game. As always, look for the fire truck. Zeta Chi Alumni Association Scholarship Committee presented the 2016 John A. Jackson Zeta Chi Memorial Scholarship to Dane Russell '12. Russell is the fifth recipient of the scholarship given on behalf of the Jackson family.



#### KEYSTONE

#### BETA ALPHA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Pennsylvania State

Beta Alpha Alumni Association recently held a fundraiser for Dance Marathon, raising nearly \$10,000 for children with cancer as part of their overall efforts to raise over \$120,000. For more information, visit [Psu-pikes.com](http://Psu-pikes.com)

#### BETA PI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Pennsylvania



Beta Pi Alumni Association celebrated its annual Founders Day dinner at the Inn at Penn with 30 alumni from seven decades and 55 undergraduates in attendance. A reception, opened by alumni association President Ross Weiner '80, preceded the buffet dinner. Awards were presented, and rousing renditions of traditional PIKE songs were sung by the newly initiated Omega Class.

#### STEEL CITY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Steel City Alumni Association based in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, celebrated Founders Day by hosting an informal banquet for over 50 alumnus and undergraduate brothers from the University of Pittsburgh. For more information on upcoming events, please contact the SCAA at [pittpikesalumni@gmail.com](mailto:pittpikesalumni@gmail.com).



#### LONESTAR

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



Zeta Theta Alumni Association held a Founders Day weekend in San Marcos, Texas. On Friday night, the undergraduates hosted a barbecue for the alumni at the chapter house.

On Saturday, the alumni association hosted its 19th annual Founders Day classic golf tournament at the Bandit Golf Course in New Braunfels, Texas with over 100 golfers and brothers in attendance.

## HOUSTON PIKE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

In the past five years, the Houston Pike Alumni Association has raised over \$32,000 for ALS research and scholarship funds with its annual charity poker tournament. Another tournament will be held at the end of the summer. For more information, visit [Houstonpikealumni.com](http://Houstonpikealumni.com).



MIDWEST

## THETA OMICRON ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Indiana

Theta Omicron Alumni Association would like to thank all of the brothers and their families who participated in the 2016 new alumni cookout. This is always a great time to meet the families of brothers who are transitioning to alumni status and to hear the positive stories of how Theta Omicron has impacted the lives of young Sycamores. Mark your calendar for May 13, 2017 for next year's new alumni event.

All alumni and their families are encouraged to join the alumni association for the house dedication on September 17, 2016 at the chapter house. Please watch for upcoming details on the times. If you need help with logistics, or would like a tour of the campus, please contact the association.

Mark your calendars for Homecoming on Saturday, October 1st. Alumni are encouraged to re-connect with ISU and Theta Omicron by contacting the alumni association at [thetaomicronalumniassociation@gmail.com](mailto:thetaomicronalumniassociation@gmail.com) and visiting the Theta Omicron Alumni Association Facebook page or LinkedIn Group.



## NATIONAL CAPITOL AREA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

National Capitol Area Alumni Association (NCAAA) was pleased to host another successful Founders Day reception on Capitol Hill with many members of Congress and distinguished members of the military and business community in attendance. Attendees heard from Congressman Pete Sessions (Southwestern, Alpha Omicron '76), chairman of the House Committee on Rules; Lt. General Robert Milstead (Houston, Epsilon Eta '71); and Daniel

Berger (Florida State, Delta Lambda '12), member, Pi Kappa Alpha Foundation board of trustees. Many of the speakers chose to focus on service and supporting younger members of the Fraternity, both in the Capitol region and at their local chapters. The NCAAA embraced the theme of giving back by following their Founders Day reception with a volunteer day at the D.C. Central Kitchen where members prepared meals for local homeless shelters and schools.



Attending NCAAA's Founders Day were former congressman Edward A. Pease (Indiana, Delta Xi '71), Lt. Gen. Robert E. Milstead (Houston, Epsilon Eta '71), Congressman David Young (Drake, Delta Omicron '89) and Congressman Pete Sessions (Southwestern, Alpha Omicron '76).



NEW ENGLAND

## KAPPA DELTA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Over 40 undergraduate and alumnus brothers came together to celebrate Founders Day at Maggiano's in Boston's Back Bay. During the event, Brian McArdle '07 resigned from his posts as the alumni association president and chairman of the board of directors. During McArdle's tenure, the alumni association developed into a stable group of

alumni who attend annual events and actively support the chapter. McArdle's most notable contribution is the design and development of the Kappa Delta Club. Since its inception, the Kappa Delta Club has collected nearly \$7,500 for the chapter's educational benefit. McArdle nominated R.J. Filannino '08 to replace him. With a unanimous vote, Filannino was elected as president and chairman. He has served on the board since he graduated in 2013, particularly supporting newsletter development and event management. Filannino actively returns to the chapter room each semester to talk about new member and continuing education topics as well as to foster relationships between undergraduates and alumni. McArdle will remain on the board as chairman emeritus.



## NORTHWEST

### GAMMA XI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Washington State

The 27th annual Gamma Xi Alumni Association Golf Tournament was held on June 11 at the Willows Run Golf Course in Redmond, Washington. The event included scramble and best ball competitions. For more details on upcoming events, visit the Gamma Xi undergrad/alumni association website, [www.gammaxi.pikes.org](http://www.gammaxi.pikes.org). Simply click the alumni link at the top of the page to access event details. The Gamma Xi Alumni Advisory Board recently launched a Plumfund crowd funding website at [www.plumfund.com/fundraising/m4z3b](http://www.plumfund.com/fundraising/m4z3b) in an effort to raise \$20,000 for several much needed repairs and improvements to the chapter house. Over \$15,000 has been raised to date. For more information, contact [wazzupikes@comcast.net](mailto:wazzupikes@comcast.net).

### LAMBDA EPSILON ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Alberta



Lambda Epsilon Chapter and Alumni Association hosted a successful Founders Weekend. From their annual Founders Cup hockey game to the dinner and awards ceremony, they maintained great attendance and had the opportunity to see plenty of old friends.

For the past three years, Lambda Epsilon Alumni Association won the Founders Cup. However, the undergraduate chapter obtained the brand new trophy this year. The weekend proceeded with their AGM and elections on Saturday. Many important motions were discussed and passed, putting the alumni association on track to meet multiple goals within the next 10 years, while increasing their financial capacity substantially. The

association also revealed a new logo, along with various memorabilia items.

During their annual Founders Dinner and Awards Ceremony, Marc Charbonneau '07 won Alumnus of the Year for the third time. He was also elected to serve as the association's incoming president.



## PACIFIC COAST

### ALPHA SIGMA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

California-Berkeley

Alpha Sigma Alumni Association and undergraduates hosted the 104th Founders Day celebration at the Alpha Sigma Chapter house in Berkeley with more than 80 attendees. Planning is already underway for the 105th celebration. For the upcoming Cal Homecoming weekend, October 1-2, Alpha Sigma Alumni Association is hosting an event at the chapter house on Saturday for alumni, undergraduates, and friends to celebrate Cal and Golden Bears football as they take on Utah. Plan on joining the tailgate party two hours before kick-off. Game tickets and parking will be available. More details will be posted when the football season begins. Visit [alphasigmapike.org](http://alphasigmapike.org) for more timely information.



### LAMBDA RHO ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

North Carolina-Greensboro

Over the last six years, Lambda Rho Alumni Association has hosted a number of events including regular trips to Atlantic City, New Jersey, canoeing in North Carolina, and Homecoming at UNC-Greensboro.

As the chapter is only seven years old, they are just beginning to develop a sizable alumni base. Their overall goal in deciding to form an alumni association is to provide alumni with an opportunity to stay in touch and meet other alumni from the chapter, mainly by partaking in events sponsored by the association. They have already seen strong attendance at their canoeing and Atlantic City weekends. They hope that by forming an alumni association, these events will continue to grow. They hope to host four events per year – one per quarter. To include as many of their alumni in the association as possible, they are sending out quarterly email newsletters with updates on what the association is doing. The association is in the process of developing options for quarterly philanthropic initiatives including Children Incorporated, Second Harvest Food Bank, and Special Olympics. Find them on social media at: [www.facebook.com/groups/152769431468952/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/152769431468952/), [www.linkedin.com/groups/4481718](http://www.linkedin.com/groups/4481718) or Twitter @LambdaRhoAlumni.



## PALMETTO

### UPSTATE SOUTH CAROLINA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Upstate South Carolina Alumni Association hosted area alumni at the Greenville Swamp Rabbits hockey game this past March. Thanks to Palmetto Regional President Kyle Waltz (Southeast Missouri, Epsilon Iota '96) for providing the suite for the game. Look for announcements soon for a Greenville Drive baseball game. For more information, visit [www.upstatescpikes.com](http://www.upstatescpikes.com).





### IOTA DELTA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Rose-Hulman

Iota Delta Alumni Association held its 11th annual Pike Aspen ski trip early this spring. Two undergraduates and 12 alumni spent a long weekend skiing in Aspen, Colorado. Several of the days were warm enough for the men to ski in their PIKE hoodies.

### ALPHA EPSILON ALUMNI ASSOCIATION North Carolina State

Alpha Epsilon Alumni Association is proud to announce its charter and official establishment. With the launch of its website, [www.aepikealumni.org](http://www.aepikealumni.org), the group of founding officers sent a launch email on Founders Day. That email, coupled with the new Facebook page, [www.facebook.com/aepikealumni/](https://www.facebook.com/aepikealumni/), has resulted in a number of alumni sharing past memories and plans to create new ones. In April, the group held its first annual golf tournament at Lonnie Poole Golf Course, with a tailgate for North Carolina State's annual Kay Yow spring football game the following day. Please email Charlie Fisher at [charliefisheriii@gmail.com](mailto:charliefisheriii@gmail.com) for more information on future events, or to be included in future communications from the Alpha Epsilon Alumni Association.



provided to Dream Girl Betsy Dayko. In a letter, Betsy graciously thanked the brothers for their help and kindness in her illness.

**PKA/Catamount Club Raffle:** Zeta Xi will raffle 200 tickets for \$100 each. The drawing will take place during Homecoming Weekend 2016 with the winner receiving \$5,000, Catamount Club receiving \$5,000, and Zeta Xi Alumni Association receiving \$10,000.

The social committee presented a survey of events for possible regional social gatherings. The House Corporation Board announced updated bylaws and their decision to not sell the house. They would engage in a fundraising effort to financially sustain the house during the chapter's absence from campus.

When you have news to share with your brothers, please contact [jerrymatheny@comcast.net](mailto:jerrymatheny@comcast.net).

net. Zeta Xi's next Cullowhee gathering will be at the Purple & Gold Reunion on July 29-30.

### GREATER CHARLOTTE AREA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION



Greater Charlotte Area Alumni Association enjoyed a busy winter with its monthly meetings on the third Thursday of the month after work at The Kilted Buffalo in Huntersville, The Olde Mecklenburg Brewery, and the new location of NODA Brewing Company.

The highlight event was a Founders Day reception at Rooster's Wood-Fired Kitchen, owned by Chef Jim Noble (North Carolina State, Alpha Epsilon '74).

President John McCann (Delaware, Delta Eta '75) represented the association at the PIKE University Leadership Summit in Atlanta.

### ZETA XI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Western Carolina

Several important items were discussed during Zeta Xi's Founders Day gathering, including signing over the title to the lift van

Save the date of August 27, 2016 for the second annual golf tournament at Skybrook Golf Club in Huntersville, North Carolina. Over 80 golfers attended last year.

For more information or to join the association's email list, contact [News@pikegcaa.org](mailto:News@pikegcaa.org) or find them on Facebook and LinkedIn under Greater Charlotte Area Alumni Association of Pi Kappa Alpha.



