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### HOW DO MEN OF HIGH CHARACTER AND INTEGRITY RESPOND TO A DEBUNKED ROLLING STONE ARTICLE?



Brothers,

In a November 19<sup>th</sup> article published online for (and later featured in the December 4<sup>th</sup> issue of) Rolling Stone, our chapter at Virginia Alpha (University of Virginia) was targeted as having been the home of a gang rape in the fall of 2012, as part of an initiation ritual. The article was based solely on the account of the victim, "Jackie," and set off massive protests, media coverage and, ultimately, the suspension of all Greek activity, including our chapter. Our Virginia house was vandalized and the reputations of dozens of undergraduate members, not to mention alumni, were questioned.

In the firestorm that followed, several media outlets, including credible journalism from The Washington Post, discovered several inconsistencies with the story. In conducting our own investigation, we also discovered several key fact-based inaccuracies, including no evidence of any social event the night in question or any connection to the so-called 'brother' who was the orchestrator of the attack (our complete, initial statement can be found on our website). Our brothers were wrongfully accused.

The lack of journalism here was offensive. It has triggered a wave of emotions throughout our Fraternity and a greater conversation about journalistic integrity across the country. While we all have our opinions and feelings, perhaps a Virginia Alpha member summed it up

best. Joe Green Virginia '91, in writing a larger op-ed to the Falls Church News Press last December said:

"Journalists" and others need to reflect on their behavior in this affair as well. This commentary concerns the irresponsible assertion of facts, never substantiated and since refuted, intended to malign a particular group of people that a segment of the media apparently hold in disdain.

Aside from the potential negative blowback on an issue (sexual assault) that deserves attention, there is the element here of people condemning those they disagree with or culturally dislike, largely based on stereotypes and incomplete facts that even a modest amount of journalistic integrity would have unearthed.

The depiction of the University and my Fraternity in Rolling Stone was a transparent hatchet job, riddled with superficial clichés that exposed more about the biases of the author and editors than it did to promote the cause of awareness about sexual assault. Describing the students as "tanned and overwhelmingly blond" is a simple, if innocuous, give away that the author simply could not be credible... Similarly, my Fraternity does not have a "reputation of tremendous wealth," nor do the brothers predominantly come from elite and privileged backgrounds as depicted in the article.

In the over two decades that I have been associated with Phi Psi, I have been most proud that my brothers come from all across the country, a variety of economic and ethnic backgrounds, and public and private schooling, and, most of all, reflect a cross-section of what most objective people would consider "good, regular guys."

While a segment of the University student population may reflect the negative stereotypes put forth by Rolling Stone, the fact is that the vast majority of students – both in and out of the Greek system – are intelligent and thoughtful people. The Rolling Stone article and the horde of undisciplined media that piled on afterwards, did a great disservice to these honorable men and women.

Thank you Brother Green for voicing our heart, soul and mind.

Many of our alumni are frustrated and upset. Many want the Fraternity to seek legal action against any number of parties. Others worry about the long-term impact this story has on our organization and the Greek movement. We have great leadership in place and I am careful to make sure we do not compromise a young man's current education or future right to any due process by irrationally seeking revenge. This is indeed where we have to be of our highest character and integrity and lead. We will never win the media battle. We have young men to educate and mentor, and that is where our hearts will grow and our brotherhood thrives.

At the publishing of this issue, we are still awaiting the completion of the police investigation at the University of Virginia. The University of Virginia is in close contact with the police and has now lifted all bans on fraternities subject to new rules. Phi Kappa Psi has also lifted its temporary suspension on the chapter and soon the local chapter will ask for reinstatement with UVA. As a full resolution to this situation becomes available, we will share that with you via our website, monthly conference calls and other mediums.

Know this: We are a Fraternity of honorable, courteous and cultured men. We take our responsibility of educating a new generation of members very seriously. Even before these false allegations arose, our Executive Council and Headquarters Staff had implemented a number of programs aimed at assuring that Phi Psi men will be the most responsible and aware group on all of our 100+ campuses. I've asked our professionals leading much of that education to share a bit in this Shield.

Brothers, what we learn from this will define us more than the stereotypes we are trying to overcome. Getting involved with our young men and programs is essential to advancing our mission of producing great men. As you flip through the pages of this issue, you will not only see our plans for excellence moving forward, but shining examples of the great work we have done, and will continue to do moving forward.

Lastly, be proud of your Phi Psi heritage. The best way to fight the stereotype is to contradict it with character. Share your Phi Psi story and what your Fraternity did to make you a better man. Attend Founders Day and unite with other brothers to get involved in our great organization. Together, we regain the respect of our peers, our community and, ultimately, our naysayers.

Fraternally,

Sett Melle

Scott Noble Texas '81 SWGP

#### PHI KAPPA PSI PREVENTION EDUCATION STRATEGY By Sarah Benefield, Phi Kappa Psi's Director of Health and Wellness

Phi Kappa Psi believes in using a comprehensive approach to risk management—providing clear expectations and policies, but also providing education surrounding the challenges facing our undergraduate members. The educational components are housed in the "ELEVATE" initiative. Combining online and on-site education, training and mature adult guidance, ELEVATE provides resources and decision-making frameworks to encourage students to make healthy choices and better understand the consequences of their choices.

The Fraternity's active approach towards prevention education can be seen in its longstanding partnership with EverFi, Inc. to provide GreekLifeEdu—an online, interactive program focused on alcohol use/abuse, hazing and sexual assault that encourages students to make safer and healthier decisions.

This prevention program educates students about behaviors that compromise personal safety, while challenging preconceived social norms. Customized to each student, the course provides an experience that impacts both individual behavior and chapter culture, through the use of proven science-based content, as well as surveys, knowledge tests, and interactive exercises.

Phi Kappa Psi requires all undergraduate members to complete the GreekLifeEdu modules with a passing score.

In 2014, Phi Kappa Psi and the ELEVATE initiative launched "Ladder of Risk," the first of what will be a menu of on-site training workshops for undergraduate members. The Ladder of Risk Program is focused on education and conversation about

#### A WORD FROM MOM NONNIE

Nonnie Owens has been speaking on etiquette and 'What Women Really Want' for Phi Kappa Psi for nearly 20 years.

It has been amazing that the undergraduates have had a genuine interest in etiquette and manners, and have been most respectful to me throughout the years! With suggestions, many chapters across the country have implemented relevant programs to educate their members, such as "GIRLS 101," "Manly Mondays," "Etiquette dinners with another sorority," and "Dress for Success." This to me is the **ownership** they have taken for education and professional development. Each chapter has been given educational materials that I have developed over the years, including a DVD, book, handouts, and website (momnonnie.com). The DVD is being implemented on a national level for a module available to all undergraduates. At least once a week, I receive a question from a Phi Psi undergraduate in regard to a relationship, an interview, or an upcoming social event. Occasionally, I do chapter visits.

My personal relationship with the entire Fraternity has been amazing. I have never felt such a part of a family where they are genuinely interested in the Fraternity's goals. Their time, money and efforts have been so very admirable. On a personal note, the recent nefarious story out of Charlottesville, Virginia has saddened me greatly. All I can rely on is knowing that the leadership of the Fraternity will make good from a tough and challenging situation. I am willing to help in any way to get across the best information possible to make these young men the best future business/social/community leaders, husbands and fathers in this country! the National Risk Management Policy and Fraternity risk management resources, delivered by a dynamic facilitator. This program is required for every chapter in the 2014-15 school year.

Through this two-and-a-half hour program, the goal is for every member to learn how to host safer chapter events, in addition to ways to reduce their risks as a chapter through scenarios, crisis management planning and the introduction of the "Social Event Planning Guide."

In addition to the on-site personal training at chapters, Phi Kappa Psi has enhanced its online education to enhance awareness of campus issues. One of the first modules to roll out was a gender violence prevention video from TED-talk speaker Dr. Jackson Katz. One hundred percent of active undergraduate members viewed the video during a three-week period.

Our work is never done and we are currently creating an online certification program to address awareness and prevention in gender violence, alcohol/substance abuse, hazing and other issues facing undergraduate members today.

The ELEVATE program will build on the strong prevention education that Phi Kappa Psi already offered and we have partnered with industry leaders to provide customized resources for our members. These partners include Dr. Lori Hart, a nationally renowned alcohol prevention specialist, the aforementioned Katz, and "Mom Nonnie" Owens, etiquette expert and national speaker. Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity is governed by elected and appointed officers who serve as volunteers. The Fraternity's daily affairs are administered by its professional staff. The Phi Kappa Psi Foundation, The Permanent Fund of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity and The Canonsburg Corporation are each administered by a board of volunteer trustees.

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**Alumni:** Alumni are strongly encouraged to submit news and stories to *The Shield*. Tell us about events or your accomplishments. If you have news about an individual alumnus, mail information to the address above care of *The Shield*.

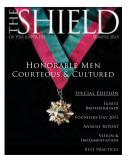
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## "NO ONE IS USELESS IN THIS WORLD Who lightens the burdens of another."

#### - CHARLES DICKENS

Publicity and Fraternity are two uncomfortable words. Unfortunately, the first word is normally a negative reflection of the second. The Internet has a way of bringing the select instances of bad to a wider audience than any of the many representations of good. So, when the mainstream media latches on to a worthy Phi Kappa Psi story, we can only sit back and smile.

Our colony at the University of Alabama – Huntsville has taken community service to a new level. Colony President Taylor Reed was visiting a local Sonic when a chance encounter with a homeless man sparked his interest to make a difference. Inspired to provide a better future for the community's un-housed, Reed organized the colony to start its own charitable arm.

Foundations for Tomorrow is "a community initiative that builds tiny homes for the homeless. These homes, most of which are all less than 500 square-feet, are given to Veterans and our other brothers and sisters who are currently un-housed. Thirty of these homes can sit on one acre of land and will be built together to form a community where the homeless will live, eat, work, and share life together."



The colony has set an initial fundraising goal of \$10,000 to see the project through. Given the attention the story has gotten, that goal is more and more attainable. Media outlets at both the local and national level have told the story, praising a young group still establishing roots on campus. Some of those outlets even included sites normally dedicated to sharing the negative stereotypes of fraternal life.

To learn more and help: www.crowdrise.com/ tinyhomesforhomeless

Our colony brothers in Huntsville aren't the only ones building housing for people in need...

#### BROTHER'S UNDERGRADUATE SERVICE INSPIRES A Similar Alumni Venture

In the late 1990's and early 2000's, the men of Indiana Zeta at Butler University were connected, in service, with an organization in Indianapolis called Hope Lodge. A subsidiary of the American Cancer Society, the Lodge provided housing for families whose members were undergoing cancer treatment at a hospital on the city's north side.

Indiana Zeta members would help organize social events, group meals and help create an environment of emotional healing. It was a natural fit for both, with the lodge needing as many volunteers as possible to create a home-like environment, and a Fraternity chapter with plenty of energy. Sadly, Hope Lodge could not keep its doors open and closed a few years back. But, the seed of that idea was planted in one Indiana Zeta member.

Scott Jacobson *Butler* '97 was one of those volunteers as an undergraduate. Today, he and his wife, Denise, still live in Indianapolis and have worked to start their own organization dedicated to the same values learned from that college experience.

"When Denise's best friend, Tiffany, was diagnosed with breast cancer in early 2012 at age 31, both of our families' lives were turned upside down," Jacobson said. "Denise accompanied Tiffany to most of her appointments and treatments, getting to see the struggle she and her family went through in these challenging times."

Inspired and educated by that cancer battle of a friend, she volunteered at the Ronald McDonald House, which provides short-term housing for kids who are patients at Riley Children's Hospital, and their parents.

"While there, someone casually mentioned that they often get calls from adults who are patients, asking if they or their family can stay at the RMH, and they have to be turned down," Scott remembers. "Denise and I discussed this casual remark, and it hit us that this could be the idea we'd been thinking and praying about: we could start small and purchase a house downtown, near the IU Health campus, and essentially create a "grown-up" version of the RMH, which is exactly what the Hope Lodge had been when we were at Butler."

From that, the SON Foundation was born: Serving Others' Needs by providing Christian housing to cancer patients and their loved ones.

In August of 2014, the SON Foundation house opened just minutes from the IU Simon Cancer Center in downtown Indianapolis. It contains six private guestrooms, four shared bathrooms, a fully equipped kitchen, eating space, prayer room, community room with comfortable furnishings and a business center with computers and Internet service.

The house provides "a home away from home" where patients, caregivers and/or families can eat, sleep and take care of even the most mundane daily tasks such as laundry. The SON Foundation House also provides emotional and spiritual support to families. Guests also have the opportunity to form new relationships and gain support from other guests. There is a requested donation of \$15 per night at the SON Foundation House; however, guests unable to pay the full amount will not be turned away.

Just in its infancy, the house is still a work in progress. Rooms have been opened a floor at a time, and guests are arranged through a social worker at the hospital. Recently, a live-in resident assistant was selected. Fundraising continues to be a big part of the early process in establishing something special and lasting, and coordinating volunteers to serve in a variety of positions is also a priority. The long-term goals are to expand and bring similar houses to hospitals all over Indianapolis, and possibly beyond.

"The Son Foundation has been an incredible journey so far, and we have been incredibly blessed to have dozens of wonderful people donate their time and financial resources to help get the doors open and start offering this 'home away from home' for our out-of-town guests," Jacobson says. "The feedback we've received so far from the guests who have stayed at the house has been very positive and encouraging, so we know that this is what we're supposed to be doing at this time! We look forward to serving more guests as we're able to get the second floor renovated and opened up!"

In the end, it is a pursuit of passion for the Jacobsons. Denise left her job as an elementary

school teacher to lead the SON Foundation as an Executive Director. Scott sits on the board as the treasurer. It is truly a fullcircle service experience.

To learn more, give to a great cause or get involved, please visit www. sonfoundationindy.org







## WHERE WE ARE NOW-The State of The Fraternity

By Shawn M. Collinsworth Indiana State '91

#### AVERAGE CHAPTER SIZE

An "average" chapter in Phi Kappa Psi had approximately 59 members during the 2013-2014 academic school year. Though many chapters and campuses are different, this number is used as a benchmark for many of our chapters. The Fraternity asks that our chapters be above the average chapter size on their respective campus.

A survey conducted by the Fraternity Executives Association reported that the average chapter size for all men's fraternities was 44 in the 2013-2014 school year.

From February 19, 1852, through May 31, 2014, the names of 124,199 men have been recorded on the Grand Membership Rolls.

#### CHAPTER SERVICES

The Fraternity recently changed its consultant program during the past academic year. For several decades, the consultant program consisted of three-to-five freshly graduated men who would hit the road at the beginning of each academic year and visit a chapter for a three-day span. These "road warriors" would serve in this position for a year or possibly two, and then continue on with their professional aspirations. In an attempt to create more continuity and consistency in the program, the Fraternity now employs three Associate Director of Chapter Services, each of which will be responsible to representing two of the Fraternity's districts.

The Associate Directors positions are meant for an older alumnus, who plans on working for the Fraternity for multiple years. In this model, each chapter will have an opportunity to create a working relationship with their Associate Director, who

'07 – '08	4,442
'08 <mark>–</mark> '09	4,719
'09 – '10	4,754
'10 <b>–</b> '11	5,003
'11 – '12	5,113
'12 – '13	5,453
'13 – '14	5,988
'14 – '15	6,378

will continue to assist chapters in leadership and scholarship programming, chapter management evaluations, officer training, risk management presentations, recruitment workshops and general troubleshooting.

Every chapter was visited at least once, with most groups receiving multiple visits.

#### **ALUMNI PROGRAMS**

The Fraternity currently has a total of 50 active alumni associations across the country.

February 19, 2015, will mark the 163<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity. Please plan on attending one in your area to celebrate "our strong band." See page 16 in this issue of *The Shield* to find the closest Founders Day celebration.

Providing resources, programming and best practices to house corporation board members, chapter advisors and alumni

association officers remains a priority of the Fraternity. Some of the best chapters in the country are a direct result of active dedicated alumni who work with the chapter leadership on a regular basis. The Fraternity is always looking for more volunteers to help in chapter advisor committees or housing corporations.

If you have any questions regarding alumni services or ways to get involved in an area alumni association or chapter, please contact Director of Alumni Services, Tony Vukusich at TEV@ PhiKappaPsi.com.

#### **EXPANSION**

Expansion continues to be a top priority in Phi Kappa Psi. Not only the growth of our already established chapters, but also creating new chapters at campuses across the country. Since last year's annual report, the Fraternity has added the University of Delaware to its chartered chapter ranks. There are currently six colonies that are working hard to become chartered chapters of Phi Kappa Psi. These colonies included: Akron, Alabama-Huntsville, Gettysburg, Louisiana Lafayette, Rhode Island and UCLA.

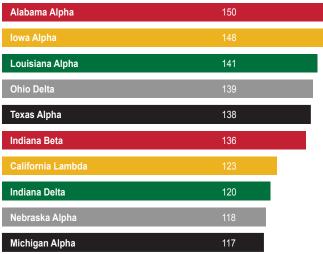
The Fraternity had to close West Virginia Alpha at the University of West Virginia and Missouri Alpha at the University of Missouri during the report year.

#### LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

The Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity continues to offer members a wide variety of leadership programming. These programs include: The Presidents Leadership Academy (PLA), Recruitment Boot Camp (RBC), Greek Life EDU, Woodrow Wilson Leadership School and the Leadership Experience.

The PLA is in its 20th year. The 2014 PLA hosted a chapter representative from every chapter and colony. The 2015 PLA will be held on February 6-8, at the Wyndam Airport in Indianapolis, Indiana. In its eight year of existence, this year's RBC will be held in conjunction with the 2015 PLA.





\*\*Taken from Oct. 2014 Semi Annual Report

Phi Kappa Psi also partners with the North-American Interfraternity Conference (NIC) with its leadership programs. A total of 10 scholarships are given to members to attend the Undergraduate Interfraternity Institute and the Futures Quest respectively. Both NIC programs bring Greek leaders from around the country and in different organizations to learn valuable leadership and chapter management skills.

#### Insurance and Risk Management

Since 1997, Phi Kappa Psi has been a member of FRMT, Ltd., a United States-based mutual reinsurance company.

The cost for liability insurance during the report year was \$150 per man. For the 2013-2014 academic year, we are pleased to report that all indications are that the rate will remain around \$150 per man even during some challenging insurance times. FRMT continues to be the best option for Phi Kappa Psi. Non-FRMT group rates are significantly higher than ours and those groups are unable to get into FRMT due to their loss record.

Phi Kappa Psi has instituted a variable rating schedule for chapters. Chapters with a risk management violation during an academic year will pay a higher premium than those chapters who do not have a violation. Furthermore, chapters may earn an extra discount if they have a history of no losses during a tracking period and complete risk management educational programming found in the back of the risk management guide. If you are interested in lowering your insurance premium, please contact Chad Stegemiller or Mark Lipka at Fraternity Headquarters.

Phi Kappa Psi paid over \$800,000 in insurance premiums for both property and liability coverage during the report year. The Fraternity's coverage included a \$40 million property coverage policy for chapter houses, and liability coverage of \$6 million.

Phi Kappa Psi is also a member of FIPG, Inc., a risk management association made up of more than 45 men and women's fraternities. Phi Psi has adopted the FIPG, Inc., risk management policy as its minimum risk management standard.

#### **EXECUTIVE COUNCIL**

The Executive Council is the supreme governing body of the Fraternity between Grand Arch Councils. This 10-member board of directors is the policy-making arm of the Fraternity. Serving on the Executive Board during the report year were: President James L. Miller *Ohio State '85*; Vice President A. Scott Noble *Texas '81*; Treasurer James D. Boyle *Washington '88*; Secretary Shannon E. Price *Alabama '88*.

Other members of the Executive Council include six District Archons elected at the District Council meeting. The Archons serving during the report year include: District I – Matthew C. Bratsch *Rowan '11*; District II – Kenny S. Roberts *W&J '12*; District III – Brian T. Kochheiser *Bowling Green '12*; District IV – Nathan D. Markiewitz *Vanderbilt '12*; District V – Jeff D. Scott *Oklahoma '11* and District VI – Bryce W. Hobbs *Washington'11*.

A new Executive Board was elected during this past summer's 77<sup>th</sup> Grand Arch Council, held at the Arizona Biltmore Resort in Phoenix, Arizona. The new Executive Board consists of: President A. Scott Noble *Texas'81*; Vice President James D. Boyle *Washington '88*; Treasurer Shannon E. Price *Alabama '88* and Secretary Thomas C. Pennington *Texas '80*.

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Shawn M. Collinsworth *Indiana State '91* just completed his 13<sup>th</sup> year as Executive Director and editor of *The Shield*, and has been on staff since 1998. Along with Collinsworth, serving on the management team during the report year were: Assistant Executive Director Chad M. Stegemiller *Butler '98*; Director of Standards Mark J. Lipka *Lycoming '04*; Director of Leadership Development Nicholas A. Estrada *IUPUI '08*; Director of Housing Kevin J. Marks *Valparaiso '92*; Director of Alumni Services Tony E. Vukusich *Indiana State '06*, Director of Expansion James J. Perez *Oneonta '07*; Director of Digital Marketing Jordan E. Gill; Archivist Timothy N. Tangen *Minn. -Duluth '03*. The support staff included: Pamela L. Graves, Bookkeeper; Ashley Stall, Membership Coordinator and Paige Johnson, Administrative Assistant.

Associate Directors of Chapter Services include:Matthew J. Goldsmith *Ashland '09*; Christopher G. Hodge *Minnesota '06*; Michael C. Morin *Loyola '11*. The Fraternity's Expansion Consultants include Adam Dunworth *Ball State '12* and Kameron Willsey *IUPUI '10*.

#### FINANCES

The total assets of the Fraternity are determined by combining the totals of the various funds under the umbrella of Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity, Inc., an Indiana nonprofit corporation. The assets of three funds – the General Fund, the Insurance Fund and the Permanent Fund – make up the vast majority of the Fraternity's net worth. There exist a few smaller funds that have been created for specific purposes.

At the end of the report year, the net assets of the Fraternity were \$7,557,809, compared to \$6,737,150 a year ago, an increase of \$820,659. Total liabilities and net assets were \$7,834,667 for the report year.

Copies of the Fraternity's audited financial statements are available from the Fraternity Headquarters upon written request.

