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Stronger with new chapters



Eric Gupta, Grand Regent

Greetings Brothers,


Kappa Psi continues to grow with the addition of new members and new chapters! We have added or are about to add at least five new chapters to our beloved Fraternity, Zeta Delta Chapter at the University of South Florida in Tampa, Florida; Zeta Epsilon Chapter at the Northeast Ohio Medical University, College of Pharmacy in Rootstown, Ohio; Zeta Zeta Chapter at Touro College of Pharmacy in New York, New York; San Antonio Graduate Chapter in San Antonio, Texas; and Idaho Graduate Chapter in Boise, Idaho. Please send your congrats and support to them as they develop their chapters.

Speaking of graduate chapters, summer is almost here and I want to congratulate all of our graduating brothers as they move on to residency, fellowship, or begin their careers. Don't forget that Kappa Psi is for life, so please reach out to the graduate chapters in your area to continue your involvement in Kappa Psi. If you need help getting connected to a graduate chapter, then please reach out to Graduate Member-at-Large Jason Milton (miltonjason@gmail.com) and he will assist you.

Also, springtime is tax time, so I hope all of you have filed taxes for your respective chapters. Make sure that you file at least once every three years to maintain your tax-exempt status. Unfortunately, we have had some chapters that did not file in a timely fashion and have lost their tax-exempt status, so please be diligent in filing. Grand Counselor Robert Mancini can assist you with this process.

For those of you who were not able to attend APhA, you missed a great Kappa Psi reception, where many of us were able to reconnect with brothers from other chapters, meet new brothers, and forge new bonds of brotherhood. We were also pleased to award current APhA Speaker of the House, Brother William Riffie (Beta Eta initiate), with the A. Richard Bliss, Jr. Grand Council Citation of Appreciation. This is our Fraternity's highest honor, and it went to a most deserving candidate for his leadership in our profession. The other big news from the Kappa Psi reception at APhA was the announcement of the location for the 57th Grand Council Convention. In case you have not heard yet, we are heading to Denver, Colorado! Start making plans with your chapter to attend, and I'll see you there.

Fraternally,


Eric K. Gupta
Grand Regent

Grand Regent Eric Gupta (left) installs our 68th graduate chapter, New Mexico Grad. Turn to the graduate chapter news pages 44–53 to find contact information for the graduate chapter near you!



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Epsilon Mu brothers from the University of
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The power behind the Kappa Psi brotherhood

In this spring issue of *The MASK*, we focus on the power behind our ever-growing brotherhood. As we grow, new opportunities emerge for us to positively affect the communities in which we live. When many brothers work together, amazing things can happen. Read the following pages to see how Kappa Psi brothers have joined together to shape our communities through numerous philanthropic projects and by being leaders on our campuses. We can all take a lesson from nature. A single fish scattered in the ocean will struggle to survive, but when several band together and move in unison, there is power in their presence.



Kappa Psi brotherhood has no boundaries. As you'll read in 99 Hands, brothers have crisscrossed the country attending their own province meetings and then going outside of their province to attend meetings and visit other chapters. In 99 Hands, look for the yellow highlighted text that flags invites from chapters to attend special events. Mark your calendars. Plan a road trip. Reach out to these brothers and strengthen your bonds of brotherhood. Finally, as graduation approaches, remember Kappa Psi brotherhood is for life. Seek out the graduate chapter in your area to continue your bonds of brotherhood. In this issue, all of the graduate chapters are listed in the 99 Hands section, even if they did not submit a report. Reach out to the chapter near you! A list of grad chapters can also be found on the website.

Fraternally,

Cameron

An Introduction to Saving Lives Through Preventing Suicides

For Pharmacists and Related Professionals

By C. Patrick Tharp, Ph.D., R.Ph. (alumni brother from Gamma Pi Chapter), along with Robert L. Salter, Ed.D., R.Ph., Scott K. Griggs, Pharm.D., Ph.D., R.Ph., and Gregory Katski, B.A.

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The intent in writing this article is to give pharmacists and related professionals in Missouri and elsewhere an introduction to the subject of suicidality (the study of self-inflicted fatalities and their associated causes, actions, and outcomes) and suicide prevention. It is not a new subject, as self-inflicted harm and deaths have been a part of the human condition throughout history. Preventing such deaths on a nationwide, organized, and informed effort, however, is relatively new in the U.S. Official federal and government-funded organizations and efforts to prevent such actions—by those attempting and often successfully completing death by suicide—are a relatively new phenomenon. The first U.S. Surgeon General's proclamation of a nationwide program to reduce the rate and incidence of suicides was initiated about 20 years ago. Regarding pharmacy in the U.S., the first "official" pronouncement that pharmacists should be educated, trained, and involved in suicide prevention was published over 42 years ago in the *Journal of the American Pharmaceutical Association*. It was entitled, "Suicide and the Role of the Pharmacist," by Dr. Melvin R. Gibson, who was executive director of the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy at the time, and his colleague, Dr. Rex S. Lott.¹ Their paper described several specific actions, which community and institutional pharmacy colleges and organizations across the country should pursue to reduce the number of suicidal deaths in the U.S., as well as to help their families and patients. These authors recognized that pharmacists occupy a pivotal role

in the health care system via providing prescription and over-the-counter medications to their patients. These pharmacists are uniquely positioned to assist in preventing many of these tragedies each year. As a key provider of such interventions, the stature and recognition of the profession of pharmacy and its members is enhanced—safeguarding patients' safety, health, and quality of life outcomes.

Unfortunately, our group of pharmacy practitioners, educators, researchers, and pharmacist-counselors has been able to find little evidence that practicing pharmacists are educated, trained, and equipped to take professional actions to identify, assess, and intervene with families and patients at risk of taking their own lives. Over the last few years, we have asked several hundred pharmacists, technicians, pharmacy students, and other health professionals if they have had formal education or continuing education programming on the subject of suicide prevention: responses in the affirmative have been negligible to nonexistent. Herein, we will address only an introduction to three basic components of suicide prevention, as suicide itself and preventing it (on a case-by-case basis) is a complex and sometimes difficult task; nevertheless, a short but effective intervention plan can save lives. The three components described briefly here are identification, assessment, and actions to help prevent suicides among patients taking antidepressants and other mood-altering medications. Readers can find a wealth of information and data regarding suicide prevention, organizations, training sessions, and other resources by visiting the Pharmacists Preventing

Suicides' website at www.PharmacistsPreventingSuicide.com.

The Magnitude of the Suicide Problem in the United States

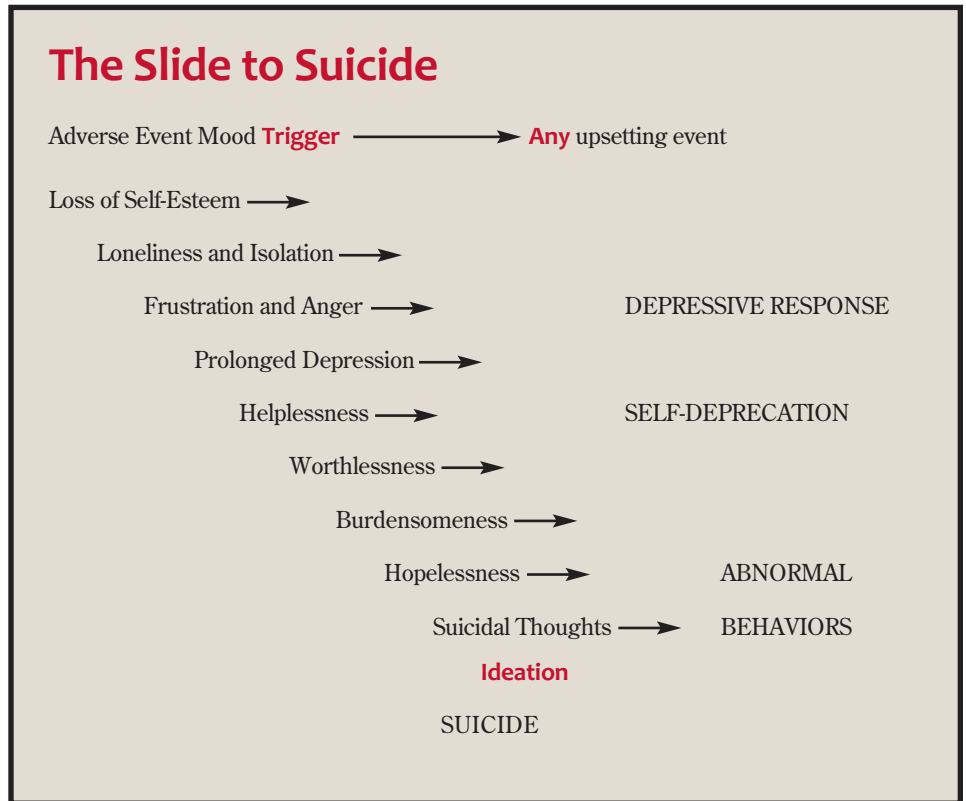
Pharmacists, instructors in colleges of pharmacy, and other related persons may be surprised to learn that the number of suicides in the U.S. now exceed even the number of deaths by automobile accidents for the first time in our history. Suicide ranks as the 10th leading cause of death in the U.S., ahead of septicemia, chronic liver disease and cirrhosis, homicides or murders, Parkinson's disease, and other commonly-known diseases.² There were almost 39,000 reported suicides in 2010, though it is well-known that suicide deaths are not always reported as such, so the number may be as high as 50,000 each year. In Missouri, suicides also rank as the 10th leading cause of death, numbering about 1,000 deaths per year, or 14.3 per 100,000 people per year. Why this disparity exists is largely unknown and has not been investigated to date.

Identification of Patients Possibly At-Risk to Take Their Own Lives

While a small percentage of depression patients attempt or complete suicide, it is between 60 percent and 80 percent (possibly as high as 90 percent) of suicide victims who were diagnosed with major depression disorder (MDD), bipolar disorder or manic-depressive syndrome, schizophrenia, major anxiety disorder or other mood disorders prior to their deaths—though drug abuse,

when associated with these mood disorders, increased the risk. It is certain that depression plays a major part in the mental health status and deaths of most of these victims. Experts in forensic psychology have found that most of those who attempt to take their own lives but live through the event had mixed emotions and were bivalent at the time of the attempt. Out of seven "attempters" who lived through jumping from the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco, CA and were interviewed, all seven said that they changed their decision on the way to the water. It is reported by researchers that up to 80 percent of suicide victims tell others that they are planning to take their own lives ahead of their deaths. Talking with them does not increase their risk.

AARP has reported that over 70 percent of elderly suicide victims have visited their doctor (and possibly pharmacist) within a month of their deaths. Pharmacists, as the most trusted and most accessible health professional (according to annual consumer studies), can learn about these intentions.³ Those patients who have attempted taking their own lives must be monitored: additionally, those who state their intentions directly (or indirectly via a family member or significant other) to their pharmacist should likewise be watched carefully. Our "Slide to Suicide" chart shown on this page is indicative of the path that most depressed suicide victims follow to their ideation, suicide attempts, and completions. When a health professional observes a depressed patient behaving in these ways, the patient and their family should be advised to seek appropriate help—particularly mental health doctors, mental health clinics, or hospitals. The HIPPA Act does not prevent health professionals, including pharmacists, from reporting to anyone who might reduce the risk that a patient may be in danger of harming themselves or others.⁴ The Slide to Suicide chart depicts a series of events and behaviors often characteristic of patients suffering from major depression disorder, which is a severely melancholic, sad, debilitating, discouraging, and sometimes fatal disease when patients view taking their own life as "the only way out of their misery." Correct diagnosis and use of pharmaceuticals (to correct the chemical imbalances in the brain) plus talk therapy is often more effective than either treatment alone, while other means may prove benefi-



cial for patients who do not respond well to medicines. There are many treatment options that can restore most of these patients to a normal life, and pharmacists (and others) should be knowledgeable about these alternatives in order to offer help and hope.

The question for pharmacists and their colleagues is which patients are the most at risk? Certainly, those who have made prior attempts and those who tell others they plan to take their own lives are at high risk. Men commit suicide more than women, though frequency varies greatly among race, location, health status, sub-culture, age, economy, social class, and other socio-behavioral factors. The largest group of attempters is young people aged 15–34; the largest group

of completers is the elderly, especially those who are physically ill and believe they are terminal. The suicidal signs are similar, but some differences exist that should be watched closely. Major signs for each of the two largest patient groups are listed below, though the largest increases in both numbers and rates in the last three to five years have been among middle-aged women. Awareness of suicide as the major problem and/or side effect of depression (and other mood disorders and their treatments) will be very helpful for pharmacists to save lives. The signs of suicide can be readily found on-line.

Signs for pre-teens, teens and young persons include but are not limited to: drug and alcohol use/abuse; isolation and withdrawal from family/friends/usual activities; giving hints such as "it's no use" or "I'm going to heaven;" separation or loss of another person or role model and excessive grief actions; persistent boredom, a decline in school or work performance, poor concentration, etc.; attempting to purchase weapons, explosives, armor, uniforms, or stockpiling drug supplies and medicines; getting their "affairs" in order; giving away valued items; dramatic changes in eating or sleeping patterns; and other abnormal actions.

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- 2 Center for Disease Control/NCHS. National Vital Statistics System, "—Death Rates for the 15 Leading Causes—", 2–12 for 2010.
- 3 Gallop Poll: "Honesty/Ethics in Professions," Nov. 26–29, 2012, p. 26.
- 4 "Message to Our Nation's Health Care Providers," a letter from the Director of the Office for Civil Rights of the Department of Health & Human Services, Washington, D.C., Leon Rodriguez, January 15, 2013.

Signs for senior persons, particularly those over age 60, include over three months of functional impairment from depression or grief, expressing hopelessness or burdensomeness, wishing for an early death or expressing a lack of meaning to life; sudden weight loss with periods of food deprivation; personal or family history of suicide attempts; alcohol or drug overuse; refusal of life-preserving medical care such as oral anti-diabetic medication or insulin, I.V. fluids; refusal of friends and family visits; and other abnormalities.

Assessment of the Patient for Degree of Risk of Suicide

We have said that those who are at serious risk often tell others about their objective—friends, family, health care providers, local law enforcement officers, teachers, and others. These threats must always be taken seriously and regarded as potentially harmful to the patient and others. About one thousand to fifteen hundred murders occur each year by persons who take their own lives in a violent fashion. For health care workers, there are rating scales for risk assessment available that have been widely used by psychologists, psychiatrists, social workers, mental health case managers, and others. Some of these question-based tests can be found online for self-administration or administered by trained health professionals. Some caregivers prefer particular rating scales, but some mental health practitioners regard any of the acceptable scales as helpful, though the diagnosis depends on the clinical assessment of the patients, their mental state (both at a particular time and over a period of time), and specific laboratory tests. Pharmacists are not usually equipped to diagnose their patients with rating scales, though we believe they can learn to use and report the results of depression and suicide rating scales in monitoring the effectiveness and value of the patients' ongoing medication (and other) treatments. We at PPS® do not recommend particular tests, though the Sheehan Rating Scale is reported to be a good test for patients with panic disorder; the Beck Depression Inventory II has been received favorably by mental health caregivers for many years for use in adults and teenagers over the age of 13. We have developed a Cooperative Care Agreement or contract that pharmacists in Missouri, MMS-qualified pharmacists, and



Patrick Tharp, Ph.D., R.Ph., founder and president of Pharmacists Preventing Suicides (PPS), gives a lecture to a group of student pharmacists at St. Louis College of Pharmacy. (Photo by Greg Katski)

certified Psychiatric Pharmacists can evaluate for use in cooperative clinical practice arrangements with physicians. These cooperative practice activities are permissible under the new laws and regulations in our state (Missouri) permitting pharmacists to be hands-on with select patients under the supervision of a Missouri physician. The draft agreement can be seen on the PPS® website.

Actions Pharmacists Can Take to Help Prevent Suicides

Pharmacists in the U.S. have many patients in their care requiring mood-disorder treatment. Reports indicate that there are over 21 million people who suffer from depression in the U.S. Some resources report that only half of patients with a confirmed diagnosis of depression are receiving treatment. In 2012, IMS Health reported antidepressants to be the number one prescription drug category among all drugs, with over 270 million prescriptions.⁵ The number of pharmacists in active practice in the U.S. varies from day-to-day, with estimates from the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP), the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), and the U.S. Labor Department of between

260,000 and 270,000. In our view, these numbers indicate that pharmacists have had more than 270 million opportunities to talk to patients and their families who may be at risk each year! Pharmacists can and must take responsible action to assist patients taking these depression and/or mood disorder medications: these actions may include, but are not limited to, a formal risk assessment. Pharmacists should have a follow-up plan to monitor patients' compliance to the prescribed medication regimens as well as their progress on health and wellness outcomes. A 2005 *JA-PhA* article gives a detailed example of this type of follow-up plan that may prove useful for both institutional and community pharmacy practices.⁶ A more personal and perhaps helpful approach, particularly if the patient could be at immediate risk and danger, is for the pharmacist to ask questions and respond appropriately. This program is outlined in PPS® Pocket Cards for pharmacists and their patients on our website. Pharmacists should counsel each patient taking depression medications, using questions such as: "How are you doing?" "Are you making progress with your condition?", and "Have you had any thoughts of harming yourself or others?" If the answers to these or similar questions are negative or indicate probable or immediate risk of harm to the patients or others, the pharmacist should then ask, "Do you have a plan to carry out this or these intentions?" If the patient has a plan, then the pharmacists should refer the patient to their physician or mental health professional for an immediate visit. The pharmacist should confirm that the patient will keep the appointment or even arrange transportation for them to the physician's practice location. Doing so may very well save your patient's life! We at PPS® feel that all pharmacists will agree that SAVING ONE LIFE WILL BE WORTH THE EFFORT. Readers can find more help at pharmacistspreventingsuicides.com. ■

5 IMS Institute for Healthcare Informatics, "Top 10 Therapeutic Classes by U.S. Dispensed Prescriptions," 2-23-2012.

6 Pharmacists Telemonitoring of Antidepressant Use: Effects on Pharmacist-Patient Collaboration." N.A. Rickles, et al., *JAPhA*, Vol. 45, No. 18, May/June 2005, p. 342ff.

Author Unmasked

C. PATRICK THARP, CEO, PHARMACISTS PREVENTING SUICIDES®

Dr. Tharp was born in Hannibal, Missouri and attended the St. Louis College of Pharmacy where he completed his B.S. in Pharmacy degree, and continued on to earn a Master's degree. He then went to the University of Mississippi where he earned a Ph.D. in Pharmacy Administration with a Minor in Sociology and Social Research Methods. He was a professor at Samford University in Alabama for five years, and taught at the St. Louis College of Pharmacy for six years full-time and later, part-time for another 5 years. He has authored three text books and numerous published papers. Dr. Tharp worked at a pharmaceutical company where he served in top executive positions for 13 years. He left to establish the international pharmaceutical consulting firm specializing in technology transfer, The Melling Group, in 1989. As a semi-retired Senior Partner, he works part-time for The Melling Group. He also lectures at the St. Louis College of Pharmacy and helps retiring pharmacy owners sell their pharmacies. In recent years, he authored a course on Preventing Suicides for Pharmacists, an on-line course which has been taken for Continuing Education credit by more than 4,000 pharmacists nation-wide. He has received two 'Outstanding Alumni' awards from STLCOP, one for service to the college and one for service to the community. In 2003, he established Pharmacists Preventing Suicides®. Through training programs for diverse groups of professionals, suicide prevention practitioners and lay audiences; policy analysis and legislative advocacy, PPS® helps pharmacy, healthcare professionals and hundreds of others to prevent suicides and improve the quality of life for those at risk of taking their own lives. Dr. Tharp has made Suicide Prevention presentations to pharmacy schools and many other pharmacy organizations, civic organizations, high schools and middle school parents and teachers groups. He is a long-time member of the American Pharmacists Association, the Missouri Pharmacists Association, the St. Louis College of Pharmacy Alumni Association, the Ole Miss Alumni Association and Kappa Psi Pharmaceutical Fraternity. He received the Preston W. Eldridge, Jr. Award from Kappa Psi in 2007 for 50 years' active membership and the Gold Alumni Award from the St. Louis College of Pharmacy in 2011. Dr. Tharp and his wife, Peggy, have two grown children. Their youngest daughter, Tricia LeAnn Tharp, lost her life to depression and suicide a few years ago.



Order of the Silver Mortar given

On February 15, Gamma Sigma Chapter held a ceremony to honor University of Florida College of Pharmacy faculty member Dr. W. Thomas Smith with the Kappa Psi Robert A. Magarian Order of the Silver Mortar award for 25 years of brotherhood.

When Gamma Pi inducted W. Thomas Smith into their St. Louis Chapter in February 1989, little did they or Tommy know what types of contributions were in store for the Kappa Psi Pharmaceutical Fraternity, Inc.

Dr. Smith's involvement in and his love for Kappa Psi took little time to blossom once he was a brother. By taking action locally, he was first voted regent of Gamma Pi and then he became involved on a Province level.

Dr. Smith graduated from the Saint Louis College of Pharmacy in 1994 with a Pharm.D. He went on to receive his Juris Doctorate from the Saint Louis University School of Law in 2005, and he received a certificate in Health Law, built and managed a Master's of Science in Pharmacy program at UF with numerous programs available, and accepted a position on the council for the American Bar Association's Health Law division. Within the Fraternity, Smith has already received the Grand Council Certificate of Excellence award.

Dr. Smith's overwhelming accomplishments and his ability to continuously expand the boundaries of pharmacy as a profession all have proven how, 25 years later, a pharmacist may still exemplify the virtues of Kappa Psi.



Gamma Sigma presents Brother W. Thomas Smith with a Robert A. Magarian Order of the Silver Mortar for 25 years of service to Kappa Psi.

