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A Message from the Grand Alpha

Brothers,

It has been an honor and privilege to serve as your Grand Alpha for the past year, and my sincere thanks to all of our volunteers and staff for their continued efforts and involvement. Our Chapter Advisors, Alumni Advisory Boards, local Housing Corporations, Grand Officers, National Housing Corporation, Foundation, and International Headquarters Staff are the collective engine that drives our organization forward.

We envision “forward” as leaps and bounds in our dreams, but often forget that in reality, giant leaps are only possible with many small steps over a long time.

Phi Kappa Sigma’s partnership with the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society (LLS) in the fight against blood cancers is a perfect example, as the continued existence of these devastating diseases can make it difficult to appreciate how far we have come in curing them entirely. Our Fraternity’s involvement in this fight is not just limited to our chapters’ annual philanthropic efforts to benefit LLS; we have a number of brothers making significant contributions to the effort, and I am incredibly proud to highlight some of those efforts in this year’s magazine. One day there will be a cure for all blood cancers, and Phi Kappa Sigma will be responsible for many of the steps in that enormous leap.

With regards to our Fraternity, our vision statement of “Lifelong Growth and Development of the Fraternity and Its Members” continues to guide our strategic plan (see page 8) through 2020. A key focus has been re-colonizing closed chapters, including Alpha Iota (Vanderbilt), Beta Psi (Washington State), Delta Gamma (Rowan) and Delta Eta (McDaniel), while also developing a strong pipeline of future expansion efforts over the coming years to continue growing the Fraternity. Our 17th iteration of the Men of Honor program in January and our upcoming 3rd iteration of the Carroll K. Simons Leadership Institute in August continue to develop our members’ leadership and communication skills, and we have seen very positive results with regards to risk management through enhanced collaboration, communication, and training between our HQ Staff and active chapters.

The biggest initiative, nearly two years in the making, is the upcoming relocation of our International Headquarters to the Indianapolis area (see page 4), in order to better serve our Fraternity and its members after nearly 170 years in Philadelphia.

If you are already involved, thank you for your selfless service; if you are considering getting involved, I invite you to be a part of moving Phi Kappa Sigma forward. Our best days are still ahead of us, and whether it is small steps or giant leaps, we will only get there together.

Faternally,

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Adam Spiegel, Dickinson 2006, is owner/head distiller of Sonoma County Distilling Company located in Sonoma County, CA. Founded in 2010, Sonoma County Distilling Company was recently awarded the American Craft Spirits Award for their Best of Class-Whiskey and a Gold medal for their Sonoma Straight Rye Whiskey Cask Strength. This is the first major award for the distillery.

Call Him Dr.
Last summer, Matthew Farber Gamma Nu chapter, University at Albany 1993 earned his Ed.D., a Doctorate in Educational Technology Leadership, from New Jersey City University.

Chairman of the Board
John von Lehe (South Carolina 1968) was elected the chairman of the University of South Carolina’s Board of Trustees in August 2016. Von Lehe, a partner in the Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough law firm, has held many positions of professional, community and state service. Among these include president of the South Carolina Bar Foundation, Chair of the Tax Section of the SC Bar, Chair of the State Museum Commission and president of the Charleston Museum.

ALUMNUS INITIATE
Col. Gregg Hammond, Retired, was initiated into the Delta Pi Chapter (Indiana) on February 18, 2017. Brother Hammond initially inquired with the headquarters staff about becoming a member and they worked to have him property vetted and approved by the Grand Officers to join our brotherhood. Hammond graduated from IU in 1979 and served about 33 years in the Marines and Army. He is looking to help the Fraternity create a more inviting and transitioning environment for our veterans.

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Relocation!

After over 100 years in Pennsylvania, Headquarters is on the move to the midwest.

There are a number of reasons why ... it will better enable us to hire and retain quality talent ... it centralizes our operations and the services ... reduced annual tax costs, as well as reduced annual costs for typical staff travel.

This summer, we are relocating our headquarters from Chester Springs, Pennsylvania to Carmel, Indiana, about 30 minutes north of downtown Indianapolis! The Philadelphia area has been considered our home since our founding in 1850, acquiring our first headquarters space in 1915. Chester Springs has been our current headquarters location since 1994. Therefore, this was not a decision made lightly. However, our top priority is to ensure that our chapters, 1,500+ undergraduates, and 30,000+ alumni are supported as best as possible. This relocation ultimately provides a more functional facility that will help our Fraternity continue to grow and develop its chapters, in a more metropolitan market, that will better enable us to attract, retain, and develop the most talented staff possible.

The potential to relocate headquarters has been a long time in the making — meeting minutes in the archives show that the leadership of the Fraternity discussed a relocation as early as 1978. In February 2016, the Fraternity leadership approved evaluating various properties in candidate markets besides Philadelphia including Richmond, Chicago, Indianapolis, Atlanta, Nashville, and Dallas that would better meet our Fraternity’s ongoing professional needs, both present (and most importantly) for our future.

There are a number of reasons why moving our headquarters to the greater Indianapolis market provides more value than any other area in the country. To share just a few of them:

- In addition to being the heart of the fraternal world, Carmel is a metropolitan location with a very high quality of life at an affordable cost of living. This will enable us to hire and retain for the long term the quality talent we require to run our day-to-day operations and move our organization forward.
Frequently Asked Questions:

Q: What is the address of the new location?
A: It is 716 Adams Street, Suite A, Carmel IN, 46032.

Q: When will the Headquarters Staff be working from the new location?
A: The Fraternity’s staff will be moving over June and July, with a goal of being operational in the new location in August 2017, just prior to the academic semester starting.

Q: What is happening to the Courtyard of Brotherhood in Chester Springs?
A: The Fraternity is working with architects and the Property Owner’s Association of our new location to explore relocation possibilities of the engraved bricks currently at 2 Timber Drive in Chester Springs.

Q: Did my donations to the Foundation go to this?
A: The Foundation chose to diversify a portion of its corpus investment portfolio from securities and into real estate. President of the Foundation, Rob Burnett, has stated that “the decision to invest in real estate was carefully considered to ensure that the return on investment was prudent and attractive when compared to our traditional investment strategies. Additionally, the long-term lease agreement that the Fraternity signed allows the Foundation to see a more stable and predictable return on its investment. The Foundation Board also believes that purchasing the property in Carmel, and leasing it to the Fraternity on a long-term basis furthers the Foundation’s mission to support the educational and leadership endeavors of the Fraternity and its student members.”

Q: What is happening to the Fraternity’s previous headquarters at 2 Timber Drive in Chester Springs, PA?
A: The property has been listed for sale at this time, and is expected to sell prior to the end of 2017.

We will be closer to the headquarters of our fraternal trade association (the North American Interfraternity Conference or “NIC”, located right around the corner from our new headquarters) as well as the headquarters of more than 30 NIC-affiliated fraternal groups and 10 sorority headquarters. This will provide us significant staff development opportunities, allowing us to dramatically improve the support of our existing chapters and the success of starting new chapters. It also will allow us to explore sharing staffing resources with other fraternal organizations, allowing us to augment our staff capacity at a reduced cost.

Our staff will be closer to a large concentration of future expansion efforts and dormant chapters, as well as our two flagships training events (the Men of Honor Leadership Institute held outside of Asheville, NC and the Carroll K. Simons Institute held outside of Cincinnati, Ohio). This will make both expansion and training events easier to plan and execute.

We will be able to accommodate volunteer training programs and increased staff interaction to provide both support and innovation.

It centralizes our operations and the services that we provide to our chapters throughout the contiguous United States and Canada, in a state that offers significant financial tax incentives for non-profit organizations such as ours. This lends itself to reduced annual tax costs, as well as reduced annual costs for typical staff travel.