#### PHI KAPPA PSI'S MOST INITIATES BY ACTIVE CHAPTER

3,000 + Initiates Indiana University

#### 2,400 – 2,599 Initiates

The Ohio State University University of Kansas University of Texas

#### 2,200 - 2,399 Initiates

Bucknell University Purdue University University of Illinois University of Southern California West VirginiaUniversity

#### 2,000 - 2,199 Initiates

Cornell University DePauw University Northwestern University Ohio Wesleyan University Syracuse University University of Iowa

#### **1,800 – 1,999 Initiates** Allegheny College University of Nebraska Wittenberg University

1,600 – 1,799 Initiates LafayetteCollege Stanford University University of Michigan University of Mississippi University of Missouri University of Oregon University of Oregon University of Virginia University of Washington Vanderbilt University Washington & Jefferson College Washington & Lee University

#### 1400 – 1599 Initiates

BeloitCollege BrownUniversity CaseWestern ReserveUniversity Creighton University Iowa State University Pennsylvania State University University of Minnesota University of Pennsylvania 1200 – 1399 Initiates Franklin & Marshall College Johns Hopkins University MiamiUniversity University of California, Berkeley University of Colorado University of Oklahoma Valparaiso University Wabash College

#### 1000 - 1199 Initiates

Texas Tech University University of Toledo

#### 800 – 999 Initiates

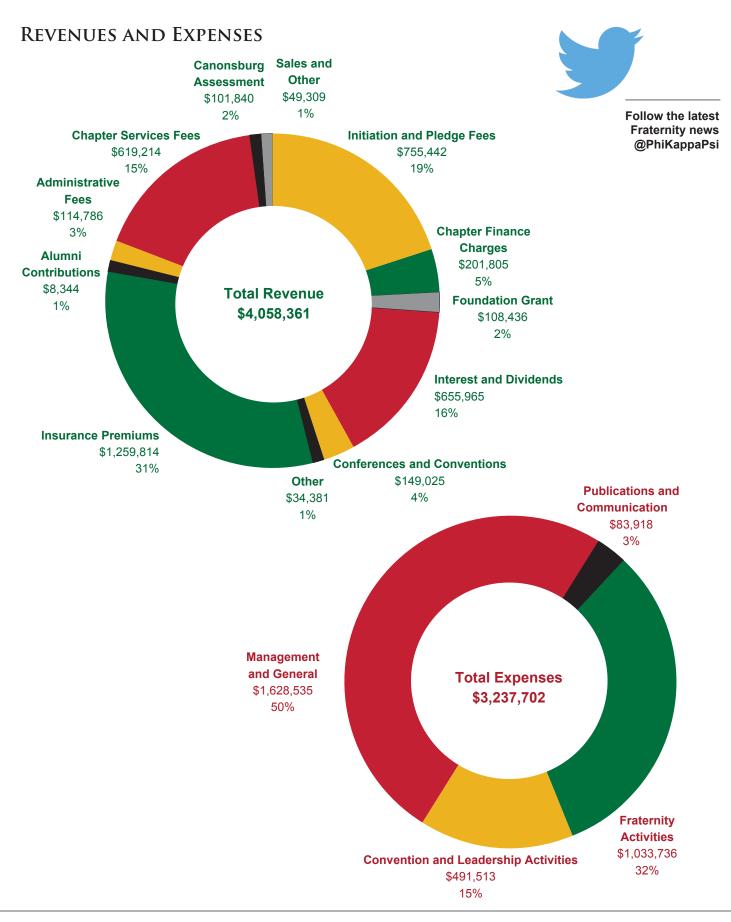
Butler University California Polytechnic State University Oregon State University

#### 600 – 799 Initiates

Ashland University Bowling GreenStateUniversity Florida State University George Washington University Indiana University of Pennsylvania Louisiana State University Michigan State University University of Alabama University of Buffalo University of California, Irvine

#### 400 – 599 Initiates

College of New Jersey Minnesota State University, Mankato Monmouth University San Diego State University Texas State University, San Marcos University of Georgia University of Tennessee





## Where We Are Going – Vision and Implementation

A PATHWAY FOR GREATNESS IN PHI KAPPA PSI

BY A. SCOTT NOBLE *Texas* '81 64<sup>th</sup> SWGP of Phi Kappa Psi

On Wednesday, December 10, 2014, hundreds of Phi Psis around the country dialed into our monthly conference call to hear the vision crafted to take our Fraternity to new heights. The following is our representation, in print, of that presentation.

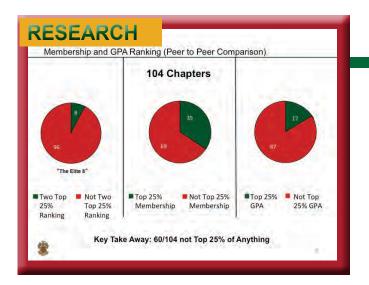
The stakeholders in our success are simple: Undergraduates, Alumni, Headquarters and Foundation Staff and our Hard Assets. To be successful, all of these areas must maximize their value. The plan of attack is as follows: 1) Research

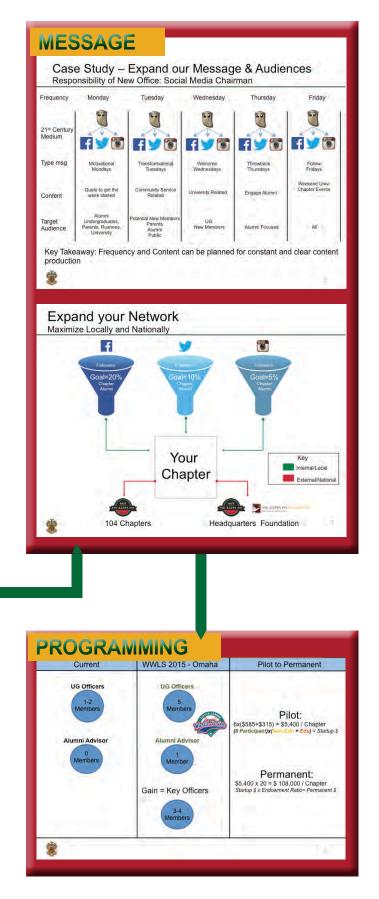
- Rank chapters & measure alumni engagement
- Determine the characteristics of 'bad' and 'great' chapters and associations
- 2) Design a plan to duplicate 'great' for any chapter or association
- 3) Specify personnel and resources needed to implement a path to 'great'

Implementation of this plan will be one-tothree years, moving from a pilot program to a permanent solution.

For the purpose of building more great chapters, our focus will be on three key elements: Alumni, Programming and Recruitment...







#### ALUMNI

The stability of our chapters and organization rests in the hands of our alumni. Establishing weekly involvement with higher standards and accountability is the priority. Currently, there is nothing in place holding our alumni to a uniform set of expectations. That must change.

How do we grow engagement? One step is the growth of alumni involvement at all levels of events. In the last issue (fall 2014) of *The Shield*, we broke down the best practice of hosting a Founders Day event. Please reference that article for more information on how to successfully long-term plan for success. Our "attendance enhancer" benefit still exists for all groups, to help jumpstart involvement through proven, outsourced data scrubbing and event marketing. Contact the National Headquarters to get your group involved.

At national events, expect more affinity-based groups for the Grand Arch Council in New York City in 2016, plus the expectation of commitment by our advisors at this summer's Woodrow Wilson Leadership School.

We will also increase alumni communications at all levels. We've already begun with more transparency nationally through our monthly calls and will continue to distribute more information in a timely manner through webinars, calls, social media and a soon-to-be launched Phi Kappa Psi app.

At the chapter level, the increased emphasis on consistent communication will help increase our audience and expand our network of involvement.

#### PROGRAMMING

This year will see the implementation of two new initiatives when it comes to the education of our members. First off, we are investing significantly in outside educational programming when it comes to our educational priorities in the areas of alcohol, hazing and sexual assault. Our staff can't do it alone.

The creation of the ELEVATE program, the requirement of the "It's a Men's Issue" module on the Phi Psi Experience and the appointment of national-renowned Dr. Lori Hart as our Coordinator of Health and Wellness (working in conjunction with new staff member Sarah Benfield), are just the start for what we are doing to educate our members in all areas of healthy behavior).

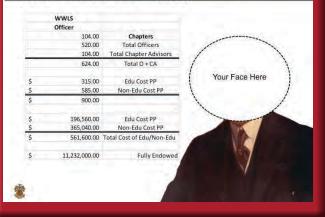
Beyond our duties there, a massive expansion of the Woodrow Wilson Leadership School is in the works for this summer in Omaha. Five officers from each chapter (president, treasurer, pledge educator, risk manager and recruitment chairman), plus the chapter advisor, will be required to be in attendance. Beyond the normal, individual training each brother will receive, the required audience will allow us to manage the expectations of our chapters even more moving forward. It will be the largest leadership school in Fraternity history, combining officer-specific tracks of training with the team-building opportunity for each chapter delegation of six officers.

#### RECRUITMENT

We are growing, and there is nothing stopping that, but the time has come to focus on quality with our quantity. There are two ways we need to focus on recruiting better men to our chapters.

#### PROGRAMMING

WWLS (5 Year Pilot to Permanent) Board Retreat + Annual Business Plan



#### RECRUITMENT

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Staffing

- Culture Must Change
  - Elevated Executive Council Roles & Obligations
  - HQ Staff Implements EC Plan
  - Move from Drafting & Legislating to Implementing Results
  - Move to Deadlines and Meaningful Reports
  - Move from "we don't because" to "let's find a way"
- We are too Understaffed to Provide Sustainable High Quality Service, not a fault of HQ
  - Outsource to Professional in Key Core Areas
     » Risk management (Lori Hart, Jackson Katz)
    - » Communications (Data Mining & Social)
    - » Continunications (Data Minning &
    - » Scholarship Management
    - » Recruitment Assistance

The first is bringing more alumni into the process, giving them a say on the future of their chapter and engaging them with prospective members to identify the best candidates for membership. This stabilizes the annual recruitment process.

The second area of focus is for us to "pledge smart; keep smart." Each chapter needs to adopt a freshman scholarship program. Presently, in our colonies, we've adopted the Tony Horton Scholarship, where 10 scholarships of \$2,500 are given out on campuses where we are expanding. That concept will be expanded to all active chapters, and carries over to the sophomore year of those who accept bids to Phi Kappa Psi.

This program, like other successful freshman scholarship programs, allows alumni and undergraduates to interview a pool (30 or more) of top scholars and students, improving the candidates for membership. We will establish that a minimum of 15 percent of every class be scholarship based, improving the culture and preventing character drift in the chapter.

All of this can't be done without a culture change throughout the organization. That starts at the top, where our Executive Council and officers must assume greater roles and obligations. Our National Headquarters Staff must implement this plan and we will all move away from the days of drafting and into a future of deadlines and meaningful reports. Let's find a way!



# 2015 PHI PSI GOLF WEEKEND



May 15-17, 2015 Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail (Montgomery, AL) \$600 per person\*, includes five (5) rounds of golf, a Phi Psi Reception and prizes \*Airfare, ground transportation and hotel not included (group rate available at the Marriott - Capital Hill)

Phi Kappa Psi is excited to invite its golfing alumni and undergraduates, and their spouses, family and friends, to enjoy an exciting and fun weekend playing golf on the famed Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail in Alabama!

To learn more or book your spot at the 2015 Phi Psi Golf Weekend, please email info@phikappapsi.com with 2015 Phi Psi Golf Weekend as your subject line.

GIVE BACK

ATTEND

2015

FOUNDERS DAY

## **GET INVOLVED**

## IGNITE Brotherhood

## IT IS TIME FOR OUR MEMBERS TO STEP UP AND BE ENGAGED! The natural first step is to attend your nearest Founders Day event. With over 50 to choose from, there is no excuse.

As we previously broke down the growth of our organization on the chapter side of things, our alumni growth must exceeed that pace. Our undergraduate growth continues at a meteoric, almost exponential, rate. In the last eight years, we have grown nearly 44 percent in our undergraduate population. Forty-four percent!

We are seeing similar growth in our volunteer ranks as well, with our involvement doubling over the same time period from just over 700 volunteers in 2007 to nearly 1,500 this year. It is vital that we keep pace with the size of our chapters.

Our current ratio of undergraduates to chapter volunteers (excluding alumni association officers) is 5.5:1. Our young men need us more than ever, as recent events have certainly emphasized the positive role we can have in shaping the lives of our newest members.

That's why this Founders Day is **YOUR** opportuity to ignite a stronger passion for Phi Kappa Psi. Our Founding Fathers did more than start an organization of higher ideals. They were fully invested in its success, expansion and betterment. Why should we be any different?

Did Phi Kappa Psi benefit you in some way in your life? Did it help you meet your wife? Did it provide you with friends for life? Did it teach you skills that have been a foundation of your life? Did it help you land a job?

If you can answer 'yes' to any of those questions, realize that none of that experience was possible without a volunteer at some point during your membership. Pay it back and, in turn, pay it forward.

The easiest way to find where you can fit within our growing alumni network is to attend a Founders Day event this winter. It is more than celebrating 163 years worth of service and excellence. It is the ultimate networking experience, when over 10 percent of our living, active population will gather.

The following list includes more than 50 events around the country. They range in size, scope, formality and cost, but are exactly the same in one important way: brotherhood. Rekindle that Phi Psi spirit and ignite your brotherhood again at Founders Day 2015!

University of Akron & Rubber City Alumni Association – February 21, 2015 Time: 5:00 p.m. Location: Hilton Hotel (3180 W Market St, ; Akron, OH 44333)

**Cost to attend:** \$80 per alumnus, \$80 per guest, \$40 per student

**RSVP to:** Tim Lynskey at tskey@maits.com or 216-701-9117 More Info: The University of Akron Colony has deferred to the Rubber City Alumni Association (RCAA) for our Founders Day celebrations since we began recolonization in 2012. Their annual celebration consists of a banquet at a local hotel. However, this year we wanted to honor our founding with something more special and step up by setting the bar high. Our goal rests on the acceptance of our charter. The University of Akron Colony has a vision of combining Founders Day and the chartering ceremony/installment. This idea consisted of a 2-day event on the weekend of February 20-21. February 20th would be a formal banquet hosted at the University of Akron. This would include University officials, advisors, select faculty, representatives for other Greek organizations and will include a full dinner, presentation of colony since its inception & a cappella entertainment. February 21 would be the Founder's Day celebration and chartering ceremony. This would be a formal ceremony with dinner afterwards. Co-planning for this event has already been discussed with the RCAA, in which the RCAA is willing to assist the colony and make the focus of this years celebration on the current colony. Again, all of this is dependent on the approval of our charter. To be on pace, we have already began preliminary planning and have a head start on event location, costs, attendance, and programming for the events. This event is an attempt to get the most participation at a founders day event the RCAA has hosted and the Akron Colony has hosted. In the event that we are unable to host the chartering ceremony on this weekend, we will again join the RCAA Founders Day celebration.

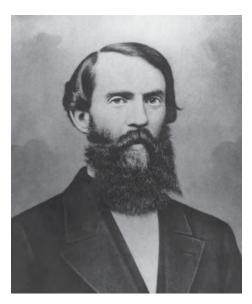
#### Arkansas Alumni Association – February 21, 2015

Time: Noon

Location: Oaklawn Jockey Club (2705 Central Avenue; Hot Springs, Arkansas 71901)

**RSVP to:** Glenn Lockeby at glenn@lockeby.com or 501-690-5401

More Info: "Day At The Races"



#### Birmingham Alumni Association – March 3, 2015 Time: 11:00 a.m.

**Location:** Inverness Country Club (1 Country Club Drive; Birmingham, AL 35242)

**Cost to attend:** \$40 per alumnus, \$40 per guest, \$40 per student **RSVP to:** James Newman at yames296@yahoo.com or 256-762-7430

**More Info:** Celebrate the founding of our Fraternity with brothers in Birmingham. The event will be well represented with brothers from Alabama Alpha, Alabama Beta and the colony at the University of Alabama in Huntsville.

#### Boston Alumni Association – March 7, 2015

Time: 5:00 p.m.

Location: Fenway Park (4 Yawkey Way; Boston, MA 02215) Cost to attend: \$60 per alumnus, \$40 per guest

**RSVP to:** Michael Corcoran at mlcorcoran@gmail.com or 412-334-9405

#### California Beta - February 20, 2015

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: California Beta House (592 Mayfield Ave.; Stanford, CA 94305)

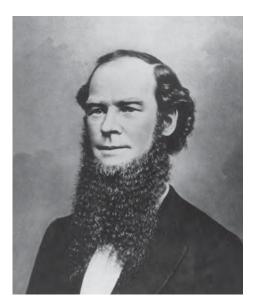
Cost to attend: \$35 per alumnus

**RSVP to:** Nicholas Hsu at nickhsu@gmail.com or 650-862-6731 **More Info:** The objective of this event is to bring together brothers from not only California Beta, but also neighboring chapters in an effort to celebrate the founding of our Noble Fraternity. This is a brothers-only event.

#### California Epsilon – February 21, 2015

Time: Noon

Location: Los Angeles Country Club (10101 Wilshire Boulevard; Los Angeles , CA 90024) Cost to attend: \$85 per alumnus



**RSVP to:** Randall Schnack at randall\_schnack@cacd. uscourts.gov or 213-894-5930

Visit: http://pkpbruins.com

**More Info:** Online Registration to be posted shortly with link from website. This is expected to include alumni only at the printing of this magazine.

#### California Lambda – February 21, 2015

Time: 6:30 p.m.

**Location:** Bristol Hotel (1055 First Ave; San Diego, CA 92101) **RSVP to:** Ben Moraga at benmoraga@gmail.com

Visit: https://www.facebook.com/events/477140022428876/ More Info: Cocktail Hour, Dinner, Awards and Keynote Speaker

#### Central Iowa Alumni Association – February 21, 2015 Time: 5:00 p.m.

Location: Wakonda Club (3915 Fleur Dr.; Des Moines, IA 50321) Cost to attend: \$40 per alumnus, \$40 per guest, \$30 per student

**RSVP to:** Brand Newland at brandnewland@gmail.com **More Info:** Dinner and program begins at 6:00 p.m. Last year, we had over 100 attendees...let's beat that this year!

#### Central Texas Alumni Association and Texas Gamma Founders Day – February 21, 2015

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Embassy Suites - San Marcos (1001 E. McCarty Lane; San Marcos, TX 78666)

**Cost to attend:** \$60 per alumnus, \$60 per guest, \$35 per student **RSVP to:** Troy Jaster at tdjaster@gmail.com or 210-632-3844 **Visit:** www.centexphipsi.com

**More Info:** Cocktail Hour at 6:00; Dinner at 7:00; Keynote speaker, awards, ceremony at 8:00. All Phi Psi members and guests are welcome! Please register online.

## Central Virginia Alumni Association – February 15, 2015

Time: 5:30 p.m.

**Location:** Capital Ale House - Downtown (623 East Main St.; Richmond, Virginia 23219)

**Cost to attend:** \$25 per alumnus, \$15 per guest, \$15 per student

**RSVP to:** Joseph Stemmle at cvaaphipsi@gmail.com or 804-304-4807

**More Info:** Reception, outstanding CVAA Alumni Award and dinner all held in the Richmond Music Hall Room.

#### Charlotte Alumni Association – February 17, 2015 Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Outback Steak House - East Blvd (Dilworth Gardens Shopping Center, 1412 East Blvd; Charlotte, NC 28203)

**RSVP to:** Mike Flechas at Mike@FlechasRealEstate.com or 704-301-4021

**More Info:** Make plans to attend an evening with your fellow brothers and celebrate the 163rd anniversary of the founding of Phi Kappa Psi. Cocktail reception at 6:00, followed by dinner at 7:00. As always, guests are welcome and encouraged to attend.

#### Chicago Alumni Association – February 21, 2015 Time: 2:00 p.m.

Location: Kinzie Chophouse (400 N. Wells St.; Chicago, IL 60654)

Cost to attend: \$57 per alumnus, \$37 per student

RSVP to: Jeff Condren at Jeffrey.Condren@gmail.com

Visit: www.phipsichicago.org

**More Info:** Gentlemen, please join us as we ring in the 163rd birthday of our beloved Fraternity.

Attire: Business

Guest Speaker: Bob Marchesani

Purchase your ticket(s) at our website. This will indeed be a brothers-ONLY event. Being Phi Psi's, I know we sometimes have a reputation of doing things "last minute," but as we expect to hit a record number in attendance again this year, we ask that you please purchase your ticket in a timely manner so that we may plan accordingly. Also by popular demand, we naturally assume that most of us will use this as a short escape from our everyday lives (i.e.--significant other, kids, pets, jobs, etc.) and are currently planning on having a little post-lunch cocktail hour nearby with more details to follow.

#### Colorado Alpha & Rocky Mountain Alumni Association – February 20, 2015

Time: 6:15 p.m.

Location: Marlowes (16th Street) (501 16th Street Mall; Denver, CO 80202)

Cost to attend: \$18 per alumnus, \$18 per guest

**RSVP to:** Alex Montoya at alexmontoya2@hotmail.com or 720-432-5395

Visit: www.coloradophipsi.com/2015Founders

**More Info:** The Rocky Mountain Alumni Association and Colorado Alpha sponsor the 163rd Day of the Founding of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity. Colorado is home to brothers representing over 30 different Phi Psi Chapter and all are welcome at our celebration. Marlowes offers a great central location in Denver on the 16th street mall.

#### Florida Alpha – February 28, 2015

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: 1920 Heritage Grove Cir.; Tallahassee, FL 32304 Cost to attend: \$50 per alumnus, \$50 per guest RSVP to: Anthony Pun at housing@fsuphipsi.com Visit: www.fsuphipsi.com

**More Info:** Tentative Itinerary: Friday 2/27 at 6:00 p.m. -Welcome Happy Hour (Location TBD); Saturday 2/28 Noon - Tailgate, Doak Cambell Stadium followed by FSU vs UNC-Wilmington at 2:00 p.m.; at 7:00 p.m. - Dinner at the Florida Alpha chapter house

#### Garden State Alumni Association – February 8, 2015

Time: 11:00 a.m. Location: West Windsor Fire Hall #43 (153 South Mill Road; West Windsor, NJ 08550)

**Cost to attend:** \$40 per alumnus, \$40 per guest, \$30 per student

RSVP to: Mark Kadetsky at mkadetsk@su.edu

**More Info:** The event will be catered by Capuanos Italian Restaurant, with drinks as well.

#### Houston Alumni Association – February 19, 2015 Time: 6:39 p.m.

**Location:** The Woodlands Country Club - Palmer Course Dining Room (100 Grand Fairway Dr.; The Woodlands, Texas 77381)

**Cost to attend:** \$40 per alumnus, \$40 per guest, \$30 per student **RSVP to:** Dustin Nicholson at nicholsondustin@yahoo.com or 281-871-9623

**More Info:** Founders Day Banquet and Awards Ceremony for the Houston Area Alumni Association, Texas Epsilon Chapter, and the Texas Zeta Chapter. All Houston area brothers are encouraged to attend. Business casual attire. Payment options are cash or check at the door or PayPal ahead of time https:// www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=\_s-xclick&hosted\_ button\_id=ZSQED73MN93QU

#### Indiana Epsilon – February 21, 2015 Time: TBD

**Location:** Phi Kappa Psi Indiana Epsilon Chapter House (801 Mound Street; Valparaiso, IN 60103)

**RSVP to:** Ryan Acosta at phipsi.president@valpo.edu or 630-807-9787

**More Info:** The Chili Cook-Off is a competition between the community of Valparaiso University. Mostly, there is a lot of Greek involvement so it would be a great way to inform students of topics relevant to Greek life. Participants who bring their own chili are allowed admission for free.

#### Indiana polis Alumni Association-February 21,2015

Time: 11:00 a.m.