Unmasking a special collegiate brother

Every year, the Southwest Province selects one special brother who is the most selfless, philanthropic, and overall the most helpful brother in the Province. This year, Epsilon Epsilon Brother Cody Faubion was selected, and we couldn't think of a more deserving brother. Following are excerpts from the essay submitted by Epsilon Epsilon regent Lee Salazar that explain why Cody is deserving of this honor.

A firm handshake, a heartfelt "Howdy," and the warmest of smiles are never in short supply when one comes in contact with Cody Faubion. The sincerity behind his greeting is a reflection of his sincerity with his profession. Cody Faubion is a superb role model, not only as a brother of Kappa Psi, but as a professional student pharmacist at the Texas A&M Health Science Center Rangel College of Pharmacy.

Since his initiation, Cody has become one of Epsilon Epsilon's most active brothers and has participated in most social, fundraising, and philanthropy events. During the 2012–2013 academic year, Cody was elected the social/communications chair for Epsilon Epsilon. During his term, Cody coordinated the Annual Rangel College of Pharmacy Formal dance and several other socials that were open to the entire college. Currently, for the 2013–2014 school year, Cody holds the position of philanthropy and risk management chair for the chapter, as well as a standing member of the remaining committees of EE. Just one month into the school year, the philanthropy committee led by Cody has coordinated three events: Project Lifeline, a blood drive to benefit the Coastal Bend Blood Center; Adopt-A-Highway trash pick-up; and aiding Kleberg County clean up the local community center after the Kingsville Bicentennial Celebration. In addition, Cody, alongside the rest of the committee, has outlined the philanthropy schedule for rest of the school year, including events such as the Share-a-Meal program with the Ronald McDonald House of Corpus Christi and after-school programs coordinated with the Boys & Girls Club of Kingsville. This academic year, Cody has also participated in Kappa Psi philanthropy events, such as painting a shelter for displaced families and helping out at the annual Crawfish Boil and Texas A&M Kingsville Javelina football game concession stands.

Despite Brother Cody's numerous commitments to EE, he still manages to find time to be an active member and officer of multiple other organizations. One of Cody's recent accolades includes being inducted into Phi Lambda Sigma leadership society. As a member of ΦΛΣ, Cody was elected to the position of treasurer and has assisted in coordinating a leadership conference for campus organization officers. In addition, Cody has been a member of both the NCPA and APhA his entire pharmacy school career. As a member of NCPA, Cody currently serves as the chapter treasurer and has been involved in developing the chapter's business plan each year to be presented at NOLA. In APhA, Cody is on the Operation Heart Committee and has participated in multiple health and philanthropy activities with APhA, including health screenings on our local campus and educational health fairs in the community. It should also be noted that Cody is currently pursuing his Master of Business Administration concurrently with his normal pharmacy school curriculum and will graduate in 2015 with both his PharmD and MBA.

More than \$7,580 raised for future scholarships

14th Annual Kappa Psi Foundation Golf Tournament

Once again, the annual Kappa Psi Pharmaceutical Foundation's golf tournament proved to be a successful fundraiser for future Kappa Psi scholarships. The 2013 tournament, the 14th annual, was held on August 2 at the East Bay Golf and Country Club in Largo, Florida, in conjunction with the Grand Council Convention. A huge thank-you goes to the Tournament Chair Brother Brett Rathi, a member of the Foundation's Board of Directors, who not only organized this year's tournament, but who very generously paid all the tournament expenses out of his own pocket. Listed below are the individual brothers and individual chapters and Provinces that participated in this year's tournament in some capacity, either by playing or by purchasing a tee sign or tee marker. In addition to the golf tournament, \$3,123 was donated to the Foundation through the raffle that was held during the GCC and \$1,928 was donated through the poker and volleyball tournament proceeds. Thanks go to Brother Mike Starvaggi for organizing the raffle. ■



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Epsilon Chapter has been hard at work this semester. We had 11 people pledge Kappa Psi, which brings us to almost 40 new brothers for the year! Our chapter continues to run and staff the dispensing pharmacy at the free student-run Phillips Neighborhood Clinic for underserved patients, as well as provides STI talks at local high schools. We also participated in the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation Walk, and the American Lung Association Stair Climb, where brothers climbed 30 floors to raise money for these great organizations. Over the winter break, we served dinner to families staying at the Ronald McDonald House and had an ugly sweater-themed dinner with the dean.

We are getting ready to go to Haiti over spring break for our third CARE for Haiti medical mission trip. CARE for Haiti (Minnesota Student Clinic and Relief Effort for Haiti) was started in 2011 by our Epsilon Chapter. We set up annual medical trips to our clinic site in Chabin, Haiti, with an inter-professional team that treats acute conditions, while providing public health education to the local community. During our 2012 trip we saw 278 patients and during our 2013 trip we provided treatment to 383 patients. This year's team consists of nurses, nursing students, pharmacists, physi-



Epsilon brothers in Haiti for a medical mission trip.

cians, and pharmacy students. Our group treats children and adults for conditions including anemia, parasitic worm infections, bacterial infections, malnutrition, wound cleanings, and many other ailments. During our four-day clinic, we try to reach 400 patients and provide drug therapy and immunizations. Each trip requires approximately \$15,000 in funding, which is only possible with the support of our community and supporters at the College of Pharmacy. To learn more about the outcome of our March trip, please visit our website at www.care-forhaiti.net or find us on Facebook.

This spring, we are looking forward to our semi-annual dinner meeting,

where we will acknowledge brothers with our Brother of the Year and Pledge of the Year awards. In April, we look to be a part of an inter-fraternal Relay for Life team. We are also excited to attend the Northern Plains Province conclave in Omaha, as well as our annual retreat to Breezy Point Resort for some brotherly relaxation!

—Tara Hawley-Schmuck

Theta

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At the end of last summer, Theta Chapter hosted the Atlantic Province summer conclave. A lot of hard work

and time went into this event and the weekend turned out to be memorable.

We hosted the annual Kappa Psi Chili Cook-Off on November 5, 2013. We had 20 teams of two sign up to cook chili, and a large number of pharmacy students/faculty showed up to take part in the event. The number of participants significantly increased from last year, and everything was a huge success. After the judges' tasting and rating the chili, gift cards were given out to the best, worst, and the hottest chili. The event has been a great way for the pharmacy classes and faculty to connect, and we look forward to growing this event in the years to come.

We also co-hosted the first Yanchick Invitational Golf Tournament at Brickshire Golf Club on September 4. It was actually the tournament's 20th year, but we were able to rename the tournament in honor of Dean Victor Yanchick's legacy, as he retires after 18 years of dedicated service to this school. "As a member of Kappa Psi, I am honored and pleased that the brothers decided to name the tournament after me," said Yanchick. "I hope it continues to grow, because it means so much for me to raise money for pharmacy student scholarships." More than 80 school faculty, students, and alumni were in attendance, which was about a 40% increase from last year, and the tournament generated \$10,852 towards pharmacy student scholarships.

Upcoming events this spring include our Kappapalooza event and the annual golf tournament. After much work last year, the chapter was able to bring back its Kappapalooza event, with live music, prizes, and health awareness. There was a great turnout of about 180 students from a variety of professional schools, and we were able to donate \$1,300 to the Richmond Area Center for High Blood Pressure. We continued Kappapalooza in March, 2014, and had another great turnout, with proceeds again supporting the Center for High Blood Pressure.

On April 11, 2014, we hosted the Kappa Psi Annual Golf Tournament at the Royal New Kent Golf Course. Following captain's choice rules, teams of four each played a round of golf with the first-, second-, and third-place teams, each winning gift cards. Additional challenges included closest-to-the-pin and longest drive, with gift cards being handed out to the winners of those challenges as well. All proceeds from the golf tournament will be donated to the Richmond Area Center for High Blood Pressure and the ALS Foundation.

—Travis Henschel

I Iota

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Last year ended in celebratory fashion for Iota Chapter, as many brothers attended the December wedding of Brother Saswat Kabisatpathy to Dr. Heather Laughridge. Spring has been extremely busy, as we welcomed three new brothers in January: **Jordan Chiasson, Blake Senn, and Ryan Sykes**. There were several Charleston Grad brothers who joined us at the annual Phi Lambda Sigma leadership conference in February.

However, our crowning achievement occurred during a weekend in late February, when Iota hosted the 2014 Southeast Province Spring Conclave, when 250+ brothers and guests had a legendary weekend. Many months of hard work and preparation went into Conclave, and it was kicked-off with a meet-and-greet at The Alley and moved on to the evening social at Mad River, where one of the brothers served as DJ for the night. Brother Marvin Smith celebrated a milestone 40th birthday with brothers from all across the country. Brothers enjoyed a delicious breakfast of shrimp and grits on Saturday morning before the meeting. Lots of work was accomplished during the business meeting, during which two of our own were elected to the Southeast



Xi chapter presents their newly initiated brothers.

Province Executive Board: Saswat Kabisatpathy as Vice Satrap and Dave Cook as Parliamentarian.

The banquet was held on the USS Yorktown, with Brother Dr. Joseph DiPiro as the keynote speaker. His message focused on future of careers in pharmacy and challenged the brothers to help push and promote the profession. At the banquet, brothers from Iota and Charleston Grad presented Dr. DiPiro with a memorial clock for all his work and dedication to the chapter. At the banquet's closing, a fundraising raffle to pie Brother Trey Reeves was held. Newly installed Satrap Karl Healy picked the winning ticket, which happened to be purchased by Trey Reeves. The evening ended at Club Trio, where the brothers danced the night away. Conclave closed Sunday and the brothers enjoyed a traditional Charleston brunch before traveling back home.

Iota Chapter is continuing its Bee Street Cleanup Project and preparing for the annual 4th year roast of our outgoing P4 brothers.

M Mu

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At the end of February, we proudly initiated 15 new brothers: **Malcolm Benavidez, Pasquale Cappuccio, Brent Chatoff, Michael Corrado, Shawn Ditommaso, Riley Donlon, Liam Finneran, Mario Giulietti, Kyle Khun, Belvin Kuriakose, Chris Marcotte, Michael Mareenna, Shahil Patel, Anthony Sariol, and Tyler Summers**. We are very excited for this year's Greek week activities. This week allows the fraternities to participate in friendly competition in things such as dodge ball, relay races, lip syncs, eating contests, and so

forth. We have won the gold three out of the last four years and hope to win a fourth this year. Cooperative Affairs Chairmen Nathan Ferenczhalmay and Raymond Veronneau, have created a fundraiser based on this year's March Madness tournament in an effort to raise money for the Fraternity and provide fun for students and staff at MCPHS University. In addition, we will partake in this year's Mission Hill cleanup, because we want to give back to the community and we are excited for Relay for Life.

—Robert McGee

N Nu

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To start the semester off, Nu brothers developed great relations with Lambda Kappa Sigma, and we planned a variety of joint events, including a recent bowling trip. We see a bright future working with the AKS brothers as a collaborative team in raising money for our philanthropies, the Alzheimer's Association and Pediatric AIDS, and their philanthropy, Project HOPE.

Nu Chapter is planning a very prestigious fundraiser for the semester, working with Mike from Faddy's Donuts & Ice Cream. The Faddy's Donuts & Ice Cream event will be a two-day fundraiser located at the heart of the UCONN campus. It is impossible for a student or faculty member to resist buying a Faddy's donut. We hope to raise a substantial amount of money with this event. Two other fundraisers include working with Krispy Kreme Doughnuts and Wally's Chicken Coop to raise money by promoting their businesses and collecting a specific portion of their profits for one or two nights.

In addition to our fundraising events, we plan to participate in community service activities. In March, we planned a food drive, and worked with the Covenant Soup Kitchen in Willimantic, Connecticut, to help dispense food to the poor. The brothers were a huge asset to the staff of the soup kitchen and we plan to develop an ongoing monthly relationship with the Covenant Soup Kitchen.

—Jared L. Mangano

Xi

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Xi began the spring semester by initiating 16 new brothers into our chapter and we celebrated with our traditional Italian dinner at the Spaghetti Warehouse.

We have had great events with brothers, ranging from testing our knowledge with Trivia Night, hosting dinner with a visiting brother from Beta Pi, and using our sharpshooting skills with Upsilon and Gamma Delta brothers in a competitive match of laser tag. We plan to have a fundraising poker night with faculty, with the proceeds benefitting Helping Hands, for which we have maintained strong bonds.

—Mindy Lam

Pi

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We kicked off our philanthropic efforts in January by volunteering at the Indiana Veterans Home. We provided support to the Veterans Home staff, as well as enjoyed playing Bingo with the patients. On February 8, we held a hypertension counseling event at the local Marsh Pharmacy, wherein we created a poster and provided



Pi Brother Julianna Rivich takes a patient's blood pressure at the Marsh pharmacy during the chapter's counseling event.

counseling and free blood pressure testing to patients. The emphasis was on basic patient knowledge of hypertension, how to monitor blood pressure, and the importance of medication adherence and patient compliance. It was a great way to educate the community and be a strong representative of Kappa Psi and also our profession of pharmacy. It also allowed us to get our pre-pharmacy members introduced and involved with hands-on pharmacists tasks. We had a great turnout and look forward to doing it again in the near future. We also held a blood drive in late February, where donations were sent to the Red Cross.

Our chapter was very excited to present our Brother of the Year award to our professional projects co-chair, Amanda Hunnicutt. None of our projects could have been a success without Amanda's help and we congratulate her on her hard work and commitment to our organization. We hope to continue setting up more projects, such as our university's annual volunteer day, Boiler Blast, and other fundraising events. Furthermore, our chapter is also looking to hold social events/sporting events in the spring and building a relationship with Kappa Epsilon.

—Justin Lee

P Rho

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Rho Chapter has had a busy winter. We hosted a beautiful Friends-Giving event with our brothers from UMKC. We shared a home-cooked meal together and they toured downtown Lawrence. We are excited at the thought of being able to do more things with them in the future, and we look forward to seeing them again at



Friends-Giving with Rho Chapter at UMKC.

our Province in April. Christmas was a great time as well. Some of us had an amazing opportunity to volunteer at the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society Christmas Party. I personally had a blast hanging out with the children. We also had a Tacky Holiday Party, where we got together and donated toys to Toys for Tots. It was the perfect way to end a long semester.

Once winter break ended, Kappa Psi was in full motion. Plans for the Pharmacy Formal, as well as the Annual Mr. Pharmacy Pageant, are well under way. We are very pleased to introduce our new advisor, Dr. Andrew Abe. Andrew is a very active Kappa Psi alumnus, and we are very excited to have him on our team. Our February fundraiser was a new and creative activity. We took secret Valentine's Day orders from pharmacy school students and agreed to deliver them on Valentine's Day. The



Chi brothers volunteer at the Cornerstone community outreach and provide the homeless with meals and smiles.

fundraiser was titled, "Falling for a Future Pharmacist." It was wonderful to see the smiles on all the students' faces.

—Linda Chestnut

Σ Sigma

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Sigma welcomed 2014 by attending the brotherhood retreat hosted by the Maryland Graduate brothers. We spent the night getting to know each other better and remembering once again what brotherhood means to us. Sigma regent Tae Oh was astonished by this event, "Seeing the graduate brothers come out and really support us was amazing, and it lets us know that we have brothers to turn to for advice and direction." We couldn't be more thankful to the Maryland brothers for allowing this great memory of a meaningful night.



Sigma Brothers Hyunah Kim, Sheila Hwe, and Eman Ventura enjoying brotherhood retreat hosted by Maryland Graduate brothers.

Nineteen Sigma brothers had a remarkable time at Mountain East Province on the Maryland Eastern Shore. Sigma Brother Jeanne Do attended Province for the first time and was delighted. "Beyond the official nature of the meeting, I saw what we are often told in pharmacy school: pharmacy is a small world. Gatherings like these are where such acquaintances are made, where the gradual



The newly initiated brothers of Upsilon chapter.



Maryland Graduate Brothers Dr. Paul Ortiz, Chris Charles, Allen Tran, and Mike Shaaw hosted a brotherhood retreat for Sigma.

cornerstone of friendships are formed."

April holds many exciting events, including the Spring Formal, the Drug-Name Spelling-Bee, and Wing-A-Thon. The theme for this year's Spelling Bee is "Harry Potter," and our newly inducted brothers host it each year. Our Annual Wing-A-Thon was held on April 4. Last year, Sigma raised about \$3,000 for the University of Maryland Medical Center, Greenbaum Cancer Center!

—Grace K. Herr

Υ Upsilon

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This year, we welcomed 19 new members to the brotherhood. The night began as usual, with a journey to Louisville, where brothers mingled and prepared for the night ahead. As always, members of the Kentucky Grad house graciously welcomed us. This is a place we, as brothers, hold close to our hearts.

We welcomed new brothers: Wesley Horton, Robert Moore, Tyler Reade, Clyde Hamilton, Anthony Johns, and Antonio Booker.

Alumni Paul Easley, Bob Oakley, and Bob Hart graciously made an

appearance at initiation. The Upsilon Chapter was overjoyed to have such outstanding alumni in their midst.

X Chi

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Chi Chapter kicked-off the year with our annual ski trip to the Wisconsin Dells in January. The event was a great success, with more than 70 brothers attending, giving everyone an excellent opportunity for great brotherly bonding. We spent the weekend skiing, tubing, playing board games, and enjoying each other's company. Soon after the weekend ended, brothers went back to working hard preparing to host the upcoming Mid-America Province. We look forward to the opportunity to show off our wonderful City of Chicago.

Other than planning for Province, our chapter has been busy with our philanthropy initiatives. Just in the last month, Chi Chapter has volunteered at Cornerstone Community Outreach, where we helped to feed the homeless, and at Meals From the Heart, we prepared meals for families staying at the Ronald McDonald House. Coming up, our chapter is participating in the St. Baldrick's event, where several of our brothers volunteer to have their heads shaved to raise money for chil-



Sigma Brothers Nora Lim, Annie Zhao, Chai Wang, Emily Chen, and Lainey Paek enjoying the brotherhood retreat hosted by Maryland collegiate brothers.



Beta Gamma Brothers Alysha Fahmi, Ronika Kalpage, Olivia Nathan, and Kimi Kent bond at Big/Little Reveal near the Golden Gate Bridge.

dren with cancer. Other than our philanthropy events, we also have several social events planned for the semester, including a bowling tournament and a painting class that gives our brothers a chance to take a break from school and form bonds.

—Daanish Ashraf

Ψ Psi

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To kick off the New Year, we attended the Gulf Coast Province winter conclave in Nashville. We had a great time strengthening ties with our neighboring chapters.

In February, we hosted our Second Annual Kappa Psi Karaoke Fundraiser to raise money for the Make-A-Wish Foundation. Brothers donated \$5 each to nominate someone to sing. The nominee was given the option of paying an additional \$5 to change the song, \$5 to make someone sing with him or her, or \$10 to not sing. By the end of the night, Psi Chapter raised several hundred dollars for Make-A-Wish. This has been an extremely successful event for the past couple years, and our chapter plans to continue this tradition for years to come.

An upcoming event for Psi Chapter is the Annual Kappa Psi Pig Roast Auction. For this event, Kappa Psi alumni and faculty members from the UTHSC College of Pharmacy donate items for a silent auction. This year, brothers and alumni will participate in a silent bidding war to raise money to continue renovations on the house.

ΒΓ Beta Gamma

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Winter has been quite an eventful quarter for the brothers of Beta Gamma. In January, the pledge process continued, with many events

that created unforgettable memories, including a game night, a hilarious scavenger hunt around campus and nearby neighborhoods in San Francisco, and a big/little reveal. All of these events gave the pledge class opportunities to grow closer to each other and the current brothers.

Kappa Psi came out in full force for UCSF's annual Mr. Pharmacy competition, with every competitor (one per class) a Kappa Psi brother or pledge. Many brothers came to lend their support, and Daryush Tabatabai (then-pledge, now initiated) took home the crown with his charisma and awe-inspiring piano skills. Brothers and fellow contestants Jeff Moss, Ruzly Mantara, and Daniel Polchinski also made their respective classes and Kappa Psi very proud.

Alumni Night at the Beta Gamma house soon followed, and we were delighted to have the chance to interact with members of the San Francisco Grad Chapter and brothers from University of the Pacific. We capped off pledging with Serenade, at which the pledge class put on a show for the brothers, and with initiation at the end of February. Beta Gamma is thrilled to welcome 59 new brothers to the Kappa Psi family.

—Lauren A. Louie

ΒΕ Beta Epsilon

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At the end of March, we participated in Relay for Life at the University of Rhode Island. Relay for Life is a great cause, and we always look forward to fundraising for and raising awareness about cancer and cancer research. As always, we held our annual Date Auction. In past years, this auction has proven to be very successful. Participants look forward to getting up on the stage to help raise money for the American Cancer Society. This



Beta Kappa Brothers Liana Mandel and Josh Niznik enjoy the Christmas Party.

auction is just one of the many events we will hold to help us reach our goal of raising \$3,000.

On April 9, we held our annual Drug Fair. During this event, 10 pharmaceutical companies, including CVS and Walgreens, set up booths in our pharmacy building to provide students with information about job opportunities and helpful hints when applying. Vice regent Adam Whalley, does a fantastic job of getting in contact with these companies and organizing this event.

Our graduate liaison, Drew Ross, is also planning some events for our Fraternity. At the end March, we had a Graduate Barbecue, where past graduate and current brothers catch up. Furthermore, Drew is planning our 2nd Annual Pawsox Game with the graduate brothers. This is a great way for brothers to enjoy a game of baseball while meeting with past brothers.

—Joe Walter

BH Beta Eta

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The brothers of Beta Eta began our year by sponsoring an HIV/AIDS benefit in downtown Morgantown, West Virginia. We proudly raised a \$260 donation for Caritas House, North-Central West Virginia's only HIV/AIDS service organization. Soon after, we were pleased to initiate our 29 new brothers. This large pledge class is actively involved and serves as a great addition to our brotherhood.