Candidate properties within the Indianapolis area are significantly more affordable than similar candidate properties in the Philadelphia market. As a result, we are able to be in a more metropolitan area at a reasonable cost, without requiring significant future budget accommodations for higher mortgage or leasing costs.

As defined by the Constitution & Acts, the Executive Board consists of the seven elected Executive Committee members, the six appointed Grand Deltas, and the collective vote of the eight living Past Grand Alphas, representing decades of fraternal history, experience, and involvement at the national level. Based on the above benefits, the entire 21-member Executive Board voted unanimously to approve the relocation to Carmel. The unanimous vote across multiple generations of Phi Kap leadership sends a very positive and very strong message that this is the right move for our beloved Fraternity.

If you’re in the Midwest area, please think about stopping by to see our new home! We would love to have undergraduates and alike see our new Headquarters, and we would welcome the chance to host Chapter retreats for those in the area!

More information can be found at www.pks.org/hq.
A Brief History of Headquarters

UNTIL 1915, INDIVIDUAL GRAND OFFICERS handled Fraternity business from home, distracting many from their careers and personal lives and prompting the need for an office. During the 52nd Grand Chapter, the Executive Board approved renting a space in the 1602 Real Estate Trust Building in Philadelphia to manage everyday Fraternity matters; additionally, a secretary was hired to administer the affairs of 29 chapters and 4,500 alumni.

To accommodate 36 active chapters and 8,500 alumni, Headquarters relocated to a unit in Philadelphia's Bullitt Building in 1927 and again in 1938 to a larger unit in that building. In 1941, the sale of that building and the need for more space to accommodate rapid growth led to a relocation to 1500 Locust St.

By 1946, Headquarters was responsible for 43 chapters and 16,000 alumni, once again rendering facilities inadequate. At the 68th and 69th conventions, the sentiment proved overwhelmingly in favor of securing improved facilities and increasing services rendered by the Headquarters staff.

In 1947, soon after hiring the first full-time Executive Secretary, the Fraternity bought a building at 355 South 16th Street in Philadelphia. The purchase was timed with the Fraternity’s centennial in 1950 and the Grand Chapter that was held that summer in Philadelphia.

The building provided ample space as well as a room for two tenants and traveling consultants. The first Leadership Conference was even held there. But as the Fraternity expanded, there was considerable dissent as to whether Headquarters should remain there. Ultimately, the expense of maintaining the building in an undesirable inner-city location prompted the decision to sell the building and move to the suburbs of Philadelphia.

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In 1980, the building was sold, and the money was invested with the hope of purchasing a new building in the future. Until a suitable location could be found, Headquarters returned to Locust Street, this time to a different building, where the Fraternity rented space until 1982, when the office was moved to the Valley Forge Office Colony in Valley Forge, PA. Inevitably, there was not enough room to store everything, and the Fraternity had to resort to basements, garages, and at one point a self-storage unit.

On October 20, 1994, the Fraternity purchased a house in Chester Springs, PA. There was a significant amount of work space, living areas for staff and available meeting space for undergraduates and alumni. The Fraternity, once again, had a place that it could be proud of and point to as a symbol of our long, prestigious history.
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AT THE 2016 GRAND CHAPTER IN Chicago, IL, the Executive Board of Phi Kappa Sigma announced the release of the upcoming strategic plan which would extend the previous 2013-2015 plan to help guide the Fraternity until 2020. As we end the first year, it is only fitting to give our members an explanation and quick glance at what we are doing and how it is coming along.

The plan at right highlights the strategies that Fraternity staff members and volunteers are pursuing to facilitate our objectives of promoting good fellowship, the cultivation of social virtues, protection of the just rights, advancement of best interests, encouragement of good scholarship and breadth of training, and cooperation in educational and cultural programs of institutions of higher education.

The plan focuses on three areas of effort, each with multiple objectives. If you have any questions about the Phi Kappa Sigma Strategic Plan, please contact the International Headquarters via email at staff@pks.org.

LEGEND:
- Not Started
- Early Stages
- In-Progress
- Completed

FOCUS AREA A: Fraternity/Member Development
- Increase the reach of the educational programs—Carroll K. Simons Institute by growing the 2017 attendance to 45 men.
- Increase the reach of the educational programs—Men of Honor Leadership Institute by growing attendance by 20%.
- Cultivate undergraduate members to share the development message by planning and hosting an Ambassador Program during the 2018 Men of Honor Leadership Institute with at least 10 participants.
- Increase the harm reduction education (risk management) to reduce claims and violations by 50% by 2020.
- Create a meaningful/valuable alumni based educational program.
- Re-establish a volunteer development program
- Continue the implementation of the Lessons Learned initiative.

FOCUS AREA B: Member Growth
- Establish a joint fundraising effort with the Foundation’s Fundraising Committee to conduct a planned appeal/capital campaign that ends after Grand Chapter 2020.
- Increase alumni engagement by planning or coordinating at least one event per year for at least 12 cities.
- Increase active, engaged Alumni Chapters by five.

FOCUS AREA C: Fraternity Growth
- Continue progress towards reaching 2200 active undergraduates to start the 2020 fall term.
- Establish a process for evaluating growth performance every quarter from macro to micro with a method for adjustments every six (6) months.
- Develop written programs for the training and development of expansion staff and volunteers in the area of recruitment best practices.
Chapter Eternal

We offer this loving prayer for all Phi Kappa Sigma Brothers who have entered the Chapter Eternal:

“Thanks and praise be rendered now and forevermore to Thee, dear Lord, for having so graciously blessed our Fraternity Brother now fallen asleep. We trust Thee to re-unite the soul with the body in heavenly brightness on the Last Day. Lord, may You grant unto us a godly walk and peaceful departure at Your appointed time. Restore, O Lord, all distressed hearts with sweet comfort and keep us all perpetually in Thy grace for the sake of Thy eternal mercy and goodness. Amen.”

ALABAMA (Alpha Kappa)
David M. Enslen 1950
James D. Harbison 1958
Kenneth O. Hundley 1954
Jerry A. Wingard 1967

BRITISH COLUMBIA (Alpha Omega)
Douglas A. Peyman 1943

CORNELL (Alpha Rho)
John B. Upp 1949

DENVER (Beta Gamma)
Victor H. Borcherdt 1965
William H. Donovan 1956

DICKINSON (Epsilon)
Earl M. Barnhart 1954
Earl H. Biel 1948

DRURY (Beta Kappa)
Paul A. White 1963

DUKE (Nu)
Robert R. Jordan 1965

FRANKLIN & MARSHALL (Zeta)
James Eshleman 1945
Gordon Hillegas 1951
James D. McMahon 1960
Nathan J. Muniz 2000
Thomas Rieser 1965
Jay R. Rose 1965
George Warfield 1940

GEORGIA TECH (Alpha Nu)
Ronald J. Nelsen 1966

ILLINOIS (Rho)
Robert M. Barden 1942
Leroy Pfund 1941

IIT (Alpha Epsilon)
Peter Andress 1953
Ben J. Furino 1971

INDIANA (Delta Pi)
Casey J. Sprouse 2005

JOHNSON & WALES (Gamma Psi)
Robert D. Bombara 1997

KANSAS (Beta Beta)
William A. Heidrich 1976

MAINE (Alpha Delta)
Russell S. Bodwell 1944
George R. Butler 1956
Frank W. Fenno 1955
James A. Sherburne 1963
Allan L. Smith 1953

MARYLAND (Alpha Zeta)
Charles J. Attreed 1963
Ronald L. Johnson 1967
George L. Jump 1952

MIT (Alpha Mu)
W. Herbert Arndt 1951
Charles A. Bell 1952
Knut Berge 1954
Edward B. Berninger 1950
Clay E. Collins 1977
Bion H. Francis 1960
Frederick W. Gander 1942
Richard P. Gourley 1967
Jack A. Scheuer 1991
Ronald R. Spaulding 1955
Donald D. Welsh 1955
John A. Worton 1948