Location: Laurel Hall (5395 Emerson Way; Indianapolis, IN 46226)

**Cost to attend:** \$40 per alumnus, \$25 per guest, \$25 per student

**RSVP to:** Tom Pennington at pkpindyaa@mac.com or 317-702-1852

Visit: http://pkpindyaa.org

**More Info:** Our annual Founders Day Luncheon for all alumni in central Indiana brings together alumni and undergraduates from Indiana chapters and others across the nation. Checkin and the cash bar open at 11 a.m., with our luncheon at Noon. We'll have SWVGP Jim Boyle as our guest speaker and will announce this year's Alumnus Man of Excellence Award. Chapter reports and an update on the state of the Fraternity will fill out the day.

#### Jersey Shore Alumni Club – January 25, 2015

Time: 11:59 a.m.

**Location:** Johnny Mac's (208 Main Street, State Highway 71 North; Asbury Park, NJ 07724)

Cost to attend: \$5 per alumnus, \$5 per student

**RSVP to:** Christopher Hammer at chrishammer1971@ yahoo.com or 732-492-7467

Visit: www.Facebook..com/ChristopherMHammer

**More Info:** The Jersey Shore Alumni Club is looking to gather a few good gentlemen for beer and free pizza.... Johnny Mac's is directly across from the N.J. Transit Asbury Park train/bus station for those visiting from NYC or Philadelphia... a full citywide tour of local establishments, curated by a local alumnus, guarantees no one shall be bored. If sufficient numbers attend, the potential for a creation of a Jersey Shore Alumni Association in 2015-2016 may happen. Only students 21 and older. Brothers Only!

## Kansas Alpha & Wheat State Alumni Association – February 22, 2015

Time: 5:00 p.m.

**Location:** Phi Kappa Psi - Kansas Alpha (1602 West 15th Street; Lawrence, Kansas 66044)

**Cost to attend:** \$25 per alumnus, \$25 per guest, \$15 per student

**RSVP to:** Palmer Harrison at p610h948@ku.edu or 417-350-5329

More Info: Appetizers and dinner with Phi Kappa Psi alumni

#### Michigan Beta – February 21, 2015

Time: 4:00 p.m.

Location: Michigan Beta Chapter House (522 Abbot Rd.; East Lansing, MI 48823)

RSVP to: Adam Jutte at jutteada@msu.edu or 201-916-9875

#### Mississippi Alpha – February 21, 2015

Time: 7:00 p.m.

**Location:** The Inn at Ole Miss (120 Alumni Drive; University, MS 38677)

**Cost to attend:** \$35 per alumnus, \$35 per guest, \$30 per student

**RSVP to:** Eddie Lawton at emily@olemiss.edu or 404-402-8886

Visit: http://www.olemissalumni.com/events

**More Info:** The Mississippi Alpha brothers would like to invite all chapter alumni and Phi Psi brothers to attend our 158th Founders Day Celebration in Oxford, Mississippi. Lodging accommodations can be made at The Inn at Ole Miss, and our banquet will be held for all brothers and their respective guests. Awards to be given will include Alumni of the Year,



Young Alumni of the Year and Model Pledge. Please come celebrate with us the rich tradition and history of Phi Kappa Psi at Ole Miss.

## New Mexico Alumni Association – February 21, 2015

Time: 5:00 p.m.

**Location:** Sheraton Uptown (2600 Louisiana; Albuquerque, NM 87110)

**Cost to attend:** \$30 per alumnus, \$30 per guest, \$30 per student

RSVP to: Lewis Bejcek at Ibejcek21@gmail.com or 505-550-4033

**More Info:** Annual get-together for the New Mexico Alumni Association. Please join us if you are able.

#### New York City Alumni Association – February 11, 2015

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Location: Park Avenue Autumn (360 Park Ave S; New York, NY 10010)

**RSVP to:** Anthony Milano at Bro@phipsinycaa.com or 646-582-8770

More Info: Details to come, including pricing.

#### New York Eta – February 28, 2015

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Buffalo, NY (432 Franklin St.; Buffalo, NY 14202) Cost to attend: \$80 per alumnus, \$80 per guest RSVP to: Daniel Weiss at drweiss@buffalo.edu

#### North Texas Alumni Association – March 4, 2015

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Maggiano's Willow Bend in Plano (6001 West Park Blvd. @ the Dallas North Tollway; Plano, TX 75093) Cost to attend: \$50 per alumnus

**RSVP to:** Marc Winandy at marcwinandy@yahoo.com **More Info:** The NTAA officers and board invite you to join us for the annual Founders Day banquet celebrating the founding of our great Fraternity. This year's guest speaker will be local celebrity meteorologist and Phi Psi brother Larry Mowry. Brother Mowry attended Valparaiso and was recently featured in the Shield.

## Northern California Alumni Association – February 21, 2015

#### Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Calif. Gamma Chapter House (2424 Warring Street; Berkeley, CA 94704)

**Cost to attend:** \$30 per alumnus, \$30 per guest, \$20 per student

RSVP to: Ken Perscheid at kenperscheid@yahoo.com or 925-947-6797

**More Info:** Come celebrate the 163rd anniversary of Phi Kappa Psi. Join your brothers and meet the undergraduates. Phi Psi ladies are warmly welcomed. Dinner to follow a reception.

#### Ohio Beta – February 21, 2015

Time: 3:00 p.m.

**Location:** Wittenberg University (455 Woodlawn Avenue; Springfield, Ohio 45501)

**RSVP to:** Paul Mahon at mahonp92@gmail.com or 330-241-1959

**More Info:** Ohio Beta would like to welcome back its alumni to celebrate Founders Day. We will be meeting at our chapter house then proceeding to a local pub/restaurant. Food will be provided.

#### Ohio Epsilon - 2015-02-21

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Carlton Commons (Carlton Rd.; Cleveland Heights, Ohio 44106)

Cost to attend: \$20 per alumnus, \$20 per guest

RSVP to: Craig Shook at cms220@case.edu or 682-229-9137

#### Ohio Zeta - February 20, 2015

Time: 4:00 p.m.

Location: Falcon Heights (E Merry Ave.; Bowling Green, OH 43403)

RSVP to: Edward Lagucki at elaguck@bgsu.edu or 440-954-2042

**More Info:** Join us for a great weekend where we will welcome back all of Ohio Zeta's alumni!

#### Oklahoma Alumni Association – February 21, 2015 Time: 6:30 p.m.

Location: Sheraton Oklahoma City Downtown Hotel (1 N Broadway Ave.; Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73102) Cost to attend: \$85 per alumnus, \$45 per student RSVP to: Derek Neidig at okalumniassociation@gmail.com Visit: www.phipsiokaa.org/foundersday2015 More Info: The event will bring tribute to the past brothers that made Phi Psi into what it is today in Oklahoma. So let's join in heart and song, and celebrate our great Fraternity's Founders Day! This is a brother-only event. RSVP by going to the website or emailing us.

#### Oregon Beta – February 28, 2015

Time: 11:00 a.m.

Location: Memorial Union Ballroom, Oregon State University (2501 SW Jefferson Way; Corvallis , OR 97331)

**Cost to attend:** \$35 per alumnus, \$35 per guest, \$25 per student

**RSVP to:** Ryan Ruark at ryan.ruark@gmail.com or 971-506-5489

**Visit:** https://www.facebook.com/events/1546895382202741/ **More Info:** Friday (2/27) at 7:00 p.m. - Informal reception at the chapter house; Starting Saturday at 11:00 a.m. - Informal brunch at the chapter house; 1:00 p.m. - Ritual and PKP history review hosted by brother David McDonald at First Methodist Church (across the street from the chapter house); 5:00 p.m. - Social Hour at the Memorial Union Ballroom; 6:00 – 10:00 p.m. - Main Celebration Program Begins

#### Pennsylvania Alpha – February 28, 2015

Time: 6:30 p.m.

**Location:** George Washington Hotel (60 S Main St.; Washington, PA 15301)

**Cost to attend:** \$65 per alumnus initiated before 2011, \$45 per alumnus initiated 2011 and after, \$45 per guest, \$35 per student

**RSVP to:** Kyle MacKenzie at mackenzieka@jay.washjeff. edu or 802-681-8750

#### Pennsylvania Eta – February 21, 2015

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Location: Penn Eta Chapter House (560 W James St.; Lancaster, PA 17603)

**RSVP to:** Steven Viera at sviera@fandm.edu or 908-216-3328

Visit: http://pkppenneta.org/

**More Info:** Penn Eta will be welcoming alumni to her chapter house so that they might see the state of the chapter, visit with old friends, and enjoy the company of old and new brothers!

#### Pennsylvania Theta – February 21, 2015

Time: 6:00 p.m.

**Location:** Lafayette College - PA Theta (Marquis Hall, Lafayette College; Easton, PA 18042)

**RSVP to:** Tommaso Marsella at tommaso.marsella@gmail. com or 317-519-1548

More Info: Join us for our annual "Cherry Alley" celebration.

## Rochester Area Alumni Association – February 19, 2015

Time: 7:00 p.m.

**Location:** Jeremiah's on Monroe Ave (1104 Monroe Ave.; Rochester, NY 14620)

**Cost to attend:** \$25 per alumnus, \$25 per guest, \$10 per student

**RSVP to:** Jason Simmons at hagar129@gmail.com or 585-329-7608 Visit: https://www.facebook.com/groups/153942947984320/ More Info: Lets meet up and celebrate Founders Day.

#### Seattle Alumni Association & Washington Alpha Centennial Gala – February 7, 2015

Time: 5:00 p.m.

**Location:** Seattle Marriott Waterfront (2100 Alaskan Way; Seattle, WA 98121)

**Cost to attend:** \$145 per alumnus, \$145 per guest, \$90 per student

**RSVP to:** Matthew Donegan-Ryan at seattlephipsi@gmail. com or 425-681-8505

Visit: http://seattlephipsi.com

**More Info:** Please join us for the Centennial Gala to celebrate 100 years at the University of Washington. This is "Our Once-in-a-Lifetime Celebration." The gala includes a banquet, awards, socializing, brotherhood, music and dancing. Register at www.SeattlePhiPsi.com. Wives, dates and significant others are welcome. National Dignitaries to Attend. Attire: Black Tie Preferred Costs will rise the closer the event gets and no on-site registrations will be accepted. Reserved tables available for groups of up to 10. There is a group hotel rate of \$139/night, available both Friday and Saturday, and can be booked during registration or by calling 206-443-5000.

Please email slide show photo submissions to SeattlePhiPsi@ gmail.com (include year) or post to Twitter and Instagram using the hashtag #WaAlpha

Chapter House Open House – Saturday (Dress-Casual) from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and again on Sunday. Come socialize with classmates, meet the brothers and the new pledge class. See the recent house improvements!

## South Central Louisiana Alumni Association – February 21, 2015

Time: 4:00 p.m.

**Location:** Petroleum Club of Lafayette (111 Heymann Blvd.; Lafayette, LA 70503)

**Cost to attend:** \$25 per alumnus, \$25 per guest, \$20 per student

**RSVP to:** Jim Sterling at usljim@aol.com or 337-278-6059 **Visit:** https://www.facebook.com/PhiKappaPsiSCLAA/events **More Info:** Join us in celebrating the founding of Phi Kappa Psi during our Annual Founders Day Weekend. Come Early on Friday afternoon, February 20, 2015 to enjoy South Louisiana hospitality of Acadiana. Then join us Saturday morning to visit the world-famous Fred's Lounge in Mamou, Louisiana for Cajun Music and dancing. We will then gather that evening at the Petroleum of Lafayette to celebrate. Our guest speaker for the evening is Brother Flynn Brantley *South Carolina '72*.



## South Florida Gulf Coast Alumni Association – February 21, 2015

Time: 11:30 a.m.

Location: Gecko's Grill, Signature Room (5585 Palmer Crossing Cir.; Sarasota, FL 34233)

**Cost to attend**: \$25 per alumnus, \$25 per guest, \$15 per student

**RSVP to:** Bob Greene at rg27masten@aol.com or 941-798-2095

**More Info:** Brothers and their guests are all invited for our annual luncheon, bringing the best together from the west coast of Florida!

#### Tennessee Delta – February 21, 2015

Time: Noon

Location: Holiday Inn - Vanderbilt West End (2613 West End Avenue; Nashville, TN 37203)

Cost to attend: \$28 per alumnus, \$28 per guest, \$20 per student

RSVP to: Byron Cain at bchome@texastourstrade.com

**More Info:** The Middle Tennessee Alumni Association and the Tennessee Delta Chapter at Vanderbilt invite all brothers and alumni in the area to celebrate Founders Day at this banquet at the Holiday Inn - Vanderbilt.

#### Toledo Alumni Association – February 20, 2015

Time: 6:00 p.m.

**Location:** Central Park West Special Event Facility (3141 Central Park West Drive; Toledo, Ohio 43617)

Cost to attend: \$40 per alumnus, \$40 per guest, \$25 per student

**RSVP to:** Larry Zaiser at Izaiser@zaisercom.com or 419-473-8811

**More Info:** Reception, buffet dinner, program including news from HQ, reports from local chapters, house corporations, alumni association, alumni induction, Ritual, introductions and awards.

## Twin Cities Alumni Association – February 20, 2015

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Jax Cafe (1928 University Ave NE; Minneapolis, MN 55418)

Cost to attend: \$50 per alumnus, \$50 per guest

**RSVP to:** Joseph Taralson at jrtaralson@gmail.com or 612-702-8304

Visit: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/phi-kappa-psi-twincities-founders-day-tickets-14123059451

**More Info:** We'll start with drinks at 6:00 p.m. and follow with a buffet-style dinner and a speech or two. The event is open to all alumni and their significant others. We hope to see you there!

## Wisconsin Alumni Association – February 21, 2015

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Location: Joey Buona's Milwaukee (500 N Water St.; Milwaukee, WI 53202)

**Cost to attend:** \$40 per alumnus, \$40 per guest, \$40 per student

RSVP to: lan Thomson at iantpkp@aol.com or 608-346-0474

**More Info:** Cash bar social at 6:30, with an all-you-can eat Italian family style dinner at 7:00, followed by a program. Join us after dinner for free ping pong and cash bar at Evolution Milwaukee, just three blocks away.



WITH OVER 100 CHAPTERS, 6,000 UNDERGRADUATE MEMBERS, 50 ALUMNI ASSOCIATIONS AND 70,000 ALUMNI, NOW IS THE TIME FOR ALL TO ENGAGE, BUILD ON OUR SUCCESSES AND STEP UP TO BUILD A BETTER FRATERNITY

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The 2014-16 biennium of Phi Kappa Psi has the potential to be the most influential two years in the history of our Fraternity. New and improved programs are already in development to help improve our behaviors, our mindset and our strength. All work is being done with a strategic plan (see chart below) in mind that will position Phi Kappa Psi to be in its strongest historical point by the year 2020.

This process will not be easy, and it can't be done solely from the work and influence of the Executive Council and Headquarters Staff. The only way to achieve these goals is through an energized member base:

- Alumni willing to Step Up to be leaders, mentors and supporters of our local chapters
- · Undergraduates eager to Step Up to be men of character, integrity and honor

How do we get there? Well, in many cases, we are already there. The following pages are full of stories of success; best practices that are meant to be more of a blueprint of success, rather than a feature of celebration. Together we can learn from our best and collaborate to make sure that every chapter, association and member reaches its/his fullest potential.

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# SIMPLY THE BEST





## 2014 GRAND CHAPTER INDIANA DELTA SETS THE STANDARD

What makes a good chapter? That is often a simple, yet loaded, question that many chapters ask in attaining the highest honor the National Fraternity can give a chapter. At the 2014 Grand Arch Council, the men of Indiana Delta (Purdue University) were recognized as the Fraternity's Grand Chapter. Why? It was more than a good application and references:

#### **SCHOLARSHIP**

- From the beginning, academic success in an expectation.
   From a 2.5 new member GPA floor, to daily reserved dedicated study rooms, the pursuit for classroom success is visible on day one.
- Each new member is assigned an "academic mentor," who is in the same major of study. Each duo meets weekly, with the mentor assisting with studying, course selection and even career paths.
- For undergraduates, that mentor relationship grows to one with an alumnus member
- Workshops on career preparation are coordinated twice
   annually with the university
- For brothers struggling with grades, there is a chapter competition that partners high GPAs with low GPAs, and the partners compete for the highest cumulative total. Winning duos receive prizes budgeted by the chapter
- Academic probation is black and white at Indiana Delta. Those failing to meet a 2.5 must attend study table, meet regularly with professors and report bi-weekly to the academic chairman

Last school year, the chapter's goal was to exceed the all-men's average at Purdue. With this program, the chapter succeeded.

#### FRESHMAN SCHOLARSHIP

A program that all chapters should emulate, this simple process identifies great potential new members from the first day of school, sometimes sooner. At Indiana Delta, the program generated 66 applications, and were whittled down to 32 interviewees and 16 who met the entire chapter. Six awards were given out, with one choosing to join Indiana Delta. Forget social events and cold spaghetti dinners. This was how Indiana Delta met the best, and the best met them.

#### Community and Campus Involvement

For the men at Indiana Delta, consistency was a key. Over the course of a school year, brothers were involved in over a dozen various philanthropic events. With a chapter of approximately 100 men, allowing brothers to find their own way to give back is not only okay, it helps to spread the brand of the chapter. Brothers averaged 15 hours of service each, and raised around \$10,000. The numbers are humble, but the effort was daily, which our Founders would respect, especially from a chapter where over 90 percent of the brothers were all involved in at least one additional organization on campus outside of Phi Kappa Psi.

#### **RISK MANAGEMENT**

In addition to being transparent, reactive and open during the course of any incident, the chapter has taken pride in passing all fire inspections with perfect marks, while also documenting the environment of all social events. The chapter even sponsored a "Perfect Function," a mock social event that operated like any event, where risk managers and presidents from all other Greek organizations were invited to attend and observe the system in place.

Indiana Delta became the first Greek organization at Purdue to receive the Presidential Safety Award

#### **ALUMNI RELATIONS**

Twelve members currently sit on the house corporation for Indiana Delta, overseeing a state-of-the-art facility that was recently constructed. Both sides work well together, with undergraduate input on the house corporation, in addition to alumni involvement through mentoring, a fall golf outing and Homecoming. Undergraduates at Indiana Delta are well aware of the support from alumni.

STEP UP
Learn from our brothers at Indiana Delta
Work to establish a freshman scholarship at your chapter to attract the best
<b>Create</b> a tiered academic strategy with clear points of accountability for all brothers
Engage with your university in all areas
Alumni, ask what your chapter is doing and see if any of the above could be something you help to start



While there are many symptoms of a failing chapter, there is almost always one characteristic that defines a successful one: student involvement. A busy chapter is a healthy chapter. The more involved the members, the better they are at delegating, meeting deadlines, staying focused and striving to improve. Conversely, uninvolved chapters become lazy, apathetic and, often, solely focused on social.

At Ohio Zeta, student involvement is a must for the chapter. Brothers are involved in a wide range of activities, including student government. For Alex Solis (Bowling Green '11) and Brian Kochheiser (Bowling Green '12), their involvement included being president of the student body. While Phi Psis holding this office at campuses around the country isn't uncommon, two in back to back school years is quite the feat. We explore a bit more:

#### One would think it would be difficult for one Greek organization to win back to back elections (desire for change, etc.). How did you both approach the challenge?

B.K.: Ohio Zeta has been honored to have a brother hold the office of Student Body President or Vice President for 4 out of the past 5 years (Solis was elected for 2 terms). It has definitely been a challenge for us to sustain this level of success over a 5-year period. I approached this challenge by getting involved early with USG and meeting many students so that I could understand their needs; this allows for me to



best represent them when meeting with administrators, faculty and government officials. At the end of the day, it's all about preparation and execution.

A.S.: Having a strong Phi Psi presence representing the student body has been very important to the members of our chapter. I think it is very difficult sustaining that leadership, but building relationships through consistent collaboration and follow-through has helped with those obstacles.

#### You both served as officers of your chapter as well (Kochheiser is currently the District III Archon as well). How do you balance those responsibilities?

A.S.: Stepping into that role in the spring of my sophomore year, and holding it until I graduated in spring of my senior year, was definitely a full-time job. Throughout those two terms, time management and balancing responsibilities with my duties in the chapter was an important priority to me. I always reflected on our Creed, and I found that, "loyalty to my Fraternity should not should not weaken loyalty to my college, but rather increase my devotion to it." I often found myself serving as a campus resource to my chapter, mentoring those interested in being involved outside the fraternity, and striving to support Ohio Zeta in any way that I could.

B.K.: District III Archon is a position that I take very seriously and I make sure that I consistently give the necessary time to it. Nevertheless, it's definitely a balancing act to mange all of my responsibilities. It takes sacrifice, discipline and patience to be successful and manage everything.

## Would you have been able to become student government president without Phi Kappa Psi?

B.K.: Absolutely not. It was actually one line of The Creed (the same one referenced by Solis above) that inspired me get more involved on campus: Ohio Zeta really molded me into a leader and the skills I've learned from Phi Psi have helped me in my leadership positions today. My chapter brothers were very supportive of me when I told them that I would be running for Student Body President and they were instrumental in encouraging students to vote.

A.S.: I would not be where I am today without Phi Kappa Psi. Ohio Zeta was always an important support system and



sounding board for me. These brothers, that became family, helped me every step of the way. This Fraternity continues to teach me each and every day. My time as Student Body President was well spent, and I always tried to represent Phi Kappa Psi through my work.

## How would you describe the campus involvement culture of Ohio Zeta?

A.S.: Ohio Zeta continues to work on chapter involvement since chartering in 2009. Every brother tries to be involved at least with one other organization on campus. A leadership skill set is something that every brother consistently works on. My involvement with student government began during my first week on campus. It is something that has directly impacted my work after college.

B.K.: Ohio Zeta has a chapter culture that expects and demands members to be involved in other organizations on campus. Our chapter really preaches to new members the importance of getting involved because it provides a diverse experience for them to learn and succeed. When recruiting, we look for men who are involved (or looking to get involved) on campus because it shows that they're motivated.

## How has your involvement on campus affected the chapter's ability to recruit?

B.K.: It's had a very positive impact on our recruiting. Over the past two years, our chapter has gone from 20 members to 60 and this growth would not have been possible without our strong campus involvement as a chapter. Brothers are able to meet high quality men in other organizations and then bring them to Phi Psi. It's a strong selling point to potential members when you can introduce them to the Student Body President. A.S.: Having a Phi Psi hold the Student Body President position for three years is something that Brian and I are very proud of. When our chapter recruits, we always are preaching leadership development. We are two of many examples of how Ohio Zeta brothers leave their legacies on the BGSU campus. Having Brian as a little brother was an opportunity to make sure that the work I was doing was carried on. Investing in those coming after us only makes our chapter better. What we could not accomplish in our time now is the goals of those who come after us. Focusing on the tradition of excellence is an ideal that must be sustained through mentorship, practical experience and commitment.

#### What are you most proud of?

A.S.: When looking back at my undergraduate experience, I am most proud of having the opportunity to represent thousands of students each day and always striving to do the right thing, even in the toughest of times. BGSU is truly a special place and this university is accomplishing some amazing things. Being a part of an administration that is so committed to student success is very humbling. The institution has strategically positioned itself for years to come and I know the work I did as a student advocate was welcomed in every university community. Having Brian step into the role as I left my duties only shows how this type of involvement is bigger than any one person. He now has the opportunity to leave his legacy, and I know tomorrow will always be a better day.