A group from Beta Eta journeyed to Spring Province in Maryland. They were thrilled to receive the "Man Mile" award for having the most brothers travel the furthest distance. Special thanks to Epsilon Nu for hosting a great weekend!

Beta Eta continued to cook meals at our local Rosenbaum House and host blood pressure screenings at area pharmacies. We are currently planning



The new brothers of Beta Epsilon pose with their pledgemasters at this year's initiation ceremony.



Alumni gather at the Beta Gamma house for Alumni Night.

our inaugural Gold Scramble to benefit the American Red Cross. Despite busy schedules, our brothers also enjoyed a fantastic weekend skiing at Wisp Resort.

Our awards committee recently honored brothers and pledges of the semester: Jessica Daniels, Derek Puhalla, Cynthia Hager, and Adam Foster. Additionally, we hosted our graduating brothers at P4 Night, where past "littles" rejoin their "biggs" and other brothers to recognize their hard work. To continue our end-of-the-year celebration, our newly initiated brothers planned the annual pledge party.

—Olivia Kinney

BK Beta Kappa

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In January, Beta Kappa inducted 37 new brothers into its ranks. The brothers are deeply passionate about the brotherhood and eager to see it grow.

Beta Kappa celebrated the end of pledging with its annual ski trip to Wisp Resort in Maryland. The brothers enjoyed a weekend of bonding and relaxation, and then returned with a trove of memorable stories. Other Beta Kappa festivities included the Holiday Party, in which brothers opened gifts while sitting on the lap of regent Adrienne Jantzi, who was dressed as Santa Claus. More recently,

Beta Kappa held its annual Black and White party. Brothers and their friends dressed up and enjoyed a night of dancing and socializing at the house.

In terms of philanthropy, Beta Kappa has many projects in mind, including the upcoming Relay for Life.

—Shivani Pandit

BA Beta Lambda

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Once again, it has been a very busy few months for Beta Lambda. One thing that has kept the chapter busy was putting on a Boy Scout Merit Badge Day. Brother Jon Fowler headed up an event to help Boy Scouts in the Greater Toledo area earn a few



Beta Eta brothers enjoyed a weekend ski trip to Wisp Resort in Maryland.



Beta Nu Brothers Kathleen Calkins, Ali Gieselman, Carly Piras, Ali Dwyer, Annah Buss, and Joelle Ayoub enjoy the Bowling/Karaoke Social.

merit badges, with he and other brothers serving as counselors. In total, there were more than 70 Boy Scouts who came to our event, earning up to three of four merit badges: Public Health, Medicine, Chemistry, and Fire Safety. In addition to the Beta Lambda collegiate brothers helping out with the event, faculty member Brother Dr. Jerry Nesamony helped lead the Chemistry badge. Many adult leaders from local troops who came and observed said that they cannot wait to send more Scouts next year!

Beta Lambda brothers will once again participate in the University of Toledo Big Event. This annual event sends students into underprivileged areas of Toledo to help the community. Tasks ranged from doing yard work, to cleaning out a vacant lot and much more. Recently, a few brothers also went into the Toledo schools and talked about poison prevention. Beta Lambda brothers visited local preschool and kindergarten classes

and talked to these children about how to keep themselves safe from “look-alike” items. Such items include accidentally eating a cotton ball instead of marshmallows or certain prescription drug, which look like candy.

BN Beta Nu

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Beta Nu proudly initiated 46 brothers at the end of the fall semester. Brothers Tara Dammer, Becky Halbur, and Ryan McCoy were recently inducted into the academic honor society, Rho Chi. Creighton's APhA chapter elected Brothers Noe Lugo—president elect, Brian Dalke—vice president of chapter affairs, Christy Marchiando—vice president of finance, and Liz Scheffel—vice president of policy. We have kept busy during the spring semester with volunteering, fundraising events, and planning the upcoming conclave. Our



Beta Kappa brothers (L-R) Brothers Shivani Pandit, Ryann O'Neill, Betsy Smith, Megan Dunlop, and Keith Long at the APhA-ASP Winter Formal.



Beta Nu Brothers Kelsey Kaku, Brittany Suzuki, and Lily Fang at the Initiation Banquet

chapter organized weekly volunteering opportunities with a new community partner, Kountze Clinic. Brothers help with medication dispensing and patient counseling. We have had a few social events, including cosmic bowling/karaoke night, a Super Bowl party, and go karts!

—Allie Killings

BΞ Beta Xi

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Beta Xi Chapter began the brand new year hosting the winter Atlantic Province in Chapel Hill, North Carolina. Provinces are always a great time, fostering both old and new relations with brothers from chapters near and far.

In addition to hosting a Province meeting, we began the semester with a recruitment week. A pharmacy school info session held at the UNC Eshelman School of Pharmacy kick-started our recruitment process. This event was an opportunity for prospective pharmacy school students to learn not only about life and work within the pharmacy school, but also what it means to be a Kappa Psi brother. In addition to the info-session, our recruitment week consisted of going out to eat at our local favorite restaurant, Monterrey's, cheering on the Tar

Heels basketball team, and spending quality time together with a social at the chapter house.

Brothers have been active within the pharmacy school with numerous events. We have been dedicating much of our time to helping prepare for and volunteer at the Carolina Pharmacy Leadership, Excellence, And Development (LEAD) program. The LEAD program is a one-day preparatory and professional development program geared toward students who are interested in exploring the profession of pharmacy and learning how to be competitive in the pharmacy-school admissions process.

This semester, our brothers have formed an intramural softball team. We look forward to taking home the championship at the end of the season. In addition to industry and fellowship, we have been very active in the philanthropy sector. Our brothers have been participating in Adopt-a-Highway, volunteering at UNC Hospital's Pediatric Playroom, and serving food at the Durham Rescue Mission.

Our chapter also prepared for our 34th Annual Tunnel Party, which took place at our chapter house on April 5, 2014. For this year's Annual Tunnel Party, we decided to host a charity event with ΦΔΧ for the St. Baldrick's Foundation. For entertainment at the event, there was a live band and a DJ, as well as our intricate maze, composed of cardboard boxes. Everyone enjoyed a fun-filled night of music, dancing, fellowship, and crawling through cardboard boxes—complete with slides, secret doors, and dead ends. We shared this longtime tradition with many Brothers near and far. Please contact us if you would like your chapter to be included on our guest list for next year.

—Michelle Pham

BO Beta Omicron

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Beta Omicron kicked-off the year with our annual Mount Baker ski trip in January. This was the first major event for the newly initiated brothers. It was a really great bonding experience for everyone to enjoy before the busy quarter started. The third year hosted the welcome event on Friday night, and then many of us went snowboarding the next day. We also celebrated a huge win for the Seahawks against the New Orleans Saints, 23-15. And the Seahawks ended up winning the Super Bowl! Go Hawks!

Delta Mu hosted the Northwest Province conclave on February 14-16 in Vancouver, British Columbia. We had more than 30 brothers represent Beta Omicron and have the opportunity to meet brothers from different chapters across the Province and beyond. Beta Omicron immediate past regent and NW Province Vice Regent Blaze Paracuelles played a huge role in organizing and planning conclave. It was a very memorable weekend. Congratulations go to Tricia Cheung, who won the air hockey tournament. Finally, our very own regent, Traci Mo, was elected as the Historian for our Province. Congratulations to Tricia; we will be expecting "mo pics" from her in the future.

Brother Megan Yoshimoto was hard at work planning some great community outreach events that included food packing for Food Lifeline, where we packed 2,360 lbs. of pet products and 1,210 lbs. of dry products all within two hours! She also planned a pharmacy panel with the Pre-Pharmacy Club to answer any questions the club had about pharmacy school. Finally, there was an Adopt-a-Street Cleanup that Traci planned on 12th Avenue in the University District. We have some great upcoming events scheduled as well by Brother Sonny Tran, our newly elected community outreach coordinator, such as Legacy House and the UNICEF Tap for Clean Water Challenge.

Brother Michelle Choi, our social chair coordinator, did a wonderful job arranging Mt. Baker, which took months of planning. She also planned a movie night, where we watched The Lego Movie in 3D! Everything was awesome. She also has more events planned, including Dining with Brothers and Jet City Improv night.

Some of our brothers got a chance to travel to Epsilon Xi for a weekend hang out, while another group went to Delta Mu for their initiation.



Beta Xi recruits with their Big Brothers.



Beta Sigma brothers at Greek Awards (L-R): Sam Trumm, Kim Block, Hannah Schroden, Kyrsten Karsky, Paige LeClerc, Melissa Halvorson, and Tanner Wallace.

Congratulations to our first year liaisons, Andrew Li and Joe Yoon! They have some terrific ideas and events planned for the future.

—Melissa Nguyen

BII Beta Pi

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Beta Pi recently initiated their first class on Washington State University's Riverpoint campus in Spokane. To kick-off the school year, we held our annual ski trip at Silver Mountain Ski and Resort in Kellogg, Idaho. At the end of February, the brothers also had some fun ice-skating in downtown Spokane. There are many other events that Beta Pi is planning, including another laser tag event, hiking on Tubb's Hill, and our annual end-of-the-year awards banquet. And, we're looking forward to the rest of the semester.



Beta Xi brothers at the Atlantic Province banquet dinner in Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

Along with these social events, the brothers will also participate in a few community service events during the semester. The first is Habitat for

Humanity, which was also done last semester. Because so many of us enjoyed it for the first time, we decided to do it again. This organization allows



Beta Omicron brothers at the Northwest Province assembly.



Beta Pi brothers hit the slopes at Silver Mountain for the Annual Ski Trip.

volunteers to help build homes for the less fortunate. This is a humbling experience that allows the brothers to make a difference in other people's lives. Next is the health fair that was held during the first week in April for WSU's Family Weekend. During the health fair, in collaboration with ASWSU and the College of Pharmacy, brothers performed various health screening tests, such as blood glucose, blood pressure, and cholesterol screenings for the community. Lastly, Beta Pi will participate in Relay for Life. This is an event that Kappa Psi has been highly involved in every year for some time. In collaboration with Gonzaga University, this event takes place on April 25–26, 2014. Cancer affects many people at some point in their lives, be it a patient, a relative, or friend, so our brothers look forward to

participating in this cause. Raising money to donate to the American Cancer Society towards research and a cure for cancer is another great opportunity to not just make a difference, but to save lives as well.

Beta Pi attended the Northwest Province conclave in Vancouver, British Columbia, on February 14–16, hosted by Delta Mu. We won the most distance traveled award at around 19,800 miles! Also, we are proud to congratulate Raymond Estrada, who will be representing Beta Pi on the Province Executive Committee as Webmaster.

It's been great to be able to have almost all 125 brothers on the same campus. There are many more events that can be planned and coordinated now that we are in a larger city.

—Gwynne Palacio-Manzano

BP Beta Rho

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The start of 2014 continues to be an exciting time for the University of Mississippi Beta Rho Chapter of Kappa Psi. Thirty-five new brothers were recently welcomed into the Fraternity. The initiation ceremony was held on February 28 and was followed by a barbecue dinner. The new brothers look forward to the upcoming officer elections and social and service events planned for the remainder of the semester.

Kappa Psi members participated in the campus-wide Big Event in March. This volunteer project provides a day of service that gives back to the Oxford/Lafayette community. Kappa Psi has formed a team of volunteers to participate in the event. Kappa Psi members also delivered socks to a local nursing home and enjoyed visiting with the residents, following a school-wide drive. Service has been a strong theme this spring semester!

—Mary-Haston Leary

BΣ Beta Sigma

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The brothers of Beta Sigma have had a fairly normal start to the New Year. We currently have nine pledges and have warmly welcomed 21 new members. Currently, we are helping the pre-pharmacy brothers prepare for their interviews. That includes mock interviews, a question-and-answer session with the professional students, and a workshop with one of

NDSU's motivational speakers on campus.

In other news, we have brotherly meals every week. Also, our annual formal is coming up shortly. A couple of the members were nominated for Greek awards. Our house has had a new addition, with the presence of a pop machine. We bought it as a small fundraiser to bring in a little extra money for the chapter. In the month or so that we have had it, the machine has nearly paid itself off. The house is in great shape and we are excitedly anticipating spring and summer.

—Tanner Wallace

BY Beta Upsilon

Butler University

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The past few months have been a busy time for Beta Upsilon. In December, we were very excited to initiate 38 new members! Afterwards, we celebrated by having dinner together. In January, brothers participated in the Polar Plunge to help support and raise money for the Special Olympics. Recently, several brothers competed in the Butler University College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences Medication Adherence Counseling contest. We were proud to have Kappa Psi so well represented. We also had fun volunteering at the Ronald McDonald House in Indianapolis, along with the Indiana Grad Chapter, which was a valuable way to give back, as well as connect with our local graduate chapter.

This semester, Beta Upsilon hosted a roundtable discussion, where Kappa Psi alumni came to talk about their pharmacy jobs and different pharmacy career paths and also helped to answer our many questions. It was great to hear their stories and gain more knowledge about life after graduation.

Later this spring, we hope to start a booth, where we offer blood pressure screenings and healthy lifestyle counseling at a local farmer's market, so that we can use the skills learned in class and apply our knowledge to real-life situations. Brothers are also looking forward to playing intramural soccer on a Kappa Psi team, as well as supporting our Kappa Psi Relay for Life team later in the semester.

—Lauren Hirons

BΦ Beta Phi

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In January, the Beta Phi Chapter initiated 25 new brothers, putting our brotherhood at a total of 87 members.



Beta Rho brothers collect socks and deliver them to a local nursing home.



Beta Phi brothers in Louisville, Kentucky rehabilitate homes for families in need with Serve Beyond Cincinnati.

To celebrate Beta Phi's new members, the chapter bonded during a weekend retreat in Gatlinburg, Tennessee. In February, some of Beta Phi's brothers traveled to Louisville to rehabilitate homes for families in need with Serve Beyond Cincinnati. Beta Phi also celebrated Founders' Day with dinner and a presentation of its first Kappa Psi Beta Phi scholarship to PY3 Michelle Wright. Proceeds from the dinner were donated to the charitable Over-the-Rhine Pharmacy. Beta Phi's intramural basketball team has had a successful season and the brothers are excited to support them in their upcoming tournament.

—Lindsay Tsai

BX Beta Chi

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Beta Chi Chapter would like to welcome our 20 newest brothers! The week leading up to activation consisted of fun activities, such as Jeopardy

night with Kappa Psi trivia, a baby picture recognition game, and roller-skating. Congrats!

Beta Chi has also kept busy with many philanthropy events. We continue cleaning and preparing meals for the local Ronald McDonald House. We are also providing health screenings around the Des Moines area. Recently, we participated in the Merle Hay Health Fair where brothers completed blood pressure screenings.

Great times are being had during our social events as well. Our third annual Super Bowl party was a hit! We watched the game together using a large projector in an on-campus lecture hall. Kappa Psi is well represented with Beta Chi brothers participating in and winning many Drake intramural games. We have also initiated a family-points competition for the semester, so the game is on! Beta Chi cannot wait to see fellow brothers at the Northern Plains Province conclave in Omaha!

—Kay Harper



Beta Chi brothers roller-skate during Activation Week



Beta Psi brothers become a close-knit group through an impromptu ski trip.

BΨ Beta Psi

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Beta Psi brothers have been busy giving back to the community. We've braved the arctic cold, building homes with Habitat for Humanity and raising more than \$800 from sponsors for our "Kapp-Psized" polar plunge team. Beta Psi's presence has been felt in the community with our weekly cooking of meals for the Ronald McDonald House and volunteering at the River Food Pantry. Our chapter has become increasingly close-knit through social activities, including ladies and men's nights, video game night, and impromptu ski/snowboard trips. We look forward to a productive remainder of the semester, which includes a laser-tag battle with fellow fraternity ΦΔΧ, a progressive dinner, a restaurant crawl, Katy's Kids, bagel sales, and Relay for Life.

—Tiffany Ogawa

BΩ Beta Omega

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Welcome to the future. As the world celebrates its New Year of progress, prosperity, and impact, we followed suit by hosting our annual welcome-back party. The celebration was just one of the many ways Beta Omega shows hospitality to our fellow Temple Pharmacy students and our chapter's alumni.

During the holiday season, Beta Omega contributed toward Toys for Tots Philadelphia. The Toys for Tots program is a U.S. Marine Corps non-profit charity that collects and distributes toys as Christmas gifts for economically disadvantaged children in the community. Beta Omega set the Toys for Tots donation box inside the Temple School of Pharmacy; contributors ranged from students to our families. We managed to donate approximately 35 toys to the organization.



Gamma Delta brothers participated in Project Linus and made six blankets for children in need.



Gamma Epsilon Brother Bethany Coquerille enjoys cutting peppers for the chicken fajitas at the Ronald McDonald house.

Fundraising for our chapter has been widely successful. Temple Pharmacy's branded shot glasses seem to be all the rage; so far, we managed to sell four boxes to our thirsty pharmacy colleagues. All the money goes toward needs of our chapter. For example, we are making improvements on the exterior of our chapter house later in the year and will have some well-needed electrical work done on the first floor. All of us look forward to meeting the rest of our brothers at Northeast Province.

—Willis Richardson

ΓΔ Gamma Delta

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Gamma Delta has had a very busy 2014 spring. The semester started with the election and installation of a new executive board, where two new officer positions were introduced. We are very happy to announce that we had three brothers inducted into the Mortar Board and two brothers inducted into Rho Chi!

Before Christmas break, Gamma Delta had our annual Christmas Secret Santa social to celebrate the holiday season. After returning to campus, many brothers participated in a health fair held on campus and others participated in outreach focusing on seasonal affective disorder. To celebrate Valentine's Day, brothers hosted a luncheon for the college of pharmacy staff. Various Gamma Delta brothers also traveled to Columbus to attend a laser tag social with Xi Chapter.

The philanthropy committee has been hard at work preparing for Gamma Delta's annual Cerebral Palsy Week. This year, Cerebral Palsy Awareness Week included a bake-off and Bingo night. We promoted cerebral palsy awareness by decorating the spirit rock on campus, tying green ribbons to trees around campus, and using wheelchairs for a day to get around campus. The bake-off raised \$422 for cerebral palsy awareness. The philanthropy committee also set up many volunteer activities for brothers to participate in. Almost every Saturday, brothers would visit a local



Gamma Epsilon brothers raise \$700 for charity during the Polar Plunge.

bowling alley to help individuals with cerebral palsy bowl; brothers also worked at a Special Olympics bowling tournament, and they volunteered at a local retirement home. Lastly, brothers participated in Project Linus, where six fleece blankets were made for children in need.

In addition to these professional, social, and philanthropic events, Gamma Delta has been busy preparing for the spring assembly for the Great Lakes Province. We were glad to see everyone in Lima, Ohio, the weekend of March 21–23!

—Alexandra Herman

ΓΕ Gamma Epsilon

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Gamma Epsilon has been busy. Several of our brothers volunteered to provide an evening meal for the guests of the Ronald McDonald House in Omaha. Brothers Jade Theisen, Lisa Levander, Bethany Coquerille, Kathryn Tice, Jason Blaser, and Kelsey Cuvelier enjoyed the day by grocery shopping, preparing the meal, and sitting down to enjoy the meal with house guests.

Even with the bitterly cold winter, Michael Wurst, Jason Blaser, Sarah Paasch, Ethan Froeschl, and Mike Buck braved the freezing water to participate in the Polar Plunge, which raised money for the Nebraska Special Olympics. Our Kappa Psi chapter managed to raise \$700.

We are also excited to be holding our second Team Jack poker run. Gamma Epsilon started this event last

year to help raise funds for pediatric brain tumor research. Team Jack has been graciously supported by the Nebraska Cornhuskers football team over the last several years. Jack was recently nominated for the 2013 *Sports Illustrated* Sportsman of the Year award. We hope this event continues for years to come.

—Amanda Edgerton

ΓΖ Gamma Zeta

Samford University

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The spring semester has been a busy one for Gamma Zeta. Prior to returning to school, we had several brothers and pledges attend the winter conclave in Nashville. Those who attended the event had an excellent time forming bonds with brothers from around the Gulf Coast Province. Gamma Zeta was also excited to have six brothers appointed to regional committees. We are very proud of our brothers' involvement on a regional and national level! Locally, many brothers also volunteered at an alumni basketball game at Stamford University.

On February 13, the brothers initiated 19 pledges into the brotherhood. For Valentine's Day, members of the Gamma Zeta Chapter of Kappa Psi brought cupcakes into the school to share with all of the pharmacy students and faculty. The cupcakes were enjoyed by all! We also made homemade Valentine cards to take to a local nursing home.

Over the weekend of February 22, Brothers Kameron Kelly and Kaitlyn



Thirteen of the sixteen Gamma Eta brothers who traveled to NW province conclave gather for a photo op during the lunchtime cruise..

Mayberry of Gamma Zeta attended a Founders' Day event with Delta Gamma at Auburn. While there, they attended a dinner and awards ceremony, as well as participated in a Founders' Day ritual.

ΓΗ Gamma Eta University of Montana Founded 6/4/1920 gammaeta@kappapsi.org

Gamma Eta rounded out their fall semester in December by adopting a family for Christmas and hosting our Winter Formal. It is always a rewarding opportunity to be able to spread holiday joy to a family in need. At the annual Winter Formal, brothers, guests, and other pharmacy students enjoyed a night of feasting, dancing, and karaoke. Accents of red and silver glistened through the entire ballroom, detailing the theme of Fire and Ice.

Throughout the spring semester, our chapter continued cooking dinners for the Ronald McDonald House and playing dodgeball with the kids at the Boys and Girls Club.

Sixteen brothers travelled 611 miles to Vancouver, British Columbia, for the NW Province conclave, where they networked, participated in Province meetings, danced, discovered their love for Vancouver and Poutine (French fries with cheese curds drizzled with a light brown gravy-like sauce), and left with a renewed passion for the Fraternity.