#### RIVER VALLEY

### ALPHA RHO ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Ohio State



Tim O'Brien '10, Gary Folino '11 and Brandon Reese '12 enjoy the Columbus Arena District during Alpha Rho's Founders Day.

Over 30 alumni and their families, along with 40 undergraduates, attended Alpha Rho's Founders Day celebration. Jack Buehler '82 won the individual Man Miles award traveling from Atlanta to spend the night with brothers, including his son Chris '15, a current member.

Alpha Rho's Founders Day celebration was such a success that the Homecoming celebration will also be held at Miller's Ale House on September 30, the day before the Buckeyes host Rutgers at Ohio Stadium. Check out the alumni Facebook page for updates this summer. As of April 1st, 43 alumni raised over \$6,000 to support the 10th annual leadership campaign. Alumni have provided the registration fees for over 45 undergraduates to attend three PIKE University leadership summits, the Chapter Executives Conference, and the International Convention. Thanks again to Bill Mead '83 for hosting the 31st annual spring golf outing. Details will be provided in the next *Shield & Diamond*. If you're not receiving the APAA monthly e-newsletter, email APAA President, Tony Mayne '95 at [tony.mayne@gmail.com](mailto:tony.mayne@gmail.com) to join the mailing list.

For more details on upcoming Alpha Rho events, visit [www.osupikes.com](http://www.osupikes.com).

### EPSILON EPSILON ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Toledo



Epsilon Epsilon Founders Day 2016. From left: Jerry Chester, Chuck Hoecherl, Dave Lewis, Herb Minke, Rich Morton

Last summer, Toledo alumni gathered for their first Double Play event which included golf and a Toledo Mud Hens baseball game. Sixty members were in attendance.

In February, nearly 120 alumnus and undergraduate members joined at the Blarney Event Center in downtown Toledo for Founders Day. Brother Tom Muenger '66 served as the keynote speaker. Muenger has taken a dedicated role in securing scholarships for PIKE University attendees and traveling with the chapter for Pike U events. His keynote address concluded with a bold charge to grow their scholarship foundation to \$1,000,000.

The alumni association looks forward to hosting its second Double Play event this summer on July 30. Contact the association at [utpikealumni@yahoo.com](mailto:utpikealumni@yahoo.com) with questions, updates, or just to touch base.



years in 2017. For more information, visit [utahpikes.com](http://utahpikes.com).



#### SUNSHINE

### ALPHA ETA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Florida



For the 12th consecutive year, a group of Alpha Eta alumni will get together for a weekend of golf July 22-24 at Champions Gate Omni Resort outside of Orlando for this year's festivities.

The Orlando location is a perfect place to bring the whole family with its great pool and lazy river for them to enjoy while you hack up turf on the golf course.

The association hopes to have 100 golfers in attendance at this year's event. Please mark this weekend in your calendar.



#### ROCKIES

### ALPHA TAU ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Utah

Alpha Tau Alumni Association's Founders Day celebration welcomed 140 undergraduate and alumnus members where they heard from keynote speaker Jake Scott '99. Planning is currently underway to celebrate 105

### DELTA LAMBDA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Florida State

Delta Lambda Alumni Association publishes a monthly e-newsletter spotlighting undergraduate achievements and featuring alumni stories and photos. Previous newsletters can be viewed on the alumni website: [www.fsu-pikes.com](http://www.fsu-pikes.com).

The association sponsors and hosts a monthly luncheon at the University Center Club. Undergraduate officers come as their guests and give reports on chapter activities. Alumni come to enjoy fellowship.

Preparation for an alumni mentoring program began this fall. The program was launched this spring under the supervision of President Eric Carr '01 and undergraduate coordinator Griffin Wilcox '14.

The program pairs alumni with undergraduates based on their fields of study. Former Chapter Advisor Jimmy Keen '73 was instrumental in creating the program.



## VOLUNTEER

### ETA TAU ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Austin Peay



Eta Tau Alumni Association covered the cost of materials and plants for the intersection located at one end of University Boulevard, leading to the front of Austin Peay.



### BETA DELTA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

New Mexico

Beta Delta Alumni Association celebrated Founders Day by hosting a barbecue and kickball game. It was well attended by both alumni and undergraduates.

If you are interested in joining the association, please contact them at [abqpikealumni@gmail.com](mailto:abqpikealumni@gmail.com).

## Shield & Diamond Deadlines

Deadlines for material to be submitted for publication in the Shield & Diamond are:

**January 1: Spring issue**

**April 1: Summer issue**

**July 1: Autumn issue**

**October 1: Winter issue**

Submit your news online at [www.pikes.org](http://www.pikes.org). All materials must be received at the Memorial Headquarters on or before these dates to be included.



## Welcome New Alumni Associations!

Congratulations to PIKE's newest alumni associations:

**Delta Nu Alumni Association  
of Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity  
(Wayne State)**

Daniel Bassir

[danielbassir@gmail.com](mailto:danielbassir@gmail.com)

**Iota Theta Alumni Association  
of Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity  
(San Luis Obispo, California)**

Karl Sum Lee

[Karl\\_lee@yahoo.com](mailto:Karl_lee@yahoo.com)

**New Orleans Area  
Alumni Association  
of Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity**

William K. Wright II

[wwright3@gmail.com](mailto:wwright3@gmail.com)



## Join the Fun!

Stay involved and stay informed! Check the website at [www.pikes.org](http://www.pikes.org) and click on the Chapter Locator to find an alumni association near you. For questions about starting an alumni association for your chapter or area, contact:

Pi Kappa Alpha International Fraternity  
8347 West Range Cove | Memphis, TN 38125  
901-333-2775 | [alumni@pikes.org](mailto:alumni@pikes.org)



## PIKE ALUMNUS LEADS THE WAY FOR U.S. ARMY RANGERS

Fund established to honor son's memory assists military families.

James P. Regan (*Miami, Gamma Omega '74*) leapt out of his rental car to greet me as his family arrived at Fort Benning in the Georgia afternoon heat. Jim and his wife, Mary, were attending the Army's 75th Ranger Regiment Ranger Rendezvous in June 2015. Ranger Rendezvous is a biannual celebration with active duty and veteran members of the Regiment descending on Columbus to honor the history of the unit and to conduct the organization's senior officer of command.

Jim, former senior vice president of Capital Markets at Keefe, Bruyette & Woods in New York City, was attending Ranger Rendezvous in his new capacity as chairman and CEO of the *Army Ranger Lead The Way Fund, Inc.*

As a Ranger, I instinctively sized Jim up. Athletic. Intense eyes. Decisive speech. Jim shared the outward traits I have grown accustomed to when engaging fellow Rangers. This guy might have made the cut for the Ranger Regiment back in his day I thought.



Jim and Mary Regan with their son, Jimmy.

Southern Methodist University's law school to enlist in the Army.

Growing up in the shadow of 9/11, Jimmy desired to make an immediate impact during his time in the Army. He passed on Officer Candidate School and rolled the dice on an enlisted contract with the Ranger Regiment, where a spot was earned, not guaranteed.

"He said, 'If I don't do it, then who will do it?'" remembered Regan's fiancée, Mary McHugh.

Jimmy would not be with us this Rendezvous. In fact, he had not been with us for quite a while.

In factual and precise language, the release from the United States Army Special Operations command states, "Sergeant James J. Regan, 26, of Manhasset, New York, died February 9, 2007, in northern Iraq of wounds suffered when an improvised explosive device detonated near his vehicle while on combat patrol. Regan was assigned to the 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia."

### ANOTHER REGAN MADE THE CUT YEARS EARLIER.

Sgt. James J. Regan, a standout student and lacrosse player at Chaminade High School, earned four varsity letters as a member of the Duke University lacrosse team. After graduation in 2002, Jimmy turned down a job offer from the financial services company UBS and a scholarship to



**Jim and Mary Regan meet President Barack Obama at the house built for Sgt. Cory Rumsberg.**

Members of the 75th Ranger Regiment know Jimmy's story. Just as we know the stories of all 65 Rangers who have departed us since 9/11. And we know the family's grief; the knock on the door, the disbelief, the search for a divine understanding, and the crisply folded flag delivered at the behest of the President of the United States.

Action, calculated counter-action. What would Jimmy do? How would he respond to tragedy?

Through the grieving process, the Regans would learn of other families' emotional and financial burdens brought on by the death of a Ranger. The Regans would visit wounded Rangers and notice that although adequate care was provided, it could be better.

#### **"IF I DON'T DO IT, THEN WHO WILL DO IT?"**

The Rangers have a motto; "Rangers Lead The Way!" On June 6, 1944, on the shores of Normandy with little hope of success and the high-ground still to be won, Gen. Norman Cota issued his now famous directive to lead the Allies off of the beach, to serve as an example for others to follow, to inspire.

In 2009, the Regans decided to honor their son by enriching the lives of other Rangers and their families. Regan would step down

from his lofty position in the finance sector of New York City and step up to fill critical gaps for Rangers and their families. The *Army Ranger Lead Way Fund, Inc.* was born.

Jim and Mary Regan keep the fund steeped in the footprints left behind by their son. Each spring, Jimmy's high school and college alma maters honor Jimmy's character and service with a military appreciation day benefiting the *Army Ranger Lead The Way Fund*. Many of Jimmy's friends, from high school through the Army, don *Lead The Way Fund* gear at a variety of athletic events, such as the NYC Marathon and the Army 10 Miler. Rangers and supporters from across the nation flocked to Chelsea Pier last October to hear the *Army Ranger Lead The Way Fund* Gala keynote address from Duke's Mike Krzyzewski, a United States Military Academy graduate.



The *Army Ranger Lead The Way Fund* is there when the government cannot provide timely essential services for wounded and injured Rangers. When the government fails to provide basic travel for Ranger families to funerals, the *Army Ranger Lead The Way Fund* is there.

Many have seen the partnership between *Army Ranger Lead The Way Fund* and former NFL star Jared Allen's Home for Heroes. The team provided a state of the art adapted home to wounded Ranger Sgt. 1st Class Retired Cory Remsburg, a 1st Battalion Ranger honored by the President at the 2014 State of the Union Address.



**The home built for Sgt. Cory Remsburg was dedicated with a ribbon cutting by Mary and Jim Regan.**

That is not the only house that the Fund has provided. Like the Rangers, the Regans are quiet professionals. Little is known about those who receive direct support and continuous involvement in transition support programs for Rangers and their families.



I was able to spend four days with the Regans during Rendezvous. Before we said our farewells, Jim looked down at my license plate, looked up, and smiled.

"Phi phi k a," he said, as he stretched out his hand for a greeting that was unlike the others we had shared.

Yes, this guy might have made the cut for the Ranger Regiment back in his day I thought.

#### **RANGERS LEAD THE WAY!**

*Author's Note:* Regan graduated from the University of Miami with a bachelor's in business administration specializing in finance. He and Mary fondly remember the nights spent at the Gamma Omega Chapter house. The Regans reside in Manhasset, New York. They have three daughters and three beautiful grandchildren.

For more information about the *Army Ranger Lead The Way Fund, Inc.* visit their website at <http://www.leadthewayfund.org/>.

*Written by an Anonymous Brother*



## Celebrations

### Northeast Florida Alumni Association Celebrates Founders Day

At its 2016 Founders Day celebration, the Northeast Florida Alumni Association presented awards to alumnus members, and the John L. Layton Scholarship was presented to Brandon Behr '15, an initiate of Mu Mu Chapter (*Jacksonville*). It was a great day of PIKE unity in the state of Florida.



From left: Northeast Florida Alumni Association Vice President David Orr (Florida State, Delta Lambda '63), Charlie Barnes (Florida State, Delta Lambda '65), Northeast Florida Alumni Association President Nathan Bryhan (Wisconsin-Whitewater, Kappa Omega '00), Northeast Florida Alumni Association Treasurer John Layton (Florida, Alpha Eta '51).