NORTHERN ILLINOIS (Beta Lambda)
James Leonard 1979
John V. Strasky 1976

NORTHWESTERN (Upsilon)
Emilio L. Conti 1946
Edward F. Minner 1951

OHIO (Beta Zeta)
Clifford C. Houk 1955
Donald N. Kondik 1968
Barry K. Sugden 1965

OHIO STATE (Alpha Chi)
Robert S. Dunevant 1948
Floyd E. Garrison 1948
Ray M. Wehner 1949

OKLAHOMA (Omicron)
Richard C. Redmond 1959

PENN STATE (Psi)
Stanley B. Coville 1948
Robert M. Jimeson 1943
George J. Mills 1945
David W. Ogden 1963
Henry E. Rea 1948

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RICHMOND (Phi)
Raymond L. Knick 1954
Joseph E. Mathias 1947

SOUTH CAROLINA (Alpha Eta)
Irvin L. Eaken 1950
Henry N. Sloan 1964

TULANE (Mu)
Harvey J. Fitzpatrick 1944
Frank W. Summers 1938
Clarence D. Wolkette 1976

UCLA (Alpha Psi)
George N. Carmack 1940
Robert G. Carter 1951
Roland N. Rogers 1956

UC-RIVERSIDE (Beta Rho)
Ryan Nguyen 2017

VANDERBILT (Alpha Iota)
David S. Lene 1955

VIRGINIA (Eta)
James E. Crocker 1957

VIRGINIA TECH (Beta Omicron)
Richard D. Albright 1979
Mitchell W. Holshouser 1987

WASHINGTON (Alpha Upsilon)
James P. Abbott 1957
Dale A. Thornburgh 1955

WEST VIRGINIA (Alpha Gamma)
Frank M. Faulkner 1956

WISCONSIN (Alpha Theta)
Paul D. Fleischauer 1961
Peter Momsen 1961

Note: We can publish only the names of those members now deceased about whom we have been made aware. We apologize for any members whose names we have missed.
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By Cameron Cook (Tarleton 2017)

“Save a Life. Be a Hero.”

Cameron holding the bag of stem cells he donated.

Photo by Terry Cook
Why should someone who has more than they need withold something from someone who needs it more?

Be the Match, the National Marrow Donor program, is a registry that gives opportunity to those who require a desperate call for humanity. This opportunity can save and allow an individual to experience the life they planned before they were diagnosed.

Focused on the donation of bone marrow and stem cells, the Be the Match program is a last chance for those who harbor life-threatening blood cancers such as leukemia and lymphoma, and many variations of the two. But there is one negative side to the opportunity they provide to these patients nationally, and in some cases internationally. Even though they have millions of people take part in signing up to be on the registry, a crucial percentage of these “registered donors” do not go through with the commitment made upon registering. A vast majority turns away this opportunity of saving a life instantly. The reasoning behind that is beyond my understanding, because in my eyes, what is more important than an opportunity to save a human life? Fortunately, my patient and their significant others were informed that they were matched with a donor.

I can tell you under no bias, but with a mindset of humanity, nothing is more important than a life. But I will tell you from the other end of the line (the patient’s perspective), without the generosity and humanity of past blood and organ donors my brother would not be here today.

I was first contacted by Be the Match October 2015 for being one of many matches for a specific individual. At the time, they did not disclose any information about the patient or what they needed for their donation. All they asked of me was simple blood work that would be sent directly to their testing lab. They asked for 8 vials of blood for further testing. After the program notified me about receiving my blood work, they said they would know who the “perfect match”, as they termed, would be in two to three months.

Three months later, January was about to turn into February when I received another call from Be the Match, but this time it was to confirm my consent to take place. They created a fine-tuned schedule of the processes leading up to the donation and the donation itself. “Fine-tuned” meaning they synced my donation procedures with the chemotherapy

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The chemotherapy would be killing off the cancerous stem cells that my healthy stem cells would be replacing, and this all happens in less than twenty-four hours after the last needle of the donation leaves my arm.

Three days after my call I drove to San Antonio for a prior physical examination to check vitals and other medical information. Ten days later, I drove to San Antonio again to begin the actual donation process. I began 4 days prior to donation with Filgrastim (fill-grass-tim) injections in

the triceps of both arms at a set time every day, which made my bones mass-produce stem cells. This increase in stem cells produces side effects like flu-like symptoms and achy bones almost instantly, but through it all, I knew it was worth it.

When donation day came I was very nervous, but extremely excited overall, making it easier to go in and do the procedure. I was hooked up to a machine that from one end, removed blood from my body using my left arm, and sent it through a series of different filters, filtering out my stem cells. After being filtered as much as possible, the red blood cells and other properties were pumped back into my bloodstream with a connection on my right arm. This process of extracting and replenishing went on from 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., which the professionals with me considered very fast because the time depended on the donor’s blood flow speed.

After hearing the procedure, it does not seem so bad, right? Yet still, people have no interest in hearing the process before turning down a life-saving opportunity. Is a small sacrifice of your time, a few days of side effects, and a specific biological property that your body constantly replenishes, worth saving another human’s life? That is for you to decide.

To begin the emotional tugging of your heartstrings, I want to explain the personal experience of being on the other end of the program. The patient who is in dire need of a biological commodity, awaiting an answer of light to grace their abrupt threat of a declining life span.

My brother is 24 years old, but he isn’t your typical mid-twenties life enthusiast. At the age of 4, Landon was diagnosed with Chromosome 22 Ring, a chromosomal abnormality where a deletion of genetic material on each end of the chromosome causes the ends to attach and create a ring. This causes learning disabilities, and other complications involving
his health. Throughout Landon’s life, he has endured health issues, but with his lofty disposition he is not only the most genuine elevator of joy, but also the most humble lover of people. Anyone who has met Landon, and/or heard his story, has had tears brought to their eyes by his enduring strength and his purity of heart. But as all people know, the strongest hearts endure the toughest circumstances.

When Landon was 15 years old, his life changed forever. His trial began with a seizure that was completely random, which had never happened before in his life. This one seizure sparked a line of illness spanning over the time of the next 7½ years.

This ulcer induced extreme internal bleeding, leaving Landon with 8 units less of blood. To put this into perspective, 8 units of blood is approximately 4,000 ml of blood, which is extremely close to the average amount of blood a single human being possesses in their entire body. With him also having the rare blood type of O negative, Landon had to have specific transfusions from only O negative donors. The doctors and nurses taking care of Landon were not hopeful, and that is one of the hardest things to witness when it involves one of your own. Landon had lost so much blood that he lost over 20 pounds almost instantly. But by God’s grace, and the generosity and selflessness of strangers willing to donate their time and God-given necessity of life to whoever may need it, my brother lived to see another day. This led Landon to go through 8 successful blood transfusions and leave the hospital just two days later. The doctors and nurses watching over him said Landon was the most amazing miracle they have ever seen, and that he must be special. There’s no doubt about that, Doc.

Landon is back to his normal self; the “self” he was before any of this even started. Only through prayer, faith, and friendship, our family was able to pull through unbroken from this trial. A simple thank you would never suffice to those who went out of their way to help our family, and we urge everyone to never take anything for granted; as life is never a sure thing.

Through the first years, Landon experienced wretched health complications that you wouldn’t even wish upon your worst enemy. Hundreds of sleepless nights, constant pain from head to toe, uncontrollable impulses, things that changed the Landon we knew before the storm. It was even more difficult because he was unable to tell us exactly what was going on in his body. But then, on top of all these inevitable circumstances, things took a turn for the worse.