This past February, six brothers participated in the Polar Plunge, an event that raises money for three

brothers who suffer from Giant Axonal Neuropathy (GAN), a disease that affects less than 100 people worldwide. This year's plunge raised \$19,000 to go toward finding a treatment and hopefully a cure.

—Halley Morrison, Alyssa Canady

ΓΘ Gamma Theta University of Missouri-Kansas City Founded 5/17/1957 gammatheta@kappapsi.org

Gamma Theta hit the ground running this year with involvement in various school organizations and philanthropic events. Many members are heavily involved in school organizations, such as APhA—ASP, NCPA, and PHO, and they are helping fellow students become more involved.

We have bonded through philanthropic events at Harvester's Food Pantry and the Kansas City CARE (free health) Clinic, with plans to reach out to the community via a local Ronald McDonald House and after-hours babysitting at a local elementary school. When brothers aren't volunteering together and taking charge at school, we enjoy bimonthly socials at a local restaurant.

We also look forward to hosting our Volley for Charity event this May. This event is an annual volleyball tournament held in honor of Wes McIntire, a brother who died of colon cancer. Proceeds are donated to the American Cancer Society. If any chapter would like to participate this year or in the future, let us know.

—Kelsey Bingham



Gamma Eta Brothers Fire and Ice is Brothers Jacob Lopez and Riley Grubbs singing their hearts out during the karaoke at our winter formal.

ΓΚ Gamma Kappa South Dakota State University Founded 10/18/1958 gammakappa@kappapsi.org

Gamma Kappa brothers have hit the ground running this spring with 10 more pledges. Each pledge will complete the pledging process shortly after conclave in April.

Our chapter has worked hard this semester to focus our service projects on working with the Kappa Psi national philanthropy—the Red Cross. In support of the Red Cross, we held a blood drive, which was part of a campus-wide health fair. Additionally, the Red Cross provided information for a booth at the health fair to teach people about fire protection. We also plan

to get donations from local business and raise money to help buy disaster relief kits for people who have recently experienced tragedies. We held a Penny War among the P1, P2, and P3 classes and donated the proceeds to the local domestic abuse shelter. The winning class (the P2s) then received snacks provided by the other classes and had a book read to them by a dressed-up faculty member, Dr. Helgeland, who was a past regent of Gamma Kappa.

Gamma Kappa has also found time to make some fun memories. We recently hosted our spring formal, which was a night of food, dancing, and games with pharmacy students, faculty, and their dates. Everyone had a great time, and we thank our professional meetings co-chairs, Amber Olson and Cynthia Bartha, and our social co-chairs, McKenzie Bruer and Emily Swan, for all of the hard work and planning that went into making the event a success.

Finally, our chapter is looking forward to conclave in Omaha, Nebraska. Approximately 30 brothers will make the drive down to attend the meetings and enjoy the social time spent with our extended brotherhood!

—Mikaela Smedsrud, Regent

ΓΛ Gamma Lambda Northeastern University Founded 10/28/1958 gammalambda@kappapsi.org

After being inactive since 1976, the Gamma Lambda Chapter had a busy fall, pledging 23 new brothers in an

Kappa Psi Power of Brotherhood



Kappa Psi Strong means Epsilon brothers enjoy an ugly sweater-themed dinner with the dean.



Delta Delta Chapter adds 48 new quality brothers to their chapter roll. The chapter has celebrated 51 strong years at the University of Houston.

Delta Tau brothers are ready to feed the homeless at the Las Vegas Rescue Mission.





A group picture of all the brothers of Gamma Nu who attended the Rush Dinner.

effort to restart and revitalize the Fraternity's presence at Northeastern. With the gracious help of the Mu brothers from MCPHS, we were able to initiate our first members in four decades. Many of the new brothers were also able to attend their first Province meeting this fall. The semester closed with a brotherhood Thanksgiving dinner and a Secret Santa at our last chapter meeting.

During the spring 2014 semester, we will continue to experience more "firsts" for our chapter. We are having our first fundraiser since being back and are volunteering at the Greater Boston Food Bank. We are excited to select the Cure Alzheimer's Fund as our philanthropy and we're sending a team to the university's Relay for Life. We are co-hosting events with Rho Chi and Generation Rx, as well as holding professionalism seminars for our brothers. We are working to establish new traditions and coordinate an annual brotherhood retreat. We want to continually to increase our impact at Northeastern University and in the neighboring community. An alternate contact email for us is: Kappapsi.neu@gmail.com.

—Derek Owen

ΓN Gamma Nu

University of the Pacific

Founded 9/17/1960

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Since students at the University of the Pacific are not allowed to pledge a fraternity until the spring semester, Gamma Nu brother's official rush was held on January 14, 2014 and was a

casino night themed-rush. The brothers dressed up in dealer-like attire (white dress shirt and black tie) and the potentials were invited to come and have a good time playing with chips and having an incentive to win gift cards and other prizes.

The second rush was a sports night-themed rush. Potential rushees were invited to come and participate in sports, including basketball and dodgeball. Many of the potentials came to simply enjoy a break from school.

The final rush was held on February 1. It was by invitation-only and 14 potential brothers were invited to this prestigious event, which had more than 50 Gamma Nu alumni in attendance. The night included recognizing alumni, Kappa Psi faculty, and guest speakers, including alumnus Dr. Eric Gupta, and Dr. Lawrence "LB" Brown and Dean Oppenheimer of the Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy & Health Sciences.

ΓΞ Gamma Xi

University of South Carolina

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We started the year off by initiating 12 new brothers, one of our largest pledge classes to date. This has been especially momentous for us as a chapter, because we have been trying to become more involved on the national level.

This past January, we sent nine brothers to the Atlantic Province winter conclave hosted by Beta Xi in Chapel Hill. This was particularly

important to us as a chapter, because this was the first year any of our active brothers have attended a conclave, and even more so since we are hosting the Atlantic Province summer conclave in Columbia, South Carolina this summer. Our Province has also undergone a recent realignment of chapters, so this was the first time many of us had the chance to meet many of our fellow brothers. Conclave was a great experience for all who attended.

For the past several years, the main service project our chapter has been involved with during the spring semester has been supporting the St. Baldrick's Foundation. As their website states, "The St. Baldrick's Foundation is a volunteer-driven charity committed to funding the most promising research to find cures for childhood cancers and give survivors long, healthy lives." More than 175,000 kids are diagnosed with cancer each year, but currently St. Baldrick's receives only 4% of the total federal funding. The foundation originally began as a head-shaving event as a way to raise awareness but quickly rose in popularity and has now passed the \$100 million mark in donations received. The head shaving that started it all continues to be the signature mark of the organization, and each year volunteers ask friends and family to donate in exchange for their head of hair. Gamma Xi is proud to be a participant in this event each year, and we look forward to doing whatever we can to help raise awareness for this outstanding organization.

This year has been a busy for us. We've participated in free health screenings for members of our community and organized a back-to-school meet-and-greet for students at our pharmacy school. We even survived five inches of ice and snow this winter, and in case you're not familiar with the South, this is a pretty big deal for us.

ΓO Gamma Omicron

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Brothers from both Tulsa and Oklahoma City volunteered at their respective food banks and had a blast committing their time to such a great cause. Tulsa brothers volunteered at a Valentine's party for New Hope, Inc. for kids with incarcerated parents. They handed out food and helped the kids at a craft table.

Socially, Gamma Omicron bigs and littles bonded over an evening of bowling. Also, the newly initiated brothers have really pitched in to make the chapter even better. They held a Valentine's Day bake sale as a fundraiser. They also stepped up to leadership roles in the new year and are planning new service events, such as the upcoming National Eating Disorders Associated Walk.

We look forward to hosting our first pharmacy school Dr. and Dr. of Pharmacy Pageant, and this year's highly-anticipated broomball social event. Stay tuned for details!

—Stefanie Clark



Tulsa Gamma Omicron Brothers Lindsey Crane, Richelle Nowlin, Landry Volz, Mike Savettiere, and Philip Loooper volunteer at the Valentine's Day party for New Hope, Inc.



Gamma Pi Brother Samantha Bryant prepares to give blood for the American Red Cross blood drive.

III Gamma Pi

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Snow, ice, and negative temperatures may have kept most of St. Louis at home, but the Gamma Pi Chapter has been incredibly active throughout the winter months. The chapter has taken part in a variety of philanthropic and social events throughout the first few months of the semester. With the winter weather, blood banks in the area have become low in their supply of blood. Kappa Psi stepped in by holding another successful blood drive on campus. Though the snow was coming down hard, the brothers would not let anything stop them from holding such a necessary event! Many volunteered their time, while many donated blood as well. Gamma Pi is very excited for the upcoming Relay for Life event being held at St. Louis University. A team of brothers has been hard at work raising money for the cause. For Valentine's Day, they raised money for cancer research by

selling prescriptions of love by filling prescription bottles with Hershey kisses. They also held a bake sale for the cause, and there are even more fundraising plans in the making. The chapter noticed that people on campus seem to have loose change and no where to put it, so we brought Change for Change to the STLCOP campus. Change collecting jars were set at various places around the school for students to deposit their excess coins. A "change war" to add a little bit of competition between the various organizations at the school will start soon. The money raised will go to the Change for Change organization, which believes small contributions can help solve big problems if everyone works together. The money raised from Change for Change will benefit the Down Syndrome Association of Greater St. Louis and its New Parent Program, which provides information, training, and support to parents whose children have recently been diagnosed with Down Syndrome. Along with collecting money, Gamma Pi hosted a "lunch and learn," which featured a speaker from the Down Syndrome Association of Greater St. Louis. It was a great way for students to see how their monetary donations were helping people in need.

The chapter also held a health fair at a local Walgreens, with the help of brother and current STLCOP professor, Dr. Clark Kebodeaux. The brothers provided blood pressure screenings, blood glucose screenings, BMI screenings, and they helped to educate all those who came into the store. It was great to have an event that highlighted the importance of pharmacy in today's modern healthcare system. In the near future, the chapter plans to host another health fair at the



Gamma Rho Brothers Amaka Nwagbologu and Krystle Tapia receive recognition pins for their help in establishing the New Mexico Graduate Chapter.

Gateway Women's Shelter. Gamma Pi will provide supplies for women looking to start living on their own, as well as education on the importance of women's health. This will take place during Women's Week, along with many other events, including bake sales and a "lunch and learn" event on college-aged women's health, hosted by Brother Dr. Danielle Hebel.

Amidst these philanthropic events, Gamma Pi has had a lot of fun with rush and brotherhood activities. The chapter started off the semester with a Super Bowl rush event full of great people and great food. The only thing better than sports is chocolate! Gamma Pi hosted a Dove chocolate party for brothers and unaffiliated students, where everyone sampled unique chocolates and chocolaty products. Everyone seemed to enjoy this delicious event. The brothers brought out their crafty sides and held a mask-making event to decorate masquerade masks for the annual Mardi Gras social. Both activities were full of festivity and cheer. In the weeks to come, the chapter plans to have another craft night rush event, as well as a game night with cards and video games. Though the chapter had a lot of fun with the unaffiliates, it was nice to have a night at the Gamma Pi house to celebrate being brothers. This brotherhood night was greatly needed!

—Jessie Merlo

IP Gamma Rho

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Gamma Rho is proud to announce the chartering of the New Mexico Graduate chapter! A lot of hard work went into this installation and it did

not go unrecognized for the soon-to-be graduates. Nwamaka Nwagbologu and Krystle Tapia both were awarded recognition pins for their commitment to establish the graduate chapter which began during their first year of pharmacy school. Grand Regent Eric Gupta honored this event as he performed the ceremony. The official charter date was February 16, 2014, the same date as Gamma Rho 66 years ago.

Winter break was greeted with an annual Kappa Psi snowboarding trip to Wolf Creek where many brothers further solidified bonds and welcomed the new brothers. In April of 2013, Gamma Rho had a bone marrow drive for "Be The Match" that encouraged many brothers and non-brothers to register. Out of that registry, one brother was a match and made the trip to San Diego, California, to begin the donating process.

—Falisha L. Begay

IS Gamma Sigma

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As part of our tradition in Gainesville, the brothers of Gamma Sigma got to share a little love at our annual Valentine's Day social, benefiting Relay for Life. To kick-off the start of our Relay season, we held a series of fundraisers leading up to Valentine's Day. We joined forces with FSHP to bring a little joy by delivering flowers and personalized Valentines to all those we care about. Then on Friday, February 14, dressed to impress, we held our annual social at 101 Downtown and collected donations throughout the night. All donations went toward helping the American Cancer Society Relay for Life. Currently, our college of pharmacy Relay team has raised \$1,907 and sit in 6th place out of 94 teams at UF. Our efforts will continue and grow through March 26, the night of the relay.

On February 15, we held a ceremony to honor a pharmacy faculty member, Dr. W. Thomas Smith with the Kappa Psi Robert A. Magarian Order of the Silver Mortar award for 25 years of brotherhood. More on Dr. Smith can be found on page 7 of this issue.

IY Gamma Upsilon

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The brothers of Gamma Upsilon ended last semester on a high note. Thirty-six members were initiated,

and the ugly sweater social commenced the start to winter break with a celebration.

Many chapter brothers attended ASHP midyear in Orlando. Gamma Upsilon brothers participated in the biannual blood drive with the American Red Cross. We also started a tradition of volunteering at the Community Food Bank of Southern Arizona by packing boxes of food to feed 2,929 families. When we can find the time between studying and volunteering, we come together for nearly every Wildcats basketball game.

All semester long, we focused on the preparation for hosting the next Pacific West Province assembly. Our fundraisers ranged from bake sales to percentage nights at restaurants around Tucson. We also sold white coat clipboards with valuable pharmacy equations and facts on the backside. We held several socials at various locations to determine which ones would be the best to accommodate our visiting brothers. We look forward to hosting the upcoming Province.

—Roxana Lang

ΓΦ Gamma Phi

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We welcomed 12 new brothers from this year's pledge class. We added brothers from all walks of life and from around the country. Two of our newest members were elected as class representatives for the college of pharmacy, which makes the last four students to be elected class representative Kappa Psi brothers. We also had a brother elected as the Atlantic Province Parliamentarian at the winter conclave in Chapel Hill. The fourth-year brothers are preparing to graduate and start their careers as pharmacists. Several brothers already have jobs lined up in both chain and independent pharmacies.

We continue to engage the college of pharmacy in positive ways. We have had several philanthropic events this spring. The most successful was our date auction. The first-year brothers were auctioned off, along with enticing gift certificates donated by local businesses. We raised almost \$1,000 and all of the proceeds went to AIDS Athens. A new event we will be having this year is the Mustache March. We will raise money by gathering sponsors for our mustaches and sale of t-shirts. We are encouraging the entire pharmacy school to participate in order to raise money for prostate cancer research.

We look forward to the spring formal that is being held in Gatlinburg,

Tennessee. Gamma Phi will also have a strong showing at the Atlantic Province summer conclave in August.

We are preparing to host the winter conclave in Athens, Georgia. We would love for brothers from around the country to attend.

ΓΧ Gamma Chi

Ferris State University

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Our chapter is currently at 21 active undergraduate brothers, which is the largest number for five semesters.

Rush went very well for the spring semester. We currently have eight pledges, (two boys and six girls. If they all join, we will be nearly half girls!) Initiation is set for April.

We also have three of our brothers going on a mission trip this summer! Lauren D., Tate F., and I will be going to Guatemala in May with the Christian Pharmacists Fellowship to serve at an orphanage.

We have done very well with fundraising so far. We have three Biggby fundraisers set up, a BWW fundraiser, a Krispy Kreme one, and Yankee Candle event over spring break. A big shout out goes to Abbey Magolan for raising so much money for our Relay for Life campaign! We are #1 in Greek and #3 overall in Relay for Life.

We have to give a big thanks to the Foreman family for donating a fridge for the house next year. We appreciate your generosity!

—Chelsea Craig

ΓΨ Gamma Psi

Mercer University

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The New Year started with the Gamma Psi brothers holding their annual ski trip in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee. The students got to mingle, show off their ski moves, and a daring few found a new appreciation for health insurance. It was a great opportunity to strengthen the bonds of brotherhood. We would like to extend our thanks to all the other chapters that were in attendance and for helping make this event a success.

Immediately after the ski trip, the brothers hit the road to attend the Atlantic Province winter conclave hosted by Beta Xi in Chapel Hill. During conclave, Gamma Psi brothers were elected into the positions of Satrap, Treasurer, and Historian. It is indeed a great honor to represent the Province and we are prepared for the hard work that lies ahead. Gamma Psi also took home the coveted Man Mile Award.



Gamma Phi brothers at conclave.

Spring brings renewal, growth, and change. For Gamma Psi, it has brought us pledges. Our commitment to serving the community remains strong and, in February, we helped the Red Cross collect blood donations through teamwork and preparation, as brothers ensured that we met our goal of 30 pints of blood. At the end, we received an overwhelming amount of support from volunteers, and our goal was exceeded by six pints. Donating blood saves lives, and we encourage everyone to continue this service.

Providing service to the community is an important aspect of brotherhood, and Gamma Psi recognizes the importance of keeping our surroundings in good condition and filled this duty during our scheduled roadside cleaning of Mercer University Drive.

ΓΩ Gamma Omega

University of Arkansas

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Our chapter experienced a few bumps this semester, including snow days that interfered with both school and fraternity functions! Despite that, we managed to have a few major events.

The first of the events is actually a proud tradition for Gamma Omega Chapter: the Annual Paddle Making. Every year, some pledges and maybe an active brother or two get together at our GCD's woodshop/house. Amazing, I know, and they make enough paddles for all the pledges for that year. This year, they made about 40! We were able to snap a few furtive photos of this elusive event.

The second event was our annual spaghetti dinner, where the pledges cook and serve spaghetti. We did it a little differently this year and held the



Gamma Omega pledges from back to front: Matt Maguire, Ben Hobbs, Jimmy Chokbenboun, and Derek Vo at the Great Gastby Pharmacy Phormal.

dinner on campus and opted to cook the spaghetti in the dorm kitchens. This situation definitely made cooking and transporting the food a challenge, but that an amazing spread was presented and an equally amazing time was had by all.

The third and biggest event we had this spring was our formal. This year's social chair, Jimmy Ni, and the formal committee, worked long and hard to bring this fantastic event to life. Everything was spectacular: the food, the décor, the DJ, the photo booth and, of course, the brothers!

Lastly, I want to congratulate our brothers who were able to match into residencies: Helen Chang, Gavin Jones, Josh Brown, and Jamie Reed. We are fiercely proud of all of you.

—Thao Trinh

ΔΒ Delta Beta

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This semester has gotten off to a great start for the Delta Beta Chapter.



Gamma Omega pledges Derek Vo and Corey Lance work on paddles.

We have had several opportunities to raise money to benefit organizations in our community and for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. We are also welcoming four new brothers to our chapter this semester.

The Agape Health Clinic in Weatherford, Oklahoma, is a free clinic that serves both the local and several surrounding communities. We've been auctioning off an autographed Kevin Durant jersey to raise money for the Agape Clinic, and we're also having a medication take-back day so that old and unused medications can be disposed of properly.

We will have our 20th anniversary St. Jude's golf tournament this semester. Many pharmacy alumni participate, and we're fortunate to have the support and sponsorships of local businesses in our community.

—Nathan Forest

ΔΓ Delta Gamma

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The brothers of Delta Gamma had a wonderful time in January at the GCP winter conclave hosted by Epsilon Kappa. Thirty-four brothers attended conclave in Nashville, Tennessee. Grant McGuffey was elected Province Secretary, Stephanie Jacobs was elect-

ed Province Historian, Ross Woods was elected Province Chaplain, Garrett Aikens was elected Province Vice-Satrap, and Jeremy Osborn was elected to the new position of Province Parliamentarian. We are very proud of our five brothers for becoming Gulf Coast Province leaders.

A few weeks after conclave, brothers were happy to reunite with the old Province IV chapters at the annual ski trip, generously hosted by the brothers of Gamma Psi in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee. Brothers bonded over skiing, shopping, and good old-fashioned vacation gluttony.

We remain dedicated to our service initiatives. Veronica Mote has spearheaded participation in the national Script Your Future challenge. Brothers have been visiting local pharmacies and physician offices to deliver provider pocket cards, patient medication adherence cards, and posters related to the importance of medication adherence. In addition, health fairs have given brothers the opportunity to talk about adherence issues and counsel patients directly about their medications, while providing health screenings. We have participated in Life South blood drives and the Be The Match Registry drive. We look forward to participating in Relay for Life and national Drug Take-Back Day.



Melanie Laine (right) was awarded for the highest GPA in the Delta Delta Chapter and takes a picture with our G.C.D of 40 years Dr. Louis Williams (left) and our regent Vi Vu (middle)

This year, the brothers of Delta Gamma, brought back the celebration of Founders' Day. We hosted brothers from Gamma Psi and also enjoyed a barbecue. We were able to have our annual awards banquet and recognize the brothers who helped make our chapter better over the past year.

We continue to bond with pledges over game nights and socials, such as laser tag and bowling. With the help of our pledges, our chapter took second place in the annual pharmacy school talent show. Everyone looks forward to March's mystery formal!

—Brittany Frega

ΔΔ Delta Delta

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After a much-needed winter break, Delta Delta brothers got back into the swing of things, helping others in need at the Houston Food Bank. Here, we packaged and organized food to be sent to underprivileged community. It is a great feeling to know that the work we did ultimately helped feed hundreds of people. We also teamed up with medical students from the Baylor College of Medicine to hold a NEPALESE/BHUTANESE Health Fair at the Alliance for Multicultural Community Services Center. Here, we gave free BMI, blood pressure, and glucose screenings, as well as free immunizations. We also educated community members of healthier diets and lifestyle changes.