The 2016 John L. Layton Scholarship was presented to Mu Mu Chapter (*Jacksonville*). From left: finalists Luke Myhree '15 and Wyatt Mitchem '15; Layton; scholarship winner Brandon Behr '15, and finalist Andrew Wit '15.



From left: Brother Doug Benson (West Virginia, Alpha Theta '65) received his 50-year certificate from James P. Chipps (West Virginia, Alpha Theta '80).



Center: Tim Sleeth (Eastern Washington State, Zeta Nu '66) and Mu Mu (*Jacksonville*) Chapter President Luke Myhree '15 enjoyed the banquet at the Northeast Florida Alumni Association Founders Day celebration.



Center: Tim E. Sleeth received his 50-year certificate .



From left: Nathan Bryhan, Quentin E. Wood (Pennsylvania State, Beta Alpha '42), William F. Aull Jr. (Pennsylvania State, Beta Alpha '41), and John Layton. Brother Wood introduced Brother Aull, who received his 75-year certificate as a member of Pi Kappa Alpha.



Nate Bryhan (far right) presents the Northeast Florida Alumni Association Volunteer Alumnus Award to Charles M. "Bud" Malone (Mississippi, Gamma Iota '58).

## Central Arkansas Alumnus Reconnects

Like so many alumni, Brother **Derek Pittman '84** moved away from his alma mater following graduation. While attending the University of Central Arkansas, he served as Epsilon Phi's chapter president. Since his graduation, he's received periodic requests to attend chapter events, but living on the east coast has made attendance at events in central Arkansas difficult.

Recently, Pittman began the task of relocating for his career. While packing, he ran across the membership badge he had worn as chapter president. Finding the badge brought back



Epsilon Phi presidents to wear while they serve in office.

a wealth of college memories. He recalled how proud he was when he bought it, and how he was even more proud to wear it.

He realized the chapter made efforts to reach out to him over the years and thought it only proper for him to reach back to the chapter. With that in mind, he contacted the chapter advisor with the idea of donating his badge, complete with the presidential gavel, for current and future

Brother **John Tate '87** serves as chapter advisor for Epsilon Phi, and he said, "I firmly believe it is as important for undergraduates to reach out to alumni as it is for alumni to reach back to undergrads. Even with today's technology and social media, it can be an arduous task to locate alumni who have spread across the world, but yet the chapter remains in one place. I was fortunate to be in the chapter when Derek was president and he set our standards high back then. He continues to set that same standard in his professional life. His gesture epitomizes the phrase 'excellence by example'. Alumni involvement is one of the greatest keys to making successful chapters."



**Epsilon Phi Chapter Advisor John Tate presents the badge to current Epsilon Phi President Logan Hirsch '14.**



**Alpha Delta Chapter (Georgia Tech) Pikes from the 1970s got together for a round of golf at Atlanta's East Lake Golf Club. The participants were (from left): Charlie Redding '72, John Thompson '72, Nigel Glover '73 (kneeling), Bill Schnettler '74, Butch Woodyard '77, David Seckinger '72, Robert Haynie '72, Russ Smith '71, and Steve Asip '74.**

### ARIZONA Gamma Delta



**Steven M. Otero '09** married his college sweetheart, Emily Copperud (Alpha Delta Pi), this April in San Francisco, California. Seven Pikes were in attendance for the event. Otero, a founding father of Gamma Delta Chapter, served as sergeant at arms, house manager and IFC president in his time with the chapter. He resides in San Jose, California, where he works as a deputy public defender for Santa Clara County.

### ARKANSAS Alpha Zeta

**Mac Hogan '64** and his wife, Sheila, of Mount Pleasant, Texas, and Santa Rosa Beach, Florida, created an endowed scholarship in the College of Engineering at the University of Arkansas. Their gift of \$100,000 will help Pikes who are majoring in mechanical engineering.

### BOWLING GREEN Delta Beta

**Jason Clever '05**, founding father of the rechartered Delta Beta Chapter, is a paralegal with Goldberg Companies, Inc.

### CHAPMAN Theta Psi



**Matthew Greco '05** (far right) was honored as Chapman University's Greek Alumnus of the Year during the university's annual Greek awards.

### EASTERN NEW MEXICO Epsilon Tau



**Dickie Lee Erwin '73** wants to reconnect with Epsilon Tau brothers. Email him at [dickie.erwin@gmail.com](mailto:dickie.erwin@gmail.com).

# BUILDING THE FUTURE

A group of Alpha Kappa (Missouri S&T) brothers start an energy efficiency company in Dubai to help reduce energy, water, carbon and costs for building owners and individuals.



**W**hen Charles F. Blaschke IV (*Missouri S&T, Alpha Kappa '04*) decided to accept a job in Dubai and move around the world to a country he had never visited, many people thought he was crazy. Later again, when he decided to quit a successful UAE based technology consulting startup company that he helped found and build to start a venture of his own, people thought he was crazy. However, Blaschke took the risk because he knew he would achieve his goal of establishing a successful company aimed to help building owners, operators and individuals reduce their energy and water consumption and related operating costs and carbon impact. It was the support, help and motivation from Blaschke's chapter brothers and AK alumni that pushed him through these big decisions and ultimately helped him reach his goal.

"Our core group has stuck together since college, doing amazing things individually and together, and I know that without their support every step of the way, taka solutions would have not been possible. This goes from sitting in the office of the Alpha Kappa Chapter house in November 2007 and making the decision to pack up and move to Dubai, to founding and now growing taka solutions to be a key part of the energy efficiency market in the UAE and world. **Joel A. Schrenk '04** and **Eric M. Dixon '04** made the move to Dubai for a few years as well, living, working and exploring together at the engineering company that brought us over. Although my AK brothers **Phil Schloss '04** and **Will Kirby '04** have not made the move overseas [yet], they have been a key part of our

journey along the way, remotely supporting and helping us grow in many ways.

It can be hard to be away from friends, family, Kansas City barbecue and sports, but it has been an amazing, life changing experience that has offered me personal, professional, cultural, world travel and business opportunities, which would have otherwise not been possible in the U.S. I would not replace my time here for anything. I make it back to the U.S. about twice a year, and when the guys and I get together, it is even better because we live the year spread around the world. This invaluable experience and the ability to start my own business all began at the Alpha Kappa Chapter house and grew from the relationships that were formed and built throughout our time there."

Blaschke and taka solutions now plan to give this chance to the younger PIKE generations by starting an internship, co-op, work-study and part-time support structure targeting undergrads and new graduates. This setup will draw quality, hardwork-

ing, educated young blood coming into the company with fresh ideas, energy and a chance to grow and lead the company around the world, now and into the future. Blaschke says, "There is not a better group of talent, morals and work ethic anywhere in the world; 613 W 9th St., Rolla, Missouri produces the highest potential engineers. We want to tap that hidden resource, while providing the guys this unparalleled opportunity to change the world and make a positive social impact. We are also exploring opening a small branch in the MS&T tech park and having a team on the ground doing work while in school; but first we need to get a few guys over here in the desert paradise to show them what's really going on and how we work."

Blaschke can be reached at [charles@takasolutions.com](mailto:charles@takasolutions.com).

## ABOUT taka solutions

The name taka comes from the Arabic word "Taqua", meaning "Energy". taka solutions = Energy Solutions.

Founded in Dubai, UAE in 2012, taka solutions is an energy efficiency company that uses technology and engineering to help buildings and individuals reduce their energy consumption and costs. They are on a mission to help reduce the world's energy consumption by 20% using efficiency.

The startup has been built upon extensive design, construction, technology and finance experience in the Middle East. The founding team has grasped an opportunity to apply their expertise and knowledge through sustainable



Blaschke and two Alpha Kappa Chapter brothers formed taka solutions to be a part of global energy conservation, and plan to pay the opportunity forward to younger PIKE generations.

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## Alumni Giving Back

**Clarence W. Gooden** (*Georgia, Alpha Mu '72*), president & CEO of CSX International, Inc., invited the president of Mu Mu Chapter (*Jacksonville*) and other chapter officers to his executive office for a review/video presentation of Mu Mu's outstanding results in campus, philanthropy, fund raising, and athletic activities over the past year. Gooden is honorary alumnus advisor for Mu Mu. Pictured from left: **Andrea Foschi '15**, Alumni Scholarship Advisor **John Layton** (*Florida, Alpha Eta '51*), **Erik Fournier '15**, **Clarence Gooden '15**, **Luke Myhree '15**, and **Jackson Busbee '15**.

## Building the Future

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solutions to help reduce the energy and water demands and associated costs in UAE buildings – an increasingly challenging national issue. Taka solutions' kickoff milestone was winning and presenting the 2012 Emirates Green Building Council Annual White Paper Competition, Innovations in Sustainability, Using EPC to Reduce the UAE Energy Consumption.

## WHAT THE COMPANY DOES

The core focus of the company is to offer building owners and building operators' energy and cost reductions in their existing building by using an innovative paid-from-savings business model that allows customers to have no upfront cost and all payments are made after savings are generated.

Taka solutions performs all financing, design, implementation and management work on the building. This is done following a three-step process. First comes an initial analysis of the asset in order to identify and understand energy consumption habits and to determine potential energy savings measures. Using this information, taka solutions then performs a thorough energy and financial analysis to conclude the potential savings. They design, engineer and implement custom solutions to begin reducing energy use and to begin

realizing these cost savings immediately and at no cost to the client. Finally, once the systems and upgrades are complete; they monitor and maintain building performance over the life of the contract to ensure that energy usage goals are met.

At the end of the contract the owner receives a better building that costs less to operate, with new equipment, technology and engineering support.

## THE FUTURE

Taka solutions is continuing to grow and expand their building retrofit and technology deployment, while developing a new mobile application to help individuals understand their energy consumption, cost and impact, and how to save. This will help taka solutions become the energy efficiency platform for the world, and make the name synonymous with energy and technology.

Taka solutions has been selected as part of the 27 top entrepreneurs having a social impact in the world. They are competing in New York City in July 2016 for the grand prize of \$1,000,000, representing the Gulf region. They have also won the prestigious Disruptive and Innovative SME Award, Esquire right up, Entrepreneur of the Week and many other accolades. Using The Venture global competition will help taka solutions reach millions of people, scale their impact, and continue to expand into more markets. ♦

## EASTERN WASHINGTON

### Zeta Nu

**Tim E. Sleeth '66 received his J.D. from the University of Florida Law School with high honors, where he was law review editor, and a member of Order of Coif. He is a member of the Florida Bar, Jacksonville and American Bar Associations, and has been recognized in Best Lawyers in America & Chambers USA. Sleeth specializes in environmental law with the firm of Smith, Hulsey & Busey. He can be reached at tsleeth@smithhulsey.com.**

## FLORIDA SOUTHERN

### Delta Delta

**Leslie Edward "Ed" Mullins Jr. '53** was recently admitted to the University of Alabama's College of Communication and Information Sciences Hall of Fame for his 39 years of uninterrupted service to the college. During his time as dean, the college experienced great growth and was recognized as one of the nation's strongest communications schools. Previous inductees include Wayne Flynt, Douglas Edwards, and Harper Lee.

## FLORIDA STATE

### Delta Lambda



**David Orr '63 and Bill Cheek '61** at Swisher International Inc. in Jacksonville. Orr is retired from a successful career with State Farm Insurance Co. Cheek is director of security for Swisher International, Inc. and was recently honored by Florida State by being named to the advisory board of the College of Criminology and Criminal Justice. Photo courtesy of **John Layton** (*Florida, Alpha Eta '51*).