On Christmas Eve 2012, 20 days after turning 20 years old, Landon was struck with a stomach ulcer from an allergic reaction to the medicine he was taking at the time. This ulcer induced extreme internal bleeding, leaving Landon with 8 units less of blood. To put this into perspective, 8 units of blood is approximately 4,000 ml of blood, which is extremely close to the average amount of blood a single human being possesses in their entire body. With him also having the rare blood type of O negative, Landon had to have specific transfusions from only O negative donors. The doctors and nurses taking care of Landon were not hopeful, and that is one of the hardest things to witness when it involves one of your own. Landon had lost so much blood that he lost over 20 pounds almost instantly. But by God’s grace, and the generosity and selflessness of strangers willing to donate their time and God-given necessity of life to whoever may need it, my brother lived to see another day. This led Landon to go through 8 successful blood transfusions and leave the hospital just two days later. The doctors and nurses watching over him said Landon was the most amazing miracle they have ever seen, and that he must be special. There’s no doubt about that, Doc.

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Experiencing the side of the family and taking on the “waiting-patient” perspective, I had no doubt in my mind about donating when I was contacted about being a “perfect match”. I first did it for Landon; then I did it for the unidentified individual. For uncertainty of life is an unnecessary burden to place upon someone. A phone call can be put on hold; but a life?

That cannot wait.

Again I say; when you have more than you need, why not give to someone who needs it more. ♤

If you would like to become involved in the Be the Match program and place yourself on the registry just in case someone somewhere needs you, and only you, you can visit their website bethematch.com to register online. You can also use their website to find out where and when a registry drive will be happening near you.

“Save a Life. Be a Hero.”
AS I WIND DOWN MY FIRST year on the Fraternity’s staff, I have been able to reflect on my contributions to and advancements of the Fraternity. Working with chapters has been a great experience, one that I am anxious to continue, which has also allowed me to bring myself into the role and interactions with our undergrads. One of my proudest accomplishments has been to introduce my chapters to hosting swabbing events with German Bone Marrow Donor Center (DKMS) #DeleteBloodCancer.

My own awareness of DKMS actually started when my Chapter got involved with Hallie’s Heroes, a charity established to help fight a very rare bone marrow failure called Diamond Blackfan Anemia (DBA) where bone marrow doesn’t produce red blood cells. Hallie Bea, who was born with DBA, is currently 9 years old and she is in a fight for her own life. She is alive today because of doctors, medicine, and blood transfusions. And her courage and strength. DBA is rare, less than 800 children are diagnosed with DBA in the United States. Right now, the only “cure” for DBA is a bone marrow transplant, but Hallie does not yet have a match.

I was able to meet Hallie and her family in the spring of 2016 before joining staff. In that time, I worked with Hallie and her family to help market their cause through awareness marketing and host swabbing drives on campus and around Denton, Texas. When my chapter got involved with their organization, Hallie’s Heroes, it helped me not only help further my passion of helping the Fraternity’s commitment to service and philanthropy but also this new organization to help save lives with swabbing drives all over the country.

Each chapter I get to visit as a Chapter Consultant, I share Hallie’s story when I talk with philanthropy chairs. I show them the documentary I produced and ask them if they would like to host a swabbing event on their campus. It’s actually quite simple to host one. After agreeing to host a swabbing event, we get in contact with Delete Blood Cancer DKMS to find the regional representative in their area. Afterwards, the chapter gets their event set up with the school — whatever event it may be, such as a pageant, 5k race, or tabling. The DKMS representative comes out to the campus with all of the materials they need to host the drive. From there, the members get a quick training on how to explain what swabbing is to their fellow students and how easy it is to swab.

Since I started working with Hallie’s Heroes, chapter sponsored events have yielded three individuals — all Phi Kappa Sigma members — as matches for people in need. One of those brothers has already gone through with a donation! I’ve also been able to take my involvement to the next level by accepting a role on the board of directors for Hallie’s Heroes.

To learn more about Hallie’s story please go to www.TeamHallieBea.org and to learn about DKMS and how you can get involved with a swab party or donor drive in your community or place of business please visit www.dkms.org/en/involved.
Competing for a Cause

When a Man of Honor tries to be Man of the Year

Brother Rocco Cozza is an alumnus member of the Delta Chapter, graduating from Washington & Jefferson College in 1999. Brother Cozza continued his education receiving his J.D. from Duquesne School of Law in 2003 and his applied business MBA from Waynesburg University in 2007. This past spring Brother Cozza participated in the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society’s Man and Women of the Year fundraising campaign. Each year in communities across the country, dedicated candidates engage in an exciting competition for 10 weeks to earn The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society’s (LLS) “Man & Woman of the Year” titles by raising funds for LLS blood cancer research.
MC: What are you currently doing for work?
RC: I do quite a few things. I'm a lawyer by trade. I did my undergrad at Washington and Jefferson where I joined the Delta Chapter. Then I went to Duquesne Law School. I've been practicing law since 2003. I'm actually general counsel of a large international IT company and I also have my own private practice. On top of that, I'm part owner of probably about 10 or 11 other businesses currently.

MC: Outside of this campaign, are you involved with any other philanthropic organizations?
RC: I recently just got involved with a new company here in the Pittsburgh area, which is philanthropic in nature, called Socialize Right. We're building presentations and online learning systems for teaching students, teachers, and parents about how to use social media correctly. This is something we just started. One of the former Pittsburgh Steelers is part of our company, so we're really excited. Another Phi Kap alum as well is one of the investors in the company. I also sit on a couple boards of some nonprofits. One is a drug and rehab facility and the other is a local education fund. So, I do a little bit of everything.

MC: How did you first get involved volunteering with LLS?
RC: I was involved during college, obviously that was our philanthropic organization partner and we raised money for it at Washington & Jefferson. During my senior year we did an event similar to the MTV game show 'Singled Out.' We put it together at the end of 10 weeks. Top local fundraisers become eligible to win the national titles. The campaign runs between February and June, check with your local chapter for specific dates.

RC: My assistant had nominated me for this campaign and then I was selected. I was honored to be part of it. Then outside of that connection, the father of one of my best friends from law school passed away from Leukemia. So it kind of really hit home and it took on a whole new level at that point in time. I got the call from Jen, who is the head of the division for Western PA area, and told me about it and I said, “Yes, I'm on board!” To me it was never about winning. It's not about winning, I couldn't care less whether I win; I just want to do as much as I can. My friends know I'm a very competitive person, but this is the one time in my life where it's not about the competition to me. It is about doing as much as I can with the resources I have to bring as much money and awareness to the cause. If I won — great; if I didn't, as long as we all push ourselves and everyone in the campaign to do as much as we can and raise as much as we can, then we all win in my mind.

MC: What got you involved in the Man and Woman of the Year Campaign?
RC: As far as the campaign itself, the advice I would give is: it is more work than you could possibly imagine (laughs). What I found is getting money from people isn't the easiest thing. I have very deep network of business connections and I underestimated my abilities going into this campaign. I was thinking it was going to be a lot easier than it was. We have been working tirelessly to raise as much funds as possible, but I am nowhere near what I wanted to raise. You've got to devote the time and put in the effort and understand that it is not something you take lightly. It is something that if you commit to it, you've got to put in the effort, because it is hard. But it is rewarding and it is for a great cause.

MC: What drives you to work with LLS?
RC: I look at it this way: cancer hits everyone, in one way, shape, or form in your lifetime. It is something that you have to bring awareness to. People have to do what they can to help. People in my family, my close friends, have passed from different kinds of cancer. Maybe not blood cancer, but different types. I look at where I've built my professional career, my contacts, my network, and now I want to reach out to them to help, to give back. And to me it is really about doing whatever I can to bring awareness and fun to help a cause like this.

MC: What advice do you have for someone who wanted to get involved with LLS?
RC: Do it! That is the advice. I believe in karma, I believe the more good you put out, the more good you get back. So if you can get involved with LLS, it is a great cause. It helps so many people, adults and children alike. If you can get involved, absolutely do it. It never hurts to help, and I believe it always gets back to you.