This year is the 51st anniversary of the Delta Delta Chapter, and this

year's annual formal was a great one. Delta Delta alumni brothers from all over the country and P4 brothers on rotation traveled a great distance to Houston to celebrate our chapter. There were more than 100 guests in attendance as we honored our G.C.D. of 40 years, Dr. Louis Williams, as well as many of our brother's academic accomplishments. The evening was filled with camaraderie and involved a buffet dinner, photo booth, chocolate fountain, and dancing. It truly was a night to remember. We would like to thank Ally Thrall for planning such a successful celebration.

Congratulations the 48 new brothers we initiated, making the Beta Kappa class the biggest in Delta Delta history: Christy Nguyen, Alyssa Chionglo, Stephanie Pham, Tracey Thomas, Taylor Phillips, Natalie Chu, Tran Le, Emily Chu, Maggie Chu, Nicole Ho, Tiffany Lam, Nancy Ngo, Tien Hoang, Thuy Lam, Dao Ly, Cindy Ngo, Krutina Patel, Mahwish Yasin, Vicky Nguyen, Thao Le, Melanie Cheng, Meredith Fugitt, Yae (Christy) Im, Stella Hwang, Lauren Tulio, Thuy Ho, Rose Cherian, Leslie Opara, David Yu, Hea Sun (Erin) Lee, May Park, Tai Ly, Chiemeke Ike, David Pham, Jeffrey Ibarguen, Wonshon Ngo, Alan Lara, Robert Miller, Hires Tailor, Edwin Ng, Stefan Kim, Marc Tran, Mien Vu, Richard Ajumobi, Ifeoma Okonkwo, Tony Nguyen, Jose Rodriguez, and Boxin Xu. We are extremely excited to see what they can achieve as actives.

—Long Nguyen

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LEFT: Rho Brothers Uzma Fareed and Cari Chestnut volunteer at the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society Christmas Party!

RIGHT: Delta Gamma and Gamma Zeta brothers band together to make quite a showing at Alabama's Pharmacy Legislation Day!

BELOW: Chi brothers join to create Meals from the Heart to feed families at the Ronald McDonald house.



In three hours, nine brothers from Epsilon Rho were able to pack 8,070 pounds of food, providing 6,725 meals for families in Northern Illinois. (ED note: Sorry, they were too busy packing to snap a pic!)



ABOVE: Beta Psi's Kappa-Psized Polar Plunge team warms up in the hot tub after raising more than \$800 for the Special Olympics.

BELOW: Brothers from Delta Sigma join forces with brothers from Gamma Upsilon to advance pharmacy on the Capitol steps.



ΔE Delta Epsilon

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With another busy semester comes another set of opportunities for Delta Epsilon. First order of business: recruitment and pledging. We had an informal ice cream social and a pizza party as rush events for those interested after Meet The Greeks. The big-little dinner at a local restaurant was a great bonding experience for old and new brothers alike. We are excited to formally welcome six pledges to the brotherhood this spring. Behind the scenes, our chapter worked diligently to make some changes to our bylaws. Socially, we hosted Healthy Heart, where brothers did blood pressure screenings and spread awareness of heart health. Some of our brothers had a great time meeting other brothers at Beta Kappa's Black and White Party at the University of Pittsburgh. We are becoming more involved in Global Links, a charitable organization that sends medical supplies and medicine to those in need. Our brothers packed medical kits that will be sent. In the spirit of St. Patrick's Day, we sold "Kiss me...I'm a pharmacy major" T-shirts as a fundraiser. As the semester rolls on, we continue to plan to host the Province meeting this fall!

—Natalie Kokta

ΔZ Delta Zeta

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Delta Zeta brothers proudly welcomed 39 new members this January. This is one of the largest pledge classes in Delta Zeta history.

It has been a frigid winter, but we have been staying warm by keeping busy with academics, fundraisers, and philanthropy events. The fall semester concluded with some cheerful holiday ornament decorating at the Ronald McDonald House, a delicious chili and cornbread cook-off, and sweat-shirt sales to keep everyone cozy.

To kick-off the spring semester, our professional relations chair, Christina Miller, put together some mock interviews for students applying to pharmacy school. This was a great opportunity for brothers to promote the college and Kappa Psi to prepare future pharmacy students. We are glad that Christina's hard work paid off. On a blustery Saturday, Delta Zeta brothers gathered in their black and gold to cheer on the Hawkeye basketball team as they played the Badgers. In February, brothers showed some love for their furry friends at the Iowa City



Delta Delta pledge team with gifts from the Beta Kappa class (L-R: Michael Dinh, Tyler Kiles, Laura Barbre Stokes, James Roperes, Jennie Do)

Animal Shelter by collecting donations, ranging from chew toys to veterinary medications. After success last fall, brothers decided to hold another drug card sale for students who missed out on this great study tool.

Throughout this semester, we will collect plastic bottles and aluminum cans for Habitat for Humanity and raise funds for the Ronald McDonald House Red Shoe 5k/half marathon. Brothers look forward to a bone marrow drive, Hope Lodge and Ronald McDonald House dinners, and a movie night featuring the Hunger Games to inspire costume ideas for the spring conclave.

—Megan Greene

ΔH Delta Eta

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Delta Eta started the Spring 2014 semester with a BANG! Our intake process has begun and we are excited about the new line! The Spring semester also brings us closer to the reality that we have to prepare ourselves to say goodbye to our P4 brothers. The P4 graduates include: Corey Anderson, Ryan Chretien, Javier Davis, Karen Erinwingbovo, Annette Evans, Felicia Gibson, Raven Jackson, Joseph McDonald, Ibraheem Pedro, Rhondalyn Rainey, Rose Rowden, Porscha Showers, Cherise Steib, Michelle Winn, Shavonda Wilson, and Jade Young. Delta Eta wishes all of you the best of luck in whatever path you decide to take with your doctorate. Please remember Delta Eta loves you and wishes all of you the best with your future careers!

Our semester included showing Kappa Psi love at the APHA-ASP Convention in Orlando in March. In April, we helped to assist at the APHA-ASP for RX Xavier Cares, health fairs, and various community service projects around New Orleans. We will also have our annual P4 banquet, where we say goodbye to our P4s.

ΔΘ Delta Theta

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The brothers of Delta Theta were in the giving spirit this past holiday. On Christmas Eve, the brothers volunteered with the City Wide Club of Clubs for the annual Christmas Eve Big Feast. We helped serve food and provided clothes and toys to close to 20,000 people who came to the George R. Brown Convention Center.

The spring semester started with a community service event with Habitat for Humanity. We were responsible for working on two houses that will serve as homes for two different families. It was a very humbling experience to work with the actual families for which we were helping to build the homes.

We also returned to volunteer for the non-profit organization Mia's Closet. We collected, donated, and sorted through clothes for children, so they could have a fresh start for the upcoming school year. Working with Mia's Closet continues to be an invaluable experience and we plan to participate with them in the future.

The pledge season kicked-off with the Greek Informational Required Risk Management Workshop. All



Delta Theta brothers sort clothes for Mia's Closet children's philanthropy.

potential pledge candidates were required to attend this workshop. It was a great opportunity for current brothers to fellowship with the candidates. On February 5, the Pledge Team conducted Interest Meetings, where the potential prospects were given background information about Kappa Psi nationally, as well as our chapter, Delta Theta. Overall, the Risk Management Workshop and Interest Meetings were extremely successful.

We have committed our time twice a month to mentor at the Boys and Girls Holthouse Club. During weekdays, the brothers are involved in mentoring, tutoring, and actively encouraging the children to engage in physical fitness. Chapter brothers exude the qualities of leadership, intelligence, and dedication which we wish to instill into the children in our community. Although it has been a challenge to assist the children during study time, it is rewarding to see them come back the following week with better grades, and eager to complete their homework.

On February 7, the brothers supported the America Heart Association (AHA) by participating in Red Day.



Delta Zeta brothers proudly welcome 39 new members this spring! The new letters they made look great!



LEFT: Delta Iota ASP Representative Marcus Gurley presents the display. RIGHT: Delta Iota Brother Chevone Davis-Raglan (left), and Brother Peterson Monestime (right) honor Dr. Michael Thompson Dean of College of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Services with a certificate of appreciation.



The AHA recognizes that heart disease is the number one killer of all women in the United States and has established nationwide efforts to increase awareness of this disease in women. We asked all students and faculty to participate by wearing red.

We celebrated Valentine's Day by extending love to our senior citizens. The brothers, as well as students in our college of pharmacy, spent a couple hours making and decorating Valentine's Day cards for senior citizens who receive Meals on Wheels. This community service project also provided fellowship among brothers and potential brothers. We created 62

Valentine's Day cards for delivery to seniors in the Houston area.

On February 21, Brother Chuma Duru organized a university-wide health fair. The health fair consisted of blood pressure readings, HIV testing, blood glucose readings, body mass index, and brown bag counseling. Delta Theta brothers headlined this event and invited all organizations of the college of pharmacy and Health Sciences to participate. The Student Society of Health-Systems Pharmacists, the American Pharmacist Association, Phi Delta Chi, the Student National Pharmaceutical Association, the African Pharmaceutical Student

Association, as well as other health profession organizations, committed to doing screenings and were an asset to the event. The fair successfully impacted students and individuals in our community, and we look forward to hosting it again next year.

We hosted a karaoke night on February 15 and invited the brothers of Delta Delta and Houston Grad, along with our peers, to join in the fun. This event provided an opportunity for fellowship among brothers and meet potential pledges. We all truly enjoyed performing and listening to everyone's favorite songs.

—Ashley Harold

ΔI Delta Iota

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Delta Iota Chapter hosted the 2014 Men's and Women's Health Seminar on February 7, 2014. The event consisted of a health fair promoting a healthy lifestyle, with the help of organizations and businesses. The organizations represented included a local gym, HIV-awareness movements, ASP/SnPhA's Operation Immunization, and a representative from NewLeaf, an organic supermarket. The second part of the event and the main focus of the seminar was a presentation and open discussion on diseases that specifically affect the college population with a major emphasis on HIV/AIDS, prostate and breast cancer, obesity, and mental health. With the help of experts on the subjects and collaboration from the brothers, the health seminar served as a cornerstone for health initiatives at the school.

—Roberto Larios

ΔK Delta Kappa

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Delta Kappa is making waves on the international front. Porscha Johnson and Brittany Hill were chosen for the coveted and competitive International Experiential Program for rotations in February and March. Brother Johnson's rotation is currently at JSS University Hospital in Mysore, India, while Brother Hill is currently on rotation at Al Wakra Hospital in Doha, Qatar. Both sites are respective inaugural opportunities. Two slots for Howard University College of Pharmacy's Alternative Spring Break in Croix-des-Bouquets, Haiti, were made available, and Brothers Woodward and Charles were selected.

Thirteen Delta Kappa brothers and two alumni were in attendance a the Province meeting hosted by Epsilon Nu in Salisbury, Maryland. It was a memorable experience, complete with a "Hoe Down" country-themed social. Brothers from Delta Xi joined us for a local social outing of trampoline dodgeball at Rebounderz in Sterling, Virginia. All involved expressed how much fun (not to mention tiring) the activity was.

Delta Kappa's Bijan Mekoba, Sylvia Dikas, and Ikechukwu Oji, along with others from the Howard College of Pharmacy, spearheaded the inaugural Emergency Preparedness Training Symposium hosted by the Capitol City

Pharmacy Medical Reserve Corps (CCPMRC), allowing pharmacy personnel and students in the DC area to become trained and certified in emergency preparedness in order to become official volunteer members of the CCPMRC. Several brothers and alumni participated.

Serving the community is always important to our chapter, and it was especially satisfying as we supported Dr. Alexandria Gallien, a Delta Kappa alumnus, when she hosted her Walmart Pharmacy's Health Fair in conjunction with her store's grand opening in Washington, DC. Brothers also participated in SNPhA's National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day activity. They teamed up with the Center for Minority Studies and The Park at Fourteenth to raise awareness about HIV/AIDS and took part in a flash mob!

—Janiel C. Unisa

ΔΔ Delta Lambda

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The spring semester started off with many of us attending the College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences' annual Apothecary Ball in Raleigh, North Carolina.

January included two rush events organized by our rush committee chair, Taylor Wolfe, and her committee members. These events included an IFC potluck dinner and a wintery-themed Meet and Greet, equipped with s'mores and hot chocolate, along with a "Get to know that Brother" Bingo-style game that the rushees enjoyed. We pinned 11 promising pledges, a Delta Lambda record for the spring. We had 19 brothers attend the Atlantic Province 2014 conclave at Chapel Hill, North Carolina. Our very own Jordan Ballou was named the new Atlantic Province Executive Secretary, along with Alexandria Anderson as Webmaster for a consecutive term.

In February, brothers kept active in community service events, including making Get Well Soon cards for children who require medical attention aboard the Africa Mercy Ship. Our Brother Kaitlyn Eldridge's father is serving on the ship for two months and he brought the cards with him to hand out to the children. Brothers also participated in roadside cleanups of our adopted highway. Our fundraising chair, Sarah Eggers, organized a tasty barbecue dinner with the help of our pledges, which raised money to go toward our formal budget.

In April, we look forward to our annual Cadet Ball, in Asheville.

—Shelby Reich



Brothers and alumni of Delta Kappa along with fellow pharmacy students and professionals from the DC area attend the Emergency Preparedness Training Symposium at Howard University.

ΔM Delta Mu

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Greetings from Canada! Delta Mu came back from summer vacation well rested, fabulously tanned, and ready for a fun-filled fall semester. In early September, we hosted a variety of rush events, including a Jello-eating, macaroni-tossing, balloon-popping games night. We also managed to gather several teams and attended some Tuesday Trivia Nights downtown. After a few weeks of rushing, we warmly welcomed 16 new pledges. Our pledges immediately came together to organize an amazing pledge project. As first year pharmacy students, they were eager to do a project that could help them save lives, so they organized an organ donation awareness week within our faculty. Throughout the week, they helped shed light on the topic of organ donation, recruited more than 25 students and faculty who were not yet donors, and enticed some future donors as well. We hope that, in the years to come, our pledge project will save a life!

We kept busy throughout October hosting a scary movie night for our brothers and friends on the faculty, and once again attended the annual Trick-or-Eat Halloween event to support our local food bank. We also entered the annual UBC Pharmacy Dodgeball Tournament, with both a brothers and a pledges team. Unfortunately, neither of our teams brought home the gold.

October turned into November, and the men of Delta Mu once again tossed aside their razors and let their stashes grow to help raise prostate cancer awareness. As the end of the



Delta Kappa brothers enjoy the Hoe Down social at the spring Province meeting.

month drew to a close, we hadn't quite reached our \$1,000 goal, so we hosted a holiday-themed pancake breakfast in our pharmacy building. The breakfast was a success, and thanks to some last minute donations, we reached our goal by the last day of November.

Once again, our event coordinator, Quaid Castle, did an amazing job organizing a charity clothing drive to support the Developmental Disabilities Association of British Columbia. Through the generous donations of our fellow students and faculty, we were able to donate one very large box of gently used clothing. The organizations then sold the donated items to help fund programs and services for children, youth, and adults with developmental disabilities.

As we finished up our last day of pharmacy classes for 2013, we welcomed in a new council under the direction of new regent, Laura Palle.

—Erika Smith

ΔN Delta Nu

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Delta Nu welcomes our new brothers who were initiated this past December. We continue to make volunteering a priority in our chapter.

The events that we have done in the past couple of months include Feed My Starving Children, Domestic Violence Shelter, and volunteering at races around the Chicagoland area.

We have also participated in a brother hour that involved dinner and playing bags indoors. We enjoyed a taste of Midwestern, where each organization was assigned a dish to taste for the whole school. The dish assigned to Delta Nu was nachos. Brothers enjoyed an evening sampling food from other organizations. Delta Nu had also been participating in an interfraternity competition. This winter's competition was a basketball game, and we had outstanding attendance and support from our Brotherhood. We look towards many events this spring, which include spring conclave, intramural volleyball, and a formal.

—Mack-Anthony Parayo

ΔΞ Delta Xi

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Greetings from Delta Xi! Much has happened since last semester. We had a joint social event with Kappa Epsilon at the local bowling alley, which started the year off with a little fun. The following week, we got down to business



Delta Pi Brothers record a promo video for the chapter featuring children from the Maverick Boys and Girls Club. (Back Row: Jasmine Carter, Katie Lin, Rubilene Sanoguet, Ryan Brenn, Barbara Quaye, Ola Fagbohun, Sunny Kim, Tina Tran, Paula V, Ashitha Jay, Crystal Boafu, Michelle Ndiulor, Kayla Hodges, Chinwe Enih, Shilin Vargese. Front: Cindy Adibe).



The new brothers of Delta Mu.



Delta Omicron brothers enjoy time together at a Temple basketball game.

and hosted our Casino Royale rush night, where everyone, brothers and potential pledges alike, dressed up and had a good time.

We are pleased to announce that from that rush night, we have now pinned 16 pledges! They are an amazing group and have already started their philanthropy by making several blankets for Project Linus. The pledges also participated in the Apple Blossom Community Wellness Fair, where they helped to promote one of

our professional projects, the Vial of Life. For those who may be unfamiliar with the Vial of Life, it contains important life-saving medical information to assist emergency personnel if someone is not able to communicate.

We attended the Mountain East Province, hosted by Epsilon Nu. We all had a great time meeting brothers and learning from the other chapters.

After numerous exams, we finally found time to have a social ice skating event with our pledges. Even after the

Polar Vortex, we were not deterred from enjoying the cold.

We will wrap up the semester with our end-of-the-school-year banquet, initiation, and another health fair.

—Kelly Goble

ΔO Delta Omicron

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Although this winter weather seems never-ending, several day trips have occurred this semester, including attending a Temple University basketball game and taking a ski trip to the Poconos. The Temple Grad Chapter organized the basketball game trip and welcomed brothers from our chapter. Everyone who attended the game had a great time socializing and networking. Attending a day ski trip at local ski resort allowed us to escape from school stress and enjoy the snowy winter.

Throughout the spring semester, we hosted several pharmacy-related events including a smoking cessation information session at the local Sam's Club, blood pressure screenings, and blood-glucose level testing on campus and at local pharmacies. We also plan to host our annual "Here Comes The Sun" event, which is an educational sun safety event held on campus in March. Several companies have donated sunscreen samples and sunglasses that were distributed to those who stopped by for information. Also, Brother Jennifer Sobeck is organizing a 5K run/walk for colon cancer awareness. The 5K will take place on October 4, 2014, and will raise money for colorectal cancer research.

April was a very busy month for Kappa Psi at Wilkes University. We were excited to host our first Northeast Province meeting the weekend of April 4! Some events included a social on Friday night and a formal

dinner on Saturday night. We showcased our newest building on campus, the Cohen Science Building, which opened during the fall semester. Also, Delta Omicron's annual formal was held on April 12. The new executive board was inducted and awards were presented. To celebrate the end of the school year, we will attend the New Yankees AAA League, Wilkes-Barre/Scranton RailRiders baseball game in a stadium luxury box. The chapter will also hold its annual faculty vs. students' softball game on the Wilkes University softball fields at the end of the semester.

—Kelsey Noss

ΔΠ Delta Pi

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Delta Pi started off the semester with a bang with their first Mr. Pharmacy Pageant. The pageant raised money for the American Red Cross as part of a philanthropic project put on by the Southwest Province. The chapter involved 12 different student organizations and raised more than \$700. The whole school became involved and built new relationships through uniting for a common cause.

Vice regent Sunny Kim planned many events for the chapter to reach out to the community. Twenty brothers helped to build two houses in early February with Habitat for Humanity. We have started to serve food at a local homeless shelter once a month. At the shelter, the brothers also provide health screenings, including blood glucose testing, and inform attendees about free clinics in the area. Regent, Cindy Adibe, has been working with a local Boys and Girl's Club to teach the children hip-hop dancing.

We traveled to the Southwest Province meeting in February and enjoyed enhancing our fellowship and Brotherhood! #99

—Lauren Duran

ΔΡ Delta Rho

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Delta Rho is back into school mode after a much-needed winter break. We have elected a new regent, Daniele Lerch. We have also initiated 26 new brothers and look forward to their contributions.

We pride ourselves on community involvement and raising money for charity. We recently participated in Habitat for Humanity, where we helped with one of the organization's restoration projects in the Sunrise,

Florida, area. We worked to de-shingle and re-felt a roof, as well as paint the interior walls of the house. It was a great experience to learn the meaning of hard work outside the life of normal pharmacy students.

Next will be preparing for our biggest charity event, dance marathon. This year we have joined forces with some other undergraduate organizations in an effort to make this the biggest dance marathon yet.

—Ryan Dunn

ΔΣ Delta Sigma

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Spring is a busy time and the most challenging quarter for Delta Sigma. We had multiple teams of brothers both running in and volunteering for the PF Chang's Rock and Roll marathon and half marathon in January. Volunteer brothers had the chance to staff medical tents, triage patients, ice and wrap injuries, and dispense Tylenol to achy runners.

We plan to continue the Delta Sigma tradition of participating in Pats' Run. Pat's Run supports the Tillman Foundation in providing scholarship opportunities to U.S. veterans and their spouses.

Delta Sigma had the opportunity to volunteer at a local ministry of hospitality that serves the Phoenix homeless community. We got to participate in their daily meal service, wherein we helped to prepare and serve dinner to hundreds of guests. Andre House serves 450–650 meals per day, six days a week. They also offer clothes, blankets, shoes, laundry service, showers, and phone services to anyone in need. We had a great time volunteering and will return to help in their donation center in April.

Each February, the professional organizations of both Midwestern University and the University of Arizona come together on the lawn of the Arizona Capitol building to spread awareness and advance the field of pharmacy. Pharmacy Day at the Capitol is a unique experience for student pharmacists to meet and talk face-to-face with legislators and address what we can do as pharmacists. Delta Sigma participated in the hypertension booth this year, offering blood pressure screenings and education to those who stopped by.