## INDIANA STATE

### Theta Omicron

**Mike Hayes '82** was recently named assistant vice president for student life at the University of Chicago.

## MASSACHUSETTS

### Theta Mu

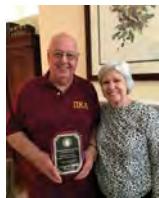


**Jeffrey E. Phillips '79**, chapter founding father, is executive director of the congressionally chartered Reserve Officers Association of the United States. ROA is the only national military association exclusively advocating for the nation's Guard and Reserves. Phillips, who retired from the U.S. Army Reserve in March as a major general, is collaborating on a WWII novel with his father, who flew C-47s in Europe and left an unpublished manuscript. Phillips is now reworking. Contact him at [jephil@yahoo.com](mailto:jephil@yahoo.com).

## MINNESOTA Beta Chi

After spending 10 years in the medical device arena, Brother **Tyler Christopherson '93** followed his automotive passion and started a couple of small businesses related to that. He has one of the largest monthly car shows in the country, MN Cars & Coffee. He also brokers cars for clients, TyBuys and most recently started the Kannonball Fun charity car rally that raises money for Northern Voices, a local school.

## MISSISSIPPI Gamma Iota



**Charles M. "Bud" Malone '58** was awarded the 4th annual John L. Layton Award for exceptional service at the Northeast Florida Alumni Association Founders Day event. Malone is a retired history professor at Florida State College-Jacksonville. He and his wife, Maryanna, reside in Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida.

## MISSOURI S&T Alpha Kappa



**Charles A. Wentz, Jr. '54**'s scholarship program awarded scholarships to 31 graduating seniors from Edwardsville High School and 16 scholarships to engineering students at Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville, who were the elected officers of student chapters of their engineering societies. Since 1997, Wentz has awarded more than \$1,000,000 in scholarships.

## NEVADA-LAS VEGAS Kappa Omicron

**John O'Connor '97** has served as a high school and college football official since 2004. He was recently promoted to the position of crew chief for his Southern Nevada Officials Association football crew. Several other PIKE alumni are also members of his crew: **Christopher Hinojos '97**, **Chris Davis** (Nevada-Reno, Iota Eta '89), and **Eddie Garcia** (Utah State, Gamma Epsilon '94).

## NEW MEXICO Beta Delta

**Alex Hughes '03** started this year with two notable wins for his clients. In January, he represented an Iranian-American businessman who received a presidential pardon as part of the January 17 prisoner swap. On February 25,

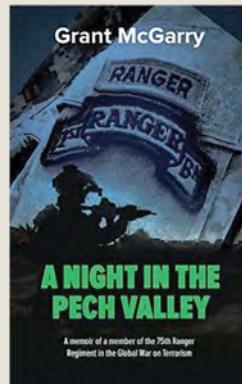
## PIKES in Print

# A Night in the Pech Valley

by Grant McGarry



U.S. Army Ranger veteran **Grant McGarry** (*Alabama, Gamma Alpha '02*) released his autobiography *A Night in the Pech Valley*; a first-hand account of his five combat deployments with the 1st Ranger Battalion. McGarry's chronicle starts with his decision to enlist in the Army to become a Ranger after graduating from the University of Alabama. The real-life drama climaxes with his final deployment in Afghanistan where his squad mate and best friend Sgt. Christopher Wright made the ultimate sacrifice. McGarry's impetus for telling his story of the quiet professionals of the 75th Ranger Regiment was to give voice to the fallen heroes and families of those like Wright. *A Night in the Pech*



*Valley* debuted and remains a top seller in the U.S. Afghan War History category on Amazon. McGarry published the book through Live the Ranger Creed, LLC, the company he founded as an outlet for special operations warriors and civilian patriots to show their support for our armed services, specifically Rangers. McGarry is continuing his education at Emory University in the Goizueta Business School Weekend Executive MBA program. He and his wife, Karin, live in Roswell, Georgia, and were blessed with their first child, Gunnar, in February. Learn more about *A Night in the Pech Valley* and Live the Ranger Creed, LLC at <https://www.lrtc-ops.com>. ♦

## PIKES in Music

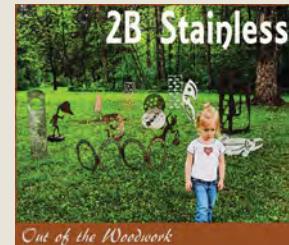
# Out of the Woodwork

by Rex Martin



**Rex Martin** (*Purdue, Beta Phi '72*) released a new CD of all original music. His band is called 2B Stainless and the title of the album is *Out of the Woodwork*. It's a collection of songs that spans a number of years, from the early 1980s up to the

present. The music is of the rock 'n' roll genre, but encompasses a wide variety of styles including reggae, ballad, blues and instrumental. It is available for purchase from [Amazon.com](http://Amazon.com), CD Baby, and iTunes. His music website is [remartininmusic.com](http://remartininmusic.com). ♦



## Corrections & Amplifications

In the spring 2016 *Shield & Diamond*, we published two incorrect photos in the Sports Review. We regret the error, and present accurate photos here:



Nick Moody

After two seasons with the San Francisco 49ers, linebacker **Nick Moody** (*Florida State, Delta Lambda '10*) played in three games for the Seattle Seahawks.



Terrence Brooks

Second year defensive back **Terrence Brooks** (*Florida State, Delta Lambda '11*) played in 12 contests for the Baltimore Ravens and was in on 13 tackles.



## NORTHERN ILLINOIS Eta Nu



**Kevin Strom '94** is the founder & CEO of GlobeChat ([www.Globe-Chat.com](http://www.Globe-Chat.com)). GlobeChat enables people anywhere in the world to connect with others on Android, Apple and Windows mobile devices, tablets, laptops and desktops, regardless of language or location. GlobeChat launched in 196 countries, translating multiple real-time messages in 41 languages within one-to-one, private group and public global chat environments as well as live video chats with anyone in the world. GlobeChat commercials began airing on CNN, Fox, Discovery Channel and The Travel Channel in April. GlobeChat has the ability to reach more than four billion people, and launched worldwide April 1.

a New Orleans jury took less than two hours to find his client not guilty of negligently causing the 2010 BP Deepwater Horizon oil spill. Hughes practices law in Houston, Texas, with Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan LLP, focusing on white collar criminal defense and other complex commercial litigation. He can be reached at [alexhughes@quinnemanuel.com](mailto:alexhughes@quinnemanuel.com).

This March, **John Crutchfield '82** founded Durable Medical Equipment, Made Easy, serving the greater Albuquerque Metro area. Email him at [abqcrutch@gmail.com](mailto:abqcrutch@gmail.com)

## NORTH ALABAMA Theta Alpha

**David Cox '89** and his wife, April, welcomed their daughter, Evelyn Jewel, on December 13, 2015.

## NORTHEASTERN STATE Theta Epsilon

In April, **Tommy Webb '79** got married. The next month, he retired from public education after teaching in the state of Oklahoma for 34 years.

## NORTHERN KENTUCKY Eta Rho



**Joe Scherrer '76** retired from the Department Of Defense after 42 years of service. Congratulate him at [joescherrer69@yahoo.com](mailto:joescherrer69@yahoo.com).

## PENNSYLVANIA STATE Beta Alpha

**John Leone '53** was recognized as Penn State's Philanthropist of the Year last year and received a distinguished alumnus award from the university.

## SOUTHERN ILLINOIS Iota Mu



In March 2016, **Jeff McCord '91**, accepted a senior national accounts manager position with HD Supply Waterworks with focus on improving service to contractors in the water and wastewater industry. Working remotely from Denver, Colorado, McCord will travel as needed to earn 'First Choice' status with accounts.

## STEPHEN F. AUSTIN Epsilon Omicron

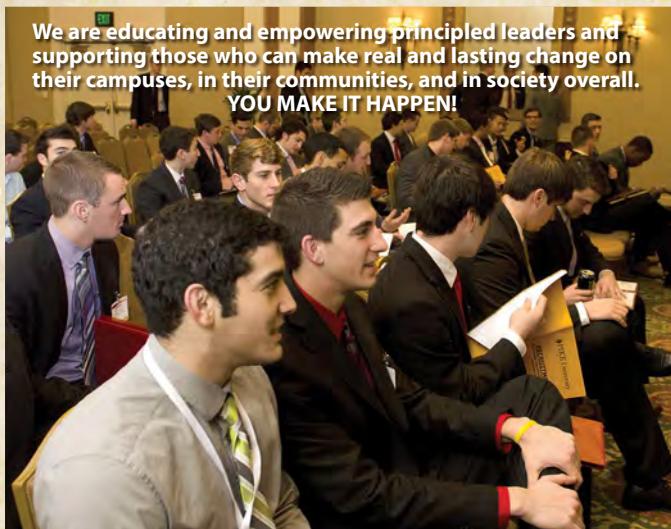
**Justin Crawford '02** and his wife, Krista, welcomed their son, Knox Justin, on April 6.

## STETSON Delta Upsilon

**Mitchell Robey '14** is the creative director and director of marketing at 3Jam Productions, a Florida-based production company that specializes in promotional videos, commercials, advertisements, and additional marketing services. Contact him at [mrobey@stetson.edu](mailto:mrobey@stetson.edu).



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Visit [www.pikefoundation.org](http://www.pikefoundation.org) or call 901-748-1948 for more information.

## TEXAS Beta Mu

Last May, at the famous Egyptian Theatre in Hollywood, California, **Morgan Woodward '49** was presented the Golden Halo Lifetime Achievement Award for acting. Presenting the award was Academy Award winning actress Margaret O'Brien.

## TEXAS-ARLINGTON Eta Upsilon



**Jason L. Patak '91** was hired in November 2015 as the project director healthcare of the south region of McKinstry Dallas. Patak is responsible for developing and managing large and complex projects including strategies, goals, and objectives; and responsible for the identification, development and execution of performance based contracts and design-build projects for his clients. He resides in Southlake, Texas, with his wife, Maria, and children, Charlie and Riley.

## TEXAS TECH Epsilon Gamma

**Luke Cotton '12** is living in Fort Worth, Texas, and working at Lockheed Martin. Contact him at [lukepcotton@gmail.com](mailto:lukepcotton@gmail.com).

## TULANE Eta

**Jon Blehar '67** is semi-retired and enjoying the mountains of North Alabama. He has provided much amusement to the locals by trying to be a gentleman farmer. Contact him at [bleharch@bellsouth.net](mailto:bleharch@bellsouth.net)

## TULSA Gamma Upsilon



**Nicholas Zumwalt '97** presented his research poster at the 2016 Western Institute of Nursing Conference. Congratulate him at [nickz.rn@gmail.com](mailto:nickz.rn@gmail.com).

## WAKE FOREST Gamma Phi

Professor **Jeffrey Ferezan '74** received the Graduate Robert L. Bailey Award for the winter term at Franklin University. Graduating students are asked to nominate the faculty member who has had the most significant influence on their educational experience at the university. Each trimester, two faculty members are honored with the Robert L. Bailey Teaching Award. The award recognizes those who have challenged students intellectually and guided them in finding the significance of the course content as it relates to them both personally and professionally.

## WESTERN ILLINOIS Kappa Lambda

**Kyle Scifert '96** was promoted to sergeant with the Aurora, Illinois, police department and is a captain with the Illinois Army National Guard, serving as a military police company commander.

## WINTHROP Theta Sigma



**Shane Duncan '94** is now vice president of business development for Transplace, a \$2 billion transportation management technology and 3PL company based in Frisco, Texas. His former employer M33 Integrated was acquired by Transplace in September 2015. Congratulate him at [shane\\_duncan@hotmail.com](mailto:shane_duncan@hotmail.com).

**Derrick Gainey '94** obtained his property and casualty license. Gainey owns Advantage Insurance LLC and offers homeowners and auto insurance. He can be reached at [derrick@advantageinsurance.net](mailto:derrick@advantageinsurance.net) or at his office at 803-980-5118.