MC: What about running for Man of the Year in their area?
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How Phi Kap propelled Khiem Tran (VCU 2004) to work for Leukemia & Lymphoma Society

From Campus to Community

Brother Khiem Tran is an alumnus of the Delta Upsilon Chapter at Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU). He is the Campaign Specialist for the Virginia Chapter of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Khiem is in charge of the event logistics for Light The Night in three major cities. He is also in charge of managing his LLS chapter’s relationship with retail fundraising partners, such as IHOP, Burlington and Subaru.
Maltese Cross: Khiem, thank you for taking some time out of your busy schedule to talk with us today. Can you start by telling us a little bit about your undergraduate experience as a Phi Kap?

KHIEM TRAN: I served as Phi (philanthropy and service chairman) of my chapter for three years, as well as one as the Upsilon. During my time at VCU, I grew professionally. Through organizing philanthropic events and working towards a common goal I also grew as a leader. Whether it was working on the next tier Mitchell Chapter Standards program (MCS), planning the next Dunk-A-Cop, or scheduling composite pictures or group photos for our Valentine's Day Card, I definitely grew as a leader. It also helped me academically.

I majored in creative advertising, and I was able to apply my communication and design skills that I learned in the classroom directly toward our philanthropy events. Whether it was designing digital billboards to promote Dunk-A-Cop or working with the University's public relations department to put out a press release, I was able to get real world experiences and pieces for my portfolio. And the networking opportunities were also incredible. I was able to establish relationships with the campus Chief of Police, community volunteer figureheads, and, my most valued connection, the campaign manager for Light The Night at The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.

MC: Did volunteering help you find your job with LLS?

KT: For sure! Through the years, I had developed a strong relationship with the Light The Night Campaign manager at our local Virginia Chapter. Even after I graduated, we kept in touch on social media, that’s how I got my current job. One day out of the blue she messaged me on LinkedIn, letting me know that a position had opened up. I didn’t give it much thought at the time, but when I finally realized that it was a good opportunity and a perfect fit, I applied online, came in for an interview a few days later, and was offered the job that afternoon. So a few words of wisdom to all brothers out there: keep your LinkedIn profile up to date. You never know what kind of opportunities are out there.

MC: Tell me about what influenced your decision to work for LLS.

KT: It’s always been my personality to help others. I remember when I was being interviewed as a potential new member, a couple of brothers asked me what I could bring to the chapter. My answer was philanthropy and goodwill, because it is something that I’m passionate about. So to have the opportunity to make a true difference every day at work, to help fight blood cancers and to help fund the research to one day find a cure is pretty rewarding.

MC: What advice do you have for members who want to get involved with LLS?

KT: There are LLS chapters across the country, each serving their geographical areas just like how we have Phi Kap chapters at different campuses. Similar to Phi Kap there are smaller chapters with modest budgets and fewer resources, and there are much larger chapters in major metropolitan areas that have much larger staffs that are able to bring in millions each year for blood cancer research. With those differences often come challenges that might come up between LLS chapters.

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MC: How did you first get involved with LLS?

KT: In my role as Phi, I organized all of the brothers to volunteer at Light The Night every year.

MC: Tell me about doing Light The Night as an undergrad.

KT: The event was part of our chapter’s culture—it was mandatory but definitely a great time volunteering all day, from setting up tents in the morning to breaking down tables at night. Plus there was usually plenty of leftover food each year. I remember one time we walked away with six or seven hotel pans of pasta.

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CANCER—IT’S AN UGLY WORD.
Unfortunately, it likely has too much meaning to most, if not all, of us. Whether a family member, friend, co-worker, someone we admire, or a fraternity brother, there is rarely one among us that has not known someone battling, or lost someone, to one of the many forms of cancer.

Just from my Chapter at Beta Psi, one of our undergraduates was diagnosed with cancer last year, and in the recent past the disease shook the foundation of our Chapter when we lost Dr. Ghery Pettit (UC-Berkeley ’46), and Andy Royer (Washington State ’92). To learn more about Andy in life; search “Trout Grass” on the internet and watch a documentary, involving Andy, which details the journey of bamboo from being harvested in China to being used by a craftsman in Montana to create the “perfect” fly-fishing rod.

Currently, Doug Ingram (Washington State ’85) is fighting pancreatic cancer for the second time. There is a GoFundMe account to help defray the costs related to Doug’s treatment: www.gofundme.com/dougs-2nd-round-pancreatic-cancer.

The news is not all bad. We are regularly buoyed by stories recounting the advances scientists and medical professionals are making in the fields of cancer research and treatment and the incredible amounts of money raised each year to fund those endeavors. In fact, Phi Kappa Sigma and its various chapters have raised untold amounts for our “official” charity, the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS), and this current issue of the Maltese Cross is replete with articles about our undergraduates and alumni using their talents to assist in the effort to fight cancer.

One of the articles in this issue focuses of Khiem Tran (VCU ’14) and his work as a campaign specialist for LLS at their Richmond, Virginia Chapter. Brother Tran is a regular volunteer at the Carroll K. Simons Institute (CSI) one of Phi Kappa Sigma’s national leadership training programs. CSI is funded through generous donations to the Foundation. Your donations to the Foundation allow funding of not only CSI, but also Men of Honor, other educational programs of the Fraternity, this magazine, and of course, up to $80,000 (this year) in scholarships to our undergraduate members.

Please consider a donation to the Foundation as a part of your charitable giving plan this year or as a part of your estate planning. Who knows, perhaps a future Phi Kap scholarship recipient will discover the cure for cancer we all believe will be found.

Fraternally,

President, Phi Kappa Sigma Foundation
Ways You Can Support the Foundation

Each year, hundreds of Brothers support Phi Kappa Sigma through a contribution to the Phi Kappa Sigma Foundation.

**Annual Fund**
Many Brothers donate throughout the year as part of our annual giving program. Gifts can be made securely online at www.pks.org/donate or mailed directly to the International Headquarters (the enclosed donor envelope has been provided for your convenience). Most Foundation donors do not direct the use of their annual gifts. This allows them to be allocated to the areas of most need. Brothers who donate as part of the annual giving program are recognized in the *Maltese Cross* each year. Brothers who donate at least four years in a row or at least $10,000 in their lifetime receive special recognition.

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**Founders’ Circle**

In order to recognize those Brothers who have made significant donations to the Phi Kappa Sigma Foundation, we have created the Founder’s Circle. Members have donated at least $10,000 in their lifetime (one or multiple gifts).

**Mitchell Society**

Mitchell Society members are those Brothers who have included Phi Kappa Sigma in their estate plans through Bequests, Insurance Policies, Endowments, Charitable Gift Annuities, and Charitable Remainder Trusts. Mitchell Society members understand the importance of ensuring that Phi Kappa Sigma’s programs and services are available far into the future. Gifts such as these allow individuals and families to invest in and support Phi Kappa Sigma, guaranteeing its success for future generations. Please go to www.pks.org/donate or contact the International Headquarters for more information on the Mitchell Society and planned giving.

**Matching Gifts**

Many companies have a matching gift program that can multiply your support and make your gift go further! Please ask your company’s human resources representative for the necessary forms to send with your gift.

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Data in graph is based on calendar year donations.
2016-2017 FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

For the 2016-2017 Academic Year the Phi Kappa Sigma Foundation awarded over $65,000 to our undergraduate Brothers. Initiated undergraduate Brothers were eligible to apply for two types of scholarships with the awards being distributed based on the following methodology:

**Need-Based Scholarships:**
- 50% Financial Need
- 50% Scholastic Achievement

**Participation-Based Scholarships:**
- 50% Chapter/Campus/Community Involvement
- 50% Scholastic Achievement

Scholarship Applications are available on February 15th and are due by May 15th of each year. For more information please go to www.pks.org/scholarship or email staff@pks.org.