B.K.: I've been fortunate to have many wonderful opportunities and experiences in my time at BGSU. However, at the end of the day, I'm most proud of being a brother of Phi Kappa Psi. Our strong band is something that I will always have a strong affinity with.

STEP UP
Learn from our brothers at Ohio Zeta
Establish a chapter-wide standard for campus involvement
Actively recruit potential new members through other campus activities and track the contacts
Promote your brothers who are representing Phi Psi in other areas
Create a freshmen scholarship program to attract and learn about men who are already involved



# Where Alumni EXCELLED

SIX YEARS AFTER STARTING AN AGGRESSIVE CAMPAIGN, OUR NEW HOME AT INDIANA BETA IS A SHINING EXAMPLE OF SUCCESS



Housing is not an essential component of the Greek experience, but, when run right, can be a large compliment to Phi Psi life. The life skills, academic boost and familial growth a fraternity house provides on dozens of our campuses is irreplaceable.

For the men of Indiana Beta, the house on North Jordan was a fixture of memories for our largest living alumni base. But, for a chapter approaching 150 years, the time was now for a bricks and mortar upgrade. Enter Kent Agness *Indiana '69* and a number of other brothers willing to help. Kent would chair a campaign that launched in 2008 with a \$10 million goal and the dream of a house that would alter the future of the chapter.

On October 18, 2014, hundreds of Indiana Beta undergraduates, alumni, friends and family gathered in Bloomington for Hoosier Homecoming. A weekend reserved for the return to a onetime home, for Phi Kappa Psi it was a weekend to meet a new one. Carved above the front door was the phrase "Phi Kappa Psi: Where Men Excel." For many, it was an introduction. For those intimately involved, it was a validation.

"We, as alumni, felt that, in order to be a top flight fraternity on campus, we had fallen behind," Agness said. "In order to attract the best, we needed to offer the right kind of house."

Agness, an Archon and long-time volunteer with the chapter, had retired after a successful career in law and took the reins to oversee the process. Even with the help of an outside fundraising consultant, he quickly discovered that the best connection would be made brother to brother, and that the work would take time.

"I can't tell you how many brothers I contacted who said 'college life was THE best time of my life," he recalls. "While some could give and some couldn't, our message was that they could give other people the best time of their life."

#### THE PROCESS

**COMMUNICATION** – Agness will be the first to admit that he may have taken on a bit more, individually, than he intended. Establishing class leaders for every graduating/ pledge class was an early strategy that never formally materialized that he wishes he could do over again. But, with the help of brothers from various eras, the initial push was to find brothers.

**Grow** – The first goal was to increase the database. What started as a list with 20 percent of emails, ended with 75 percent of Indiana Beta email addresses.

**Continue** – The alumni newsletter, the Hi-Bazoo, was established already, but the campaign turned the hard copy publication into a regular update (three times per year) of progress and developments, not necessarily a fundraiser, but celebrated those who gave. **Email** – The brothers sent updates every four to six weeks throughout, offering the

same updates, only on a more detailed timeline.

**Personal** – The campaign generated virtually nothing from direct mail. Brothers asking brothers for money proved the most effective. It is time intensive, but the results speak for themselves.

**MESSAGING** – Simply building a new house isn't a call to action for most brothers. Having a need also required a cause. For Indiana Beta, that cause was improving the academic future of the chapter and its men. The new house would feature study rooms and living spaces more conducive for learning. Instead of building a chapter room, the brothers built a conference center, in order to inspire more outside speakers, seminars and, perhaps, even classes hosted by Indiana University.

"I believe we have gotten away from our academic ideals," Agness said. "Through the new house and our alumni, our hope was to steer the chapter back to a better emphasis on academics."

The academic priority was a welcome investment for alumni, who were given a chance to 'build a house that will change men's lives.'

**DELEGATION** – Indiana Beta had a strong house corporation prior to launching the campaign. Jumping in without that organization would have been problematic. While Agness oversaw the fundraising component, other brothers were involved in identifying donor prospects and helping with the ask. When it came time to break ground on the new building, an alumnus in construction, Bob Kort *Indiana '88*, was the builder. Agness also points out that another brother, Charlie Kendall *Indiana '58*, was assigned to oversee the building process and was meticulous in tracking the project.

**BUILDING** – In the end, a 26,200-square-foot facility was the result. The new home contains 40 bedrooms, a dining room capable of seating the entire chapter, a state-of-the-art security system complete with bio readers at every door, multi-use educational spaces, half-court basketball. Using local limestone, the house is both modern and traditionally crafted. And, in order to get it done right, having a brother handle the work was important.

"It brought tears to my eyes the day I found out the Board of Directors chose Kort Builders to be the General Contractor," Kort said. "Now that it is complete, I couldn't be prouder when I drive by the house when in Bloomington. Of course, none of this could have been possible without the incredible hard work from so many: the Board of Directors, Building Committee, our staff and donors especially."

## STEP UP

Learn from our brothers at Indiana Beta

Get involved with your house corporation and assess the current state of your property

Reach out to the Director of Housing at HQ to explore new housing or campaign options for your chapter

INDIANA BETA ISN'T ALONE THIS YEAR, WITH GREAT WORK BY ALUMNI RAISING NEW PROPERTIES, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING:



Ohio Nu - Ohio University



Illinois Iota - Northern Illinois



California Epsilon - UCLA



# Answering the **CALL**



### WITH A CHAPTER'S FUTURE IN THE BALANCE, A SPECIAL GROUP OF ALUMNI HAVE STEPPED UP TO MOVE OHIO ALPHA FORWARD

On October 2, 2014, 15 Phi Kappa Psi brothers joined members of the Phi Kappa Psi Headquarters Staff and select undergraduate brothers of the Ohio Alpha Chapter for a meeting. It wasn't just any meeting. A call-to-action letter from the National Office had been mailed, detailing the struggles of a chapter that was close to being shut down. Founded in 1861, our presence on the Ohio Wesleyan campus was in danger.

"The meeting stands out in my memory because there was a real willingness to help out," recalls Tony Vukusich *Indiana State* '06, Director of Alumni Services. "Most of the individuals in the room were from chapters other than Ohio Alpha, and everyone communicated a sense of duty to help our fellow brothers. We discussed each individual's desire to be involved and worked to place individuals in advisory roles that best met their skill set and the chapter's need."

Shortly thereafter, an advisory committee was formed with 11 alumni brothers, representing six different chapters, all tasked individually with different ways to assist the chapter, yet operating as one. Weekly chapter updates to the group reflect a dramatic turnaround. Since that meeting, stronger recruitment events, empowered undergraduate leaders and physical structure improvements have been just a few direct improvements from this surge of alumni support.

Heading up the entire committee is Michael Taliercio *Indiana '92*: *What was your initial reaction when you saw the call out for volunteers from the national Fraternity?* 

I read the letter a couple times over the course of a week or two

and thought about it for a while. I knew I wanted to give back in some way. My chapter at Indiana Beta had just recently concluded a large push for contributions for the new house, to which I was unable to contribute because my business had faced some cash flow hurdles the last few years. I did not have the money to give, but I do have the time. I thought that [in my available time] I could give the men at OWU my time and experience in the preservation and improvements in their undergraduate experience.

#### Many alumni would shy away from this type of challenge. What about it inspired you to take action?

I wake every day and say to myself, "Today is another day to kick some ass! Some days I get to kick, some days it will be mine that is kicked." Then I ask myself what will I do today to accomplish something positive, whether for my business, personally or for someone else. This Chapter needed help. I was available to offer it.

I have to smile... I know from my previous experience in Corporate America that my approach to most obstacles is not widely accepted. I am a plain-spoken person; blunt and unfiltered at times. For those that are constantly hiding their agenda or intentions, I am a pariah. Most see this as a negative trait. I have embraced it and consider it one of my strongest attributes. Tony Vukusich's response surprised me when he replied something along the lines of, 'Sounds like exactly what we need there (at Ohio Alpha).' Needless to say I was a bit shocked, so I planned on attending the call-out meeting.

## The advisory committee is comprised of a very diverse group of brothers. What are the possibilities?

We have actually discussed this in a round-about way at our weekly Alumni meetings at the Chapter House. The older members definitely want to exercise their influence on established relationships with the university hierarchy and with relationships with large donors to the university. The younger alumni are approaching the challenges through more involvement with the undergraduates. We have also encouraged the undergraduates to handle the obstacle then ask for forgiveness, as opposed to waiting for approval to proceed in dealing with the challenge. They have been told repeatedly, 'In your heart, you already know the right thing to do. The questions are will you do it and how will you execute it?'' We have also stressed "Self Governance"... show us that this body of men is capable of making the right decisions and executing those decisions.

## How do your undergraduate experiences, and time away as an alumnus, influence you now?

Let's face facts. Not every chapter is alike... by content of men or structure. Not every undergraduate will find his experience alike even with those with whom he has been initiated with in the same class. I was fortunate to find myself accepted by Indiana Beta. A large house with many men and personalities, well established on campus, as well as in the eye of the National Fraternity and with the unrecognized benefit (during those years) to have direct contact with Kent Christopher Owen Indiana '58 as a resource and role model. The ideals as penned by Brother Owen in the Creed, practiced in the Ritual and as written in the Manual, or sometimes simply implied by the acts of others in our organization, are alive in each of us, since part of our education from our college experiences was learning and incorporating them into each of our personalities and characters. If this is not the case with each that is accepted and has passed through our gates, then it is his undergraduate experience that has failed him and ultimately that falls on the shoulders of those alumni that have preceded him. Seeing the challenges facing Ohio Alpha, I wanted to do my part to make sure that each man there had a similar opportunity as I did to experience the "fraternity" Phi Kappa Psi provides. As stated by of one the Ohio Alpha leadership: "They did not know how to be a Fraternity." That is a sad thought and I wanted to contribute to the eradication of that notion.

#### This isn't a unique situation. How should other alumni step up to help other chapters nationwide?

It is simple. Find a chapter, then go there. Offer your help. Continue to be there as long as you are needed or until your life no longer allows you to afford the time.

## STEP UP

Follow the lead of our brothers in Ohio and find a way to give back to our Fraternity. Volunteer. Give. Lead.

## WE NEED YOU!

#### Volunteers Needed At:

Drexel

Indiana

Indiana (PA)

Long Beach

Miami (OH)

Michigan State

Penn State

Syracuse

To get involved at any of the above or somewhere near you, please check www.PhiKappaPsi.com/Volunteer

# The Ohio Delta BEST PRACTIC SCHOLARSHIP Program

WITH THE FRATERNITY'S LARGEST CHAPTER ENDOWMENT, OUR ALUMNI AT OHIO STATE ARE IN POSITION TO DRAMATICALLY IMPROVE LIVES AND OHIO DELTA



For the 2014-15 school year, 26 brothers at Ohio Delta will receive over \$100,000 in scholarship money. That's one in four brothers earning, on average, \$4,000 this year, or nearly 40 percent of in-state tuition at The Ohio State University. That scholarship money isn't coming from the university, an outside foundation or awards program. It is coming from Phi Kappa Psi. Specifically, it is coming from alumni; Ohio Delta alumni.

With over 1,500 living alumni, Ohio Delta has built an impressive history of support and sustainability. Through a culture of giving back, alumni have built an endowment that has grown to nearly \$2.3 million in total assets. Spread through eight different funds, alumni through the Ohio Delta house corporation and scholarship committee award life-changing money through six named scholarships honoring six devoted Ohio Deltans:

• George S. "Rocky" Frost Ohio State '46 – Rocky passed away in November of 2010 and was an active member of Phi Psi during his undergraduate and alumni years, serving as president of both the chapter and alumni board. He graciously left a portion of his estate (Rocky had a highly successful career in real estate to Ohio Delta to create the largest scholarship of all the funds.

The Frost Scholarship will distribute \$55,571 this school year

• J. Gilbert Reese Ohio State '47 – "Gib" and his wife, Louella "Lou," have been generous donors to Ohio Delta, including great support to the capital campaign for the chapter house. Gib's focus on academic excellence propelled him to add a specific clause to his scholarship to challenge the brothers to do well in the classroom. The undergraduate chapter must maintain a GPA greater than the all-Fraternity average or the funds will be distributed to the incoming pledge class for the year. Since the fund was created in 1998 the brothers have only missed the mark one year!

The Reese Scholarship will distribute \$37,084 this school year

• Norm Spain Ohio State '33 – Brother Spain was a former GP, Archon, long time board member, contributor and leader of Ohio Delta. He was an icon and individual everyone looked up to. The Ohio Delta general fund was named in his honor to recognize his many contributions to our Fraternity. His award is focused on those brothers involved in giving back to their community and University, which of course was very important to Norm.

The Spain award will distribute approximately \$1,500 this school year

• William M. "Mil" Batten Ohio State '29 – Mil was the former chairman of the NYSE and CEO of J.C. Penney Co. His scholarship is focused on brothers who have a financial need and are "paying their own way" through college. The story goes that Mil used to shovel coal into the boilers in the basement to help pay his way through college.

The Batten Scholarship will distribute approximately \$1,800 this school year

• Howard Hamilton Ohio State '21 – The Hamilton Family has a long history and lineage with Ohio Delta. A former Phi Kappa Psi national president, his scholarship is awarded to the outstanding senior member and is voted on by the undergraduate chapter.

*The Hamilton Scholarship will distribute approximately* \$1,800 *this school year* 

• Manning Webster Ohio State '25 - Brother Webster established his scholarship to benefit an OSU Law Student who is an Ohio Delta Phi Psi. If there are not any applicants then the award is given to an Ohio Delta brother who is attending Law School at any University.

The Webster Scholarship will distribute approximately \$2,500 this school year

#### THE PROCESS

**Foundation** – Ohio Delta has diversified its awards and accounts to meet the needs of brothers past (those who seeded the funds) and present (brothers whose giving interests may be peaked for different criteria). Working with the Phi Psi Foundation to establish those funds has led to easy management and a partner in fundraising potential donors.

**Volunteers** – A robust committee is made up of alumni (housing) board members, chapter advisors, and the house director. To create an excited program and fair process, not to mention easing the burden, input form undergraduate leaders is gathered as well. This helps to make sure alumni recognize those who are truly involved in the chapter and ensure no awards are given to recognize those who are not upholding the values of Phi Kappa Psi.

**Applications** – Alumni make the process simple for the brothers, requesting a basic, three-page application that seeks

basic biographical information, academic standing, community and campus involvement, Fraternity activity and an essay of personal reflection (for select awards).

**Analysis –** In a two-pronged approach, there is a quantitative system that rewards/rates academic success, leadership in the chapter, and brothers choosing to live in the Fraternity House. A qualitative process involves discussions with the individuals from the committee who are directly involved with the undergraduates. It's a quick, black and white approach that allows the committee to rank brothers based on a scholarship "resume," while differentiating brothers by talking to those who know them best through interaction.

A 365-day Approach – Ohio Delta volunteers award scholarships throughout the year to keep the program fresh in the mind of undergraduates and available to applicants more often. The committee receives applications in early June and meets later in the month to award the Frost and Reese Scholarships. Applications for the Spain, Batten and Webster Scholarships are accepted in late fall, along with the undergraduate vote to determine the Hamilton Award recipient.. For need-based and specific awards, consultation with undergraduate leaders has been a key in helping to find the brothers who fit the criteria to apply.

**Recognition** – The scholarship program is a major point of pride for all members of Ohio Delta. A scholarship banquet as a part of Homecoming festivities is a must-attend event, but also continues the culture of giving back. Today's scholarship recipients are tomorrow's scholarship donors. The banquet serves not only to celebrate those who received scholarships (see picture) but also educate those undergraduates on the legacy they are a part of.

#### STEP UP

Learn from our brothers at Ohio Delta

Head to www.pkpfoundation.org or call 800-350-1852 to find out your chapter's fund balance

Get involved with your alumni board to build or improve your scholarship program

Give to a worthy fund and leave your legacy





#### Alabama Alpha – Alabama 🔢 鑢

(www.phipsiala.com)

Get in touch: Art Kapplow at akapplow@crimson.ua.edu

Brotherhood: 150, including 58 new members

**Chapter Update**: The Alabama Alpha chapter has had an outstanding semester. We broke our chapter record for largest pledge class and most active members. We also increased our streak of semesters without a risk management violation to three. With the construction of our new house pending, it is truly an exciting time to be a member of Alabama Alpha.



#### Alabama Beta – Auburn ★ 🚮

@AUPhiKappaPsi Get in touch: Jay Spafford at jrs0060@auburn.edu Brotherhood: 18, including 5 new members

In the Classroom: 2.76 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 2.98) In the Community: 20 hours of service

**Chapter Update:** The house that we rent has been under some minor renovations. A few exterior window frames have been replaced. The house has also had one bathroom remodeled. The kitchen floor has since been temporarily repaired after it caved in on a game day weekend. All in all, the house may be inching closer to being up to code. There were approximately 15 alumni in town for this tailgate. We look forward to spring rush.



#### California Beta – Stanford ★ 🛐 🕔

(http://stanfordphipsi.posterous.com) Get in touch: John Laydon at jlaydon@stanford.edu Brotherhood: 53, including 23 new members In the Classroom: 3.60

In the Community: 690 hours of service, raising 900 for Boys & Girls Club

**Chapter Update:** California Beta has had some exciting accomplishments. In keeping with the spirit of our founders, California Beta leadership has made community service a priority. Thus far, we have participated in 690 hours of community service. Continuing this momentum, organized a campus-wide clothing address at the end of November. We also have plans to organize two, large-scale service projects next quarter.



## California Gamma – Cal ★ 🖪 🔍 📷

(http://calphipsi.com/) ✔@CalPhiPsi

Get in touch: Kyle Joyner at joyner.kyle2@gmail.com

Brotherhood: 98, including 23 new members

In the Classroom: 3.21 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.28)

In the Community: 1,500 hours of service, raising \$20,000 for Boys & Girls Clubs of Oakland

Join Them For: Spring Rush 2015 Alumni Night (TBD): Join the brothers of Phi Kappa Psi and perspective new members for a night of dinner, socializing, and celebrating the Fraternity.

**Chapter Update:** The California Gamma Chapter has had yet another unprecedented semester of growth. With 98 total members, it is now the largest social fraternity on campus. Our brand new philanthropy event, Berkeley's Star, showcased the best singing talent at Berkeley and brought Sean Kingston to perform, while raising tens of thousands of dollars for the Boys and Girls Clubs of Oakland. We also hosted a faculty dinner for UC Berkeley professors. Many attended and were impressed by the professionalism and passion of our brotherhood. Ongoing renovations have transformed our house into the modern era. We would love to share it with any brothers at any of our events in the spring.



#### <u>California Delta – Southern Cal 🖈 🚮</u>

(http://www.uscphipsi.com/) Get in touch: Carter Rawlings at crawlings951@gmail.com Brotherhood: 133, including 21 new members In the Community: 45 hours of service

**Chapter Update:** At California Delta, our strive for excellence has continued this semester with a 21 person new member class and strong campus involvement. Our chapter received the Presidents' Award which is awarded the best overall fraternity on campus, as well as numerous other awards at the recent Greek Gala. Recently, our chapter hosted a scholarship dinner which hosted many prominent California Delta alumni such as Brian Kennedy. Please contact the chapter to get involved with Founders Day or our Kure It Cancer charity golf tournament in the spring.



# California Eta – Cal Poly 🚮 🧼 📷

(http://phikappapsicalpoly.com/) @PhiPsiCalEta

Get in touch: Marc Munoz at mmarcmunoz712@gmail.com

Brotherhood: 85, including 30 new members

In the Classroom: 2.83 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 2.82)

In the Community: Benefitting the Boys & Girls Clubs of South San Luis Obispo County

Chapter Update: Recently, California Eta had what was probably its best recruitment period in the history of the chapter! We currently have 30 potential new members and they are all standout gentlemen that our chapter is excited to initiate. Throughout the quarter, we have had numerous community service opportunities! Our first event was the Pismo Beach cleanup where we were able to pickup 24 pounds of trash! Our most frequent community service comes in the form of our weekly visits to the Boys & Girls Clubs of South San Luis Obispo County. Our brothers enjoy helping the kids with their homework and then shooting some hoops with the kids! This November, we put on our 2nd annual Phi Psi Pheast where we held a Thanksgiving style dinner at our house along with two pie eating contests for the guys and girls of Greek life! The event raises over \$1,000 annually for the Boys & Girls Clubs.



# <u>California Iota –</u> UC Davis 🔢 🐼

@PhiPsiUCD

Get in touch: Jeffry Villatoro at jeffdv2010@gmail.com

Brotherhood: 6, including 2 new members

In the Classroom: 2.80 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 2.50)

In the Community: 115 hours of service for Boys and Girls Club of America

Join Them For: Super Smash Brothers tournament on January 16th, 2015: This is a video game tournament where state-ranked players and UC Davis students compete in order to raise funds for Boys & Girls Club of America.

Chapter Update: California lota is currently welcoming our newest class to the brotherhood. In addition, the chapter gave thanks via the continuance of our long-standing tradition, the Phi Psi Brosgiving dinner. This dinner is aimed at strengthening the brotherhood between the undergraduates, new brothers, and alumni.



## California Kappa – UC Irvine 🌃

(www.uciphikappapsi.com) 🥑@uciPHIPSI

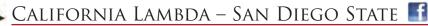
Get in touch: Tommy Stoner at tstoner@uci.edu

Brotherhood: 45, including 40 new members

In the Community: 350 hours of service, raising \$1,200 for Alzheimer's Association of Orange County

Chapter Update: The California Kappa Chapter had an outstanding fall quarter, exceeding many set goals and expectations. We have become more involved on campus and in the community as a whole, while also recruiting one of our largest pledge classes in recent years. We have been working closely with the Alzheimer's Association of Orange County in order to plan our annual comedy show that will take place during winter quarter. We are expecting this to be the biggest philanthropy in the history of our chapter, and hope to raise over \$15,000 towards Alzheimer's research. The brothers of the California Kappa chapter are proud of what we have accomplished so far this guarter, and we are excited to continue striving for excellence as a chapter and as gentlemen.





(pkpsdsu.com) @PhiPsiSDSU

Get in touch: Ross Haukoos at rosshaukoos@yahoo.com

Brotherhood: 110, including 31 new members

In the Classroom: 2.98

In the Community: 1,200 hours of service

Chapter Update: The California Lambda Chapter has been very successful. With the fall pledge class we reached over 100 members in the chapter, which is the biggest we have been in years. Recently, we won the Gamma Phi Beta philanthropy for Girls on the Run. Homecoming against Idaho, we joined the local alumni for our annual Alumni Tailgate where we got the chance to connect with alumni from the last few years to the last 30. Contact us here at Calif. Lambda to get involved and to meet chapter.





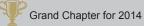
(http://www.phipsicalmu.com) ₩@PhiPsiCalMu Get in touch: Andrew Eichar at aneichar@gmail.com

Brotherhood: 65, including 10 new members In the Classroom: 3.33 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.30)

In the Community: Benefitting the Boys and Girls Club

Chapter Update: After our record initiate class of 20 last semester, Cal Mu took on another 10 this semester. Throughout this

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Chapter submitted a picture



Boys & Girls Club Partner

semester the chapter has worked to set up a stronger connection with the Boys and Girls Club where we will have brothers giving their time. Again we have two brothers working at the UN, another on a political campaign, not to mention the extreme popularity of Brother Mangoaker's band Hotel Guerda. Our graduates continue to do amazing things in post grad with multiple brothers working on the hill in D.C. and other illustrious potions across the country. Cal Mu is always striving to better itself, its brothers, and the Fraternity.