# Shield & DIAMOND

of PI KAPPA ALPHA

Deadlines for material to be submitted for publication in the Shield & Diamond are:

**January 1: Spring issue**  
**April 1: Summer issue**  
**July 1: Autumn issue**  
**October 1: Winter issue**

Submit your news online at [www.pikes.org](http://www.pikes.org). All materials must be received at the Memorial Headquarters on or before these dates to be included.



## Forging PIKE's Partnership with our Host Institutions

**Do you currently or have you formerly served on a volunteer board or as a university administrator?  
If so, Pi Kappa Alpha would like to know!**

The International Fraternity is actively gathering information on Pikes who serve our host institutions with the hope of strengthening these relationships. By doing so, the Fraternity can recognize alumnus service as well as keep you in the loop on important issues related to the fraternal movement. Pi Kappa Alpha is actively seeking alumni who currently or have formerly served as:

- **Appointees to governing boards of the university, alumni association, or foundation.**
- **Administrators / employees of the university**
- **Members of the state's board of regents**
- **Award winners (university, alumni association, athletics, foundation)**
- **Student body presidents**

If you, or a brother you know, currently serve in one of these positions, please visit <http://pikes.co/PIKEinfluencers> to let the Fraternity know.



# Your Oak Trust Legacy



Planned giving is a process of charitable, legal, and tax planning that enhances your philanthropy and enables you to address other financial and estate planning issues while making a donation. Your legacy gift is an investment in the future of Pi Kappa Alpha, one that will have a positive and lasting impact on the lives of our undergraduate brothers for generations to come.

Thank you for supporting the Pi Kappa Alpha Foundation through  
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## Estate Planning: Beyond Your Will

Assume that your Last Will and Testament is up-to-date. Does that mean that your overall estate plan is also in good shape? Not necessarily.

There are a number of assets that are typically administered and distributed outside your will; i.e., your will does not control certain assets at the time of death (unless you name your estate as the beneficiary). Examples of these include retirement accounts – such as an IRA, SEP, 401(k), 403(b), and a Keogh plan – and your life insurance policies. These assets are controlled by their respective contracts, trusts, or custodial accounts.

Make sure that your beneficiary designations are up-to-date on all these accounts so that the assets will be distributed to the beneficiaries of your choice at the time of death.

At the same time, even though these assets are administered and distributed outside your will, they typically will be taxed as part of your gross estate for federal estate tax purposes (if you have a taxable estate). With retirement accounts, you may also be subjecting your assets to income taxes of an additional 30% or more.

That's why we want to ask the questions: Are you distributing your IRA to the IRS, instead of your intended beneficiaries?

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Please consider remembering Pi Kappa Alpha in your estate plans. Call us today at 901-748-1948 or explore the planned gift options at [OakTrustLegacy.pikes.org](http://OakTrustLegacy.pikes.org) to learn which gifts are best for your particular situation. You may find the following sample language helpful in making an effective bequest to the Pi Kappa Alpha Foundation.

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# News of Bygone Days

## 125 YEARS AGO: 1891

By-laws for the Executive Council, which was also called the Grand Council, were drafted at the 1891 Danville (Virginia) Convention.

— *The Oak:*

## 100 YEARS AGO: 1916



The Baby chapter in the baby university of America! Beta-Zeta Chapter was installed by the members of Alpha-Omicron (Southwestern University) at Southern Methodist University on May 13, 1916. Beta-Zeta became the 54th chapter of the Fraternity and the third national chapter chartered at the school.

— June 1916 *Shield & Diamond*

## 50 YEARS AGO: 1966



Gamma Upsilon chapter, here at the University of Tulsa, now claims to have both the largest and smallest PiKA in the world — our biggest is Brother Tom Bender (7'); our smallest is Robert Harris (5'4"). Can anyone beat this?

— June 1966 *Shield & Diamond*

## 75 YEARS AGO : 1941



There are seven initiates and two new members of Pi Kappa Alpha at West Point, New York.

— May 1941 *Shield & Diamond*

## 25 YEARS AGO: 1991



The men of Eta Sigma Chapter sponsored the largest food and clothing drive ever held at West Georgia College.

— June 1991 *Shield & Diamond*



**ANGELO STATE****Eta Epsilon**

Barr, Jerry Don '76 03/19/2016  
Winkler, Lynn Ray '76 03/23/2016

**ARIZONA****Gamma Delta**

Delvin, Wayne Lewis '48 04/10/2011  
Isaacs, Jeffrey Peter '68 08/28/2010

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

Vessey, Michael James '76 08/03/2014

**ARKANSAS****Alpha Zeta**

Brantes Jr., Edward Southerland '55  
01/16/2016  
Hornor Jr., Curtis Connerly '44 10/12/2015  
McBryde Sr., Robert Samuel '56 02/10/2016  
Mills, Van Frank '78 01/09/2016  
West, George Meredith '07 01/03/2016

**ARKANSAS STATE****Delta Theta**

Bennett, Jimmy Wayne '59 01/22/2011  
Johnson, John Charles '68 05/14/2012  
Ketchum, Gerald Wilburn '71 04/13/2016  
Lovett, Dallas Michael '76 10/06/2004

**AUBURN****Upsilon**

Brown Jr., Luther E. '41 09/30/1999  
Crawford, Cody Alexander '43 10/10/2012  
Griffiths, Doyle Benjamin '44 11/28/2015  
Pate, Ernest Wilburn '36 12/25/2015

**BRADLEY****Delta Sigma**

Hudziak Jr., John Anthony '52 05/01/2016  
Maas, Lawrence Howard '60 11/15/2015  
Picl Jr., Raymond Louis '77 02/02/2016  
Weber, Guy Taylor '55 01/18/2012  
Wilkerson, Glen Elgin '57 02/25/2016

**CARNEGIE MELLON****Beta Sigma**

Boutelle, Clifton P. '33 05/24/2014  
Weber, Richard T. '39 12/31/2015

**CINCINNATI****Alpha Xi**

Apple, Stephen Foster '52 04/04/2016  
Derryberry, C. Gordon '46 09/24/2015  
Gold, William Louis '53 04/25/2016  
Sargent, James David '54 05/22/2014  
Schulte, Alvin Joseph '61 01/07/2016  
Siemer, William Park '41 01/09/2005  
Volz, Joseph Richard '58 01/29/2016

**COLORADO****Beta Upsilon**

Ewy, Howard Waldomar '48 11/13/2015  
Hooverstock, Rolland William '61 10/01/2015  
Keating, Dean Dexter '51 08/29/2009  
Kreuzer, Roger Lee '55 01/26/2013  
Williams Jr., Clyde Leonard '49 01/10/2016  
Witcher, William Earl '55 07/04/2011

**COLORADO SCHOOL OF MINES****Delta Phi**

Jeffreys, Elystan Geoffrey '51 09/12/2015

**CORNELL****Beta Theta**

Kloster, Burton John '51 12/05/2014

**CREIGHTON****Theta Lambda**

Kucera, Jon Thaddeus '88 01/25/2009  
Maher, Terrence Patrick '78 08/12/2014  
Steiner, Patrick Joseph '81 02/19/2016

# Irvin F. Matson

**Seattle businessman was a voice of reason for Beta Beta Chapter**



**Irv Matson (far left) and his wife, Janet, with good friends Oscar Sandberg (far right) and his wife, Lois Jean.**

**Irvin Fenrick Matson** (*Washington, Beta Beta '48*) entered Chapter Eternal on April 26, 2016. Brother Matson was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and moved to Seattle, Washington in 1943 where he lived the rest of his life. He graduated from University of Washington School of Business in 1951 and later attended Pacific Coast Banking School. Matson spent his entire professional career with Rainier National Bank, retiring as vice president.

His favorite pastime was sailing, and he owned various boats throughout the years. Locally, Maston was a lifetime member of the Seattle Yacht Club and a member of the Kiwanis Club of Seattle.

Brother Matson fulfilled his lifelong commitment to Pi Kappa Alpha. He was a loyal member of the Foundation's President's Council, Oak Trust, and Sabre and Key Society. Beta Beta Chapter will benefit from his support in perpetuity, from a leadership scholarship he established through the PIKE Foundation's Oak Trust planned giving program.

Longtime friend and brother in Pi Kappa Alpha, Oscar C. Sandberg, Jr. (*Washington, Beta Beta '49*), remembers Brother Matson with many fond memories. The two men met in college and worked together on the recruitment committee. Their friendship continued after school and they, along with their wives, traveled the world to places such as Istanbul, Turkey, Germany, and the Mediterranean. "Irv was just as detailed planning these trips as he was in business," Sandberg said. "He arranged

lodging and meals everywhere we went, which made our international travel successful and enjoyable. He liked to think he was informal but it became clear that he had done his research, just like he did in all aspects of life. Irv was very involved in the local Beta Beta alumni chapter. He attended most Founders Day events, and he enjoyed visiting the chapter house before Husky football games. He was a true friend and an admirable person. He was liked and well-respected by all who knew him and he had a happy life."

Brother Matson also shared his wisdom at various Beta Beta housing association and alumni advisory board meetings over the past 20 years, offering advice and counsel to the sitting members whenever possible. He was a voice of reason, providing solid options for consideration when it came to house improvement, risk management and other important issues.

Housing association members Brian R. Mann (*Washington, Beta Beta '91*) and Daniel K. Miller (*Washington, Beta Beta '92*) fondly recall Brother Matson's charm and selflessness in his dealings with undergraduate members. "Irv was very generous with his time. Whenever he met an undergraduate at an alumni event or at Founders Day, he would try to find out more about the young man and his passions. He always encouraged them to strive for the best and truly personified '*Once a Pike, Always a Pike*'."

**DELAWARE****Delta Eta**

Durham, Robert Walls '48 03/05/2016  
Mountain, Benjamin '51 07/31/2011

**DENVER****Gamma Gamma**

Bright, Gilbert H. '49 10/12/2013

**DRAKE****Delta Omicron**

Illstrup, Raymond Arthur '56 10/23/2010  
Ramsaier, Paul Gustave '61 08/22/2015

**DUKE****Alpha Alpha**

Coggesshall Jr., Berryman Edwards '46  
12/27/2014  
Miller, Robert Allen '49 02/13/2011  
Tuttle, William B. '48 12/22/2015

**EAST CAROLINA****Epsilon Mu**

Harrison Jr., Henry Eugene '61 02/20/2015

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

Thurman, Jerry W. '73 02/24/2015

**EAST TENNESSEE STATE****Epsilon Zeta**

Brown, James Anthony '58 12/14/2013  
Weaver, William Neal '72 07/09/2013

**EMORY****Beta Kappa**

Hales, Charles Albert '59 10/31/2015

**FERRIS STATE****Zeta Kappa**

Butler, Harry Price '70 01/26/2016

**FLORIDA****Alpha Eta**

Dunwoody, Leland Brooke '48 03/12/2016  
Sherman, William Eurasti '44 03/11/2010

**FLORIDA SOUTHERN****Delta Delta**

Cade, James Lee '54 02/11/2016  
Hendry, Harold Merle '55 01/16/2016  
Keen, Paul Monroe '58 12/10/2015  
Smith Jr., Jess Vernon '53 08/05/2015  
Vermette, John Kimbell '57 03/01/2014

**FLORIDA STATE****Delta Lambda**

Obodich, Roger Ralph '67 04/21/2016  
Stoner, Robert Winston '64 04/18/2016  
Telfrin Jr., John William '77 01/05/2016

**GEORGETOWN****Alpha Lambda**

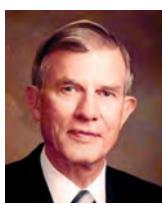
Betz, Bradford Byron '64 02/03/2009  
Dobbs II, James Brysn '89 01/16/2011  
Findt Jr., William C. '41 03/17/2010  
Johnson Jr., Roy Charles '61 04/20/2016  
Kelley, Horace Leighton '48 04/29/2010  
Osborne, Robert Happy '57 05/04/2010

**GEORGIA****Alpha Mu**

Baucom Sr., William Michael '55 03/20/2016  
Daniel, Remer Crum '59 01/16/2016  
Hall, James Clinton '35 05/22/2012  
Hendricks, Grant Preston '75 02/12/2016  
Price, Roy Beeman '69 01/07/2016  
Rogers Jr., Jay Van '38 04/01/2016

**GEORGIA STATE****Epsilon Nu**

Banks Sr., Robert Wayne '66 10/18/2014  
Bradley, Bruce '67 07/01/1985  
Owen Jr., Harold Franklin '66 04/06/2016

**BILL H. BIZZELL****(Millsaps, Alpha Iota '36)**

Judge William "Bill" Bizzell entered Chapter Eternal on March 12, 2016. He received his undergraduate degree from Millsaps University before going to Duke University to complete a year internship. After, he served as a Navy pilot, flying planes through the English Channel and looking for German submarines during World War II. Upon his return from the service, he attended the University of Mississippi Law School where he received his law degree.