2016-2017 Winners:

- Carron C. Barboza, NYU 2017
- Warren W. Bein, Princeton 2017
- Andrew A. Bobbitt, North Texas 2017
- Jacob J. Brumbaugh, Oklahoma 2018
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- James J. Cochell, Georgia Tech 2019
- Mauricio M. Cole, South Alabama 2018
- Kyle K. Curtis, Washington 2018
- Aaron A. Delika, Michigan State 2018
- David D. Dellal, MIT 2017
- Adam A. Dykje, Ursinus 2018
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- Isaac I. Garza, MIT 2017
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- Benjamin B. Lei, Princeton 2018
- WeSaam W. Lepak, Hartford 2018
- Blake B. MacQueen, Alabama 2017
- Christopher C. Maley, Ursinus 2018
- Robert P. Petrowski, Wisconsin 2001
- Gher D. Pettit, UC-Berkeley 1946 *
- Neil J. Principe, Cornell 1967
- Timothy A. Schug, IIT 2007
- Ronald W. Siggs, Washington 1982
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- Roderick M. Williams, Washington 1961 *
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**Diamond Skull Club ($2,500+)**
- Roy A Freeman
- Washington State 1986
- Joseph B Mold
- Wisconsin 1994
- Douglas W Opicka
- IIT 1997
- Timothy A Schug
- IIT 2007
- Ronald C Stephens
- UCLA 1963
- Roderick M Williams
- Washington 1961
- Alpha Epsilon
- Educational Society
- Louis E Stricker
- UCLA 1950

**Silver Skull Club ($500 - $749)**
- Anthony Dimitriadis
- Dreux 1986
- Arthur S Ellis
- Tulane 1948
- George G Feussner
- Pennsylvania 1966
- Jeffery P Franklin
- Louisiana Tech 1975
- Jason A Froehner
- Carthage 2001
- Kent D Fyfe
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- Todd G Giacco
- Vanderbilt 1987
- John P Giangiuilo
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- Daniel Heiss
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- David H Krise
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- Jesse C Livesay
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- John T Mackessy
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- Ian J Pegram
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- Thomas M Petersen
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- Richard J Rosebery
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- Lt. Cdr Charles E Shinholser
- South Carolina 1954
- Jeffrey M Soltz
- McDaniels 1996
- Henry H Spire
- Dickinson 1964
- Peter J Sreter
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- Charles V Strimlan
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- Thomas V Tining
- Tulane 1969
- Douglas P Whitworth
- Washington 1976
- Kevin A Zufelt
- Ursinus 2011
- Peter G Zuvorski
- IIT 2014

**Platinum Skull Club ($1,000 - $2,499)**
- Duncan H Cocroft
- Pennsylvania 1965
- John J Curley
- Dickinson 1960
- Daniel C Deufel
- Purdue 1968
- Matthew L Domsch
- MIT 1994
- John L Finlayson
- Franklin and Marshall 1964
- Charles D Fitch
- Oklahoma 1970
- Gene Irisari
- Vanderbilt 1994
- R. William Jenkins
- Vanderbilt 1958
- Christopher S Lee
- South Carolina 1989
- Eric H Hyland
- West Virginia 1965
- Neil J Principe
- Cornell 1967
- Hamilton F Smith
- Richard 1983
- Edward Van Horne
- John E Voss
- UCLA 1948

**Golden Skull Club ($750 - $999)**
- Lonny Boeke
- Carthage 2000
- Ronald W Siggs
- Washington 1982

**Silver Skull Club ($500 - $749)**
- Stuart C Bean
- Richmond 1978
- William A Bingham
- Wisconsin 1949
- Dr. Kelley R Branch
- UC Riverside 1988
- Robert J Brooks
- Franklin and Marshall 1966
- Blake A Calabro
- Ramapo 2005
- Steven Carbone
- UCLA 1984

**Bronze Skull Club ($250 - $499)**

**1850 Club ($18.50/month; $222 total)**
- Norman D Gibson
- UC Riverside 1986
- Otto Grupp
- Penn State 1951
- John H Lester
- Georgia Tech 1951
- Louis C Michel
- West Virginia 1960
- Frank B O’Neil
- Alabama 1975
- Michael W Palladino
- Georgia Tech 2003
- Stephen E Robinson
- Cornell 1974
- Khiem Q Tran
- VCU 2014

**Anniversary Member ($160)**
- Krishen S Blows
- IIT 2014
- Jonathan B Peek
- Northern Illinois 2014
- Billy D Blank
- UCLA 1951
- Mark K Fitch
- Oklahoma 1980
- Charles L Hudson
- Maryland 1943
- Monroe E Pederson
- UCLA 1950
- Alvin L Sudduth
- Georgia Tech 1970
- Dr. Patrick Sweeney
- Georgia Tech 1964
- Herbert A Taylor
- Duke 1959
- Richard K Wheeler
- Purdue 1957
- Robert E Wojcik
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- Jeryl W Cordell
- IIT 1966
- Kent W Curtis
- MIT 1981
- Derek Dodd
- Washington 1994
- John P Ferguson
- St. Lawrence 1978
- Paul A Kirk
- Drury 1966
- Ronald R Lake
- Alabama 1983
- Joseph N Offenbecher
- Kansas 1950
- Garrett A Pittman
- Illinois 1984

**Scholarship Sponsor Spotlight**

**In Memory of Bart A. Barré**

Bart passed away suddenly on March 6, 2017 at the age of 79. Bart was initiated into the Alpha Chapter in 1956 and remained active as a Brother his entire adult life, serving for over 50 years as a member of Alpha, Inc, the chapter house owner, and over 25 of those years as its president. Bart regularly attended chapter meetings and functions. Every undergraduate Brother from Alpha Chapter knew Bart and valued his guidance. He was always generous with his time, his advice on house matters was invariably helpful, and his friendship to one and all was greatly valued. He shall be truly missed by generations of Alpha Chapter Brothers and the Penn community as well.

Members are invited to make a donation to the Bart A. Barré Scholarship through the Foundation to show our appreciation for his enduring commitment to our beloved Fraternity and to continue his legacy of support and guidance.

[www.alwaysaphikap.org/BartABarre](http://www.alwaysaphikap.org/BartABarre)

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**Stellis Aequus Durando Society**

**Delta Alumni Chapter**

**Vanderbilt 1994**
- Oklahoma 1970
- South Carolina 1989
- Cornell 1967
- Washington State 1982

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I am really grateful to the Fraternity for having accepted me and for all of their support, especially when discouraging challenges come up.

Thank you very much again because without your support I could not continue my studies.

Fraternally Yours,
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For his many years of dedication to Phi Kappa Sigma Fraternity and his long and exemplary service to the State of New York’s Judicial System.

David Demarest, Beta Iota (St. Lawrence) 1970, was awarded Phi Kappa Sigma’s highest honor, Alumnus of the Year, for 2016. Brother Demarest volunteered in many positions for the Fraternity before becoming Grand Alpha from 1991-1993.

In 1994, Dave was elected as a New York State Supreme Court Justice and served on the Bench for over 20 years. He was the longest serving Supreme Court Justice in the history of St. Lawrence County. Prior to this he had a law practice in Potsdam, NY. Dave retired from the Unified Court System in 2015.

Brother Demarest is a 1970 graduate of St. Lawrence University and Albany Law School.
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This February, the Gamma Gamma Chapter hosted about 20 of our alumni on Carthage’s campus. With most of our active members present, Gamma Gamma held a formal joint alumni-active chapter and ritual meeting for the first time in our history. Following the proceedings, the alumni were given an update on the state of the Chapter. This meeting also provided an opportunity for the alumni to share details about the newly minted Gamma Gamma Alumni Chapter. The alumni stressed to the actives their availability as a resource in matters pertaining to the day to day maintenance of the Chapter but also as a source of guidance for after graduation. It is our hope to have this meeting become a yearly occurrence. Connecting with our alumni-brothers was an invaluable and genuinely enjoyable experience for all of us in the Gamma Gamma Chapter.