#### California Nu – UC Riverside I 🚳



@PhiPsiUCR Get in touch: Noel Prasad at npras002@ucr.edu Brotherhood: 82

Chapter Update: California Nu recently celebrated its five-year anniversary with local alumni at the Redmond Room at UCR's Alumni Center. Once again, California Nu had a successful formal rush class this past fall and remains the largest of the 10 fraternities on campus. We held our inaugural Phi Psi Homecoming Week, consisting of various fundraisers and activities that revolved around supporting our local Boys and Girls Club chapter. This upcoming winter guarter we will be hosting our third annual Founders Day in Palm Springs and we would be honored to have any undergraduate or alumnus attend.



## California XI – CSU, Long Beach 🚺 🚳

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Get in touch: Michael Trinh at phipsipresidentcsulb@gmail.com

Brotherhood: 22, including 15 new members

In the Classroom: 2.79 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 2.70)

In the Community: 400 hours of service, raising \$500 for Boys and Girls Club of America

Join Them For: Calif. Xi Five Year Anniversary Dinner (TBA): Weekend-long event for the Phi Psis of Cal Xi to celebrate our first five years on CSULB.

Chapter Update: Next semester, our chapter will hit our five year mark at Cal State Long Beach. We have done many things for our community over the years, including accumulating over 3,000 community service hours among brothers, raising hundreds of dollars for Boys and Girls Clubs of America, being active in campus events. Our membership remains strong after getting a strong pledge class and we hope to do big things in philanthropy and community service for next semester.



## Colorado Alpha – Colorado 🌃

Get in touch: Andrew Chalfen at anch8331@colorado.edu Brotherhood: 103, including 34 new members In the Classroom: 2.40 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 2.70)

Chapter Update: Colorado Alpha has brought in the largest new member class in the past ten years. The difference in rush was that planning did not start at the beginning of fall. Last year, in the spring, was when we started to focus our efforts on building a foundation of excellence that we could build upon for future rush. Our new member class is filled with gentlemen and leaders, many of whom could have gone to other organizations. These men chose Phi Psi because they believed in the morals and ideas that we worked so hard to exhibit and uphold. It is an incredible feeling when months of hard work pays off. Colorado Alpha has created a solid and unique rush program that will help us continue to thrive in years to come.



## DELAWARE ALPHA - DELAWARE 🗡 🔇

(http://phikappapsiud.wix.com/phikappapsiud) Get in touch: Dylan Tuttle at tuttled@udel.edu Brotherhood: 60, including 9 new members In the Classroom: 3.10

In the Community: Benefitting Boys and Girls Club of Newark

Chapter Update: The Delaware Alpha Chapter has experienced a wonderful semester after being installed and recruiting another strong new member class. After being chartered, the chapter set many goals for the future to sustain growth and increase representation on campus. The chapter looks forward to another strong semester in the spring with a new officer class taking over and keeping pace with the recent successes of Delaware Alpha.



#### District of Columbia Alpha – GW ★ 👫

(www.gwphipsi.com) 💓@GWPhiPsi

Get in touch: Greg Langstine at glangstine@gmail.com

Brotherhood: 90, including 16 new members In the Classroom: 2.94 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.15)

In the Community: 324 hours of service, raising \$1,345 for Ronald McDonald House

Chapter Update: This semester, we initiated 16 men into our Fraternity. During recruitment, we always aim to seek quality over quantity, and this pledge class truly exemplifies that. Our main philanthropy event - Phi Psi for GIs - takes place in the spring semester, so we focused our efforts on sorority philanthropy events, raising \$1,345! We hosted an Alumni Happy Hour event in October with a great turnout. We plan on having many more for all brothers in the D.C. area. We've recently begun planning an inaugural cocktail fundraiser benefiting TAPS (Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors) for the spring and are currently seeking corporate sponsors for the event. After a very successful semester, we're excited to continue excelling when we return in January.



#### Florida Alpha – Florida State 🔢 🐼

(http://www.fsuphipsi.com) @FSUPhiPsi Get in touch: Philip Smith at pcs11c@my.fsu.edu

Brotherhood: 50, including 25 new members

In the Community: \$560 raised for Boys and Girls Club

**Chapter Update**: The Florida Alpha Chapter accomplished so much this fall. Our chapter went from 26 active members to 49 active members after we initiated a new member class of 23. Our annual pumpkin carving philanthropy raised over \$550, all of which was donated to the local Boys and Girls Club here in Tallahassee. We are looking forward to continuing our success this next spring in hopes of increasing our numbers and recognition on campus.



## <u>Georgia Alpha – Georgia</u>

(http://ifc.uga.edu/phi-kappa-psi.html)

Get in touch: Nick Goldstein at nickygoldstein92@gmail.com

Brotherhood: 39, including 9 new members In the Classroom: 2.99 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.00)

In the Community: 600 hours of service, raising \$500 for Thomas Knight Fund

**Chapter Update**: Georgia Alpha has made improvements academically as well as through extracurricular activities: 6 Dean's List recipients- Ross Pinou, Stephen Fordham, Chris Whitlock, Brian Daniels, Eric Hankins, and Josh Brito 2 Presidential Scholars-Benjamin Daniel and Todd Oakley Personal Accolades: Nick Goldstein and Ben Daniel volunteered with Project Focus to teach elementary kids science. Ben has also completed a year volunteering at Athens Regional Hospital and was accepted into the Order of Omega. Congratulations to Josh Brito for his job with PwC, Eric Hankins for his internship with Fiserv and Jasim Mohammed for his involvement in the Muslim Student Association. Philanthropy: Started the Thomas Knight fund to benefit families with active, inactive, and deceased firefighters. The Beach Cleanup initiative after the Georgia-Florida beach tailgate. Governor Nathan Deal recognized us for our efforts with a formal letter and an American flag that was flown over the Capitol in Atlanta.



## 👔 <u>Georgia Beta – Georgia Tech ★ </u> f

(http://gtphipsi.org/)

Get in touch: Seth Schofill at sethschofill@gmail.com

**Brotherhood:** 21, including 5 new members In the Classroom: 3.41 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.13)

In the Community: 110 hours of service

**Chapter Update:** The Georgia Beta Chapter has taken great strides to continue its growth as a strong band of brothers, while investing heavily in the recruitment of potential members. Our service efforts have benefited a variety of local charities in the Atlanta community, We were proud to welcome 10 of our distinguished alumni back on campus during the Homecoming game and invite them to come help out during our spring 2015 rush season.

## Illinois Alpha – Northwestern ★ 盾

(nuifc.wordpress.com/about/chapters/phi-kappa-psi)

Get in touch: Kacper Wasilewski at kacperw32@gmail.com

Brotherhood: 94

**Chapter Update:** At the time of submission, we are currently in the middle of the rush process, and cannot wait to welcome the new members of our chapter in the upcoming months. This year has the potential to create a class stronger and more diverse than ever, and the brothers are excited to add these members. We had a philanthropy event with the ladies of Gamma Phi Beta called Phall Fest, where students came to enjoy pumpkin pie, apple cider, and smashing pumpkins. This event benefited the organizations Greekbuild and Girls on the Run. We have participated in many service days already, and plan to do a few more, including Greek Day of Service, which benefits the hungry.





(http://www.illiniphipsi.com) @PhiPsiUIUC Get in touch: Sam Mounce at mounce2@illinois.edu Brotherhood: 157, including 35 new members In the Classroom: 3.095 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.097)

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Grand Chapter for 2014

Chapter submitted a picture



#### In the Community: Benefitting the Don Moyer Boys and Girls Club

**Chapter Update:** The Illinois Delta Chapter is currently tackling the challenge of maintaining a brotherhood without a chapter house. We are happy to report that we have exceeded expectations of chapter meeting attendance and brother participation in general. Despite our lack of a chapter house, our fall recruitment chairs did spectacularly, signing 41 potential new members. As work continues on our chapter house renovation, those brothers that will live in next year anxiously await move-in day in August. For more on our chapter, the renovation project, and past newsletters, visit our website.



# Illinois Epsilon – Illinois State 🔢 🚳

(http://www.isuphikappapsi.com) **y**@PhiPsiILSTU Get in touch: Brian Lysne at btlysne@ilstu.edu

Brotherhood: 17

**Chapter Update:** The Illinois Epsilon Chapter experienced a very productive fall semester, thanks in large part to our efforts in community service. The chapter participated in Bring it Back to Normal, which was a great experience. We also sent brothers to Washington, Ill. to help with tornado relief. Lastly, we partnered with Gamma Phi Beta for our annual field day for the Boys and Girls Club.



#### Illinois Zeta – DePaul ★ 🖪 🗼

(www.phipsidepaul.org) @PhiPsiDePaul Get in touch: C.J. Weaver at cweaver303@gmail.com Brotherhood: 67, including 14 new members In the Classroom: 3.13

In the Community: 2,400 hours of service, benefitting the Boys & Girls Club of Chicago

Join Them For: Founders Day Luncheon with the Chicago Alumni Association on Saturday, February 21, 2015 2:00-5:00 p.m.: Join us for a Founders Day luncheon. Please visit www.phipsichicago.org for more information and to sign up!

**Chapter Update:** Illinois Zeta just celebrated its 21st year as a chapter this past October. To celebrate, our chapter had its inaugural chapter's day dinner held at Marcello's Lincoln Park. We enjoyed great food, brotherhood and welcomed special guest Thomas C. Pennington *Texas '80*, SWAG. Our chapter will be holding our annual main fundraising event called Cornhole For Cancer this coming May, which all proceeds benefit the Susan G. Coleman Breast Cancer Foundation.



#### Illinois Eta – SIU, Edwardsville 🚮

(www.siuephipsi.com) Ĵg@SIUePhiPsi

Get in touch: Dave Pritchard at dpritch@siue.edu

Brotherhood: 32, including 34 new members

In the Classroom: 2.8

In the Community: 100 hours of service

Join Them For: Friends, Family, and Alumni on Apr 15th: The chapter is finalizing details on a golf tournament and banquet which seeks to unite a sizable group of alumni, actives, families, and friends.

**Chapter Update**: The Illinois Eta Chapter worked hard during fall recruitment and produced a new member class of 34. Additionally, the chapter also hosted the third annual Phi Psi Glow Party, which brought together all students on campus in a safe environment. Finally, Illinois Eta looks forward to sending care packages to troops deployed overseas and providing Christmas presents to less fortunate children in the area this holiday season.



Illinois Theta – UIC 🔢 🐼 🗊

(http://www.uicphipsi.com/)

Get in touch: Fernan Velazquez at fvelaz3@uic.edu Brotherhood: 31, including 13 new members

In the Community: 250 hours of service, raising \$1,200 for American Cancer Society

Join Them For: Phi Psi Phi-eld Day on April 15th: Join Illinois Theta for a day full of various field activities as we raise money to benefit the BGCA at our inaugural Phi Psi Phi-eld Day!

**Chapter Update:** Fall 2014 was a very successful semester for Illinois Theta. We recently initiated a 13-man pledge class, our largest in recent history, down in Laurel Hall. Also, our 3rd Annual Bags for Breast Cancer cornhole tournament was a wild success, raising over \$1,200 for the American Cancer Society. Our brothers also continue to excel in the general community, with two currently serving on the IFC exec board as President and VP of Recruitment (Brothers Joe Nuzzo, and Fernan Velazquez, respectively), as well as Brothers Ryan Patterson, Zach Saragosa, Connor Dunn and Michael Hizel all making the Dean's List. Going forward, Illinois Theta will continue to strive for excellence in recruitment, academics and philanthropic efforts. With our new leadership established, we are already looking forward to an excellent spring semester.



# Illinois Iota – Northern Illinois 🛐

(http://www.niuphikappapsi.org/) @ILIOTAPHIPSI Get in touch: George Shakro at grgshakro9@gmail.com Brotherhood: 95, including 10 new members In the Classroom: 2.638

In the Community: 1,169 hours of service, benefitting Boys and Girls Club

**Chapter Update:** This fall, the Illinois lota Chapter has been doing great. Our recruitment did a good job focusing to improve our numbers, but making sure we chose men that would make a quality Phi Psi. We owe a lot to us acquiring a new chapter house and coming off of a spring semester where we were voted "Most Improved Chapter." We are still looking to expand the chapter and raise more money to one day build our own house. We have several alumni which we see at least once a week and we saw well over 20 alumni during homecoming. If interested in coming to our Founders Day in the spring, please contact the chapter for more information.



#### Indiana Alpha – DePauw

Get in touch: Daniel Mosbarger at danielmosbarger\_2016@depauw.edu Brotherhood: 87

@PhiPsiDePauw

In the Classroom: 3.10

**Chapter Update:** This past semester was great at the Indiana Alpha Chapter for many reasons. We had great involvement from our members in our chapter activities as well as throughout DePauw's campus. Our academics remain in good standing, something we find impressive from the largest chapter on campus. Three members were just inducted into the Order of Omega and one currently serves on the IFC Executive Board. As the year progresses we are moving closer towards our recruitment process along with our 150th anniversary as a chapter. With multiple philanthropies planned for the spring semester, we will continue to stay involved on campus, and we will continue to keep the integrity of Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity.



#### Indiana Beta – Indiana

(www.indiana.edu/~phipsi) **\***@IndianaPhiPsi Get in touch: lan Shoup at ishoup@indiana.edu Protherbandu: 141\_induding 16 now mombors

Brotherhood: 141, including 16 new members

In the Classroom: 3.06 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.03)

In the Community: 100 hours of service, raising \$22,000 for Riley Children's Hospital

**Chapter Update:** The Indiana Beta Chapter is currently taking part in a sexual assault awareness & education month on IU's campus. The brotherhood has invited Pi Beta Phi to a formal dinner and speaker series held at the chapter house. Additionally, brothers raised over \$20,000 for Riley Children's Hospital in Indianapolis as they took part in Indiana University Dance Marathon on November 14-16. Homecoming and the new house dedication was held October 18th and drew well over 200 alumni and their families to celebrate the success and result of the Breaking Away Campaign. Thank you alumni and donors!



#### Indiana Gamma – Wabash 🔢

(http://www.wabash.edu/fraternity/phipsi/)

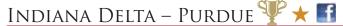
Get in touch: Brenden King at btking16@wabash.edu Brotherhood: 64, including 19 new members In the Classroom: 3.10 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 2.80)

In the Community: 640 hours of service, raising \$1,500 for Thirst Project

Join Them For: Founders Day Dinner on February 19, 2015: The brother of Indiana Gamma will host a dinner to commemorate Founders Day.

**Chapter Update**: The Indiana Gamma Chapter had a successful philanthropic event this past September raising \$1,500 for The Thirst Project. We are currently coordinating our efforts with a local fundraiser for a family whose daughter has a brain tumor and is in need of surgery. We had a successful fall semester by rushing in a new member class of 20 members, and our freshman GPA is around a 2.90. We will be looking forward to our Founders Day Dinner in the spring.





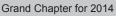
Get in touch: Colin Kuntz at kuntz2@purdue.edu

Brotherhood: 113, including 29 new members

Chapter Update: It's been another good semester at the Indiana Delta Chapter. After the honor of being selected as Grand Chapter, Indiana Delta has followed up the award with a continued desire of improvement. Phi Psi teamed up with Alpha Phi to host the annual Greek Open golf tournament for the first time and our dance team won the talent competition at Phi Mu's Miracle Mania. A successful rush resulted in a new member class that shows a strong desire to continue the traditions of Phi Kappa Psi.

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# Indiana Epsilon – Valparaiso ★ 🖪 🧼

(http://valpophipsi.org)

Get in touch: Ryan Acosta at phipsi.president@valpo.edu

Brotherhood: 40, including 6 new members

In the Classroom: 3.07 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.12)

In the Community: 128 hours of service, raising \$422 for American Cancer Society, Boys and Girls Club

**Chapter Update**: It was a riveting fall semester for the men of Indiana Epsilon. The gentlemen still continue to strive for success as they live out their undergraduate careers. The chapter had the pleasure of initiating six new members on November 2nd (highest rate for all fraternities). On October 5th, Indiana Epsilon hosted the annual Kyle Carson 3 v 3 basketball tournament. The brothers have consistently been participating in various philanthropic events. This includes events such as the Gamma Phive K, VU Day of Caring, Valplayso, freshman move-in, and many more. The chapter was recognized for meeting its academic goal set last spring, and also hosted its freshman scholarship banquet. With an eager new executive board, it will be exciting to see what results as the chapter strives to reach new levels.



# Indiana Zeta – Butler ★ 🚮

**Chapter Update**: After repeated risk management and campus violations, the recognition of our chapter at Butler University was removed by the school late in the fall semester. At the printing of this magazine, some official meetings were still taking place, but the Indiana Zeta Chapter is no longer active. The university is very open to the chapter's return and alumni interested in getting involved are encouraged to contact the National Fraternity. We will be back at Butler in the very near future!



#### <u>Indiana Eta – Indiana State 🚮</u>

(www.indianastatephikappapsi.com)

Get in touch: Tyler Rimmel at Trimmel@sycamore.indstate.edu

Brotherhood: 13, including 7 new members

**Chapter Update**: The Indiana Eta Chapter has been hard at work and we are proud to report another successful semester here at Indiana State University. In early fall we initiated two men who had joined us as new members last spring. Additionally, we are pleased to welcome seven new members into our chapter for the fall 2014 semester. As a chapter, we continue to promote awareness of testicular cancer though our philanthropic efforts. This is our second year hosting a sand volleyball tournament with proceeds benefiting the Testicular Cancer Society. Homecoming brought current undergrads together with alumni in celebration of our Sycamore spirit. During the festivities, the chapter placed first in the "Sycamore Sync" along with our pairing Zeta Tau Alpha and Phi Delta Theta. The chapter is excited for the upcoming year and plans to host a new philanthropy. The inaugural Phi Psi Regatta, a cardboard boat building and racing competition, will benefit Testicular Cancer Society. We hope you will take a moment to check out our new chapter website and encourage you to stay up to date with the news of the Fraternity.



#### INDIANA THETA – IUPUI 盾

(https://www.facebook.com/IUPUIPhiPsi) @phipsi\_intheta

Get in touch: Harshel Naik at hindsight1020@gmail.com Brotherhood: 57, including 18 new members

In the Classroom: 3.24 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.00)

In the Community: 155 hours of service

**Chapter Update**: Indiana Theta has been able to replace our astonishing senior class who graduated in spring 2014 with a promising new member class of 18 gentlemen. Since we've been chartered, we have had the highest GPA out of all the other fraternities on our campus and strive to maintain that tradition for many years to come.



# Indiana Iota – Ball State ★ 🚮 🤍

https://twitter.com/phipsiballstate
Get in touch: Cody Richards at Crichards2@bsu.edu

Brotherhood: 59, including 20 new members

In the Classroom: 2.90 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 2.86)

In the Community: 215 hours of service, raising \$675 for The Boys & Girls Club of Muncie

Chapter Update: Fall 2014 was the most productive semester in our chapter's history, and this success is due in large part to our recruiting efforts. We currently have 20 new members waiting to be initiated, which is our largest new member class yet. We also have been making great strides in philanthropy, where we hosted our Powder Puff football, a block party, and a percent night at Pita Pit to help raise money for the Boys and Girls Club. This is the first time we have put on more than one philanthropy in a semester. Finally, we are very proud to announce that one of our brothers was elected as VP of Membership Development for Ball State's IFC. We are very determined to make next semester even more successful.



# Iowa Alpha – Iowa ★ 🔢

(http://iowaphipsi.org) **y**@iowaalpha Get in touch: Nick Koehn at nicholas-koehn@uiowa.edu

Brotherhood: 142, including 34 new members

In the Classroom: 3.16 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 2.90)

In the Community: 2,206 hours of service, raising \$800 for JDRF

Join Them For: Central Iowa Alumni Association Founders Day on Saturday, February 21st: Founder's Day Celebration at the Wakonda Club in Des Moines, Iowa.

**Chapter Update**: Iowa Alpha completed its 17th year of the Kinnick Scholarship program this past August which helped the chapter to recruit a strong class of 34 new members. The chapter also celebrated its second annual alumni reunion this past fall, which included a memorable pregame ceremony at the Iowa vs. Ball State football game where IA alums donated a bust of Brother Nile Kinnick to the University Hall of Fame. Iowa Alpha is currently working with its local connections in Cedar Rapids to try and start a Boys and Girls Club in Iowa City. The chapter structure also underwent a nearly \$100,000 renovation to its dining area, kitchen, laundry room, and study space which was completed in November.





(http://isuphipsi.org)

Get in touch: Joshua Oren at jnoren@iastate.edu

Brotherhood: 73, including 27 new members In the Classroom: 2.97 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.08)

In the Community: 1,018 hours of service

Chapter Update: In the fall semester, our chapter has exceeded 1,000 total service hours so far, helping the campus of lowa State and the community surrounding it. We have had a smashing success with our big pledge class of 27, our biggest one yet since our rechartering in 2007. We recently also established a new partnership with the local Ames Food At First, helped along with the Ames Parks & Recreation services, served the local habitat for humanity and are continuing to search for more service projects. For homecoming, we got 1st in community service out of all the greek chapters, and won the first ever Campus Decks display, resulting in a very successful homecoming. If you know of anyone attending lowa State that would make a great Phi Psi, feel free to get in touch with us.



#### Kansas Alpha – Kansas 🖪

(http://www.kuphipsi.com/) @PhiPsi\_KUAlpha Get in touch: Tyler Staple

Get in touch: Tyler Stanley at tylerstanley4@gmail.com

Brotherhood: 113, including 36 new members

In the Classroom: 3.00

Join Them For: Founders Day on Sunday, February 22, 2015 from 5:00-8:00 p.m.: Dinner celebrating the Fraternity's founding. Chapter Update: The brothers of Kansas Alpha have strived for academic excellence by continuing to raise our cumulative GPA each semester. We have recently initiated 36 new members and look forward to their roles as upcoming leaders in the chapter house. Many of our new members are finding their niche in our Recruitment, Community Service and Philanthropy Committees. This year we are working with the women of Kappa Delta on the Rock Chalk Revue Show. Rock Chalk Revue is the largest student-run philanthropy at the University of Kansas. Organizations compete to raise funds and awareness for the Big Brothers Big Sisters of Douglas County. The philanthropy event ends with a variety show in the spring of 2015. Our members continue to be involved throughout the Lawrence community through the Natural Ties program, the KU Blood Drive, and local service events. All of our members are involved in various on campus organizations ranging from professional fraternities, to IFC, to sports clubs.



#### 🛛 Kentucky Beta – Kentucky 🌃

(http://kentuckybeta88.celect.org/home) ▼@KYBetaPhiPsi

Get in touch: Jordan Jones at jones.jordan09@uky.edu

Brotherhood: 50, including 15 new members

In the Classroom: 3.10

In the Community: \$1,400 raised for Big Brothers Big Sisters

**Chapter Update:** The Kentucky Beta Chapter has experienced a very successful semester. We gained 15 new brothers this fall, and we raised \$1,400 toward our beneficiary, Big Brothers Big Sisters, through our successful new philanthropic event- Animal House. We look forward to experiencing the chapter grow more this spring as we hope to recruit a large new member class, and we always look forward to seeing our brothers gather for Founders Day in the spring. Contact the chapter for any inquiries or to get involved with the Kentucky Beta Chapter.