We teamed up with AZ Grad to put on our annual ugly sweater party. Great times were had as we bonded over the holiday season. Coming up soon we will also be inviting alumni out to a spring training baseball game.

—Jeremy Hillman



Delta Rho new brothers sport their new jerseys.

ΔΤ Delta Tau

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Delta Tau started 2014 with a kick by adding 25 wonderful members to our growing Fraternity. During the initiation, we not only participated in fun activities, but we also had time to bond with one another. It was heartwarming to watch the Big Brothers pin their Little Brothers.

One of our hit socials this year was the pajama party. Our social chair, Jennifer Tran Doan, did an amazing job organizing the event which allowed us to show each other our silly side. Everyone was dressed comfortably while playing board games, snacking, watching movies, and just getting to know each other a little more.

We had our first philanthropic event at the Las Vegas Rescue Mission. Duc Mai, our philanthropic chair, organized this event where we served food to the needy and helped clean up. This was the first time doing this event and, because it was so successful, we are keeping it as one of our traditional philanthropic events.

—Christine Pak

ΔΥ Delta Upsilon

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We are pleased to announce the initiation of 12 new brothers! Spring semester has been filled with fellowship. Through movie nights, study hours, indoor trampoline, laser tag, and our road trip to Charleston, South Carolina, for the Spring Province Assembly, our chapter has grown even closer.

We are excited for the events to come in the next few months: our



Delta Rho Brothers Shaun Gutstein, Issouf Diallo, David Gonzales, Andrea Murzello, Jessica Greer, Stepan Uhlyar, Andrew Hoffman, Michele Wiltse, Lexxi Lobitz, Daniel Diaz, Kayla Mallare, Faren French, and Abby Narens

annual Golf Tournament and Graduate Dinner, as well as the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life and the Special Olympics Summer Games. We are also very proud of several brothers who are preparing to serve on medical mission trips in May.

—Nikki Chilson

ΔΦ Delta Phi

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The pledge process has officially kicked-off here at Delta Phi! The 33 pledges have been hard at work learning all about our great Fraternity.

Brothers have found time to have a fundraiser and a social. Earlier this quarter, we had an enormous turnout at TGI Friday's and raised an unprecedented amount for our chapter. Big

thanks go to Natalie Chang and Jane Lim for organizing the event.

Of course, we couldn't let the quarter go by without a fun, physically active social, so the brothers went to the Sky High Indoor Trampoline house and had a blast. An entire floor of trampoline space, multiple dodgeball games, and a couple of bruises later, and the entire chapter was tired and drained. Who knew a childhood pastime could be so exhausting?

To see what else we're up to, visit <http://ky-dp.sdsc.edu/>.

—Patrick Phuong, Historian

ΔΧ Delta Chi

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Spring semester begins our highly anticipated rush period. We currently have about 37 pledges going through



Delta Tau brothers following initiation



Congratulations to the Delta Phi, Kappa family, who won the night of chapter family feud convincingly!



Delta Sigma Brothers Ali and Jeremy meet up with the Delta Sigma medical volunteer crew after completing their half marathon.



Delta Psi Brothers Abby Guderian and Lauren Kaldun showing their KY love.

the process of becoming members. By the time you read this, they'll probably have already crossed. They had some really cool ideas for the annual pledge potluck, where pledges bring food that symbolizes FISH. They showed up in mass to help a local non-profit organization called Partners for World Health. We're very excited to welcome them as brothers.

We went to Bangor, Maine, to help initiate the newly chartered Zeta Beta (Husson University) Chapter. It was a very humbling, yet fulfilling, experience for us, since none of our delegates had actually witnessed a chartering ceremony for Kappa Psi. High profile leaders, including Dr. Latha Radhakrishnan and Delta Chi's very own Dr. Matthew Lacroix, were in

attendance and didn't fail to make us understand how lucky we are to be a part of this gathering. Other representatives from chapters in the northeast were also present, making it a night to remember. To the brothers of Zeta Beta, we say congratulations on the new chapter and welcome to the Northeast Province.

—Paa Kwesi Yanful

ΔΨ Delta Psi

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Despite multiple polar vortexes this winter, we are doing our best to keep the spirit of Kappa Psi burning through the cold. Over the winter break, several brothers from both the

Epsilon and Delta Psi Chapters gathered in Lutsen, Minnesota, to enjoy the outdoors. Although our initial hockey plans in December didn't work out, brothers were able to catch a game in February. It was great seeing the Bulldogs take on Colorado College.

In recent weeks, we have been volunteering at the Second Harvest Northern Lake Food Bank packing commodity boxes for families and children in the northland. In February, seven brothers jumped in the frigid waters of Lake Superior to support the Special Olympics. As a chapter, we were able to surpass our goal and raise \$1,001. This year, we also decided to participate in FeBROary, where we featured new

brothers at each meeting as a way to get to know each other better beyond the school walls. A lot like the days of elementary school show-and-tell, it has been a successful and amusing way to learn more about our brothers.

We are very pleased to welcome five new pledges this semester! Once again, this year we will be partnering with the Graduate and Professional Student Association to host a White Coat Ball with the University of Minnesota College of Medicine. It is a great inter-professional event and we look forward to a magical night. Elections will be upon us in the upcoming weeks.

We wish our third-year brothers the best of luck on rotations, and congratulate our graduating brothers.

ΔΩ Delta Omega

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We joined efforts with nurses and doctors from The Children's Hospital at Memorial, Jower's Chapel, other volunteers, and donors to host a Christmas event for children with cancer and blood diseases on December 12, 2013. The event included making gingerbread houses, decorating cookies, enjoying karaoke, a photo booth, and much more. Brothers Andrew, Tiffany, Jessica, and volunteers from the church, ran the photo booth. We had a lot of fun dressing up the kids and their families for some fabulous pictures. Brother Charity helped them decorate and add these photos to a scrapbook page. These scrapbook pages are going to be combined into one scrapbook, which is going to be given to the hospital for the patients to enjoy. Thanks to a generous discount from Toys R Us, Santa stopped by and passed out \$900 worth of toys to around 400 children. The children were thrilled with the presents, saying that our gifts were "Awesome!" The party was a very moving event, with doctors, nurses, families, and patients sharing their stories of battles with these diseases. It was a wonderful night filled with plenty of singing, laughter, and eating.

EB Epsilon Beta

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As 2013 came to a close, our brothers gathered to celebrate with a Thanksgiving/Christmas dinner before taking on and conquering final exams. Brothers wore tacky sweaters to liven up the holiday spirits, and some brothers exchanged gifts through a white elephant game.

Epsilon Beta has made history within its own chapter by having an astounding total number of 48 pledge brothers (including one faculty) pledging for SPC'14. Pledge master Daniel De Leon, with Pledge trainers Kehmia Tangeh and Mark Olivares, have been conducting a successful pledging process and the new brothers were initiated in March.

We have remained active by continuing to serve the community. On January 11, Brothers Lisette Andrea, Maren Garcia, Jenna Johnson, Brittny Wolda, Klarinda Garza, Nathaniel Oyefeso, John Chen, and Elhaum Khobahy traveled to the San Antonio food bank to pack food boxes for the homeless. On January 18, Brothers Jezzena Morin, Thi Thi Diep, Chad



Delta Psi Brothers Lauren Kaldun, Abby Guderian, Jamie Platz, Breahna Nelson, and Jessie Shannon enjoying the outdoors in Lutsen, MN.

Batey, Danielle Johns, Himani Patel, Kathleen Peterson, Tiffany Alex, Vincent Savage, Kehmia Tangeh, Daniel De Leon, Lima Abraham, Klarinda Garza, Jennifer Ma, Trushar Patel, Lisette Andrea, Maren Garcia, John Chen, Jeffrey Tang, and Desi Villarreal volunteered at Habitat for Humanity to build homes for the homeless. Brother John Chen, service coordinator, has many volunteer events planned for the spring in order to give back to the community.

—Jeffrey Tang

ΕΓ Epsilon Gamma

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The new year has always been an exciting time for our chapter, because it's the time when we hand out bids and start our pledging program. This year, we are excited to announce that we have 15 pledges. Both active and alumni brothers have spent the past few weeks instilling the high ideals expected from being a brother of Kappa Psi. Through various activities, such as their presentation on the new JNC 8 guidelines for hypertension, many study sessions with one another, and social nights with the brothers, the pledge class was able to build leadership, teamwork, communication, and brotherhood.

Despite the hecticness that the pledging period can bring, we found the time to do various events to help promote the profession of pharmacy. We have continued to do our bi-monthly Student Run Health Clinic over in Riverside. We were able to go



Delta Omega brothers pose in the photobooth at the Children's Hospital.

to three different elementary schools in the Pomona area for our "Let's Move!" Outreach, where we educate kids on the importance of living a healthy lifestyle. Recently, we teamed up with our campus and the American Red Cross to host a campus-wide blood drive. The blood drive lasted for two days and we had more than 60 people donate blood!

—Stephen Chou

ΕΔ Epsilon Delta

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We have been busy preparing for our annual golf tournament. It was held at the Clear Creek Golf Course in Bristol, Virginia, on April 12. We loved

having our Kappa Psi brothers attend. Our newly initiated brothers have shown a lot of enthusiasm in finding sponsors and getting donations for the event.

Six brothers attended the Atlantic Province winter conclave at UNC Chapel Hill. It was a fun-filled, educational, and very well organized event. Rebeckah Bates was elected as the Atlantic Province Chaplain and we could not be prouder of her!

In the future, we will be planning joint events with our neighboring Epsilon Zeta brothers, such as poker tournaments and social events. A few of our brothers planned to join them for their annual Apothecary Dash on March 1.

—Aditee Shinde



Welcome to the latest pledge class of the Delta Upsilon chapter! Pictured are Brothers Beshoi Wahba, Kristy Contreras, Ashley Ewart, Brent Bandhan, Kurt Pessa, Chip Wight, Sophie Luinord, Angel Campeau, Larnie Sylvain, David Dakwa, Kylene Hill, and Sarah Watchek.



Epsilon Beta brothers celebrate the holidays with a tacky sweater party. INSET: Brother Dr. David Maize, GCD, models his very festive sweater.

EE Epsilon Epsilon

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One of the favorite traditions at Epsilon Epsilon is a Thanksgiving potluck. This year, around 50 brothers brought themselves and one of their favorite holiday dishes. We had four turkeys, two ducks, one ham, and every side and dessert imaginable. While gorging ourselves into food comas (another part of the tradition), we celebrated brotherhood and the semester coming to an end.

Every semester, we try to have a friendly social with the local $\Phi\Delta\chi$

Chapter. In the fall, this turned into an intense Minute-To-Win-It tournament, consisting of mixed $K\Psi/\Phi\Delta\chi$ teams. Overall, there were 18 teams of two, with even more people in the audience. After an arduous journey, three teams found their efforts coming to a head in an epic showdown for the championship. Without using their hands, the first team to have both competitors slide a cookie from their forehead to mouth without it falling would win. Our regent, Lee Salazaar, and his partner came out victorious.

In November, the Rangel College of Pharmacy's Leadership class hosted a health fair at the Boys and Girls' Club. Several organizations were on hand to

educate elementary and middle school students on important health topics, such as the PLATE method and exercise. Elizabeth Nkwocha, Sara Escudero, and Andy Gonzales discussed hand sanitization and general hygiene with students.

Every year, we give one award to the brother who is the most selfless, philanthropic, and overall the most helpful brother in our Province. This year, our own Cody Faubion won, and we couldn't think of a more deserving brother. See page 7 to read the essay submitted by our regent, Lee Salazar on behalf of Cody Faubion. Congratulations Cody!

—Alexandria "Ocelot" Soulard

EZ Epsilon Zeta

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The fall consisted of many events for our chapter that we are all extremely happy about. We spent the majority of the summer preparing for rush in September and finalizing ideas to make this particular event a success. We were able to initiate 32 new brothers into our chapter in the fall and three more this spring.

Our chapter also spent a majority of the fall focusing on philanthropy events and trying to be as active in the community as possible. We participated in an event called "Katy's Kids," which consisted of going to a local elementary school and teaching students about medication safety and the dangers of taking medications not meant for them. Every brother who participated is looking forward to going back to visit as soon as we can!

This spring semester, our chapter will be focusing on the Apothecary Dash and Relay for Life. The Dash is a 5K/10K run that we host in March to help raise money for Relay for Life. We expected at least 75 runners this year and hope to continue with this annual fundraiser for years to come. We will participate in Relay for Life in April and have been diligently working to raise money.

EH Epsilon Eta

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It was a busy fall semester for Epsilon Eta in beautiful Florida. In December, our philanthropic focus was on HIV/AIDS Awareness Month, and we debuted a poster and slide show, which included facts about the disease state and ways for students and faculty to help get involved. To support our troops and the American Red Cross, we penned over 200 Christmas and holiday cards to be delivered to our brave armed forces overseas. To spread even more holiday cheer, we coordinated a campus Salvation Army Christmas Angels adoption program, where 30 underprivileged children were "adopted" and brothers bought rocking giraffes, roller blades and Barbie houses to fulfill Christmas wish lists.

After a long and much needed winter break, brothers returned to campus ready to focus on Glaucoma Awareness Month, which was another great opportunity to educate other students and our faculty through our outreach efforts on campus. January was the start of our pledging season, and



Epsilon Epsilon Brothers Evan, Connie and Nicole help out at the Boys and Girls Club in town.

we pinned pledges on January 17. Brothers and pledges from several chapters all over Florida gathered and learned at the Young Pharmacist Leadership Conference sponsored by the Florida Pharmacist Association in Orlando on January 11.

February's philanthropic campaigns aligned with Valentine's and Singles Awareness Day, as we raised awareness about cardiovascular disease for American Heart Month. Our Chapter had a strong showing for Script Your Future events. On February 1, at the Grand Ovation at Lakewood Ranch in Sarasota, brothers, Epsilon Eta pledges, and Zeta Delta pledges discussed medication adherence with patients, and over 150 SYF cards were distributed. We also taught kids how to properly wash their hands and played the interactive "Meds or Candy" game to educate parents on how easily children can confuse candy and medications. On February 22, in combination with our campus chapters of Habitat for Humanity and AMCP, we participated in another SYF medication adherence event at the Kobernick-Anchin Pavillion in Sarasota, Florida.

We finished up February on an high note at the Southeast Province meeting. We extend our deepest gratitude to Iota Chapter for an amazing and reinvigorating experience. We also congratulate all the new officers of the Province, including our own regent, Bella Mogak, who will serve as the Assistant Newsletter Editor.

In March, we had our fifth annual brother/pledge football game. We looked forward to Legislative Days in Tallahassee and the APhA Annual in Orlando in March. In the days ahead, we will stay busy planning for the Fall Southeast Province conclave. We

invite all brothers to save these dates, September 5–7, 2014. We know after such an amazing assembly in Charleston, South Carolina, that we have big shoes to fill!

EO Epsilon Theta

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This past November, we initiated 22 new brothers: **Johnathan Bradford, Christopher Butler, Kasey Burge, Heather Collins, Kimberly Cooper, Christopher Ehalt, Nicole Galamin, Courtney Grant, Anne Lei, Nicholas Lutes, Lewis Michael, Cathy Nguyen, Jack Nguyen, Kacy Nguyen, Karen Nguyen, Nu Nguyen, Sharlonda Nunn, Angela Park, Harshad Patel, Catherine Pham, Vy Tran, and Allison Wireman.** While some brothers received their white coats this past quarter and fellow brothers will be graduating soon, we continue to stay connected and support each other in the different stages in their lives. Our chapter is looking forward to many service events, which include working with the Portland Promise Center and Habitat for Humanity. We will also be working alongside the University of Louisville School of Dentistry to discuss the profession of pharmacy with high school students.

—Catherine Pham

EI Epsilon Iota

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We ended the year with a birthday month dinner before everyone went off for winter break. It was a great way to get together, celebrate December



Epsilon Zeta brothers teach children about medication safety.

birthdays, and enjoy brotherhood before the holidays. We started the new semester with our annual winter retreat at Lake Tahoe. It was a great weekend getaway that consisted of snow boarding, skiing, ice-skating, snowball fights, exploring local attractions, games, movies, laughs, and lots of bonding. All the brothers of Epsilon Iota were together in one cabin and created incredible memories.

Also in January, the brothers broke up into committees during a working lunch to plan the whole semester with professional events, social events, fundraising events, and our philanthropy project. Our chapter has also put roundtable events together, where we focus on building the brothers professionally by exposing them to leadership opportunities throughout CNU in professional organizations.

February was a busy month. We started off with an APPE/IPPE info night. The night consisted of P4s and alumni sharing their experiences during rotations and what to expect as a P4, along with any advice they had to offer about rotations to students interested in applying to residency. The night also consisted of giving advice to P1s/P2s and what to expect on their IPPEs. This was a helpful event to help prepare brothers to get out in the health care professional field.

The theme that our chapter came up with for the month of February was lineage month. This was a great

idea to help strengthen the bonds within the lineage by going out together and taking creative pictures to make wonderful memories. It was really nice to see P4s and alumni come out with their lineage and have fun times together.

For another professional event, we collaborated with SSHP and AMCP to host an Etiquette Night for all the students at CNU. This formal event was to inform and show students proper etiquette during a conference or a professional dinner and how to properly engage yourself in conversations during such events.

Our chapter also hosted a Kappa Psi Conference 101 for the brothers. This workshop was designed to expand our professionalism and leadership when attending professional conferences within all organizations, what to expect, and the importance of attending these conferences. During our busy month of hosting professional events, we have also been busy planning fundraising events. The fundraising and social committees hosted a bowling tournament fundraiser at Country Club Lane, where we raised almost \$400. We had a great turnout of 50 bowlers and around 65 people all together.

We ended the month with a working lunch, where we continued to plan our biggest fundraising event, which is our annual golf tournament that we had in April. The professional commit-



Epsilon Iota brothers host an Etiquette Night in collaboration with AMCP (Academy of Managed Care Pharmacy) and SSHP (Student Societies of Health-system Pharmacy).

tee has also been planning our philanthropy project, in which our main idea follows Michelle Obama's Let's Move campaign, where we will be volunteering our time to work with students from local schools doing various activities. We will be visiting these schools at least once a month.

—Vanessa Jamil

EK Epsilon Kappa

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Epsilon Kappa hosted the Gulf Coast Province conclave at the Loews Hotel at Vanderbilt and had a great turnout with brothers coming from as far as Minnesota. We initiated 24 new brothers, and the Zeta class is already making strides in leadership in both Kappa Psi and in the college of pharmacy. We had our annual weekend retreat to Gatlinburg in January to promote bonding and to allow our new brothers to spend time with active brothers. With the increase in membership, we are excited about our upcoming service and fundraising projects, including our Not Yo Nacho Taco Bar fundraiser for the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Nashville, Second Harvest Food Bank of Middle Tennessee, and the 6th Annual Community Health Fair hosted by the St. John Lutheran Church of Burns, Tennessee. We recently had a social event with the brothers of Epsilon Lambda at Sky High Sports Trampoline Park and plan to host our Masquerade Ball on April 11th.

—Fernando Diggs

EA Epsilon Lambda

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The spring semester is off to an exciting start for the brothers of Epsilon Lambda, having had the Gulf Coast Conclave in Nashville. We are proud to have several members serving on the Gulf Coast Province committees. Brothers had a fun-filled evening watching the Nashville Predators beat the St. Louis Blues. We are looking forward to many upcoming service events, as we volunteer at the Nashville Rescue Mission, the Ronald McDonald House, and the Nashville Zoo.

—Candace Jernigan

EM Epsilon Mu

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Congratulations Karl Healy, Timmy Do, and Daniel Morley, and the other brothers on the new Southeast Province Executive Board! Epsilon Mu would like to extend a BIG thank you to Iota Chapter for hosting a wonderful conclave and great experience on the USS Yorktown, with keynote speaker Dr. Joseph DiPiro.

Brother bonds were strengthened at our annual 3pd sendoff, where

brothers enjoyed a potluck and games, such as catch phrase. There was also a surprise baby shower thrown for Emily Hill, who is expecting sometime in late May. We also strive to give back to the campus and community. We organized three food trucks to come to the UF Orlando campus, where good food sources are scarce. These food trucks not only feed the campus, but also the faculty, researchers, and those in the nearby medical buildings.

Congratulations to the new Epsilon Mu officers: regent Keon Thomas, vice regent Tiffany Smith, secretary Jessica Wu, treasurer Trang Conn, sergeant-at-arms Kate Sullivan, historian Staci Hall, pledgemaster Dominick Curry, and chaplain Ravi Bacchus.

—Staci Hall

EN Epsilon Nu

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We have been busy this past quarter planning for and holding our first ever Province meeting. Kappa Psi brothers throughout the Mountain East Province came to Salisbury, Maryland to conduct business and have a good time with friends. We kicked off the weekend with some karaoke at a local deli. The next day was all business, with a little break for lunch, during

which brothers could taste some of Maryland's famous crab cakes. Dinner was followed by a hoedown, where we got to witness the amazing dancing abilities that must run deep in Kappa Psi's blood. We were so thankful to have been joined by some members of the national executive committee and for all the brothers who traveled long distances. We are looking forward to seeing you all again soon!

Planning for Province took a lot of energy, but we put aside some time for philanthropy and fun. We hosted a pancake breakfast as a fundraiser. We were so excited to have some Delta Kappa brothers join us for endless pancakes and laughs. Later in the month of January, we had a table at the local World Gym Health Fair. We were able to measure blood pressure, body fat, and BMI for any interested gym member. During February, we spent a lot of our free time making chocolate roses to be sold throughout our school, community, and at Province, to benefit the American Heart Association.

As the new quarter starts, we are starting our second pledging session of the year. We held rush in February and held a pinning ceremony for the new pledges on March 2, 2014.