On May 28, 1946, he married Rita Brignac. Shortly after, they moved to Cleveland, Mississippi, where he began his law practice. In his spare time, he maintained his love for flying as he and his wife took several trips in his personal plane around the United States.

He was a member of First United Methodist Church in Cleveland, Mississippi, and devoted much time to the church, teaching Sunday school for over 40 years. Bizzell was the Chancery Judge for 26 years, serving Bolivar, Coahoma, Tallahatchie, Leflore, Quitman, and Tunica Counties in Mississippi. He was very instrumental in the building of East Bolivar County Hospital, which is now known as Bolivar Medical Center. During its formation, he worked with the city and county as an attorney for the hospital. He also served as president of the board for 25 years.

Bizzell was a member of the Rotary Club and received the Paul Harris award.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Rita Brignac Bizzell.

**DANIEL A. CHESTER****(Texas, Beta Mu '49)**

Daniel Allenby Chester entered Chapter Eternal on June 12, 2015. He earned a bachelor's degree in zoology from the University of Texas in 1952, then obtained his doctor of medicine in 1956 from the University of Texas

Medical Branch at Galveston. He specialized in obstetrics and gynecology at his partnership, Landrum-Chester OB-GYN Associates.

In addition to his medical practice, he was a delegate to the American Medical Association, on the executive board of the American College of OB-GYN, served on the board of Texas Medical Liability Trust and was on the national board of Planned Parenthood.

Chester was also highly involved in his church, leading the Friendship Sunday school class, teaching the youth of the church, and serving on numerous committees.

He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Shirley, and his daughters, Tracy and Lee Ann.

**GEORGE E. CRONE JR.****(Memphis, Delta Zeta '56)**

George Edward Crone, Jr. entered Chapter Eternal on April 15, 2016. He attended Central High School and Memphis State University. He was a long-time member and elder at Buntny Presbyterian Church, and owned G.E. Crone

Monument Company of Memphis, Tennessee, and Jackson Marble Company in Jackson, Tennessee. Examples of his work exist all over Memphis and the South, with some of his most notable being the statue of St. Francis at St. Francis Hospital, the Jefferson Davis statue, and the Tom Lee Park obelisk. He served as president of Tennessee Monument Builders, director of National Monument Builders of America, and was a distinguished member and later president of the American Institute of Commemorative Arts. He received the Distinguished Alumnus Award from Memphis State University and served as president of the MSU Alumni Association. Crone served as board member and later president of Elmwood Cemetery's board of trustees, and member and past president of the East Memphis Exchange Club. After retirement, he and his wife traveled the world extensively. During these trips he was able to pursue his passion of fishing. An avid fisherman, he was a member of the Southern Bass Angler Association and the Tennessee Bass Angler Association. Of all his fishing expeditions, his favorite was fishing at Tunica and Sardis with his son. In the late '80s, he was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease. Despite his diagnosis, he continued to live a full and active life. He was a wonderful loving family man, who enjoyed spending time with his wife, children and grandchildren.

**JOHN P. HAMMERSCHMIDT****(Arkansas, Alpha Zeta '72)**

John Paul Hammerschmidt entered Chapter Eternal on April 1, 2015. At age 16, he attended The Citadel in Charleston, South Carolina. After one year at The Citadel, he received an appointment to the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis. He later requested and received a change in that appointment to allow him to attend the U.S. Military Academy in West Point one year later. During the interim, he attended the University of Arkansas. In December 1941, he traveled to California to visit a cousin. Pearl Harbor had just been bombed and Hammer-schmidt went to work at the Mare Island Naval Shipyard in Vallejo to become involved in the war effort. He worked on many ships as a pipe cover insulation helper, including one damaged during the attack on Pearl Harbor. He also

worked at the submarine base. He then made the pivotal decision to forego West Point and join the Army Air Corps and begin pilot training.

After pilot training, he was commissioned as a second lieutenant and promptly volunteered for missions overseas. He was assigned to the China-Burma-India Theater, where he flew 217 combat missions as a pilot for the Third Combat Cargo Group. In addition to "flying the Hump" (the eastern Himalayan Mountains), he flew many air drop missions close to the ground in Burma to supply special operations jungle warfare units such as Merrill's Marauders and the Mars Task Force. He also air dropped O.S.S. agents behind enemy lines into China. For his service in World War II, he was awarded four Distinguished Flying Crosses, the Air Medal with four oak-leaf clusters, three battle stars, and the China War Memorial Medal (by the Republic of China). He then served his country in the Air Force Reserves and retired as a major, after twenty years of service. He was also awarded the Meritorious Service Medal.

After the war, he continued his college career at Oklahoma State, until an illness in the family brought him home to Harrison, Arkansas to assume control of the family lumber business. He married Virginia Ann Sharp in 1948, and they had one son, John Arthur.

By profession, Hammerschmidt was a lumberman, builder, and building supplies salesman for 20 years before he sought public office. He served as president of both the Arkansas Lumber Dealers Association and the four-state Southwestern Lumbermen's Association. He was active in the community, serving on the Harrison City Council for eight years and as president of the Harrison Rotary Club. He was also active behind the scenes in the Arkansas Republican Party.

By 1966, he was the chairman of the party and the party needed a candidate to oppose a 22-year Democratic incumbent in the Third Congressional District. He won the 1966 campaign with 53 percent of the vote, becoming the first Arkansas Republican sent to Washington since Reconstruction. Hammerschmidt served in the U.S. Congress for 26 years, during the administrations of six presidents, including George H.W. Bush with whom he created a close friendship. He became particularly well known for his attention to individual constituent service and communication; his high voting and attendance records at Congressional sessions; and his legislative expertise in highway, airway and water infrastructure and in veterans' matters. His dedication to veterans' needs and issues made him a respected and beloved member of their ranks.

Among his many accomplishments in public office, he was the author and initiating sponsor of the public law preserving the Buffalo River as a free-flowing stream, adding it to the Na-

tional Park System in 1972. He was also the original sponsor of congressional authorization for a national Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C.

After retiring from Congress, Hammerschmidt continued to be involved in public service in Arkansas, maintaining local offices in Harrison to continue helping others in need. He served on the boards of the North Arkansas Medical Foundation and the Area Agency on Aging of Northwest Arkansas. He chaired the Northwest Arkansas Council, the March of Dimes Citizen of the Year Dinner, and the Governor's Citizens Council on Highways and Transportation. He was a lifetime trustee of the University of the Ozarks at Clarksville and a former chairman of the board of trustees at Arkansas State University. The University of Arkansas also awarded him an honorary juris doctorate. He also served on the President's task force to improve health care delivery to our nation's veterans, the Congressional Medal of Honor Commission, and the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority. Hammerschmidt served on the boards of four Arkansas-based corporations: American Freightways, Bear State Financial, Dillard's, and Southwestern Energy Company. He was an ordained elder and deacon in the Presbyterian Church and a lifetime member of his home church. He was a 33rd Degree Mason and was awarded the prestigious Grand Cross of the Court of Honor.

#### H. TOM HARRIS (Tulsa, Gamma Upsilon '36)



H. Tom Harris entered Chapter Eternal on February 19, 2016. During his time at the University of Tulsa, he served Gamma Upsilon Chapter as president, was president of the Men's Club, president of the student promotion council, president of the Interfraternity Council for two years, listed in *Who's Who in American Universities*, and was a delegate at two Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity Conventions.

After graduating with a degree in petroleum engineering, Harris joined the Army Air Corps and was called to active duty the following year. He received his flight training and graduated as a fighter pilot in 1941. He served six years as active duty and six years in the reserves. In 1943, he was sent to England to fly with the Royal Air Force, learning from their expertise in aerial gunnery. He was then sent by the Pentagon to be the fighter gunnery officer for the 3rd Fighter Command School at Pinellas Army Air Field in St. Petersburg, Florida. During his service, he was awarded the Legion of Merit for his leadership in increasing fighter gunner proficiency by 500 percent.

Harris married Jean Stearns in 1944. The couple settled in Tampa where he and his father-in-law opened Harris & Stearns, Inc., a

#### GEORGIA TECH

##### Alpha Delta

Hill, Kendall Wayne '54 06/03/2011  
Smith Jr., John Pleas '41 01/22/2016

#### HAMPDEN-SYDNEY

##### Iota

Gulick III, James Wharton '29 03/17/2012

#### IDAHO

##### Zeta Mu

Pederson Jr., USAF, Clemens John '66  
04/05/2016

#### ILLINOIS

##### Beta Eta

Armstrong, Richard C. '48 05/25/2014  
Gerace Jr., Frank Kenneth '53 05/05/2014  
Oxley, Charles Jay '77 02/29/2016  
Pinderski Jr., Louis Alwin '41 07/31/2014

#### IOWA

##### Gamma Nu

Glattly, Joseph L. '47 07/26/1923  
McConnell, Donald P. '47 09/07/2015

#### IOWA STATE

##### Alpha Phi

Brickley, Vernon Arthur '54 01/28/2016  
Brooker, Kenneth Edward '39 06/20/2015  
Rawson, Donald Wayne '41 04/21/2005  
Swygart, John Ned '48 03/14/2016

#### KANSAS

##### Beta Gamma

Burri, Darrel Eugene '60 11/02/2015  
Hanshaw, Harold Dean '45 07/03/2008  
Hickey Jr., Lawrence '42 02/17/2016

#### KANSAS STATE

##### Alpha Omega

Fredrickson Jr., George A. '48 10/29/2015  
Wood, Leslie Joseph '50 03/11/2016

#### KENTUCKY

##### Omega

Hicks, George Thomas '58 11/02/2008  
McClure, Claude Raymond '51 01/18/2016

#### KETTERING

##### Zeta Alpha A

Grundy, Dean Lawrence '63 11/19/2015

#### LAMAR

##### Epsilon Kappa

Guy, Darryl William '91 02/19/2010

#### LEHIGH

##### Gamma Lambda

Hewitt, George Frank '41 12/06/2014

#### LOUISIANA STATE

##### Alpha Gamma

Smith III, Jodie Reilly '57 03/31/2016

#### LOUISIANA TECH

##### Gamma Psi

Dufreche, Edward Brent '41 09/01/2015  
Hall, Ira John '53 09/02/2013  
Lowe, Cecil Cherry '41 02/25/2013  
McKee Jr., Albert Gordon '44 02/24/2016  
Nelson Jr., William Bernard '53 01/31/2016