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#### Louisiana Alpha – LSU ★ 🖪 🐼

(http://www.lsuphipsi.com/)

Get in touch: Devan Baham at devanbaham@gmail.com

Brotherhood: 153, including 49 new members

In the Community: 400 hours of service for Local children in the Baton Rouge community

Join Them For: Alumni Crawfish Boil (TBD): Family and alumni are welcomed to come out and enjoy some delicious crawfish with the brothers of LA Alpha.

**Chapter Update**: This past fall, LA Alpha initiated its largest pledge class in chapter history with 49 men. We also had the highest fraternity new member GPA on campus last spring. Our campus involvement has exponentially risen with brothers on the Greek Board of Directors, Greek Leadership Institute, Greek Ambassadors, and student government, as well as various other on campus organizations. In the future we are looking to continue boosting our GPA and hope to have another successful field day with the Boys and Girls Club of America in the spring.



#### Louisiana Gamma – Loyola 🚮

(http://www.phipsinola.com/)

Get in touch: Antonio Ayala at ajayala1205@gmail.com

Brotherhood: 36

**Chapter Update:** The Louisiana Gamma Chapter experienced a successful fall semester, thanks in large part to our efforts dedicated to bringing awareness for Free the Slaves Organization.



## Maryland Alpha – Johns Hopkins 🚮

(http://www.pkpmda.com/)

Get in touch: Colin O'Connor at silverslugger989@aol.com

#### Brotherhood: 57

**Chapter Update**: The Maryland Alpha Chapter experienced a successful fall semester. Our chapter continues to support the Johns Hopkins chapter of Unite for Sight, as we helped them raise over \$600 for their latest fundraising event. We are excited to continue to grow our chapter this spring, as we hope to have another large new member class. We also have recently completed a deal to acquire a much larger fraternity house increasing the size from six brothers in the house to 28.



## Maryland Gamma – Maryland ★ 🚮

(http://www.phipsiumd.com/)

Get in touch: Gregory Arpino at garpino@terpmail.umd.edu

Brotherhood: 45, including 6 new members

In the Classroom: 3.16 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.08)

In the Community: 320 hours of service for Wounded Warriors

**Chapter Update**: Fall semester has seen our chapter run several successful events. In September, our chapter ran a successful scholarship program for incoming freshmen. We gave out about \$2,000 in scholarship money to incoming freshman males who exhibited the qualities of men of excellence. We also had another successful alumni event where many of our chapter's alumni came down to tailgate a football game with us. We also continue to run our Phi Psi Phriends Program where we assist members of our community in College Park with anything they may need, whether it is shoveling snow from their driveway or cleaning up their backyard if they are physically unable to do so. In the spring, we look forward to planning an entirely new philanthropy event, which hopefully will be even more successful than past events we have had.



#### Massachusetts Beta – Brandeis ★ 🚮

#### (http://www.brandeisphipsi.com/)

@BrandeisPhiPsi

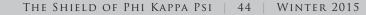
Get in touch: Jason Theoharis at jtheohar@gmail.com

Brotherhood: 51, including 11 new members

In the Classroom: 3.40

In the Community: 1,000 hours of service, raising \$11,500 for Rodman Ride for Kids, Halloween for the Hungry

**Chapter Update**: The Massachusetts Beta Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi experienced yet another highly successful fall semester. We had an amazing turnout at our annual service event at the Rodman Ride for Kids, an organization that provides aid in donations to underprivileged children. This yearly event involves current brothers and alumni driving over to Gillette Stadium to grill food for participants in the popular non-competitive bicycle tour. In addition, our chapter collectively participated in Sexual Assault Prevention Bystander training. Also, after a highly successful rush, we welcomed 11 well-rounded new members into our Fraternity after a comprehensive process stressing collaboration as well as mental and spiritual growth. After introducing them to our graduated brothers during our alumni weekend, it was apparent that the future of our chapter is in great hands. We look forward to yet another successful semester in the spring!





## <u>Michigan Alpha – Michigan 🚮 📷</u>

(http://www.michiganphipsi.org/)

Get in touch: Brooks Schaffer at bschaff@umich.edu

Brotherhood: 117, including 29 new members

**Chapter Update**: Phi Kappa Psi Michigan Alpha has had a great fall semester here in Ann Arbor. We just recently added 29 new members that are eager to get involved and carry on the great legacy of our chapter. One of our biggest feats this fall was our victory in Sigma Alpha Epsilon's 81st Annual MudBowl. This long-standing tradition is one of the University's largest spectacles every fall. In addition, we have implemented new recycling programs around our house that have accrued over \$2,000, which will be donated to our charity of choice. We are looking forward to our inaugural philanthropy event, Freeze the Puck on Cancer, where we will be playing hockey against Phi Gamma Delta at Yost Arena on January 31st. Please contact the chapter for more information and we look forward to seeing many alumni at Founders Day this spring.



## Michigan Beta – Michigan State 🔢 🐼 📷

(www.msuphikappapsi.com) @MSUPhiPsi Get in touch: Andrew Kaufman at kaufm130@msu.edu Brotherhood: 38, including 16 new members

In the Classroom: 2.85 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 2.92)

In the Community: 150 hours of service for Muscular Dystrophy Association of Greater Michigan

**Chapter Update**: The Michigan Beta Chapter has been in full swing this fall. Besides recruiting 16 fine young men, our public, philanthropic, and alumni relations have been active and successful in their endeavors. After a weekend-long celebration for the 60th anniversary of our chapter, we're happy to say our alumni support is even stronger and still growing. Nearly 60 alumni showed up for this event which was very exciting. Similarly, our work in philanthropy has been very successful. Pairing with the Boys & Girls Club of Lansing, our brothers are happy to be holding our 2nd annual Giving Tree event. This year we hope to double our donations and provide 200 gifts to the children right here in Greater Lansing. With these events and more, the brothers of Michigan Beta are excited and optimistic about the direction of our chapter.



#### Minnesota Beta – Minnesota ★ 🖪 ⑳

(http://www.mnphipsi.com/)

Get in touch: Charles Kennedy at kenne782@umn.edu

Brotherhood: 67, including 17 new members

In the Classroom: 3.09 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.11)

In the Community: 950 hours of service, raising \$3,000 for Boys and Girls Club of America

**Chapter Update**: The Minnesota Beta Chapter experienced a semester of great service and community involvement. Our philanthropy and service weekly options create an opportunity for our members to get involved and make a lasting impression throughout our community. Our alumni have recently formed a new committee to increase the strength and longevity of Minnesota Beta, while looking into options of future growth through membership and living quarters. Homecoming saw the largest number of alumni it has seen in the past 4 years, and we hope many more will connect and stay involved with our numerous programing options. Contact the chapter to get involved and we hope to see you for Founders Day in the spring.



#### Minnesota Gamma – Minn. State – Mankato ★ 🌃

Get in touch: Ted Gibbons at theodore.gibbons@mnsu.edu Brotherhood: 23, including 9 new members In the Classroom: 3.09 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.02)

In the Community: 328 hours of service

**Chapter Update**: This has been an incredible semester for us and our accomplishments read like a laundry list of win; we beat allfraternity GPA for the spring semester, we won homecoming with F?T and ??O, one of the most solid pledge classes we've had in a long time, and we had two brothers (Chris Rife and Connor Donohue) elected Risk Management and Recruitment Chairs on our local IFC board. And we also sent two undergraduates to GAC in Phoenix. With all this success going to our heads, we've started looking to get sponsored by Head and Shoulders within the next year.



#### <u> Minnesota Delta – Minn.-Duluth 🔢 й</u>

(www.umdphipsi.com)

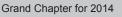
Get in touch: Jackson Houston at houst087@d.umn.edu Brotherhood: 28, including 15 new members

In the Community: 570 hours of service

**Chapter Update:** Minnesota Delta has been flourishing in past semesters. Increasing to our largest size yet, we hope to continue to grow closer as brothers and as an honorable Fraternity to the public. Winning our campus homecoming chariot race for the third year in a row and having the highest number of pledges of all fraternities at UMD, we are striving to continue to succeed. Our individual members are making a presence on campus as well, being active in a variety of extracurricular activities, organizations, and even being welcome week leaders to help guide incoming freshmen. Live Ever, Die Never!

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## MISSISSIPPI ALPHA – OLE MISS 🔢 🐼

**₩**@UMPhiPsi

Get in touch: Eddie Lawton at eplawton@go.olemiss.edu

(http://www.phipsi.com)

Brotherhood: 160, including 70 new members

**Chapter Update**: The brothers of Mississippi Alpha put together yet another successful semester at the University of Mississippi. After an incredible job during recruitment and the largest pledge class in Phi Kappa Psi history, the chapter is currently at its highest membership total ever. For the second Halloween in a row, the chapter partnered up with the lovely ladies from Alpha Omicron Pi to put together an awesome haunted house for the Boys and Girls Club. In addition, the chapter completed nearly 1,500 community service hours for those in Oxford area. We look forward to seeing many of our alumni in February to celebrate our Founders Day!

#### NEBRASKA ALPHA – NEBRASKA ★ 🛐 🔍



(www.nephipsi.com)

Get in touch: Zachary Peterson at zmpeterson25@gmail.com

Brotherhood: 113, including 36 new members

In the Classroom: 2.91 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.03)

In the Community: 500 hours of service, raising \$6,000 for Boys and Girls Club

**Chapter Update**: The Nebraska Alpha Chapter had a great fall semester. We added 36 dedicated new members, continuing to grow our Fraternity. Our recent fall philanthropy was a great success. We raised nearly \$6,000 for the Boys and Girls Club of Lincoln as a result of our second annual country concert. The concert, featuring Jon Pardi, was held at the popular Single Barrel Restaurant and Bar in Downtown Lincoln. The venue provided a great atmosphere and enjoyable time for the 600 plus in attendance.



## NEBRASKA BETA – CREIGHTON ★ 🚮 🛞 📷

(www.pkpnebeta.com) @PhiPsiNEBeta Get in touch: Brendan M

Get in touch: Brendan Murphy at brendanmurphy12@creighton.edu Brotherhood: 82, including 2 new members

In the Classroom: 3.19

In the Community: Benefitting the South Omaha Boys and Girls Club

Join Them For: Founders Day on February 21st: If your email is outdated on Phi Psi's website, please Contact our president, Brendan Murphy.

**Chapter Update**: Nebraska Beta has had a productive start and each day we strive to win the Hauser Cup and be named as the top fraternity on campus. Farnam St., that runs in front of the house, has now become a two way. In addition to this, we were able to bring in busses of kids from the South Omaha Boys and Girls Club for a Haunted Basement and Treats with Pi Beta Phi. The homecoming alumni golf outing was a large success with low scores and lots of laughs. We look forward to a large, successful Founders and Gold anniversary of our charting, accompanied by a successful spring recruitment.



# New Jersey Beta – Monmouth 🖪 🐼 📷

(phikappapsimonmouthu.wix.com/njbeta)

Get in touch: Nico Flora at nicoaflora@gmail.com

Brotherhood: 40, including 3 new members

In the Classroom: 3.048 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.018)

In the Community: 32 hours of service for Boys and Girls Club of Red Bank New Jersey

Join Them For: Alumni Versus Undergrad Softball Game on April 18, 2015 at 4:00 p.m.: Alumni and Undergrad brothers face off in a slow pitch softball game.

**Chapter Update**: The N.J. Beta chapter here at Monmouth University experienced a successful fall semester. We welcomed three new members bringing our active brother total to 40. Our recent participation in our university's community-wide service event, the Big Event, all active brothers went to the local Ronald McDonald house offering assistance in any and all needs of the people who run the local organization. All brothers also participated in our local coffee shop's "Rook Run", a 5k to benefit the Valerie Fund. We also experienced a successful homecoming, in which 25 alumni returned to share the experience with the active brothers. Our efforts in service and recruitment will continue throughout the semester in hopes for a large class in the spring.



#### NEW JERSEY GAMMA – RUTGERS ★ 🚮

(www.ruphipsi.com) **'**∭@RUPHIPSI

Get in touch: Bobby Peters at bobby.peters72@yahoo.com

Brotherhood: 70, including 9 new members In the Classroom: 3.112 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 2.978) In the Community: 892 hours of service for Elijah's Promise

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Chapter Update: The New Jersey Gamma Chapter has continued its growth by initiating nine new members of the lota pledge class this Fall. The chapter was happy to participate with the New Jersey Epsilon chapter in Turkey Trot, a 5K that helped raise money for Elijah's Promise. This organization runs a soup kitchen, and ensures that families are able to enjoy a traditional Thanksgiving if they cannot afford it. Furthermore, participation in the annual Phiesta increased and the Rutgers community was able to raise \$5,000 for the Team LeGrand Foundation. This week-long event brought six fraternities and seven sororities together in order to raise money for research into neck and spine injuries. We look forward to continued success and growth in the Rutgers community with our newly elected executive board.



## NEW JERSEY DELTA – TCNJ ★ 🃑

(http://www.tcnj.edu/~phikpsi/) 🔰 @ TCN Jphipsi

Get in touch: Frankie Nwafili at nwafilc1@tcnj.edu Brotherhood: 47

Chapter Update: Fall semester was an exciting one for the N.J. Delta Chapter. Our brothers now use our email account to advertise events and opportunities on campus daily, increase brotherhood participation in all fraternal affairs. Chapter Meeting attendance has improved 20% over last semester. We had the addition of another advisor, Brother Jimmy Byrnes, a skilled attorney and former GP, who has already assumed a very active role. We are adding work sessions to our chapter meetings to use our time more efficiently. Though much of our time has been spent fine tuning our internal workings, we have identified opportunities to improve our college campus, community, and to take full advantage of "the great joy of serving others." We have seen an increase brotherhood participation in all philanthropic events hosted by other Greek organizations.



# New Jersey Epsilon – Rowan ★ 🚮 📷

🔰 @PhiPsiNJE

Get in touch: Matthew Motto at mottom01@students.rowan.edu

(http://www.njepsilon.com)

Brotherhood: 33, including 3 new members

In the Classroom: 3.1 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 2.93)

In the Community: 500 hours of service, raising \$1,600 for Glassboro High School - Project Bulldog

Join Them For: Formal 2015 (TBA for April): Please join us for our 15th anniversary of being a chartered chapter of Phi Kappa Psi. Chapter Update: The New Jersey Epsilon Chapter had a great fall semester. We had a quality pledge class of three new members who strive to make our chapter better each and every day. Our current philanthropy efforts include raising money for Project Bulldog. This campaign is an effort to raise \$10,000 over the year with Theta Phi Alpha for Glassboro High School. We also recently visited and volunteered with New Jersey Gamma at annual Turkey Trot event benefiting Elijah's Promise. We will also visit Pennsylvania Upsilon to cook Thanksgiving dinner for the homeless. Feel free to contact the chapter if you would like to arrange a visit, philanthropy event, or help out with Project Bulldog.



#### New York Alpha – Cornell 📑

(http://www.phikappapsi-cornell.org/) @PhiPsiNYAlpha

Get in touch: Marc Choueiri at mnc27@cornell.edu

Brotherhood: 86, including 19 new members

In the Classroom: 3.26

In the Community: 483 hours of service for American Red Cross

Chapter Update: New York Alpha was recently awarded Cornell University's 'Most Improved Chapter' award. During the 2013-2014 academic year, the chapter improved its overall GPA, philanthropy hours, varsity sport involvement and risk management. This fall semester, NYA has launched an alumni mentoring program where pairs of experienced alumni are matched with eager students.



## <u>New York B</u>eta – Syracuse 🔢

(http://www.suphipsi.com/) Get in touch: Ted Zelley at tjzelley@syr.edu

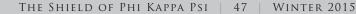
Brotherhood: 56, including 9 new members

In the Classroom: 3.20 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.30)

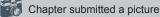
In the Community: 390 hours of service, raising \$2,000 for Boys and Girls Club of Syracuse

Join Them For: Syracuse vs. Duke Home Basketball Game on February 14, 2015; 6:00 p.m.: We will be hosting a formal reception for the Duke game, but we welcome all alumni for any game this season.

Chapter Update: The fall 2014 semester was a success for New York Beta! Sam Belden, a junior, recently won a Greek Wide 5k sponsored by Nike with the winning donation of \$100 going to the Boys and Girls Club of Syracuse. We also participated in a campus wide "Greek or Treat" Halloween event pairing up with a sorority painting kids' faces and trick or treating throughout the SU community. Most importantly, we started a new wiffle ball philanthropy, "Phi Psi Fall Ball," which we hope to make an annual event this year raising over \$1,800.











#### New York Eta – Buffalo ★ 🚮

Get in touch: Daniel Weiss at drweiss@buffalo.edu Brotherhood: 17, including 5 new members

Chapter Update: The New York Eta Chapter had a great fall semester. We successfully increased our chapter size by almost 50 percent through everyone's hard work and dedication. Our most recent alumni event was a fun time for everyone where we spent time at the chapter house kicking back and watching football. Contact us if you're interested in getting involved with the chapter.



🔰 @ritphipsi

Get in touch: Troy Galanis at troy.galanis@gmail.com

Brotherhood: 53, including 14 new members

In the Classroom: 3.077 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 2.995)

In the Community: 980 hours of service, raising \$11,000 for Rochester Hillside Family of Agencies

Join Them For: Alumni Weekend XXIII on April 25-27, 2015

Chapter Update: The New York Theta Chapter has seen one of its most successful semesters, thanks to the largest new member class we've had in three years and our latest philanthropic achievements. Our Fall major event, Mudtug, raised over \$11,000 for the Rochester Hillside Family of Agencies, while also bringing over 1,000 students together for a tug of war tournament. We recently kick started our alumni mentoring program and we've been thrilled to see the amount of alumni that have returned to help guide our undergraduate bothers to a successful and effective future.



#### New York Iota – Binghamton 🛛 👫

(bingphipsi.com) @phi\_psi\_bing

Get in touch: Carl Hashem at chashem2@binghamton.edu

Brotherhood: 36, including 14 new members

In the Classroom: 3.28 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.18)

Chapter Update: Last semester the New York lota Chapter experienced a very successful fall semester, as we recruited one of our largest new member classes ever, and the largest new member class on campus. On October 19th, we had our fundraising event, the 5th annual Steven Kovacs Walk your Heart Out where we were able to raise over \$3,000 to the Institute for Child Development.



💓 @oneontaphipsi

Get in touch: Kevin Donovan at kevin.donovan53@gmail.com

Brotherhood: 52, including 5 new members

In the Community: Benefitting the Oneonta Historical Society

Chapter Update: The brothers of the New York Kappa Chapter had a very successful fall semester. We are very excited to have just initiated five new members this fall. Also, we celebrated our 10th year as a chapter with a celebration on campus. Faculty, staff, alumni, brothers, and guests all enjoyed the occasion. We are very proud of the accomplishments of this past semester, and look to continue our success into the next year.



<u>North Carolina Beta – Eas</u>t Carolina ★ **I** ≪

@ECUPhiPsi

Get in touch: Peter Smitheman at smithemanp11@students.ecu.edu Brotherhood: 16, including 8 new members In the Classroom: 2.503 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 2.658)

In the Community: 200 hours of service for Boys and Girls Club of Pitt County

Chapter Update: The North Carolina Beta Chapter started off last semester with a strong recruitment by recruiting one of the largest pledge classes in recent years, increasing our chapter size by 50 percent. The chapter worked on multiple events this semester including a blood drive with the Red Cross association, which doubled the original goal, and a successful local Founders Day event in mid-October. Our chapter is also making great strides on the academic front. Notably, the Excellence in Advising Grant awarded by the Phi Psi Foundation has provided us the ability to fund a dedicated learning specialist to work with the brothers and improve their academics. In all, it has been a great semester so far, and we look forward to the adventures of growth.



#### Ohio Alpha – Ohio Wesleyan

Get in touch: Steven Uhler at smuhler@owu.edu Brotherhood: 31 In the Classroom: 2.80

#### In the Community: 75 hours of service

Join Them For: Second Annual Phi Psi Reunion (TBD before Easter): Open House followed by a dinner hosted at a local restaurant; more details to come.

**Chapter Update**: We are very pleased to announce that our brothers are taking firm action into the improvement of our chapter house. We are renovating two of our common rooms and completely replacing their interior designs. We have also gone through a deep cleaning of our attic and basement, ridding everything deemed trash from past alumni. Along with our house renovations, we are focusing our attention on more strategic recruitment. By utilizing all of our resources from our fellow brothers and the University, we are striving to bring in one of the best pledge classes at Ohio Alpha in numerous years.



# Ohio Beta – Wittenberg 🚮

(http://www4.wittenberg.edu/student\_organizations/greek/Phi\_Kappa\_Psi/)

#### ★ PhiPsiOhioBeta

Get in touch: Nicholas Monetta at monettan@wittenberg.edu

Brotherhood: 43, including 6 new members

In the Classroom: 3.045 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.029)

In the Community: 62 hours of service, raising \$700 for Salvation Army

**Chapter Update**: Fall was a very exciting semester for the brothers of Ohio Beta. The hard work of the recruitment teams helped us to pick up six quality guys for Fall rush. Homecoming was a rousing success this year. In addition to seeing good friends who have graduated in the past several years, we were able to connect with alumni spanning back several decades at our tailgate event. We were able to throw a great philanthropy dinner while working alongside the lovely ladies of Sigma Kappa. Besides the delicious food, crowds were drawn in by the chance to pie a Phi Psi which made the event a lot of fun. We are very optimistic for spring rush, and cannot wait to see more alumni at Founders Day.



#### Ohio Delta – Ohio State ★ 🛐 🗼

**Get in touch**: Sam Moody at moody.175@osu.edu

Brotherhood: 108, including 9 new members

(www.phikappapsi.info)

In the Classroom: 3.18 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.04) In the Community: \$2,100 raised for The Boys and Girls Club of Columbus

**Chapter Update**: The Ohio Delta Chapter is in its 134th year, and the brothers had an excellent fall semester. This autumn, we welcomed Chuck Kimerline as our new House Director. On October 17th, we celebrated Homecoming with alumni and the 20 scholarship awardees from Ohio Delta. The event was a great time for active brothers and alumni to share stories and celebrate the great traditions of Ohio Delta and The Ohio State University. We also had our annual Phi Psi Open tennis tournament which was a success and raised \$2,100 for the Boys and Girls Club of Columbus. We're happy to be able to support a great organization through both donations and through personal service of brothers themselves.



#### Ohio Epsilon – Case Western **I**

(www.cwruphipsi.com)

Get in touch: Anthony Martone at anthony.martone@case.edu

Brotherhood: 44, including 19 new members

In the Classroom: 3.35 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.31)

In the Community: 268 hours of service, raising \$400 for Tomorrow's Stars

**Chapter Update**: The Ohio Epsilon Chapter had an incredibly successful fall semester due in large part to our incredibly large new member class. We had the largest new member class on campus and nearly doubled the size of our chapter. We won Delta Gamma's philanthropy event, Anchor Splash, for the second year in a row. This event is extremely competitive at Case Western Reserve University. We saw quite a few alumni during homecoming and are looking forward to seeing many more at Founders Day. Watch your email for more information!