**CLARKSON UNIVERSITY**

We initiated 7 great new members this year, and assisted our community by adopting a highway and by building a house for Habitat for Humanity. We look forward to continuing to grow and creating better men in our community and campus.

**FRANKLIN AND MARSHALL COLLEGE**

This has been an exciting year for the Zeta chapter. We are continuing to grow and added fourteen new brothers after a successful recruitment. The chapter is doing well and has big plans in store, including a philanthropy BBQ with Mi Gente Latina, the school’s Latin culture club. We are hopeful of the future and excited to see what is in store.

**GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY**

The Chapter has seen several major renovations over the year with several newly built bedrooms, a new patio out front, and a redesigned north side common area. Our chapter has recruited valuable members over the past year, and we have developed greater relations on campus. We have also introduced new philanthropy events, such as Dunk-a-Cop, to raise money for LLS. We encourage alumni to stop by to visit the chapter, meet our new brothers, and see what we’ve done with the house.

**GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY**

The Gamma Xi Chapter has had an amazing year, as we raised $3,877.45 for LLS’s 2016 Light The Night Walk in DC! Unfortunately, through hours of fundraising and asking for donations we were unable to break our old record of $10,000.00, but there is always next year! We want to thank everyone who helped! It would not have been possible without all those who helped support and donate. We also recruited some of our largest pledges classes in spring 2016 and fall 2016, with their numbers totaling 25 for the entire year. We are a leader on our campus. Other chapters look to us for guidance which we happily provide. Our philanthropic efforts have consistently been successful, our recruitment numbers have never been higher and our brotherhood keeps growing stronger and stronger. Our doors will always be wide open for all brothers, so feel free to reach out. Contact us at phikappasigmamu@gmail.com or at 203-589-8227. We look forward to your message/call!

**ILLINOIS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY**

Our Chapter were the winners of our campus’ Greek Week, a set of different events where Greek houses around campus compete against each other. This has been the third time our Chapter has won in the last four years. Academically, our chapter had the highest GPA among all the houses in our Greek community, and we are proud of this accomplishment because scholarship is very important to our Chapter. Finally, during this summer’s Grand Chapter, held in Chicago, our Chapter won the Founder’s Cup. The Founder’s Cup is a very prestigious award that is only given to one chapter of Phi Kappa Sigma every two years. We are very grateful to have had the honor to win the award.

**INDIANA UNIVERSITY**

It was an extreme honor for us to initiate Colonel Gregg Hammond into the fraternity. Delta Pi was very fortunate to represent the Fraternity on national television by being featured on Fox News and to discuss the organization and special initiation. Gregg is a great addition to the chapter and we are very excited to learn from his many experiences.

**MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY**

Considering the growing anti-fraternity sentiment, Alpha Mu actively works to fight the stereotypes that plague our community. We are hosting a sexual awareness conversation in partnership with Pleasure at MIT as part of Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Moreover, we came together as a chapter to participate in the Women’s March in Boston taking a stand for our respect and love of women. We believe that the simple change in attitude to our community around us was part of the reason we experienced remarkable success in this year’s rush season. Our chapter hopes to actively stand up and lead by example in hopes of bringing a positive paradigm shift. Alpha Mu hopes to continue expanding its outreach in our community and show the world that we are not passively experiencing life.

**MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY**

The Brothers of the Beta Delta Chapter have had another productive year on Michigan State University’s campus. We started the fall semester with our second annual East by East Lansing music festival. This year we doubled the amount of money we raised from the previous year to benefit the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. We look forward to the 3rd annual festival and hopefully, once again, doubling our total money raised sometime early this fall. We also added some great new brothers who are already leading the chapter in various capacities. The brothers have also been busy working around the house.

**RADFORD UNIVERSITY**

During the Fall 2016 semester we paired up with Sigma Sigma Sigma to host our first annual Skull Bash. The Skull Bash
was a whiffle ball tournament that involved all of the Greek organizations on campus. The event brought in approximately $1,000 for the March of Dimes Philanthropy as well as the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. We involved the community as well in this event as the Dijon Food Truck, which makes artisan grilled cheese sandwiches, came and provided food to those who were hungry during the event! The fraternity/sorority team that won our tournament won a prize of a gift card to a local restaurant. Prizes also included corn hole boards, made by one of our own brothers, for each organization. We cannot wait to host this event for years to come!

RAMAPO COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY

Fall rush was a success, and six new members were initiated into the fraternity. Spring rush recruited seven more men. The chapter is on track to have one of the strongest net growths out of all fraternities at Ramapo. The annual “Skull and Rose Ball”, a joint philanthropy semi-formal with A0Pi, is coming up soon for the chapter. Ticket sales so far indicate it could be the biggest Skull and Rose Ball since the event’s creation in 2011, and brothers are hoping it will raise thousands of dollars for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Foundation. The brothers also took home gold when they won their campus social event of a pumpkin catapulting competition.

RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE

The Tau Chapter had great developments this year at Randolph-Macon College! This year, we almost doubled in size after recruiting a quality new member class in the fall semester. We have begun laying the groundwork for momentous events with other student organizations here on campus and around Virginia! Tau Chapter is on the rise!

ROWAN UNIVERSITY

We would like to thank the Fraternity for welcoming our chapter this year and look forward to a successful first year as a newly chartered chapter. Thank you to all those brothers and friends that made this happen! Success has begun early for our chapter where we were able to hold the top GPA on campus and achieved 32 hours of volunteer work per member. We are redefining Greek life on Rowan University’s campus, and this is only the beginning. We are looking forward to the bright future of the Delta Gamma chapter.

TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY

On September 29, 2016, the Epsilon Alpha chapter held ‘Color out Cancer’, a color run benefiting a member of Tarleton’s Greek community who had been previously diagnosed with leukemia. The money we raised was donated to the family to aid in medical bills. Another great aspect of this event was the participation of the men’s and women’s track teams. We believe that this event facilitated better relationships between the athletic programs and Greek life and look forward to building those relationships further in the future.

TEMPLE UNIVERSITY

The Delta Psi Chapter had an excellent year, accepting six new brothers into the organization during the fall semester. Our focus on brotherhood has led us to host multiple movie nights, brotherhood dinners, date nights, and brothers-only socials, and this has reaped huge dividends for us in terms of maintaining a close-knit organization. We are now in the process of implementing organizational cost savings across the board so we can better focus on long-term growth, and our reworked, personally-focused rush strategy is expected to more than compensate for the 14 graduating seniors we will be congratulating at the end of this semester. Good luck in the working world, gentlemen!

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA – LOS ANGELES

Over the course of this year, Beta Rho at the University of California, Riverside has accomplished numerous goals that has helped our fraternity learn and become a better chapter. This year, we were able to brainstorm new ideas to stimulate growth in the chapter. We were also able to initiate a strong fall class that is already holding four positions on our Executive Core, including Alpha which has never happened at Beta Rho. In addition to this, our chapter was able to achieve a secured GPA that placed us in top 5 of all student organizations on campus. Not only have we improved and strengthened our increased our total membership to 67 brothers. After making academics a goal of our executive board, we increased our overall GPA from a 2.64 in spring 2016 to a 2.89 in fall 2016. Alpha Kappa started new philanthropic partnerships with Miracle League of Tuscaloosa and the West Alabama Food Bank while continuing our partnerships with the RISE Center and Crawfish for Corbyn. We would like to thank Lou Semrad, Jesse Wells, and the entire Alpha Kappa Housing Corporation for their tireless effort to procure us a new chapter house, and also thank our chapter advisor Steven Richey for being a mentor, friend, and dedicated brother to the Alpha Kappa chapter.