As the school year ends, we are trying to spend as much time as possible together; we try to appreciate how different we are from one another, while at the same time holding such similar values.

—Marsha Muhic

EE Epsilon Xi

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Ten of our members attended the Northwest Province conclave and our chapter is proud to announce that two of our brothers have been elected as Northwest Province officers. W. Marshall Crabtree and Janelle Rychlick are now Satrap and Secretary, respectively. Furthermore, our chapter is excited for another volunteer event at the upcoming Oregon Food Bank. We will be wrapping up the end of the semester with a brother's retreat in Lincoln City, Oregon to form stronger bonds and instill a greater sense of pride in the Fraternity.

—Steven Diaz

EO Epsilon Omicron

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The young Epsilon Omicron Chapter continues to thrive as it recently initiated the new Delta class of brothers. This group of new brothers include Max Schmidt, Lexi

Are you a Kappa Psi legacy? Would you be willing to share your unique experience of growing up as part of the Kappa Psi Nation? Do you have an interesting career path in pharmacy? We would like to hear from you! We plan to feature the unique careers that make up Kappa Psi in a future issue. Please contact the editor at: mask@kappapsi.org



(L-R): Sasin George, Weebe Gbadamosi and Racquel Reese of the Epsilon Nu Chapter display the chocolate roses made to benefit the American Heart Association

White, Lauren Donohue, Christine Echtenkamp, Anna Moulton, Sara Schreckengost, Jarred Bogardus, Chris McAnaney, Dana Ranallo, Jessica Krzemien, Melissa Scarangella, Anthony Catalano, Danielle Johnson, Jessica Buttaggi, Harrison Civil, Austin Enser, Scott Jarmusz, Danielle Kirchner, Patrick Finbarr Kissane, Meghan Cocca, Brendan Sorrento, Devlynn Chlebowy, and Dan Vyverberg. Epsilon Omicron and Buffalo Grad Chapters recognized Sara Schreckengost as Pledge of the Year for her outstanding efforts and for demonstrating the ideals and values of our Fraternity. We will participate in the annual Relay for Life event to raise money for cancer research.

—John Files

EII Epsilon Pi

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In December, Epsilon Pi welcomed the Delta Class into the brotherhood. The next day, the brothers woke up at 5:30 a.m. to participate in the annual Dress a Child Event. This is the third consecutive year we've volunteered at this event. To celebrate the holidays, we gathered at a restaurant to exchange gifts and good times. We finished off the semester delivering Christmas gifts to families in need around the valley.

Epsilon Pi started off the New Year with a bang! We had our first-ever annual Snow Ball fight on January 25 and invited the entire campus. A por-



Epsilon Xi brothers attend the Northwest Province.

tion of proceeds was donated to the local Idaho Food Bank. Next year, we are hoping to increase in size and make this a staple event.

In February, a handful of our brothers had a great time in Vancouver at the Northwest Province winter conclave. Later in the month, we rolled up our sleeves and re-packaged 4,000 lbs. of donated lentils for the Idaho Food Bank.

Many brothers also volunteer their free time at the Idaho Humane Society.

—Lisa Anderson



The immediate past regents and regent of Epsilon Mu.

EP Epsilon Rho

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With the new year comes new traditions for Epsilon Rho, including the first annual ski trip to the Wisconsin Dells. It was a great opportunity for brothers to get together for a relaxing weekend to strengthen our brotherhood. We snowboarded and skied during the day and soaked in the hot tub at night. Even some of the P4s, laden with rotations, joined us.

With another semester freshly underway, the brothers celebrated the second Founders' Day with an ice cream social and board games. After enjoying a the ice cream bar, brothers put their vocabulary to the test with a spirited game of Bananagrams. We are currently planning our second annual semi-formal with another neon-themed night, full of absurdly bright clothes and dancing the night away.

This semester has held many philanthropy projects. Brothers took turns throughout the semester volunteering at the Northern Illinois Food



The Delta class of Epsilon Omicron with their Pledge Committee



Epsilon Pi's Delta class.

Bank. In three hours, nine brothers were able to pack up 8,070 pounds of food, providing 6,725 meals for families in Northern Illinois. In addition, the brothers held a Healthy Lifestyles Event at the local YMCA in Rockford to promote healthier living.

Epsilon Rho also raised money for the Illinois Special Olympics by participating in the 2014 Polar Plunge at Rock Cut State Park in Rockford. Throughout the semester, the chapter held several fundraisers for this event, including a KΨ bake sale, selling chocolate bars, and providing "PharmaCuticles"—where brothers volunteered to paint students' nails for the school's upcoming formal.



Epsilon Rho brothers take the Polar Plunge in their white coats.

Through hard work and determination, brothers surpassed our goal and raised more than \$1,600 for Illinois Special Olympics. On March 1, with a temperature in the teens, 12 brave brothers donning their white coats and sprinted into the frigid lake to show their support. It was an unforgettable experience!

We plan to participate in Feed My Starving Children. We are also reprising the KΨ Super Smash Brothers Tournament, a "smashing" success from last year. We will see if the previous champion can defend his title. The brothers are also quite enthusiastic about the upcoming Mid-America Spring 2014 conclave in Chicago, and look forward to reconnecting with brothers from around our Province.

—Vicky Le

ΕΣ Epsilon Sigma

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Being a relatively new chapter at Epsilon Sigma, our goal is to write our own history by making meaningful

memories that will last a lifetime. We are excited that our family has nearly doubled in size. Each and every one of our new pledges are wonderful additions to our family. In honor of initiation, a banquet was held at Vincenzo's Grill in St. Petersburg, Florida.

If you recall from the last edition, our Gamma pledge class undertook a Toys for Tots program, in an attempt to make the Christmas season meaningful for less fortunate children by providing them with toys collected from our campus. All students on our campus were encouraged to donate a toy. We were able to collect 128 toys with 42% of the toys being donated by the first-year pharmacy students. As their prize, the donation was made in the name of the graduating class of 2017.

We would like to thank the Iota Chapter for hosting the Southeast Province spring conclave. You all were wonderful hosts, your city is beautiful, and the meeting was a success, because of all of your hard work.

We are excited to partake in the Great Strides 2014 Walk happening

on April 12. The money that we raise will become instrumental in changing the lives of many patients suffering from Cystic Fibrosis. The contribution will facilitate research and support care programs.

This spring also brings a bittersweet time for us, while we are thrilled to celebrate our second anniversary as a chapter, we are also sad that we must send our 3PD brothers on to their rotations. We know they will gain useful hands-on knowledge in their journey to becoming pharmacists and are excited to see where life will take them in the next year. We will be holding a farewell dinner in their honor.

Happy two-year anniversary brothers of Epsilon Sigma!

ET Epsilon Tau

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Epsilon Tau kicked off the New Year by hosting a welcome back luncheon for the school. Over 100 faculty, students, and staff attended the free luncheon, and all the brothers helped to make the event a success.

In January, we held chapter elections, where several of the newly initiated brothers stepped up to accept officer positions. Miranda Saari, our first regent since founding, has ended her three-year run to pass on the regency to the previous vice regent (and her Little), Nicholas Schneider. She and eight others will be graduating this May to become Epsilon Tau's first class of graduate brothers.

In February, we became the first organization at Texas Tech Health Sciences Center School of Pharmacy's Abilene Campus to adopt a highway. The Adopt-a-Highway project is a part of the "Keep Texas Beautiful" campaign and is a litter prevention effort aimed at keeping the roads clean. At the first event, the brothers collected so much trash that they filled up all of the 30 trash bags provided. Epsilon Tau intends to continue this service and has planned the next highway pick-up in April.

Since the beginning of the semester, brothers have bonded through social events, such as movie nights and dinners. Coming up for our chapter are service projects, including the American Heart Association's Heart Ball, Global Samaritan Resources volunteering, and the third annual Kappa Psi Health Fair.

—Florence Pang

EY Epsilon Upsilon

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Epsilon Upsilon has had a productive year. We recently initiated 13 brothers into our Gamma class. We initially started pledging with 34 eager pledges, and we started to become concerned when the number of pledges started to dwindle down. The 13 brothers who were initiated did not make it into brotherhood simply because we needed numbers. Those 13 brothers had earned the right to be initiated. I wanted to share a few specific incidents that came up that proved to us that it is not about the quantity of inactive brothers in a chapter, but rather the quality of the brothers than define a chapter.

One of the biggest things we emphasize in our pledging process (apart from the importance of professionalism) is the importance of being able to rely on each other when times got tough. Week after week, these 13 brothers stepped up to help one another in every possible way they could. When one of them would fall behind with their weekly assignments, their fellow pledge brother would step up and ensure that the assignment deadlines were met. When one pledge would schedule an interview with an active member, they would also reach out and include another pledge who was behind on interviews or unable to schedule interviews due to a high workload.

With a very large initial group of 34 pledges, we ran into the problem of getting such a large group to attend a designated mandatory pledge event. As the weeks went by and the numbers dwindled, the remaining pledges were able to plan, organize, and execute a pledge social event where all showed up and had a great time. Once these 13 brothers were initiated, the tradition of excellence continued. A situation came up where we needed to schedule a service event on short notice. Showing a true commitment to fellowship and high ideals, Courtney Makowski was able to quickly organize a service event. Thanks to her hard work in planning and getting other brothers excited about the event, we had a huge chapter turn out and all brothers involved had a great time helping out those in need.

We are currently in the process of developing a pledge manual. As more and more pledges are initiated, we as a chapter have learned what makes a good brother and how best to shape out pledging process to bring out these traits in the pledges. We have



Epsilon Psi brothers embark on the arduous hike up Mauna Lea.

learned that it is not as important to get a high number of pledges as it is to get high quality, interested pledges. If you have any questions about our pledging process or would like to have a discussion about pledging, please feel free to contact our chapter at KappaPsiEU@gmail.com.

—Stephen Jankovic

EΦ Epsilon Phi

South University

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On February 6, 2014, we welcomed 23 new brothers for life. The pledge class completed many projects, which included adopting a road, hosting a fundraiser, creating a Kappa Psi tri-fold, and constructing paddles.

Epsilon Phi attended many philanthropic events, some of which included a hydrocephalus walk and a leukemia/lymphoma walk. The hydrocephalus walk was held in September 2013, and our chapter donated \$100 to the cause. We were very grateful and thankful to have met the little girl battling hydrocephalus. All together, the event generated more than \$1,000. We were pleased to participate in the Light the Night Walk for Leukemia/Lymphoma. We contributed \$200 to the foundation and they had made more than \$100,000 from the event.

On January 31, 2014, Epsilon Phi brothers had a winter masquerade semi-formal. It was a delight to have many brothers, students, faculty, and brothers from Gamma Xi attend the formal. There was a mask contest



Brothers attending Southeast Province meeting.

held at the formal, which was judged by faculty and staff. The night ended with long-lasting memories to carry on throughout life.

Epsilon Phi now has a total of 99 members, with 36 members on campus. Here are a few words from some of the new brothers, "The pledge process for me was very rewarding. I was able to gain a lot of information about our Fraternity and bond with all of the brothers. The best night was initiation, of course! It means a lot to me to be part of such a special organization filled with brothers whom I can depend on for life."

EX Epsilon Chi

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This quarter, Epsilon Chi has been busy with fundraising, volunteering, pledging, and always strengthening our bonds as a family. We started off

the year with our first-ever (and hopefully annual) trivia night fundraiser, which included faculty, pharmacy students, friends, family, and the like. It was held at a local pub, where trivia questions bombarded each team. The team that had the most points won the glory, and also a small monetary prize. We raised money for our chapter and for the Maliheh Free Clinic, a local clinic that many pharmacy students volunteer at, which serves patients without medical insurance.

The following week, we also held our first-ever senior center volunteer event, where we were able to do medication reconciliations, counseling, and build rapport with these seniors. Not only did the seniors love us so much that they asked us to come back, but, as future practitioners, events such as these improve our patient interaction skills as we move along our path toward becoming practicing pharmacists.



Epsilon Tau brothers are all smiles at their first Adopt-a-Highway event

We held several rush events, including making gingerbread houses, a bagel breakfast, a pizza dinner, and bowling. So far, there are many prospects, but as the pledging process continues, we will sort out those who have the qualities to become brothers who will strengthen our chapter.

—Krista Kido and Edwina Leung

ΕΨ Epsilon Psi

University of Hawaii at Hilo

Founded 1/12/2013

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In January, we inducted 26 new brothers. To commemorate initiation, a banquet was held at Hilo Bay Café.

The pledge process was a semester-long venture where pledges proved their commitment to become part of the tightly knit brotherhood. Upon receiving bids in September, the pledges were each given tasks by the Beta class for the purpose of helping them understand the core values of Kappa Psi, teaching the standing history of the Fraternity, and building deeper connections with the actives and pledge brothers. Upon completion of each task, the pledges received a signature. A total of 34 signatures were needed prior to the initiation date.

"I thought the pledging process was a challenge, and it really drove me to

study hard and to do my best to be accepted as a brother," said Arnold Sano, a second-year pharmacy student in the Gamma class. "The most important lesson I learned from pledging is that things are easier if you work as a team and NOBODY is left behind. There is no such thing as dead weight and no matter what the circumstance, we will be there for each other."

This is an important milestone for Epsilon Psi, as it was the first pledging organized and led by the chapter.

"It was very challenging, since this was our first time doing it completely on our own and there was a steep learning curve for the position," said

pledge master Darian Oshiro. "However, the pledge leaders, along with the committee, came together often, and with everyone's help, we were able to initiate our first pledge class."

The initiation of the Gamma class marked the one-year anniversary since Epsilon Psi was chartered at the Daniel K. Inouye College of Pharmacy (DKICP) at the University of Hawai'i at Hilo. Since its inception, the chapter has grown stronger, with its hard work and dedication going to FISH.

Brothers celebrated the start of a new year with many social events. Hawaii is well known for its breathtaking scenery and outdoor adventures. On February 17, 2014, four brothers embarked on a hiking trip to the summit of Mauna Kea, a dormant volcano standing 13,803 feet. Nearly halfway through the hike, the brothers could barely see the summit, because it was covered in clouds; however, due to the great elevation, they saw snow. For a local boy born and raised in Hawaii, Isaac Lau was excited, since he had never seen snow. Though it was a daunting mission, they worked together to surmount the challenge.

"Just as in pledging, having my Kappa Psi brothers with me, motivates me, encourages me, and fuels me to push forward and finish the process to the end," said Lau. "This event is something that no one can take away from us and, much like pledging... hiking Mauna Kea was the greatest experience that I don't ever want to do again."

Okezie Ironi, who also went on the hike added, "No summit is too high to overcome with my brothers by my side."



Zeta Beta brothers. L–R: (back row) Nuruat Ssemakula, Hughes Fotsing, Kwadwo Sarfo Kantanka, Brian Do, Elaine Muirhead, Patrice Nye, Lanorris Carey, Victor Akwuba, Jeremy Bishop, Dr. Drew Lambert, Dr. Allison Strobel, Allison Brown, Samantha Munson, Jennifer Brackett, Rachit Mehta, Andrew Tran, Kwaku Boateng, Esther Alumba; (front row) Patience Asumadu, Min Yang, Saima Sheikh, Eseosa Egharevba, Anthony Brown, Kayla Nguyen, Kayla Schurman, Charlene Wiegand, Ashley Mueller, and Zohra Faqeer.

Kappa Psi Love: Cherishing time together



ABOVE: Epsilon Beta Brothers John Chen and Nathaniel Oyefeso battle it out on a game of Just Dance.

RIGHT: Delta Upsilon brothers, friends, and family enjoy some down time at an indoor trampoline and laser tag center.



LEFT: The Masquerade party that the Delta Phi pledges organized for the brothers was a hit! The night consisted of mask making, poker playing, and families competition.



Don Juan Leftridge and Jarjeet Singh (Epsilon Nu) sing karaoke at the Spring 2014 Mountain East Province Assembly.



EΩ Epsilon Omega

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Epsilon Omega has had a great start to its first year as a new chapter. Since our chartering in November, we have participated in several volunteer events at Emanuel Faith Bible Christian Church, and we continue our search for opportunities to assist our community here in North Chicago. We are currently collaborating with the American Red Cross and are scheduled to hold a blood drive event in April hoping to acquire blood donations for patients in need. This year has been a great learning experience for us as a chapter, as we have begun the pledging process for our Beta class. As the chartering class for our chapter, we hold high expectations for the current pledges. We are dedicated to teaching the history and pillars that shape Kappa Psi, while also attaining the bonds of brotherhood that we, as a chapter, have established. We are extremely excited to experience the Fraternity on a regional level at the Mid-America Province meeting in April.

—Andrew Ruettiger

ZB Zeta Beta

Husson Univ. School of Pharmacy

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As the newest chapter of the Northeast Province, Zeta Beta is honored to join Kappa Psi Pharmaceutical Fraternity. The initiation ceremony was presided over by the Grand Vice-Regent, Dr. Latha Radhakrishnan, and Chapter Grand Council Deputy, Dr. Allison Strobel at Husson University in Bangor, Maine. The initiation exam and ritual culminated weeks of studying by the pledges who did their best to make Dr. Strobel proud. Before the exam and ceremony, many pledges were nervous, though this shifted to excitement as each pledge was initiated and pinned by his or her Big.

After our chartering ceremony, we ate a delicious dinner and dessert at the Hollywood Casino in downtown Bangor. Despite the fact our physical charter was held up by the wonderful Northeast weather, we still received our charter from Grand Vice-Regent Latha Radhakrishnan. We were fortunate to have brothers from the Delta Chi, Beta Epsilon, and Nu Chapters help to celebrate our initiation into a lifetime of brotherhood. Numerous letters from chapters across the country were presented and read aloud by Drs. Radhakrishnan and Strobel. The



Zeta Gamma brothers attending the Southeast Province conclave.

letters were both inspiring and welcoming. After dinner, the celebration of our chartering continued late into the evening. We thank everyone for making the long trip to Northern Maine, especially Dr. Radhakrishnan, who was stranded for a night in Detroit on her journey here.

It has been an incredible experience to be the founding class. We started out as individual pharmacy students from all over the place; now we are brothers. It is both a privilege and an honor to establish the chapter and shape its traditions. We will be great role models for our brothers who follow in our footsteps. Brother Lanorris Carey said, "Chartering was a learning experience, because you get to see first-hand what it takes to start a new fraternity—dedication, hard work, and team effort. Happy to know that everyone made it through... we are all brothers now. I am honored to be a part of the Alpha Class." Rachit Mehta could not have expressed how we all feel any better. "My experience during pledging and chartering was great. I felt like I found a new family away from my home in India." We all feel very lucky to be part of a close-knit group of people.

Throughout the many weeks of the pledging process, we learned what hard work and dedication means. We have had to lean on and learn from each other, especially during the Ritual. Saima Sheikh noted that pledging "allowed me to get closer and build a stronger relationship with my fellow brothers. Kappa Psi embodies

everything that I stand for and I feel so privileged to finally be a part of it." Samantha Munson added, "When I became a pledge for Kappa Psi, I had no idea just how many lifelong bonds would be created and solidified during the whole process. I am excited and proud when I tell people that I am a Kappa Psi Zeta Beta brother." Brian Do remarked, "These past several months have been incredibly amazing. Being able to meet new friends and learn more about the fraternity throughout the months allowed me to enjoy Bangor, Maine more."

The highlight of pledging was the Kenduskeag Haunted House. With the location of the Big/Little Reveal kept a secret, we climbed into vehicles with the active/graduate brothers. Once there, we were then put into groups and taken through together, laughing and screaming. Upon emerging, we were told the groups were our new families, and our Bigs surprised us with gifts. The best part of the night was Nuruat Ssemakula running through the parking lot screaming, because Leatherface (from Texas Chainsaw Massacre) was chasing her and scaring her. Her pledge name: Fearless.

Though we are a new chapter, we have already begun our philanthropy efforts by supporting the Ronald MacDonald House and Wounded Warrior Project. We have cooked lunches and dinners for the guests of the Ronald MacDonald House and we hope to continue this tradition in the future. To assist the Wounded

Warrior Project, we sent shoeboxes filled with all kinds of goodies to our soldiers in Afghanistan in November. Additionally, our efforts will continue to raise money for the project, as Maine has a large veteran population. We will continue to expand our reach and impact in the community and the university with more events. A Casino Night fundraiser is already planned for later this semester. With an Alpha Class of 25 brothers, we anticipate being very active in the future.

The Zeta Beta Chapter officers are regent Charlene Wiegand and vice regent Kayla Schurman. Our treasurer is Allison Brown and secretary is Ashley Mueller. The historian is Jennifer Brackett and our chaplain is Jeremy Bishop. Anthony Brown is our sargeant-at-arms, and his two assistants are Corey White and Brian Do. Our Grand Council Deputy, formerly Dr. Allison Strobel, is now Dr. Drew Lambert, with Co-GCDs Dr. Audrey Lambert and Dr. Evan Williams. Dr. Strobel was our founding Grand Council Deputy, and we are very grateful for her enthusiasm and brotherhood. We will miss her a great deal as she leaves Husson.

ZΓ Zeta Gamma

University of Florida-Jacksonville

Founded 2/8/2014

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A potent group of brothers have just emerged in the south. With the chartering of the fourth University of Florida College of Pharmacy campus in Jacksonville Florida, the Alpha

class of Zeta Gamma has risen. Although this group of brothers is small in number, they plan on having a great impact on the brotherhood under the influence of their pledge masters, Brothers Jennifer Carrillo and Brian Hoag. Zeta Gamma was chartered February 8, 2014. We want to thank all the brothers who participated in the process of our chartering, as many of them have influenced us in this chapter. Zeta Gamma was well represented, as a few of our brothers had the privilege of attending their first Southeast Province conclave, where the brothers in our Province welcomed us with open arms.