# <u>Ohio Zeta – Bowling Green ★ 🖪 🐼 📷</u>

(www.bgphipsi.org)

Get in touch: Greg Robison at grobiso@bgsu.edu

Brotherhood: 59, including 18 new members

In the Classroom: 3.053 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 2.979)

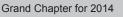
In the Community: 635 hours of service, raising \$1,425 for Boys and Girls Club of America

Join Them For: Founder's Day Weekend on February 21-22: We will be attending a hockey game against Northwestern Michigan, as well as brotherhood activities throughout the weekend.

**Chapter Update**: The brothers of Ohio Zeta have just initiated the largest pledge class, 18 members, since its re-chartering. Our growth is a positive reflection of our strength in Bowling Green's Greek community. This fall, we successfully executed raft race and raised over \$1,000. The Greek Standards of Excellence is approaching and it will prove to be a true judgment of the progress Ohio

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Chapter submitted a picture



Boys & Girls Club Partner

Zeta has made on this campus. We also are currently in the middle of the new Greek housing project. As more details are being unveiled, the project is truly showing how much it will fortify the connections within the community. We look forward to seeing all of Ohio Zeta's alumni return at this year's Founders Weekend.





(www.toledophipsi.org)

Get in touch: Christian Van Rafelghem at christian.van2@rockets.utoledo.edu

Brotherhood: 84, including 29 new members

In the Classroom: 3.026 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.054)

In the Community: 600 hours of service, raising \$2,000 for Boys and Girls Club of Toledo

Join Them For: Founders Day on February 20th at 5:00 p.m.: Local Celebration of Phi Kappa Psi Founders Day

**Chapter Update**: Phi Kappa Psi is continuing to strive to adapt to the continuous growth we are experiencing. Our continued efforts in academics, philanthropy and recruitment are continuing to payoff as the chapter continues to grow and expand. We are also working vehemently to build stronger connections with alumni. In doing so we have begun donating platelets and making strides to promote awareness for an alumni of Ohio Eta, whose grandson is fighting Ewing's Sarcoma.



(http://www.ohiotheta.net/)

🍠 @PhiPsiOHTheta

Get in touch: Samuel Postell at spostell@ashland.edu

Brotherhood: 22, including 10 new members

In the Classroom: 3.079 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.049)

In the Community: 700 hours of service, raising \$250 for Boys and Girls Club of Mansfield

**Chapter Update**: Phi Psi Ohio Theta has come into this year strong with a pledge class of nine which is the second highest on campus. We recently had one of our biggest alumni showing in history at this years homecoming. We had upward of 30 alumni, with some dating back to our founding. We also held our first ever Boogie to the Beat to Keep Kids Off the Street. This is a 12-hour dance marathon where students get an hour of dancing funded by family, friends, and local companies in order to raise money for Boys and Girls Club of America. We have also formed a volunteer relationship with Concerned Veterans of America where we conduct phone banks to help their cause. In addition to this, we recently sent 5 members all the way to Charlotte, North Carolina for a Concerned Veterans of America volunteer event where they volunteered for five straight days!



#### Ohio Lambda – Miami (OH) 🧼

(http://www.ohiolambda.com/) Get in touch: Mitchell Lothes at lothesme@miamioh.edu

Brotherhood: 88

In the Classroom: 3.06 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.04)

In the Community: 704 hours of service, raising \$7,000 for Boys and Girls Club

**Chapter Update**: The Ohio Lambda Chapter enjoyed an extremely successful fall semester due to increasing involvement and dedication from each member towards the chapter's goals. This fall, during Greek Week, Ohio Lambda won two of the nine sporting events during the 28-fraternity wide competition. This includes an impressive championship run in football, which culminated with Ohio Lambda being champions. Our Philanthropy, Bare Run on the Brick Charity Run, was extremely popular throughout Miami's campus. The event allowed participants to donate clothing to the Girls and Boys Club that is located near the university. Ohio Lambda is very optimistic about the future of the fraternity and the spring will just be another step towards a brighter future with a new executive board guiding the way.





(http://www.udayton.edu/students/phipsi/#1) @UDPhiPsi Get in touch: Nick Sarkis at sarkisn1@udayton.edu Brotherhood: 25, including 9 new members In the Classroom: 3.16

In the Community: \$106 raised for Brats with Brothers

Join Them For: 10 Year Reunion on April 28th: Celebrating the 10-year anniversary of the creation of the Ohio Mu chapter. Chapter Update: This fall semester, the Ohio Mu chapter maintained an outstanding GPA of 3.16! We have participated in service opportunities such as helping other organizations around campus that need help with events, going to The Boys and Girls Club on Friday afternoons, and working at The House of Bread. The intramural sports we offered this semester included volleyball, basketball, softball, and 7v7 flag football. Our social schedule consisted of three social gatherings with some of the sororities on campus, and a semi-formal. This semester we hosted a Philanthropy event called Brats with Brothers that supported Boys and Girls Club, we were able to raise \$106 through this event. On top of our busy schedule throughout the semester we were also able to obtain a pledge class of nine new brothers; this was the biggest pledge class of any fraternity on campus!



#### Оніо Nu – Оніо 盾 📷

#### @PhiPsiOhioU Get in touch: Jake Zucke

Get in touch: Jake Zuckerman at jz673213@ohio.edu Brotherhood: 98, including 23 new members

#### In the Classroom: 2.862

In the Community: 650 hours of service, raising \$2,500 for Susan G. Komen Foundation

**Chapter Update**: The Ohio Nu Chapter purchased a new house on campus for \$1.35 million, thanks in large part to the efforts of our Housing Corps and current brothers, as well as generous donations from alumni. This purchase solidifies our roots at Ohio University. During our ribbon cutting ceremony, we were graced by the presence of our national president, Scott Noble. We, alongside the women of Alpha Delta Pi, won Homecoming, setting a precedent for the years to come. We will be hosting the second year of our Phi Psi 500 philanthropy event in the spring. The chapter recruited 23 new members and has now grown to be the second largest fraternity on Ohio University's campus.



## Ohio XI – Capital ★

(http://www.capitalphipsi.com/) @PKP\_OhioXi Get in touch: Spencer Saylor at ssaylor@capital.edu Brotherhood: 64, including 25 new members In the Classroom: 3.185 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 2.997)

In the Community: 1,400 hours of service

Join Them For: Phi Kappa Psi Ohio Xi - Five Year Anniversary Celebration on April 17th and 18th, 2015: Ohio Xi was founded April 17, 2010. We will be having a weekend long celebration to commemorate our brotherhood.

**Chapter Update**: The Ohio Xi Chapter experienced a successful fall semester, thanks to our efforts to recruit the largest new member class in chapter history. Along with recruiting well, we had a 100% initiation rate. The Phi Psi Experience, matched with group activities, made for a great new member experience. We continue as the largest Fraternity on campus. We have had a huge semester for service. We have reached out to new segments of the community to lend helping hands and make our commitment to serving others known. Homecoming this year brought 40 alumni home to Capital. Additionally, our president and sweetheart were crowned as the King and Queen. Ohio Xi is thriving more than ever. We can't wait to see what is ahead for our chapter!



#### Ohio Omicron – Muskingum ★ 🚮 🗼 🗊

🔰 @PKPOhioOmicron

Get in touch: Robert Smith at rsmit@muskingum.edu Brotherhood: 38, including 11 new members

In the Classroom: 3.13 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 2.92)

In the Community: 450 hours of service, raising \$100 for Boys and Girls Club

**Chapter Update**: Ohio Omicron experienced a highly motivated and successful fall semester. Hard recruiting lead us to 11 new members, the most of any male organization on campus, and we hope to increase those numbers in the spring. We're enjoying the new chapter house, and would like to thank the 28 young alumni who came to Muskingum to enjoy Homecoming with us and see our new home. Your support is important for us to continue being successful. Our biggest event this semester was our Halloween event, the Haunted Hollow. For the second year in a row, we had over 200 students participate, a very high number for a Muskingum University event.



# Oklahoma Alpha – Oklahoma 🖪 🐼

(http://phipsiokalpha.com/)

Get in touch: Polo Rivera at roberto.a.rivera-1@ou.edu

Brotherhood: 51, including 20 new members

In the Classroom: 3.07 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 2.97)

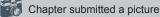
In the Community: 200 hours of service, raising \$1,500 for Boys and Girls Club of America

Join Them For: Founders Day on February 21st: For more information contact president of the OKAA Derek Neidig at D\_Neidig@ hotmail.com

**Chapter Update**: Oklahoma Alpha is making tremendous strides at the University of Oklahoma. After earning Most Improved Chapter at the 2014 GAC we were able to initiate 20 new members, the biggest initiated class at Oklahoma Alpha since our restart in 2010. Unfortunately this past year we lost one of our own. Brother Bob Coleman was a very active and prominent alumni from our chapter who gave more back to our chapter than we could ever repay. He will be greatly missed but never forgotten as his portrait now hangs in our front foyer in memory of our loved brother. We hope to build on the foundation that he helped to lay for us as we continue to grow at The University of Oklahoma.

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## Oregon Alpha – Oregon 脂 ≪



(http://oaphipsi.wordpress.com) @PhiPsi\_UOAlpha Get in touch: Collin Wiseman at cwiseman@uoregon.edu

Brotherhood: 64, including 20 new members

In the Classroom: 3.07 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 2.98)

In the Community: Benefitting the Boys & Girls Club

Chapter Update: The Oregon Alpha Chapter has welcomed constant change over the last half year, and these movements have been positive steps for the organization moving forward. With the addition of 20 new members, the chapter's future looks brighter than ever. Oregon Alpha received its highest cumulative GPA since re-chartering (3.07), which is well above university and FSL averages. We look forward to building upon last year's successful Founders Day this February, and are in the process of making over our philanthropy event for this upcoming spring. With a new round of officers recently settling in, the chapter is excited for what the future has in store and hopes to build off the strides we have made over the last six months.



#### Oregon Beta – Oregon State ★ 🌃

(http://phipsiosu.org/) @PhiKappaPsiOSU

Get in touch: Curtis Orona at oronac@onid.orst.edu

Brotherhood: 144, including 39 new members In the Community: 1,500 hours of service

Join Them For: Founders Day on February 28, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.: Come celebrate Phi Kappa Psi's, as well as Oregon Beta's, founding day in the Memorial Union Ballroom.

Chapter Update: With the addition of 29 new members this fall and nine initiates last spring, our numbers have swelled to an astounding 144 members. With the addition of our Membership Development committee, we plan on furthering the education of our brothers by having guest speakers come talk about life experiences and tips for job interviews. If interested in sharing some knowledge, feel free to contact the chapter. We look forward to seeing all of our alumni at Founders Day in February.



#### Pennsylvania Alpha – W & J

#### 💓 @ PhiPsiWashJeff

Get in touch: Matthew Densford at densfordmb@jay.washjeff.edu Brotherhood: 33

Chapter Update: This semester, the brothers of PA Alpha raised over \$4675 for the Big Brothers Big Sisters Program. Our Founder's Day event will be held at the George Washington Hotel in Washington Pennsylvania on

February 28th, 2014. The keynote speaker at the event will be SWGP Scott Noble. For more information about the event please contact brother Kyle Mackenzie at: mackenzieka@jay.washjeff.edu.



## Pennsylvania Beta – Allegheny ★ 🚮 🚳

(www.pennbeta.com) @PKP PennBeta

Get in touch: Ian Dempsey at dempseyi@allegheny.edu

Brotherhood: 52, including 7 new members

In the Classroom: 2.94 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.10)

In the Community: 523 hours of service, raising \$1,200 for Boys and Girls Club of America

Chapter Update: The Pennsylvania Beta Chapter has experienced an outstanding fall semester thus far thanks to the steadfast leadership of both senior and underclass brothers. We have maintained the title of most spirited Greek organization on campus while still serving the local population with well over 500 hours of community service. This year marked the return of the college's homecoming parade in which we partnered with the local Alpha Chi Omega chapter to construct the most iconic float the campus had ever seen.



# Pennsylvania Gamma – Bucknell ★ 텔 📷

(penngamma.com) @PhiPsiPennGamma Get in touch: Kirkwood Tischler at kbt004@bucknell.edu

Brotherhood: 79, including 23 new members

In the Classroom: 3.27 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.25)

In the Community: 1,450 hours of service, raising \$17,900 for St. Baldrick's

Chapter Update: The Pennsylvania Gamma Chapter continued our success during this fall semester. We have initiated 24 quality men who exemplify and uphold all that we, as Phi Psis, live by. Our recent philanthropic event was held on November 6, 2014 where we raised over \$17,900 dollars and shaved our heads in support of the St. Baldrick's foundation that gives all the proceeds towards childhood cancer research. Homecoming was a huge success as we welcomed back many alumni to campus and our chapter house in particular. Please feel free to contact that chapter if you would like to get involved. We look forward to hearing from you!

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# Pennsylvania Eta – F & M ★ 🖪 🐼

(pkppenneta.org) @PhiPsi\_PennEta Get in touch: Zachary Fried at zfried1@fandm.edu Brotherhood: 64, including 12 new members 2.40 (41) Esteteris Aug. in 2.01)

In the Classroom: 3.19 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.01)

In the Community: 375 hours of service, raising \$3,000 for Boys & Girls Club

Join Them For: Phi Kappa Psi Beard Bash on December 5th, 8:00 - 10:00 p.m.: We partake in No Shave November to raise money for the Boys and Girls Club in Lancaster, PA. Our beard bash is the culmination of these efforts.

**Chapter Update**: The Pennsylvania Eta Chapter has enjoyed a rich and fulfilling fall semester. With 12 new members bringing our total up to 76, we remain the largest fraternity on campus. The inaugural Wildfire Music Festival raised over \$2,000 for Music For Everyone, a local non-profit dedicated to supporting underfunded music programs in the Lancaster area. Our alumni chair and alumni advisor have jump-started a mentoring program for the undergraduates. In September, we had four recent alumni return to talk to our senior class about life after college. For homecoming, we had a "Phi Psi through the Decades" panel, with alumni from each of the last six decades returning to discuss what Phi Kappa Psi means to each of them. We're looking forward to a superb end to the semester!



(http://www.penntheta.com)

Get in touch: Kevin Jackson at jacksoke@lafayette.edu

Brotherhood: 69, including 27 new members

@FKYPAlota

In the Classroom: 3.33 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.19)

In the Community: 609 hours of service, raising \$2,568 for Boys and Girls Club of Easton

**Chapter Update**: The chapter has seen a staggering increase in new membership. With 27 new brothers, we are now 69 strong. Needless to say, we are seeing growth in all aspects of the chapter. This year, our scholarship committee developed an academic mentorship program that assigned qualified brothers with new members of similar academic interests. In addition, our philanthropy committee increased co-sponsorship with non-affiliated organizations such as Colleges against Cancer and College Republicans. We have also further strengthened our relationship with the Boys and Girls Club of Easton by developing a weekly soccer clinic and increasing turnout to philanthropic events like our haunted house which raised over \$1,200. In the future, the Penn. Theta Chapter will continue to strive towards a tradition of excellence and exceed expectations.



#### | Pennsylvania Iota – Penn ★ 🖪 爹

Get in touch: Will Breskman at wbreskman@gmail.com

Brotherhood: 60, including 4 new members

In the Classroom: 3.544 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.390)

In the Community: 50 hours of service, raising \$100 for Children's Hospital of Pennsylvania

**Chapter Update**: The Pennsylvania lota Chapter had very successful spring recruitment process. Our chapter membership has climbed to 60, which is the highest it has been in recent memory during a fall semester. We are active participants in community service with several West Philadelphia organizations, including Books Through Bars and Ready, Willing & Able (both of which help West Philadelphia residents who have had trouble with the justice system). We have also worked with our neighbors at the Penn Hospital Transplant House to cook meals for them and do routine yard work. The Pennsylvania lota Chapter has achieved the highest average GPA of any all male greek organization in the Penn IFC, which is well above the university average.



#### <u> Pennsylvania Lambda – Penn State ★</u>

(http://www.greeks.psu.edu/ifc/pkp/inv.htm)

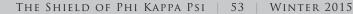
Get in touch: Garrett Field at gfield35@gmail.com

Brotherhood: 85, including 21 new members

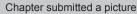
In the Classroom: 3.15 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.14)

In the Community: 2,400 hours of service, raising \$62,500 for Penn State IFC/Panhellenic Dance Marathon

**Chapter Update**: The fall semester has been a very exciting one for PA Lambda. We started the semester off with a great homecoming where we got to see alumni of all ages come back to the house! During the rest of the semester we have been working extremely hard towards raising money for the IFC/Panhellenic Dance Marathon and are well on our way to beating our total from last year. We are also extremely proud that this semester we initiated one of our largest new member classes, with a total of 21 new members being initiated. PA Lambda also hosted Jerry Nelson and Paul Wineman for a weekend and had the privilege of hearing both of their famous speeches. We are looking forward to the spring semester and our continued growth! Live Ever Die Never!











## Pennsylvania Nu – IUP 📕

#### 🔊 @PhiPsi IUP

Get in touch: Mark Schinzel at LFNS@iup.edu

Brotherhood: 50, including 12 new members

In the Community: 120 hours of service, raising \$400 for American Cancer Society

Join Them For: Founders Day on February 19, 2014: Chapter brothers will come together to celebrate the

history of Phi Kappa Psi.

Chapter Update: This past semester, our chapter progressed greatly toward building a better brotherhood. We succesfully recruited and initiated 12 new members who are proud to be official brothers of Phi Kappa Psi. We've also completed several chapter house projects such as building a fence along the property, renovating the main common room and repainting our basement. Lastly, brothers were able to raise a total of \$325 dollars for The American Cancer Society in a total of three days.



#### Pennsylvania XI – Edinboro 🌃

(www.edinboro.edu/cwis/phikappapsi/)

@PhiPsiPennXi

Get in touch: Adam Swartzfager at adamswartzfager@gmail.com

Brotherhood: 9, including 1 new members

In the Classroom: 3.15

In the Community: 150 hours of service for Second Harvest Food Bank

Chapter Update: The Pennsylvania Xi Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi has seven quality members being initiated and has made philanthropy a focus of their semester. Alumni involvement is a goal of Penn. Xi and many alumni have responded positively to invitations of events.



#### Pennsylvania Rho – York ★ 盾

(www.ycpphipsi.com) @PhiPsi PARho Get in touch: Robert Odle at rodle@vcp.edu Brotherhood: 39, including 3 new members In the Classroom: 2.78 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 2.78)

In the Community: 135 hours of service, raising \$620 for Movember Foundation

Chapter Update: The Pennsylvania Rho Chapter has had a memorable fall semester. Currently, we still hold the largest fraternity on campus. We are continuing to bring up our cumulative GPA each semester and this semester appears to be no different. Our Movember event was a huge success.

## <u>Pennsylvani</u>a Sigma – USP ★

# (http://uphipsi.com)

900 @PhiPsiUSP

Get in touch: Marvin Natividad at mnatividad@mail.usciences.edu

Brotherhood: 17, including 10 new members

In the Classroom: 2.84 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.14)

Chapter Update: Throughout the fall semester, the brothers of Penn, Sigma have been increasingly involved in our efforts in philanthropy, fundraising and rush, among other things. Brothers worked the Philadelphia Eagles games to raise money. We have also been very active on and off campus and with other Greek organizations through involvement in community cleanup efforts in University City Philadelphia and holding tables at the USciences Athletic/Recreation Center's Pink-A-Thon and Alpha Sigma Tau's Alcohol Awareness Carnival. In fundraising efforts, we have been raffling off tickets to a Philadelphia Eagles game against the Seattle Seahawks. We, the brothers of Penn. Sigma, will continue in our endeavors in the improvement of brothers and our chapter while proudly upholding the highest traditions of Phi Kappa Psi.



## <u>Pennsylvania</u> Upsilon -**ID**rexel

(duphipsi.com) 💓@duphipsi

Get in touch: Andrew Gnias at duphipsipresident@gmail.com

Brotherhood: 51, including 7 new members In the Classroom: 3.44 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.34)

In the Community: 600 hours of service, raising \$800 for St. Agatha's Church

Chapter Update: The brothers of Pennsylvania Upsilon had a very active fall term. For the second consecutive year, the brothers continued their scholarship program, which awarded three exceptional Drexel freshmen with scholarships. The brotherhood has taken on seven new members this fall, and with this, the chapter has nearly doubled in size over a period of two years. We look forward to their contributions in the future. The brotherhood's philanthropic efforts included our Thanksgiving Dinner philanthropy, in which we cooked and served food at a local homeless shelter. We have also worked with the Boys and Girls club to organize a "giving tree" philanthropy, in which the brothers and various Drexel Greek organizations buy and wrap holiday presents for children in need.

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## Pennsylvania Phi – Lycoming 盾 🐼

(http://lycostu.lycoming.edu/orgs/pkp/index.html) @LycoPhiKappaPsi Get in touch: Casey Manion at mancase@lycoming.edu Brotherhood: 15, including 1 new members In the Classroom: 2.83 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 2.80) http://www.eod.eu/

**Chapter Update**: The Pennsylvania Phi Chapter had a busy and successful fall semester. We have continued helping at SunnyBrook Meadows Therapeutic Riding Center, as well as other on-campus service events. We also held our first restaurant night at Buffalo Wild Wings to raise money and support the Boys & Girls Clubs of Pennsylvania. The chapter also had a good turnout for homecoming festivities and tailgating Lycoming's football game.

#### Rhode Island Alpha – Brown



@BrownPhiPsiGet in touch: Ross Hegtvedt at ross\_hegtvedt@brown.eduBrotherhood: 21



Tennessee Delta – Vanderbilt ★ 🖪 🐼

(http://vanderbiltphipsi.com)

Get in touch: Josh Hamburger at joshua.d.hamburger@vanderbilt.edu

Brotherhood: 41, including 11 new members

In the Community: \$5,560 raised for Boys and Girls Club of America

**Chapter Update**: The Tennessee Delta Chapter continued to thrive on campus with another strong fall semester in all aspects of Fraternity life. The chapter added 11 new members to bring the total to around 50 members. Throughout the semester, we have been active in supporting the various philanthropy events put on by various organizations around campus. After raising over \$5,000 for Phi Psi 500 for the Boys & Girls Club, we have remained committed to helping all those around the Vanderbilt community. The chapter looks to add more members during the upcoming semester and inundate ourselves into even more events and leadership roles around campus.

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#### Tennessee Epsilon – Tennessee 🌃

(www.TNPhiPsi.com)

Get in touch: Brandon Hutchison at Bhutchis@vols.utk.edu

Join Them For: Alumni Golf Tournament, April of 2015: Brothers and alumni reunite for a weekend of golf at one of the fine golf resorts in the Knoxville area.

**Chapter Update**: During the fall 2014 semester our chapter has grown leaps and bounds, increasing our chapter size by another ten members. We have raised almost \$1,500 for our philanthropy and close to \$2,000 for other philanthropies around campus. We have also placed 5th overall in homecoming, and been voted most Vol spirited chapter.