UNIVERSITY OF MAINE: The Chapter raised $14,500 in order to renovate the R.A.M. (Random Abundance of Men)—an old bunk room turned into a living room.

As a brotherhood, we excelled in coming together with very limited resources and money to improve our chapter house. We had an almost condemnable R.A.M last April and turned it into a nice, livable space. We turned to GoFundMe to raise money for this effort and raised close to $14,500 from mostly younger alumni along with friends and families of brothers. Many of our brothers put hours of their own free time to work on the big renovation so the brotherhood could enjoy and use the new space. One of our brothers took on a great amount of responsibility and was the leader for the project. We hope that our efforts made our alumni realize that we are actively trying to improve and build upon what was left to us: our chapter house.

UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS - LOWELL

In this past year, the Gamma Upsilon chapter at Umass Lowell raised money for the Lowell House of Hope at our annual fall philanthropy event Cardboard City. In addition to this, we
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collected more than $2,000 worth of clothing to donate. Our brothers also participated in the UMass Lowell “St. Jude’s Up Till Dawn” event, which raised over $40k for St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital. In Fall of 2016, we initiated 5 new brothers in the Beta Zeta class.

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Last fall we organized our most successful Dunk-a-cop event in our 3 years since chartering and have now established the event as an annual event. We also hosted our Shave a Skull event. All around, it was a good year.

UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

Since re-founding in Spring 2014, Omicron Chapter has faced many highs and lows. Following a large amount of internal issues in 2016, Omicron Chapter is looking forward to restarting this year with new executive leadership and organizational direction. Since the beginning of this year, the Chapter has sent three delegates and one facilitator to Men of Honor, implemented new dues contracts and financial policies, updated and began to enforce the Chapter By-Laws, instituted a new academic program, and shifted the goals and direction of the organization. Our men partnered with the ladies of alpha Kappa Delta Phi for Soonerthon, OU’s largest philanthropy event. Our group raised $2,535.20 for the Oklahoma Children’s Hospital Foundation. We are currently working toward expanding our active alumni base, reoccupying our Chapter facility, hosting another successful “Phi Kap Phreeze Off” for LLS, and sending representatives to this summer’s Carroll Simons Institute.

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Alpha Eta had another superb year. The chapter hit all membership growth goals as well as philanthropy goals. Philanthropy was one of the important things that we tried hard to improve on this year. The Alpha Eta chapter has always excelled socially and brotherhood is very tight. The other aspect of our chapter that we are making significant efforts in improving is alumni relations. Reconnecting with past alumni and building a solid relationship, we believe, will be key in the continued growth of the chapter and to help meet future goals.

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS - AUSTIN

Sigma chapter has been excelling in community service and raising money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. We have been active in the community and on campus helping and participating at various philanthropic events. From park cleanups, participating in dance marathons for the children’s hospital, to assisting one of our alumni at an event called Operation Bulldog, which helps soldiers with PTSD, we always strive to do what we can to help the community around us. As well as participating in events around us, we have planned our own events including Casino Nights and our annual UT Dunk-a-Cop event to help raise thousands of dollars for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

During the 2016-2017 school year our chapter has placed a huge emphasis on the importance of giving back to the community. We are very thankful to be a part of the very accepting and friendly community surrounding campus. In an effort to show our thanks to this community, that has done so much for us, we have volunteered at a plethora of events such as 50/50 ticket sales, helping with other Greek’s philanthropies and community marathons. Overall, we will continue to give back to the community that has showed us so much support moving forward into the summer and the next school year.

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

The Alpha Theta chapter has accomplished a lot throughout this school year. In the fall, we held our second annual Toss for a Cure event consisting of a bag toss tournament. Through this event we raised $186.00 for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society and the winner’s chosen philanthropy, St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital.

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

This semester we are planning a bone marrow registry event to be held in Mid-April to continue our philanthropic endeavors. We engaged our alumni by participating in a mentorship program including individual and group mentorship. Individuals have the opportunity to both engage with their personal mentor as well as participate in group mentoring events to help our members get a well-rounded experience.

COLONIES

MCDANIEL COLLEGE

On February 26th 2017 eight men were brought in to officially colonize the Delta Eta Colony at McDaniel College. This semester the Colony finished their new member education and started programming our own events. The goal of this Colony is to foster better relationships on campus. We aim to do better than what other Fraternities are
The Maltese Cross Phi Kappa Sigma Fraternity currently doing on campus and to mold men into Men of Honor. We are excited to represent Phi Kappa Sigma at McDaniel College.

OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY
The Oklahoma State Colony has made great strides toward chartering. We are having our first philanthropy event in April. We have planned our first formal. Our recruitment has improved through the continual efforts to find the most effective recruitment plan. We also released a website and are more consistent on social media.

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY
We founded the Texas Tech Colony and are continuing to work hard in gaining new members and establishing ourselves on campus. We hosted a Golf Tournament called The Inaugural Golf Slam Fore LLS where we will be raising a large amount of money for our first time. We hope to continue to grow going forward.

RADFORD: Brothers partner with Sigma Sigma Sigma for their first “Skull Bash” to benefit the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society and March of Dimes.
Growth & Expansion

Phi Kappa Sigma’s Vision includes the growth of our organization. This is accomplished in three distinct ways.

- Growth in individual chapter’s New Member classes
- Chapter members remain in active status throughout their undergraduate years
- Starting or reestablishing chapters at higher educational institutions

To achieve our goal of 2200 by the year 2020, we must focus on all of the above to be successful!

First, our strategy involves targeting campuses within proximity to existing chapters to benefit from cross training and shared, personal experience opportunities. Secondly, we continue to take advantage of our relationships in the fraternal industry and with campuses nationwide to spread the mission and vision of Phi Kappa Sigma as a strong leader in the fraternal world. Third, we are investing in staffing at the local level to help build and sustain new groups as they are forming. Finally, we rely on referrals from volunteers and alumni to recommend strong candidates that can support the creation of new colonies that will stand the test of time and be successful on their campus.

The growth of our organization is vital for many reasons. Obviously, it is important that we continue to manage our financial operations to stay competitive. More importantly, the fraternal experience is like none other and Phi Kaps continue to benefit throughout their entire lives. We want to bring that experience to more and more students.

If you want to help with the process or know of any men attending these institutions, please refer names to us at www.AlwaysAPhiKap.org/referral or send those individuals to www.BecomeAPhiKap.org.

With your help, we will be successful.

Recently chartered
- Washington State University, Pullman, WA
- Rowan University, Glassboro, NJ

Current expansion projects
- Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN
- Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK
- Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX
- McDaniel College, Westminster, MD

Schools at which we are currently approved to expand
- University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA – Spring 2017
- Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA – Fall 2017
- Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, TX – Spring 2018
- Auburn University, Auburn, AL – Spring 2018
- University of California Berkeley, Berkeley, CA – Fall 2018
- Texas State University, San Marcos, TX – Fall 2018

Schools we are currently pursuing
- Towson University, Towson, MD
- University of Georgia, Athens, GA
- Texas A&M Commerce, Commerce, TX
- University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC
- University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA
- University of Maryland, College Park, MD
Since the first day we all decided to become Phi Kaps, this motto has been engrained into our minds. We tell folks that being a brother is for life and not just the four years we are in college.

Phi Kappa Sigma is deeply committed to this ideal and we are looking to improve our alumni relations and provide more value to our alumni members. At the 2014 Grand Chapter in Nashville, an Alumni Relations Committee was formed to explore how we can better support our Alumni from a national perspective.

If you would like to provide feedback or suggestions on how we can improve your experience, please feel free to contact the committee via email at alumni@pks.org.