#### MARSHALL

##### Delta Iota

Ware, John David '60 12/30/2014  
Woolum, Davis Howard '51 02/18/2014

#### MARYLAND

##### Delta Psi

Lutz Jr., Howland Cullum '54 01/07/2016

#### MASSACHUSETTS

##### Theta Mu

Anderson, Timothy James '82 01/12/2016

**MEMPHIS****Delta Zeta**

Cooper Jr., James Fenimore '62 12/20/2015  
 Crone Jr., George Edward '56 04/15/2016  
 Davis, Joe P. '45 01/17/2016  
 Garland Sr., Lanier Eugene '48 07/22/2015  
 Goodwin, Danny Duane '56 01/27/2015  
 Kuykendall Jr., George Ira '61 03/15/2016

**MIAMI****Gamma Omega**

Ketcham, Jeff Terry '76 01/13/2016  
 Reynolds Sr., Michael Francis '56 03/18/2016

**MIAMI UNIVERSITY****Delta Gamma**

Joyer, Thomas E. '47 10/25/2015  
 Scheurer, Ronald Henry '49

**MILLSAPS****Alpha Iota**

Dowling, Fred Benny '57 06/27/2015  
 Ford, James Richard '64 10/01/2015  
 Paterson Jr., Donald McLean '57 10/22/2015  
 Woodard, Robert Thomas '51 03/12/2016

**MISSISSIPPI****Gamma Iota**

Brock Jr., Benjamin Davis '57 01/17/2016  
 Dickey, James Doye '50 01/14/2016  
 Golden, Eddie Lee '76 03/25/2013  
 Jones, Michael Stratton '09 04/10/2016  
 Kinchen, Kenneth Dale '55 04/18/2012  
 Moore, Charles R. '43 10/23/2015

**MISSISSIPPI STATE****Gamma Theta**

Aufdenberg, Scott C. '88 04/16/2016  
 Colston, Douglas H. '48 08/01/2009  
 Currie, Otis Wayne '60 05/10/2012  
 Curry, Joseph Francis '59

**MISSOURI****Alpha Nu**

Bailey, Vance Taylor '01 01/15/2016  
 Plesko, John Edwin '48 02/23/2016  
 Schliebe, Robert John '53 09/22/2015  
 Shue, Alvah E. '44 09/01/1990

**MISSOURI S&T****Alpha Kappa**

Winter, Lester Henry '57 08/05/2015

**MISSOURI STATE****Zeta Chi**

Walker, Brent Barry '87 01/03/2016

**MONTANA STATE****Gamma Kappa**

Waite, Richard Charles '65 03/07/2016

**MONTEVALLO****Theta Beta**

Folds, Carlton Gene '83 05/10/2008  
 Robertson, Glenn Raborn '93 01/12/2016

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

Drum, Douglas Blake '05 01/27/2016

**NEBRASKA****Gamma Beta**

Quinten, Karl William '67 03/06/2016

**NEBRASKA-KEARNEY****Iota Gamma**

Gustafson, Abraham Michael '89 06/20/2008

**NEBRASKA-OMAHA****Delta Chi**

Ennis, Larry L. '57 06/22/2012  
 Pelowski, John Robert '60 01/04/2009

wholesale upholstery supplier, which is now operated by his two sons. An outstanding Scout Master, Harris' Troup 23 graduated a number of scouts into the Eagle rank. For his leadership he was given the Silver Beaver Award, a council-level distinguished service award of the Boy Scouts of America, presented to adult leaders making an impact on the lives of its youth members through service to the council.

He is survived by his wife, Jean, and his two sons.

**PRESTON J. HUBBARD**

(Austin Peay, Eta Tau '81)



Preston J. Hubbard entered Chapter Eternal on February 17, 2016. He enlisted in the Army in June 1941 and was assigned to the 409th Signal Company in the Philippines. He was ultimately taken prisoner during the battles of

Bataan and Corregidor. He survived the Bataan Death March in the Japanese Hell Ship, which he would later write about in his book, *Apocalypse Undone: My Survival of Japanese Imprisonment during World War II*.

After being discharged, he enrolled at Vanderbilt, earning his B.A., M.A., and Ph.D. He started his 33-year teaching career at Austin Peay in 1955, where he was later initiated into Pi Kappa Alpha.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Ruth Hubbard.

**GLENN MICHAEL LOVE**

(Alabama, Gamma Alpha '79)

Glenn Love entered Chapter Eternal on January 25, 2016. He was a star football player at Butler High School as a member of the class of 1977. He attended the University of Alabama where he studied chemical engineering. Before graduating in 1981, he served as president of the school of engineering and as vice president of Gamma Alpha Chapter. In 2010, he again served the Fraternity as chair of the capital campaign for a new chapter house at Alabama. A chemical engineer specializing in oil and gas, Love spent 33 years working throughout the world for companies such as Halliburton, CE Natco, RUST, BE&K, and Hargrove Engineering. He was a deacon and Sunday school teacher at his church and enjoyed serving on construction mission trips.

Over the past few years, Love became involved with the community garden at True Vine Ministries as he battled ALS. In 2014, he received his master gardener certificate.

He is survived by his wife, Karen, and his three sons, Harrison, Tyler, and Wilson.

**BILLY G. MICHAEL**

(Arkansas, Alpha Zeta '57)



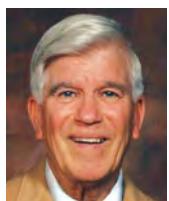
Billy Gene Michael entered Chapter Eternal on March 4, 2016. Michael earned a football scholarship to the University of Arkansas, where he played noseguard and offensive guard for the Razorbacks, and was selected as co-captain

of Frank Broyles' first team during his senior year. Michael was a teammate of Barry Switzer's at Arkansas and later coached with him at Oklahoma. He was a member of Army ROTC, and earned a bachelor of science in education in 1959. Michael served in the Army Reserve as a commissioned officer, first lieutenant infantry, from graduation until 1969, serving on active duty during the Berlin Crisis of 1961. On March 30, 1961, he married Gail Stevenson. Together they would go on to dedicate their lives to the coaching and development of thousands of young men through football programs at Sherman, Texas High School, Amarillo, Texas Caprock High School, Texas Western University/University of Texas at El Paso, the University of Oklahoma, the University of South Carolina, the University of Texas, Purdue University, the University of Southern Mississippi, Oklahoma State University, and the University of North Texas in Denton, Texas. During his three seasons at the University of Oklahoma, the team compiled a 43-6-1 record, including two Sugar Bowl championships. Michael retired to Denton, Texas, with many friends and university associates he cherished deeply.

He is survived by two sisters, a son and daughter, grandchildren, nieces, and nephews.

**W. HAMILTON PARKS II**

(Vanderbilt, Sigma '42)



W. Hamilton Parks II entered Chapter Eternal on January 28, 2016. He attended Vanderbilt and was initiated into Sigma Chapter, before transferring to the University of Tennessee and graduating with a degree in business agriculture. During his time at Tennessee, he served as president of Zeta Chapter. He was a semi-retired businessman, serving as president of Parks Acres Inc., the family farming operations, and he was an elder and clerk of the session of Trimble Cumberland Presbyterian Church. He was a life member of the SCV, Sons of American Revolution, and the Tennessee/Dyer County Retired Teachers Association.

He is survived by his wife of 65 years, Merion Spence; his son, William; and his daughter Virginia. He was preceded in death by his son, R.E. Lee.

**DONALD E. "BUDDY" WRAY**  
(Arkansas, Alpha Zeta '57)



Donald Edward "Buddy" Wray entered Chapter Eternal on January 18, 2016. His education began at Southern Arkansas University where he was a member of the Mul-e-rider football team. He continued his education at the

University of Arkansas where he earned a bachelor of science in animal husbandry in 1959. Wray spent time in the Army, and later returned to Fayetteville to serve in the Army National Guard and began work on a master's degree. Before completing the degree, he was recruited to work for a small poultry company in Springdale, and joined Tyson Foods as a field service representative in 1961. His strong work ethic, coupled with personal accountability, helped Wray work in a wide variety of management positions, propelling him upward in the workplace. He was named chief operating officer in 1992, and was vested with oversight for all Tyson operations, including live poultry production, processing and sales. Within a year, he became president and COO, and retained this position until he retired in 2000. Being unable to completely leave the company he loved, Wray remained as a part time consultant until 2008. When asked in 2008, he returned to full time service with Tyson. He was appointed to serve as executive vice president and special assistant to the president and CEO from 2009 to 2014; making his career span more than 50 years. In addition to his multiple management positions, Wray served as a member of Tyson's board of directors from 1994 until 2003.

Wray was a member of the Robinson Avenue Church of Christ where he served as an elder and deacon. He was also a dedicated servant to the Northwest Arkansas area, especially Springdale. He was a member of the Kiwanis Club of Springdale where he received the Scottish Rite Citizen of the Year in Arkansas. He also shared his love of football by coaching Kiwanis Kid's Day for many years.

His personal battle with heart disease for 40 years inspired his involvement with organizations committed to the prevention and cure of the disease. He was a long time member of the Northwest American Heart Association Board, including the responsibility of serving as the organization's president. Wray's service to his community also included the Jones Trust, where he was a recipient of the Friends of Bernice Award; the Endeavor Foundation; Arvest Bank of Springdale and the Care Foundation. Other boards included the National Chicken Council, the Arkansas Poultry Federation, and the International Foodservice Manufacturers Association.

Wray served on the national advisory board for the American Studies Institute at Harding University, the Dean's Advisory Board for the Sam M. Walton College of Business and College of Agriculture at the University of Arkansas, as well as the Board of Trustees of College of the Ozarks in Missouri.

The University of Arkansas established the Donald "Buddy" Wray Chair in Food Safety in the Dale Bumpers College of Agriculture in 2004. He was inducted into the Arkansas Agriculture Hall of Fame in 2012. He was a Quality of Life honoree by Northwest Arkansas Community College in 2014. Wray was inducted into the Arkansas Business Hall of Fame in 2015, an honor awarded by the Sam M. Walton College of Business at the University of Arkansas.

An avid outdoorsman, Wray enjoyed hunting pheasant, quail, and duck, and relished salmon fishing in Alaska. Saturday mornings were spent on his farm with the cattle or at home pruning his beautiful roses. He was also a huge Razorback fan, following them in every sport. He enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren, and the life he shared with his wife of almost fifty years, Linda Gillmore Wray.