(phipsitexas.com) ❤️@PhiPsiUTexas

Get in touch: Blake Bender at blake.bender@yahoo.com

Brotherhood: 113

In the Classroom: 3.05

In the Community: 120 hours of service for Boys and Girls Club of Austin

Join Them For: Round Up Weekend on March 27th: UT Round Up is the first major rush event for building the Fall 2015 pledge class. If you know a future UT freshman, feel free to send us his name.

**Chapter Update**: In 2014, Texas Alpha initiated 35 new members into our brotherhood. Parallel to the growth of our undergraduate chapter, alumni relations and participation are at all-time highs. It is truly an exciting time to be at Texas Alpha, as we are in the midst of one of the most electrifying periods in chapter history. A highlight of the semester was Texas Alpha's groundbreaking ceremony for our future new chapter house. In attendance were Phi Psi National President Scott Noble, Longhorn-legend Vince Young, university mascot BEVO, and iconic country-singer Jerry Jeff Walker. The undergraduate chapter would like to invite all chapter alumni to Founders Day Weekend 2015 in Austin which begins Friday, Feb. 20. Hook 'Em.



## Texas Beta – Texas Tech

(www.ttuphipsi.org) @pkptxbeta Get in touch: Austen Wise at Austen

Get in touch: Austen Wise at Austen.wise@ttu.edu Brotherhood: 83, including 14 new members

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#### In the Classroom: 2.70 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 2.80)

In the Community: 1,500 hours of service, raising \$10,000 for Boys and Girls Club of Lubbock

**Chapter Update**: The Texas Beta Chapter has experienced one of the most successful fall semesters we have had in the past 10 years. The brothers of Texas Beta have raised over \$10,000 for Boys and Girls Clubs alone and created a lasting relationship with the children of this organization. Our homecoming event this fall brought out many alumni that we haven't seen around in a long time to the Lubbock Country Club for a great dinner and scholorship awards and we look forward to even more coming out to our Founders Day event in the spring.



#### Texas Gamma – Texas State 🖪

(http://www.txstatephipsi.com/)

@txgammaphipsi Get in touch: Austin Crabtree at ac1803@txstate.edu

Brotherhood: 70, including 20 new members

In the Classroom: 2.49 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 2.52)

In the Community: 560 hours of service, raising \$1,800

Join Them For: Founders Day on February 21, 2015: A large gathering of Phi Kappa Psi alumni, actives, and their guests.

**Chapter Update**: The Texas Gamma Chapter had another successful year. We had an excellent rush, bringing 20 exceptional men into the Fraternity. Also, for the second year in a row, Texas Gamma won the annual Homecoming Soap Box Derby competition. Phi Kappa Psi Texas Gamma will continue to strive for excellence and to make a positive impact on our campus. We are looking forward to our annual Founders Day Event, which will be held on February 21, 2015 at the Embassy Suites Hotel in San Marcos, Texas. Any alumni of Phi Kappa Psi are welcome to attend. If interested, contact the chapter to find out more details.



#### Texas Epsilon – SFA 🚮

Get in touch: David Kirksey at dekirksey@yahoo.com Brotherhood: 10, including 3 new members In the Community: \$750 raised for Paige McCray

**Chapter Update**: The Texas Epsilon Chapter experienced a successful semester, thanks in large part to our efforts in rercuiting a small but very impressive pledge class. Our recent fundraising event, Prayers for Paige, raised \$750 for our alumni Jay McCRay and his one-year-old daughter paige that has lukemia. We have planned for the spring our second annual Phi Psi Egg Hunt with the Boys and Girls Club. Contact the chapter to get invloved and we hope to see you for Founders Day in the spring. #PhiPsiTakeover



#### Texas Zeta – Houston Baptist ★ 🖪

🔰 @HBU\_PhiPsi

Get in touch: Taylor Watson at watsontm1@hbu.edu Brotherhood: 8, including 12 new members In the Classroom: 3.043 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.001)

In the Community: 268 hours of service, raising \$800 for International Medical Relief

Join Them For: Jailbreak on April 23, 2015: Jailbreak is our annual philanthropic event, helping to raise money for IJM to help end sex trafficking. We plan to beat last years record of \$1,420!

Chapter Update: Texas Zeta has grown exponentially this past semester. We have more than doubled our chapter size and are very excited to see what our new members have to offer. This is the third year in a row that a Phi Psi has won homecoming king at the HBU campus and we have no plans of stopping! We plan to host the Houston Alumni Association Undergraduate workshop in January where many chapters will come and hear about recruiting tactics. If you are in the Houston area and would like to get involved with our chapter, please contact us!



#### Virginia Alpha – Virginia

**Chapter Update**: The Virginia Alpha Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi was suspended by the Executive Council in November. For more on the situation, please read the letter on page 2 of this publication.



#### VIRGINIA BETA – W & L (http://phipsi.wlu.edu/) @pkpvabeta

Get in touch: Morgan Moskal at moskalm15@mail.wlu.edu Brotherhood: 71, including 17 new members In the Classroom: 3.337 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.305)

In the Community: \$5,000 raised for Boys and Girls Club

**Chapter Update**: The brothers at the Virginia Beta Chapter have had a very strong fall semester. The brothers had a strong philanthropy benefit to raise money for the Boys and Girls Clubs of America. We have also had many successful social and rush events in order to recruit an outstanding class of new members.



# Virginia Eta – VCU ★ 🚮 🧼 🗊

(www.vcuphipsi.com) @PhiKappaPsiVCU Get in touch: Ambrose Collier at collieraj@vcu.edu Brotherhood: 46, including 11 new members

In the Classroom: 3.068 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 2.877)

In the Community: 1,393 hours of service, raising \$243 for VCU Student Food Pantry

Join Them For: VA Eta Founders Day 2015 on April 21st: Details will be sent out as the date approaches from the Central Virginia Alumni Association, which can be contacted at cvaaphipsi@gmail.com

Chapter Update: Virginia Eta took a dual focus on strengthening the core of our chapter, while making considerable strides in our long-term projects. After receiving the Ralph D. Daniel Award for Excellence in Chapter Management at the 77th Grand Arch Council, we wanted to be specific in our recruiting to replace key positions and maintain our chapter's structure. We brought our total membership to 46, after successfully finding 11 of those outstanding men on campus, all of which are currently seeking leadership positions for the coming semester. We also continued projects like our #SpotAPhiPsi social media campaign, revival of the overgrown East Side Cemetery, staffing the soup kitchen at the Grace and Holy Trinity Church, and maintaining our adopted Floyd Street. We were also proud to have partnered with the VCU Police Department to host our 2nd annual Root Beer Kegger to give the student body an enjoyable break from classes, while educating them on the dangers of alcohol abuse.



(http://www.uwphipsi.com/) @PhiPsi\_UW

Get in touch: Saare Tesfay at uwphipsipresident@gmail.com

Brotherhood: 76, including 30 new members

In the Classroom: 3.33 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.34)

In the Community: Benefitting the Boys & Girls Clubs of America

Join Them For: The Centennial Gala on Saturday, February 7, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.: Join us to celebrate Washington Alpha's centennial year!

Chapter Update: It's been an excellent centennial year at Washington Alpha! We came home with six awards from the GAC this past summer, one of which was for District Excellence. With morale high, the brotherhood continues to grow strong alongside the continued alumni support. Last year, through the generous donations of our alumni, we had \$60,000 worth of renovations done to our chapter house. Nate Stockman was elected the 2015 Interfraternity Council President for the University of Washington, a tremendous feat that he has no doubt earned. With 30 new members joining us this year, we are excited to see what the future has in store for Washington Alpha. RSVP now to join us to celebrate Washington Alphas centennial year on Saturday, February 7, 2015!



#### Wisconsin Gamma – Beloit ★

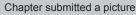
(https://blink.beloit.edu/organization/phikappapsi) @PKPWIGamma Get in touch: Collin Reid at reidcd@beloit.edu Brotherhood: 49, including 3 new members In the Classroom: 3.218 (All-Fraternity Avg. is 3.055)

Chapter Update: Our chapter here at Beloit College prides itself on being known as a Fraternity of kind and respectful men. Our philanthropic events make us perceived as a respectable organization in both the eyes of the community and the eyes of campus life. Our chapter events have also opened us up to the Beloit student body and solidified our connections both within the fraternity and throughout campus. This semester we have seen groups of extremely interested freshmen entering campus and establishing bonds with brothers. Come next initiation, I am sure we shall see a great new wave of initiates joining our ranks and strengthening our brotherhood by demonstrating virtue in its highest most respectful and present manner.

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Brothers from UIC traveled to Indianapolis to initiate a new crew, and show off the matching green neckwear!



Former SWGP Jim Blazer does the honor as the men of Ohio Nu begin a new era with a new home on campus Image: Ohio Omicron



A handsome (and matching) group of men at Alabama



A dapper group of brothers at our California Gamma chapter



The most recent initiation class at New Jersey Epsilon, joined by a proud chapter of brothers



Bowling Green continues to be home to more and more Phi Psi members, including this recent bunch at initiation



Our chapter at Cal Poly giving us warm thoughts with this beach gathering



Our brothers at Michigan got dirty, and won, at SAE's  $\rm 81^{st}$  annual MudBowl



Proving Michigan Alpha isn't the only chapter who can handle the mud, our men at RIT executed yet another fine year of Mud Tug



Our chapter at Illinois patiently awaits the opening of its new house later this year with photos like this from last spring



A lot of happy faces at this joint effort between Nebraska Beta and the Boys & Girls Club of Omaha



Don't be scared, it was just Halloween at Pennsylvania Theta



Not to be outdone by our brothers at California Xi, our men at Duluth have their own sweetheart to be proud of



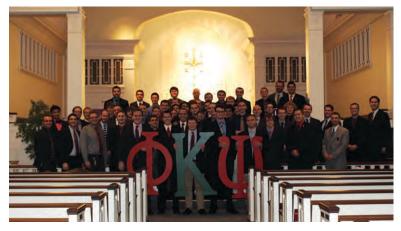
Our men at Monmouth helping to keep the Garden State clean



While the brothers of New York Kappa took a second to pose for the camera, one member apparently couldn't keep from dancing



A coat salesman could make a fortune knocking on the door at Washington Alpha!



The crowd keeps getting bigger in this annual photo from New Jersey Epsilon at initiation. #growing



Had to hustle to get the last outdoor photos of the year before winter set in at Allegheny



Apparently a few brothers at Bucknell thought the photo was going to be from the waist up



Good-looking group of brothers at Penn



A fine time to celebrate at Michigan State, where our chapter turned 60-years-old!



Our chapter at Ashland proudly pose with some award hardware



Happy group of fellas at Ohio Omicron



#### A NEW PHI PSI CONGRESSMAN

Congratulations to Brother French Hill *Vanderbilt* '76, who won a spirited election to take over the 2<sup>nd</sup> District of Arkansas' seat in the United States House of Representatives. Hill, a Republican, is a successful Little Rock businessman, who is the founder and chairman of Delta Bank & Trust. His business knowledge and financial savvy led him to politics where he has served as an advisor to former President George H. W. Bush and Arkansas Governor Mike Huckabee.

Hill keeps Phi Kappa Psi's number of Congressmen at two, joining Charlie Dent *Penn State '80* in Washington, D.C. this January. Bruce Braley *Iowa State '76*, unfortunately, will not be returning to Congress. Brother Braley gave up his seat in the House to run for the vacated Senate seat in the state of Iowa, a race he lost by a narrow margin during the November elections.

Just in: Brother Dent will be the new Chairman of the House Ethics Committee.

The ultimate trip of father-son bonding, this backpacking expedition was also a brotherhood event. Recent Phi Kappa Psi Headquarters Staff Member, Jacob Baugher *Cal '10* (right), experienced the ultimate trip with his father, Dave Baugher *Cal Poly '81*. Both men hiked the scenic John Muir trail, culminating with this breathtaking shot at the summit of Mount Whitney, the highest point in the continental United States.



Directed by Brother Dan Hayes *Miami-Ohio '02, Honor Flight* is a heartwarming documentary about four living World War II veterans and a Midwest community coming together to give them the trip of a lifetime. Volunteers race against the clock to fly thousands of WWII veterans to Washington, D.C. to see the memorial constructed for them in 2004, nearly 60 years after their epic struggle. The trips are called "Honor Flights" and, for the veterans, who are in their late 80s and early 90s, it's often the first time they've been thanked, and the last trip of their lives. The 24-hour journey is full of surprises that deeply move all who are involved. It's uncommon for World War II veterans to talk about the War, but the Honor Flight experience brings their stories out. Many veterans say, with the exception of their wedding day and the birth of their children, the trip is the best day of their life.

However, success is all but ensured. 1,000 World War II veterans die every day and getting them on an Honor Flight in time is a constant battle. The film features Orville Lemke, a former plumber and beloved father of nine who fights to hold off terminal cancer so he can make the trip, and Julian Plaster, an 89-year-old poet who has survived almost all of his friends and family.

The film has been featured in dozens of publications and news programs around the country. It set a world record with 28,000 people in attendance for the screening. You can watch the film currently on Amazon, iTunes and Netflix or learn more about the project at www. honorflightthemovie.com.





#### BROTHER WINS LOCAL EMMY

Tim Jacobson *Beloit '85*, executive producer of the documentary film Mysteries of the Driftless, earned an Emmy Award on November 1, 2014 in the category of "Outstanding Achievement for Documentary Programs – Topical." The golden statuettes were handed out 56th Annual Emmy Awards Ceremony of the Chicago/Midwest Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences (NATAS).

"It's phenomenal to have our work as documentary filmmakers recognized with such a prestigious award," said Jacobson. "I'm blown away with how effectively we've been able to showcase the beautiful and enchanted Driftless Region landscape to such a wide audience."

The documentary film, a joint production of Untamed Science and Mississippi Valley Conservancy, features a team of explorers and scientists as they reveal the majesty and allure of the Driftless Area using a stunning combination of filmmaking and genuine adventure. The film was shot in southwest Wisconsin, northeast Iowa, and southeast Minnesota.

The film has aired multiple times over the past year on Wisconsin Public Television, and broadcasts are planned on Twin Cities Public Television. Congratulations to Brother Jacobson.

#### CHAPTER ETERNAL

California Beta - Stanford University Nathan J. Leanse '53

California Gamma - University of California, Berkeley James G. Moore M.D. '45

California Theta - California State University, Northridge Daniel Jude Philbin '88

Florida Alpha - Florida State University John Walter Wells '65

Illinois Alpha - Northwestern University Orville C. Wetmore '37

Indiana Beta - Indiana University Reily A. Burrell '49 Randy Francis '72 Rex Wiseheart Jr. '39

Indiana Delta - Purdue University Luther P. Speck Jr. '43 Kennard E. Voyles '42

lowa Alpha - University of Iowa Douglas R. Whitehead '55

**Iowa Beta - Iowa State University** Paul Thomas Troupe '11

Kansas Alpha - University of Kansas Octavio Joseph Viveros Jr. '79

Michigan Beta - Michigan State University William F. Zabriskie '62

Mississippi Alpha - University of Mississippi William K. Roberts '53

Missouri Alpha - University of Missouri, Columbia Robert M. Leonard '50 Christian T. Ricks '67 Curtis Dick Snow '43 Douglas K. Tomson '57

Nebraska Alpha - University of Nebraska Silas B. Markeson Jr. '47 William B. Polk '53

New Hampshire Alpha - Dartmouth College William D. Jones '64 Eugene S. Waggaman Jr. '35

New York Beta - Syracuse University Ward W. Ingalsbe '52

New York Gamma - Columbia University A. Joseph Foa '42

#### Ohio Alpha - Ohio Wesleyan University

L. Wallace Cross '49 Frank M. Jacobs '47 Harry J. Kirchwehm Jr. '38 William L. McNeese '71 Frederick Murr Nelligan '73

**Ohio Beta - Wittenberg University** William A. Driehorst '48

Ohio Delta - The Ohio State University Allan B. Gould Jr. '47 David M. Haas '66 Ohio Epsilon - Case Western Reserve University Alfred C. Enggasser '54

Ohio Theta - Ashland University John L. Wells '66

Ohio Zeta - Bowling Green State University Raymond B. Miskell '53

Oklahoma Alpha - University of Oklahoma Patrick J. Maloney '36

Oregon Beta - Oregon State University Larry D. Wells '62

Pennsylvania Eta - Franklin & Marshall College William A. Adams III '48

Pennsylvania Kappa - Swarthmore College Clyde A. Willis '40

Pennsylvania Theta - Lafayette College Mr Douglas William Nicol '40

Pennsylvania Zeta - Dickinson College Warren F. Mikels '41

**Texas Alpha - University of Texas** James T. Cox '40 Kelly R. McAdams '47 Donald S. Mullins '56

Texas Gamma - Texas State University, San Marcos Charles Wade Hakim '72

Virginia Alpha - University of Virginia Arthur H. Gregory '62 James G. Hasslacher '49

Washington Alpha - University of Washington Robert B. Arkell '51 Robert W. Fetty '50 Christopher John Simons '82 Edward Byrne Van Pelt '52

West Virginia Alpha - West Virginia University William R. Lambert '47 Daniel W. McClure '58



Reily A. Burrell Indiana Beta '49

Reily A. Burrell passed away on November 8, 2014 at the age of 87. A proud Eagle Scout, he was a member of the U.S. Army, serving during World War II. Playing cards, listening to music and watching old movies and sitcoms were some of his favorite hobbies. Most of all, Christ was in his life. He had a great sense of humor, some of which was reflected in poems he wrote and nicknames he had for family members, friends and co-workers. Early in his career, Reily sold pharmaceuticals and then real estate. He found his niche in appraising real estate with the Indiana Department of Highways. Later, he became Chief Appraiser with the City of Indianapolis and formed his own appraisal business in 1974. He is survived by his wife of 64 years, Joan, three children, one granddaughter and two great-grandchildren.



L. Wallace "Wally" Cross passed away on October 20, 2014 at the age of 84. While he attended Ohio Wesleyan he played football all four years and was later inducted into the Ohio Wesleyan College Sports Hall of Fame for football. Wally was the Chief Financial Officer for Central Hudson Gas & Electric and retired in 1991. He was a past Board Member of the Board of Directors of Central Hudson; Director Emeritus of Dutchess Outreach, Board of Directors of the Bowery Mission in N.Y.C.; United Way, Vassar Hospital; National Association of Accountants and was a Korean War Veteran serving in the U.S.A.F. Wally's family remembers him as a loving husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. He is survived by his wife of 61 years, Anne, three children, 11 grandchildren and six great-grandsons.



#### Frank M. Jacobs Ohio Alpha '47

Frank M. "Jake" Jacobs passed away on Tuesday, September 30, 2014 at the age of 88. After college, Frank worked for A.B. Dick Company in Chicago. In 1958 he founded A.B. Dick Products Company in Des Moines, IA (now known as Infomax Office Systems, Inc.). He retired to Horseshoe Bay, TX in 1990 and lived there until 2005 when he moved to Prairie Village, KS. Frank was an avid golfer and accomplished the feat of three hole-in-ones. He served as president of Wakonda Club in Des Moines. Frank spent the last 31 years of his life helping others through Alcoholics Anonymous and the Powell Chemical Dependency facility in Des Moines. Of all Frank's accomplishments, he was most proud of his family. The Jacobs family has enjoyed many great times together, always highlighted by trips to Horseshoe Bay, TX and Lake Okoboji in Iowa. He is survived by his wife, Carolyn, four children, 13 grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.



#### Donald S. Mullins Texas Alpha '56

Donald Scott "Scottie" Mullins died September 16,2014 at the age of 78. Don served in the Army as a captain in Airborne and Special Forces. His professional career included finance. He was a certified public accountant with Deliotte & Touche and worked in small business developments and investment partnerships in California. He took public the Nichols Institute, an endocrinology testing laboratory. Nichols Institute merged with Owens Corning and later became Quest Diagnosis. He joined in Occulab's development of the Tonometer which measured eye pressure. In Amarillo, he started and operated an art gallery until his death. During his operation of the art gallery, he had a number of Texas football programs on his television in the gallery and invited 25-30 former Texas graduates and Phi Kappa Psi brothers to watch and eat at the football games. Don considered all friends his best friends "once a friend, always a friend." He is survived by his life partner, Janelle Beck Hutchison, and predeceased by his wife, Bernice.

#### **Christian T. Ricks**

#### Missouri Alpha '67

Christian "Chris" T. Ricks passed away on August 18, 2014 at age 65 due to complications from elective surgery. Chris joined the Missouri Highway Patrol in 1971 and retired as a captain in August of 2006. During his service he sometimes provided security outside the Missouri Tiger's football stadium on game days, taking the good-hearted cajoling from his Missouri Alpha brothers in stride. He also served two tours

on the Governor's Security Detail, once bringing then-Governor Christopher "Kit" Bond to the chapter house for some pregame football festivities in 1974. Chris was a credit to his community through his volunteer work. He was a lifelong member and active in the Wesley United Methodist Church in Jefferson City, served as camp director of Kuehle Kamp, and was active with MO East Walk to Emmaus. He worked as a volunteer and/ or director of the Optimists (local and international), MO Boy's State, Special Olympics, Boy Scouts, Jefferson Lodge 43, Jay (youth) Athletics, for several law enforcement organizations, and many



more. Chris served six years as Chapter Advisor at Missouri Alpha, served many years on the House Corp, was a charter member of the Mid-MO Alumni Association, and served on many special alumni committees when needed over the years. He is survived by his wife of 35 years, Bonnie, and two children



#### Larry D. Wells Oregon Beta '62

Larry Dean Wells passed away in a tragic car accident on October 10, 2014 at the age of 71, while vacationing near Lake

Tahoe. Larry was a lifelong Beaver Believer, having graduated from Oregon State in 1966, with degrees in business and engineering. After serving two tours in Vietnam, Larry returned to Portland in 1971, working as an engineer for Bonneville Power Administration until his retirement in 1995. Larry spent the next 20 years living life to the fullest with his wife, Roxane, exploring the world, hiking mountains, actively supporting liberal causes and putzing around in his garden with his cat. This nice. reliable, funny and devoted father



and husband quietly improved the world around him. He is survived by his wife, Roxane, and three children.



#### Douglas R. Whitehead lowa Alpha '55

Douglas Raymond Whitehead passed away on June 10, 2014 at the age of 78. An airborne ranger in the U.S. Army, he achieved the rank of captain and served for many years in the Army Reserves. He had many successful careers, including real estate and as owner of Douglas Distributors Beer and Wine Wholesale in Owosso, Michigan. Musically talented and loved by many, he was an avid golfer, fisherman and adventurer. Doug is survived by his college sweetheart and loving wife of 54 years, Mary, two sons and four grandchildren. He was predeceased by one son.



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You may recall from your New Member Education days mentions of the Franklin and Philo Literary Societies. For simplicity's sake, we will describe them here as student groups which owned large libraries, and who would often put on debates on campus. You may also recall that each of them was often controlled by one of the two prominent fraternities on campus (Beta Theta Pi and Phi Gamma Delta). But did you know that in addition to being a Founder of our beloved Fraternity, and the host of that first meeting, William H. Letterman was also a member of the Philo Literary Society? This month's From the Archives features his Certificate of Membership.

With each new year we look forward to helping more men strive for excellence, gain leadership skills and grow in their desire to serve others.

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