He is survived by his wife, son, two daughters, and eight grandchildren

**NEW HAMPSHIRE**

**Gamma Mu**

Bagley, Russell W. '43 11/04/2014  
Marr Jr., John D. '40 01/17/2016  
Perreault Jr., Paul F. '75 01/07/2016  
Petersen, Rudolph Stanley '58 02/15/2016  
St. John, Joseph Anthony '34 03/28/2014  
Stowell, John F. '40 09/01/2015  
Szpak, Richard Roman '77 02/28/2016

**NEW MEXICO**

**Beta Delta**

McClintock, Ross A. '42 05/01/1985  
Pate Jr., Theodore H. '48 02/25/2016  
Shaski, John Earl '60 05/06/2003  
Zwickly Jr., Everett Edward '44 08/10/2015

**NORTH CAROLINA**

**Tau**

Alexander USMC (Ret), Joseph Hammond '57 09/28/2014

Beaman, Allman Morehead '49 10/18/2013  
Bryan, Charles J. '48 03/07/2015  
Carter Jr., Lester G. '44 02/02/2016  
Cartwright Jr., William Jarvis '42  
Chambers, John L. '48  
Cooper Jr., Lenox Gore '55 10/03/2011  
Copland, Ronald Gheen '63 12/02/2013  
Costner Jr., William Defay '69 07/04/2004  
Cox Jr., Loring D. T. '36 06/19/2012  
Crumpler, Larry Gipson '62  
Davis, Edward K. '53  
De Milly, Preston Waite '44 02/15/2011  
Delancy, James Norman '44  
Delbridge, William Knight '46 07/10/2011  
Eubanks Jr., Thomas Claude '61  
Fisher Jr., Henry Coleman '50 02/27/2013  
Fleming, Edward S. '48  
Foster, Stafford C. '47  
Fraser, George R. '31  
Gee, Robert D. '44 09/21/2011  
Greene Jr., Samuel Royston '47 04/28/2015  
Gunter, Roy Scott '48  
Hall, Robert Cromwell '48 10/08/2015  
Hellwig, Erwin Douglas '64 07/16/2014  
Henson Jr., Grover Curtis '47  
Honeycutt Jr., Earl D. '47  
Jackson, Donald Lee '59 08/15/2000  
Jordan Jr., John Richard '48 03/09/2016  
Lawler, John Joseph '45  
Lytle, Thomas Elmore '43  
Starke, James M. '41 10/01/2001  
Underwood, Kenneth D. '43 11/06/2010

**NORTH CAROLINA STATE**

**Alpha Epsilon**

Merritt, Patrick Dickson '71 01/09/2016  
Shields, Evans Rousseau '41 11/16/2009

**NORTH TEXAS**

**Epsilon Delta**

Judson, Levis Codie '70 04/20/2016

**OHIO**

**Gamma Omicron**

Stillwell, Robert Henry '66 04/19/2015  
Terry, Howard M. '48 09/16/2011

**OHIO STATE**

**Alpha Rho**

James, Jerry Von '52 02/06/2011  
Slack, Maynard Walter '54 07/05/2015

**OKLAHOMA**

**Beta Omicron**

Lenertz, Jack Arthur '58  
McAfee, James Earl '55 10/02/2013  
Moseley, Neal Joseph '41 03/03/2012

**OKLAHOMA STATE**

**Gamma Chi**

Carroll, Raymond Francis '39  
Corser, Gary John '61 05/14/2014  
Hadsall, Jack Roger '64 03/09/2016  
June, Reid Robinson '51 01/19/2016  
Schooler, James K. '49 05/13/2015

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| Barnes, James Harold '68 07/03/2015<br>Newhall, John Percy '64 04/16/2014<br>Still, Robert Alistair '41 05/15/2012  | Fentress, Marc Louis '66 01/23/2016<br>Frye, John Andrew '84 12/27/2015   | Gill, Derek Zane '92 02/24/2016<br>Thomas, Victor Farrell '53 02/27/2016   |
| <b>PENNSYLVANIA</b>   | <b>SOUTHWESTERN</b>   | <b>UTAH STATE</b>  |
| <b>Beta Pi</b>  | <b>Alpha Omicron</b>  | <b>Gamma Epsilon</b>   |
| Glenn Jr., George P. '47 01/03/2013   | Berthold, James Albert '50 03/16/2016<br>Stevenson Sr., Phillip Marion '20  | Thornock, O. Wayne '47 02/05/2016<br>Wight, David Franklin '41 09/21/2009  |
| <b>PENNSYLVANIA STATE</b>   | <b>STETSON</b>  | <b>VANDERBILT</b>  |
| <b>Beta Alpha</b>   | <b>Delta Upsilon</b>  | <b>Sigma</b>   |
| Boron, Robert Joseph '45 08/29/2014<br>Lisanti, Anthony Frank '53 11/14/2015<br>Simmermacher, Richard Allen '58 09/10/2015  | Christman, Melvin Christopher '56 01/21/2014<br>Shipman, Jack H. '56 10/14/2015   | Luton Jr., Horace D. '41 08/02/2015<br>McMurtry, Scott R. '75 02/27/2016   |
| <b>PITTSBURG STATE</b>  | <b>SYRACUSE</b>   | <b>VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH</b>   |
| <b>Epsilon Chi</b>  | <b>Alpha Chi</b>  | <b>Lambda Chi</b>  |
| Smith, Roger Dean '67 07/30/2009  | Maloney, Keith Floyd '58 07/29/2015<br>Pellissier, Dickinson Hollis '53 12/18/2013<br>Thurlow, Alan Palmer French '48 01/27/2016  | Price, Zaxary Meyer '11 02/12/2016   |
| <b>PITTSBURGH</b>   | <b>TENNESSEE</b>  | <b>VIRGINIA TECH</b>   |
| <b>Gamma Sigma</b>  | <b>Zeta</b>   | <b>Epsilon</b>   |
| Britt, Paul Ewing '41 06/14/2009<br>Runk Jr., Renwick John '41 02/12/2012   | Barnhart, Philip William '43 03/31/2016<br>Clark Jr., Charles Barton '47 07/24/2008<br>Harris, Melvin Fletcher '60<br>McSween, William Noble '54 10/05/2016<br>Newberry Jr., Thomas Warren '57 01/08/2013<br>Thomas, John Henry '54 02/01/2016<br>White, Robert B. '48 09/30/2015<br>Zerfing, Richard George '71 12/07/2013<br>Zirkle, Charles Creighton '98 03/24/2016 | Callis, James Albert '71 07/18/2009  |
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| Jennings, Charles Eden '47 09/15/2011   | Tenison, Jake '11 03/17/2016  | Adams, James Carroll '54 01/22/2016<br>Britt, Joe Freeman '53 04/06/2016<br>Bryan, Finley Smith '45 12/28/2015   |
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| Eder, James H. '48 08/27/2015   | Aufrecht, William R. '46 01/22/2016<br>De Los Santos Jr., Adrian '03 02/18/2016<br>Duderstadt, Douglas Worth '55 01/02/2016<br>Freeman, Robert Thomas '42 10/10/2015<br>Henderson, Boyd Lewis '55 12/23/2015<br>Lawless, J. Earle '47 02/27/2013<br>Primer, Charles Austin '53 09/30/2014<br>Wise Jr., Earl G. '47 06/02/2012   | Weston, Norman William '49 12/23/2009  |
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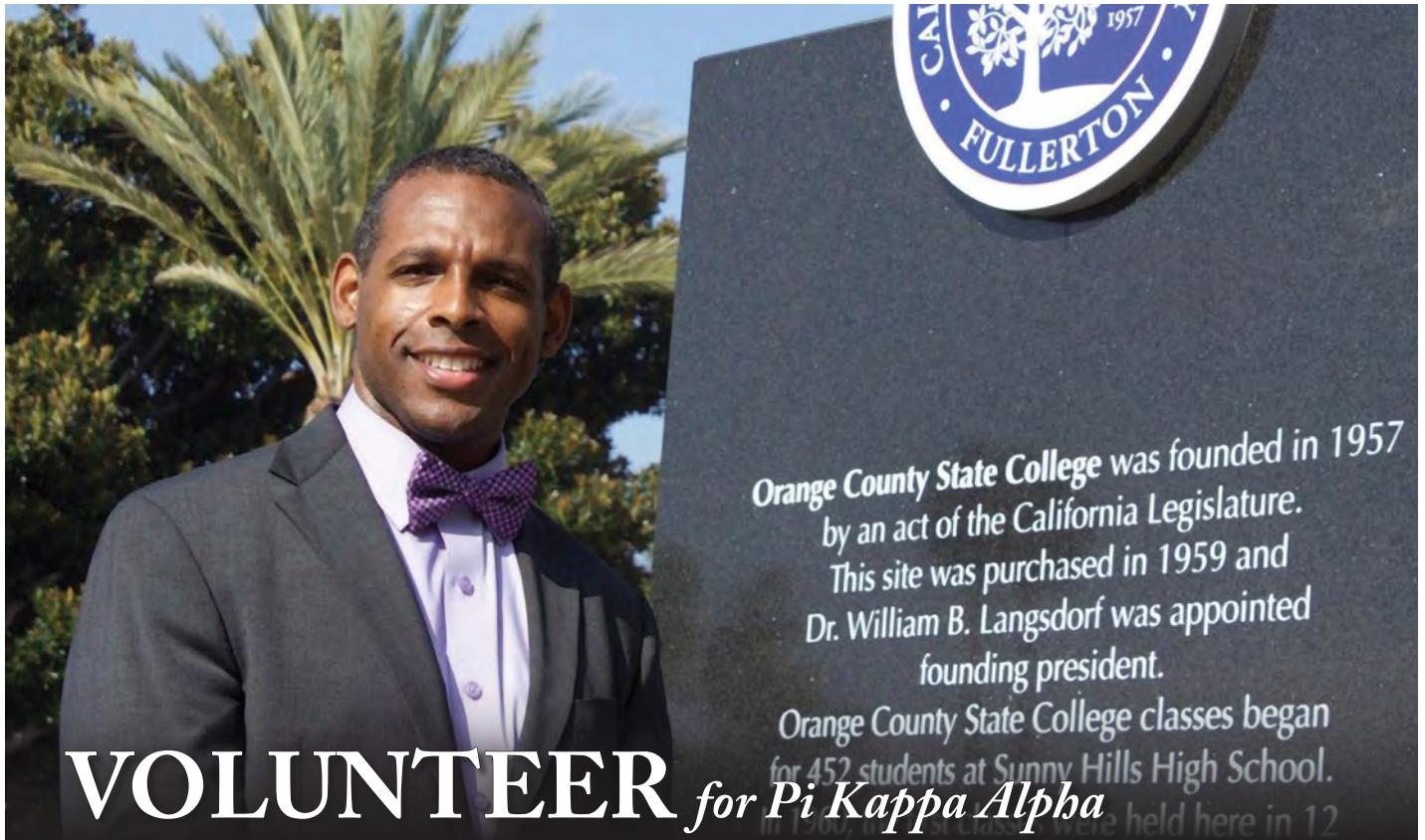
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*"Pi Kappa Alpha invested in me and now, as a volunteer, I have the opportunity to invest in the next generation of leaders."*

When I was young, my family moved around a lot. Although it is hard to believe, I attended five different schools during my freshman year of high school. This was a challenge, and I entered college seeking stability. During my first semester at Pomona, I asked God to help me, and told myself that if he did, I'd spend the rest of my life helping others. I wished there were someone to help me navigate the woods of life.

The opportunity to join Pi Kappa Alpha helped me to meet new people and create long term relationships. The lessons I learned through my PIKE experience are not the lessons that you can find in a book. Chapter leadership and alumni provided guidance by helping me develop interpersonal skills and emphasizing the importance of making a positive impact on our campus community. Pi Kappa Alpha invested in me and now, as a volunteer, I have the opportunity to invest in the next generation of leaders.

I consider myself fortunate to have transitioned into the chapter advisor role at a Smythe-winning chapter. The advisors who served before me helped the chapter establish sound operational practices that continue today. This has allowed me to be more of a coach, focusing on the intangibles. Beyond chapter operations, my team focuses on personal development skills.

The biggest challenge that the chapter and I have faced is maintaining our advisory board. Mu Epsilon Chapter was established in May 2013, so the alumni base is extremely small. We've struggled to find volunteers. Our game plan consisted of a three-prong approach. First, I contacted my chapter brothers at Pomona to volunteer, as our chapter is currently silent. I told them this would give us a chance to engage our alumni base so when it's time to recharter, we don't repeat previous mistakes.

Second, I contacted my regional president and we reached out to local alumni in Orange County. With the undergraduate chapter open to feedback from alumni advisors, others have been willing to get involved.

Finally, as we continue to graduate Mu Epsilon alumni, we ask the top graduates to immediately volunteer. We have found a high level of success with this approach.

Pi Kappa Alpha is a great organization that continues to positively impact today's college student. If you're looking to volunteer, here is my advice. To find the right opportunity, seek out an area alumni association, they can connect you. If you want to see what PIKE is like today, attend a local PIKE University event. You'll be able to acquire the necessary tools and skills to be an effective volunteer. Lastly, jump in! I promise you won't regret it.



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