ZΔ Zeta Delta

University of South Florida

Founded 3/15/2014

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After 19 weeks of pledging, the Alpha class of the Zeta Delta Chapter was chartered on March 15, 2014. The ceremony took place at the University of South Florida College of Pharmacy in Tampa, Florida, and chapters from across the Southeastern Province and the nation came out to support us! The celebratory dinner was an amazingly surreal experience, as we got to bond as brothers with all of the chapters that joined in the celebration. While chartering was certainly the most significant moment of our year, the Alpha class (as a pledge class) was hard at work participating in several social and philanthropy events as a budding chapter. During the fall semester of pledging, the Zeta Delta pledges hosted a Halloween party for the residents of the American Cancer Society's Hope Lodge Tampa, and some of us joined Epsilon Eta in the Light the Night walk event for Leukemia & Lymphoma. In January, we kicked-off the spring semester with a pledge class retreat in Orlando, which coincided with the Florida Pharmacy Association's Young Pharmacists Leadership Conference, where many of us were in attendance. In February, we hosted the chapters of Central Florida at a talent show event that featured diverse and wildly entertaining acts from the Alpha pledge class. Several of our neighboring chapters, including Epsilon Eta, Epsilon Sigma, and Epsilon Mu, were in attendance for "Kappa Psi Pledges Got Talent." Many of us also attended the Southeast Province Conclave Assembly in Charleston, South Carolina, hosted by the Iota Chapter. We had an amazing time "flying into the danger zone" with brothers, while learning even more about the Fraternity's pillars from brothers

across the Province and visiting Provinces. Now, as brothers of Zeta Delta, we will be attending the APhA annual conference in Orlando and finishing the semester strong with participation in Relay for Life in April. We are thrilled to be building the foundation of our chapter at the University of South Florida, continuing long-held Fraternity traditions and starting a few new traditions of our own!

MOΠ Mu Omicron Pi

Wayne State University

Founded 5/14/1927

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Mu Omicron Pi held our first chapter retreat after finals in December. The event included setting goals for the upcoming year as well as setting long-term goals for the future of the chapter. The event also included a brotherly bonding football game, followed by our traditional chapter holiday dinner. Over the last semester, we have taken a progressive approach to reaching these goals, including increased philanthropy and committee organization. One recent success was our chapter's participation in Wayne State's Gift of Life competition. Our chapter collaborated with student organizations across Wayne State to advocate and register individuals to become organ donors. Wayne State ended up winning the statewide campus competition by registering 608 new organ donors. Our graduate brother, Chadi Bazzi, also assisted our chapter purchase over \$9,000 in medications at cost for the World Health Student Organization. Looking ahead into summer, our chapter is focused on planning the details for the Great Lakes Province fall conclave 2014. We look forward to seeing everyone in the fall and wish every brother the best in finishing up the semester.

—Victor Nguyen

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Albany Grad

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Athens Grad

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The winter months have been a busy time for the brothers of the Athens Graduate chapter. In January, brothers attended the Gulf Coast Province meeting in Nashville. It was a fun-filled weekend meeting new brothers as well as reconnecting with some Athens Graduate brothers living in that area. Also in January, we



The brothers of Zeta Delta show off their hard-earned letters for the first time on campus.

attended the Atlantic Province meeting in Chapel Hill. It was a weekend filled with fellowship and brotherhood that we will not soon forget. We thank both the Epsilon Kappa and Beta Xi chapters for their hospitality and congratulate them on a job well done.

One of the events we're most looking forward to this spring is Moustache March. Our chapter, along with the Gamma Phi chapter, will be growing moustaches to raise money for prostate cancer research.

—Abe Duncan

Atlanta Grad

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Since the start of the new year, Atlanta Grad has been very busy. Several brothers attended Gamma Psi's annual Ski Trip, which is always a blast and great way to network with brothers from neighboring chapters. We've been active in the rush and (now) pledging process at Gamma Psi. Helping mold pledges into new brothers is one of the most rewarding aspects of being an Atlanta Grad brother. We have traveled across the southeast portion of the state and not only attended the Atlantic Province conclave in Chapel Hill, but also had brothers at the Gulf Coast conclave in Nashville and at the Southeast Province conclave in Charleston.

—Johnathan Hamrick

Appalachia Grad

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Arizona Grad

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As we started the new year, AZ Grad was on a mission to reunite its members in a way they have not experienced in a while. At our first meeting of 2014, we openly shared ideas about the status and the future of AZ Grad. And while there is not a lot to report this quarter, we can say that we are excited for what is forthcoming.

Since Gamma Upsilon is hosting Pacific West Province this spring, we are looking forward to assisting them in their efforts to host a wonderful Province meeting

—Matthew Bertsch

Auburn Grad

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Birmingham Grad

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Birmingham Grad has been busy this winter. Several brothers attended the Gulf Coast Province winter conclave in Nashville in January. Congratulations to our brothers who are on the Executive Committee: Dr. Leigh Conner, Secretary, and Dr. Megan Brafford, Immediate Past

Satrap. We also have several brothers serving our Province through the Advisory Committee. Birmingham Grad has been busy planning the rest of this year and attending outside Province assemblies to continue to enhance our chapter. If you are in the Birmingham area and are interested in joining our chapter, please contact us on Facebook!

—Leigh Conner

Boston Grad

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The Boston Graduate chapter has been keeping busy these past few months. We are pleased to announce we have recently appointed new officers to keep the chapter running strong: regent, Joshua Paine; vice regent, Daniel Cloutier; secretary, Timothy Gilbert; treasurer, Michael Cournoyer; chaplain, Samuel Trask; and historian, Michael Provost. Our predecessors provided excellent leadership, especially our last past regent, Joseph Lavino, and we have big plans for the upcoming year. Joe has made long strides in reaching out to Boston graduates who may have lost touch by keeping a directory and setting up a newsletter. We will continue in Joe's steps to grow our network of graduate brothers and keep everyone informed on what's new with Boston Grad.

We continue to have a strong bond with Mu chapter as well. We are looking forward to our annual Smoker



Mu Omicron Pi brothers enjoy their annual football game.



Zeta Gamma Chapter's Alpha Class with pledgemasters Jennifer Carrillo and Brian Hoag.

with Mu which will be held in April at Demetri's in Foxboro, Massachusetts. This is a chance for us to share experiences and demonstrate how strong the Brotherhood is beyond the college years. We are also very proud to be able to provide scholarships to Mu brothers during this event.

Mu chapter and Boston Grad have decided to include more formal events to keep in touch, so we will be having our first Kappa Psi Golf Tourney in June. Money raised will go toward scholarships and charitable events.

—Michael Provost

Buies Creek Grad

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Winter has been filled with fun (and snow) in Buies Creek. Brother Melissa Buchanan represented the Buies Creek Graduate chapter at the

Atlantic Province assembly in January. Several brothers also attended Campbell University's first nationally televised home men's basketball game in February. It was a hard fought game that the Fighting Camels unfortunately lost, but everyone had a great time. A pre-game breakfast was hosted by the Delta Lambda brothers at the Kappa Psi house. While the winter has been fun, we are looking forward to thawing out this spring and more events with our brothers.

—Erin Bastidas

Buffalo Grad

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It's been one of the coldest winters here in Buffalo in the past 30 years. But Buffalo Grad is just heating up! We've had a very active winter, including a successful Toys-for-Tots cam-



Buies Creek Grad Brothers Leigh Foushee and Erin Bastidas cheering on the Fighting Camels.

paign in December and a mixed outing with all the local collegiates at a Buffalo Bandits indoor lacrosse game. That event included our annual Founders' Day dinner. We were also fortunate to attend Epsilon Omicron's (D'Youville College) initiation in February to welcome their new brothers to the Kappa Psi family. Many plans are in the works for 2014, including our annual continuing education program in April, an outing to a Buffalo Bisons baseball game in early summer, and many out-of-town trips to as many Province conventions as we can get to! We would also like to take a moment to provide a special thank you to Ryan Fillis. Visiting here from Maryland while on residency, he has become an active and appreciated part of the Buffalo Grad family, including his election as Satrap of the Mountain East Province. By the time

you read this, Brother Ryan may be preparing to move along to the next part of his professional career elsewhere in the country, and we wish him great success and are proud to have had him with us!

With that in mind, we remind all brothers that, if you visit, move to, or find yourself on residency in Western New York, you always have a home in Buffalo Grad. Follow us on Facebook (search "Kappa Psi-Buffalo Graduate Chapter") or email me directly at BuffMattKY@yahoo.com to be added to our email list.

—Matthew Sciara

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Central New York Grad

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Charleston Grad

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The Charleston Graduate chapter has had an exciting year thus far. We would first like to welcome both Justin Davis and Travis Combs to the chapter. Both brothers were officers as collegiates and we look forward to their valuable insight. We started the year off with six brothers attending the Phi Lambda Sigma Leadership ceremony. Additionally, several collegiate brothers received sponsorships from gradu-

ate brothers. The Charleston Grad chapter also had a strong showing at the Southeast Province spring conclave. Brothers started off with a meet and greet at The Alley, a bowling alley in downtown Charleston, and then transitioned to Brother Marvin Smith's birthday party with guest DJ, Johnathan Hamrick. Everyone had a great night and woke up to a delicious Southern breakfast of shrimp and grits. Later that night, brothers were also treated to dinner on the USS Yorktown with keynote speaker Dr. Joseph DiPiro. Overall, we had a great time with all our brothers and look forward to a strong showing at the Southeast Province fall conclave.

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Connecticut Grad

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Detroit Grad

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District of Columbia Grad

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The DC Graduate chapter, along with Delta Kappa chapter, attended the Mountain East spring Province in February, hosted by Epsilon Nu. All had a good time. Thanks to Brothers Thao Duong, Nicole Liu, Melonie Blake, and Erika Trevino for representing the chapter at Province. Despite the snowy weather we have been experiencing in the D.C. area, the brothers got together for the February social at Black Jack Restaurant in downtown D.C. to fellowship and enjoy good food. In the upcoming months, we will be assisting Delta Kappa with their pledging process and will continue to participate in community activities.

We would like to extend our congratulations to Brothers Seema and Louis Ledan who were married in February!

—Tameika Mapp

Georgia Grad

Founded 4/16/2000

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It has been another busy semester for the Georgia Grad chapter. We are



DC Grad and Delta Kappa are all smiles at the Mountain East Province meeting this past February.

glad to welcome the new Gamma Phi brothers into the Brotherhood. Many of the Georgia Grad brothers helped to get them through and it is our honor to call them our brothers. We are continuing our philanthropy and community service projects with the chapter and always looking to expand to help our community.

—Khalil Khelif

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Illinois Grad

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Illinois Grad is excited to update everyone on our latest events. Before the end of 2013, the we gave thanks for a great year by giving time back to our community. We brought many brothers and members of collegiate chapters to Feed My Starving Children in Schaumburg, Illinois. We recently had a pinning ceremony at Rosalind Franklin (Epsilon Omega). It gives us great pleasure to invite more people in the Brotherhood. We are looking forward to spring conclave. There have been many meetings to plan for this event, and we are most excited to see everyone there!

—Robert Stachowicz



Graduate Brothers Robert Mancini, Michael Starvaggi, Melissa Buchanan, and Chris Charles at the 2014 Atlantic Winter Conclave Banquet.

Indiana Grad

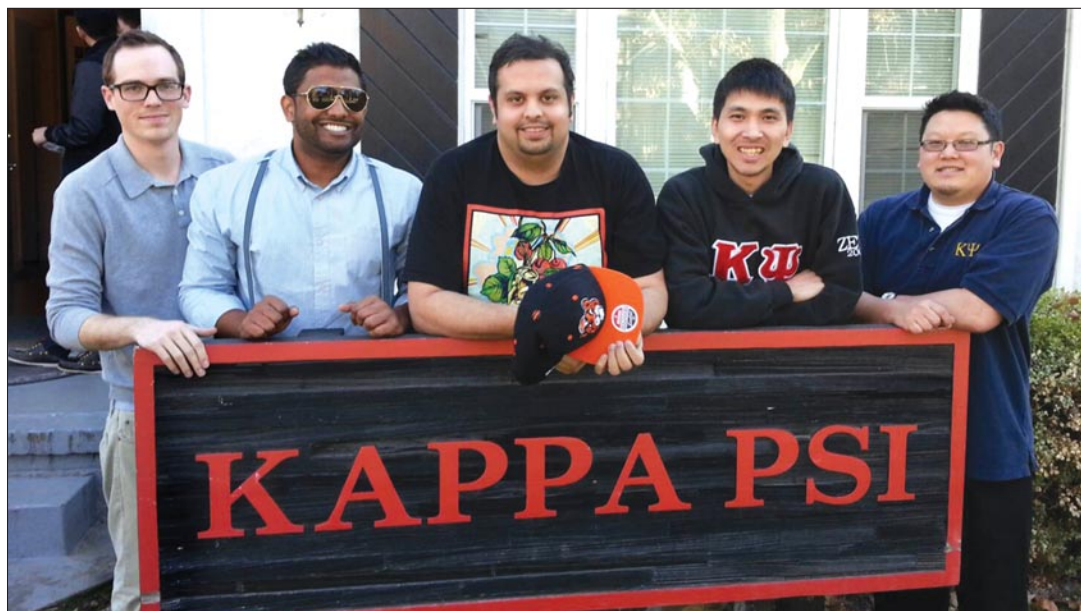
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Indiana Graduate Chapter has been busy supporting our collegiate chapters this past year. Pi Chapter (Purdue University) hosted Mid-America Province Assembly this past fall. The grad chapter participated in the Glow Run, which benefitted the Indianapolis Ronald McDonald House. Afterwards, Pi Chapter hosted a pizza dinner and grad Brother Kasey Tobbe treated all of us to her gourmet cupcakes for dessert. This winter, we continued our support of the Ronald McDonald House by hosting a dinner for the families. With support from Beta Upsilon (Butler University), Brothers Kasey and

Jenny Donaldson led the cooking for a homemade dinner. Based on the family reviews, they will gladly have us back! We also participated in a career question-and-answer session with Beta Upsilon. Brothers Meagan Ferguson, Jennifer Tobinon, Samaneh Kabul, Kasey Tobbe, and Jenny Donaldson answered questions regarding general and specific pharmacy practice issues. Careers varied from residency pathway, specialty compounding pharmacy, industry, and pediatric specialty practice. The students were very engaged with questions and thoughts about their potential career paths. Indiana Grad is looking forward to continued participation with our collegiate brothers and Mid-America Province.

—Jenny Donaldson



The newly elected Pac Grad board (L-R:) Ross Bauman, Avinesh Raman, Amal Thakarsey, Dean Pham, and Derrick Egi.



The newly elected officers of Illinois Grad.

Iowa Grad

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We held our winter meeting January 17–18 in Des Moines, Iowa. We discussed the usual business at the meeting. For our philanthropy, we collected money and purchased \$225 in food and cleaning supplies for the local Ronald McDonald House. The rest of the weekend was spent in fellowship and brotherhood. Our next meeting will be held the weekend of April 4–5 in Omaha in conjunction with the next Northern Plains Province assembly. We also have scheduled our summer meeting for May 30–31 to be held in Altoona, Iowa, with a fun-filled outing to Adventureland. Lastly, we are always seeking any interested brothers who would like to join Iowa Grad. If you are interested in joining, please visit

our Web page (www.iowagrad.org) and contact one of the officers. We are proud to be your brothers!

—Deanna McDanel

Kansas City Grad

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Kentucky Grad

Founded 11/17/1919

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Laurel Highlands Grad

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Los Angeles Grad

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The brothers of the Los Angeles Graduate chapter of Kappa Psi closed out their 2013 business calendar with

their annual tradition of hosting a business dinner held at Mastro's Steakhouse in Costa Mesa, California. Representatives from four California chapters were in attendance.

LA Grad will kick off their 2014 business calendar with officer elections in March, and the board is looking forward to another fun and fulfilling year. Please contact Sandra Chiang (chiang.swc@gmail.com) if you would like more information on joining the Los Angeles Graduate chapter for any of our 2014 events.

—Kevin Lau

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Maine Grad

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Middle Tennessee Grad

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The brothers of Middle TN Grad continue to work with the collegiate chapters in the Nashville area. Brothers attended the Gulf Coast Province winter conclave and enjoyed fellowship with the 250-plus brothers who came to enjoy their great city for the weekend. Thanks again to the brothers of Epsilon Kappa for putting on a great meeting and making your grad chapter proud! Also, congratulations to Brother Adam Culbertson and his wife Tiffany on the birth of their second son, Bowen! If any brother lives in the Middle Tennessee area, feel free to join our Facebook page and contact us for more information regarding the chapter.

—Zac Renfro

Minnesota Grad

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Montana Grad

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New Mexico Grad

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The New Mexico Graduate chapter is finally here! We were officially chartered on Sunday, February 16, 2014, with 15 charter members as follows: Kelly Caldwell, Christine Cooper, Neil Garver, Brooke Green, Jason Harris, Daniel Irwin, Marcial Martinez, Davena Norris, Eddie Ortega, Sophia Park, Frank Perkins, Anwyn Pritchard, Chris Trujillo, Hien Vu, and Jennie Weese.

February 16 happens to be Founders Day for Gamma Rho, our collegiate chapter, who has been very supportive. Our chapter would like to give a special thanks to two fourth-year brothers who were instrumental in helping finalize the chartering of New Mexico Graduate. Nwamaka Nwabogolu and Krystle Tapia were both presented with recognition pins for their outstanding work.

—Marcial Martinez

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all projects which will advance the profession of pharmacy and to actively participate in them.



Epsilon Gamma Brother Elaine Nguyen gives blood.



Epsilon Iota Brothers enjoy a winter retreat at Lake Tahoe.



Welcome to Zeta Delta!



Beta Phi brothers build for Habitat for Humanity.



The pledges of Epsilon Omicron pose with the pledging committee at the annual Epsilon Omicron Toga Party.

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North Carolina Grad

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Orlando Grad

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The brothers of OG Swag have been doing some traveling and collegiate mentoring events. A few of us got to attend ASHP Midyear in December as it was in our back yard, and we were able to partake in fellowship with brothers from around the nation and visit the Atlantic and Northwest Provinces at their conclaves. With rotations around the corner, Deanna Mina presented and provided guidance to the third-year Epsilon Mu brothers on how to prepare and offered some very helpful tips to survive. Some of the brothers were able to attend the chartering of the newest chapter that was added to the Southeast Province family, Zeta Gamma, and we look forward in a few weeks to attending the chartering of Zeta Delta. We just had the pleasure of returning for an amazing spring SEP conclave hosted by Iota in Charleston that was out of this world, and we shall see some of you at upcoming conclaves!

—Jenny Carrillo

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It has been a busy few months for the Pacific Graduate chapter brothers. January marked the beginning of rush for the Gamma Nu chapter, and as usual, Pac Grad brothers were there to support. Rush culminated on February 1 with the Rush Dinner, Gamma Nu and Pac Grad's largest annual get-together and banquet. Not only does this event bring together generations of Kappa Psi brothers, but it showcases the strength of the Fraternity to the potential brothers who were welcomed to attend. Held at Brookside Country Club in Stockton, California, the banquet provided the perfect venue for 38 Pacific Graduate brothers, 5 faculty members, and the



Iowa Grad at fall NPP conclave.



Brothers from Beta Kappa, Pittsburgh Grad, and Philadelphia Grad get together to make fleece blankets for Project Linus.

entire collegiate chapter to reunite and display the Brotherhood. Everyone in attendance had the great pleasure of hearing speeches by the current Grand Regent Eric Gupta, and Past Grand Regent Lawrence Brown, both initiates of Gamma Nu.

The ever-popular "Rush Brunch" was again a success, first organized in 2011 by Pac Grad vice regent Avinesh Raman. With the whole restaurant rented out, nearly 30 Pac Grad and P3 brothers were able to mingle, catch up, and enjoy amazing food in an informal setting on the morning of the Rush Dinner.

Pacific Graduate chapter also held its biannual election meeting. With

more than 25 graduate brothers in attendance, the status of the chapter was discussed, dues were collected, and elections were held for new officers. Three incumbents retained their positions, and the board welcomed two new officers, including the first new Pac Grad treasurer since 1988: regent, Amal Thakarsey; vice regent, Avinesh Raman; treasurer, Dean Pham; secretary, Derrick Egi; and historian, Ross Bauman.

Pac Grad would like to thank Donald Floriddia for his 26 years of service as the graduate chapter treasurer; his dedication to the office and to Kappa Psi is unmatched.

—Ross Bauman

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Pittsburgh Grad has been quite busy. We tore up the ice at a skating event with Beta Kappa and Delta Epsilon in January. Thankfully, there were no bruises or broken bones by the end of the evening. Plans are already being made for more inter-chapter events during the spring. Pittsburgh Grad also hosted a potluck to benefit Project Linus in February. More than a dozen blankets were



Epsilon Nu brothers enjoying the hoedown at the Mountain East Province



Pomona Grad brothers (Back L-R:) Helen Ngo, Charles Lam, Jacob Arslanian, PJ Lansangan, Chen Chen Melissa Landry, Stephanie Lin. (Front L-R:) Bella Patel, Caroline Ahaja, Wen-hsin Jiang, Julie Hoang, Joanne Nguyen, Tram Khuong, Matthew Furukawa, Jamie Ky, Theresa Lin, and Tony Chiang.

made by the brothers over delicious food and fun movies. A big thank-you goes to Brothers Chris and Trish Miller for the hospitality, blanket supplies, and homemade tomato soup. As usual, the brothers of Pittsburgh Grad have been making the spring Province rounds. In addition to having a grand time at our own Mountain East Province assembly in Salisbury, Maryland, we visited Charleston,

South Carolina, for the Southeast Province assembly and Lima, Ohio, for the Great Lakes Province assembly. Planning is underway for our third annual Summer Picnic and a potential golf tournament. If any brothers in the area are interested in joining up with the chapter, please contact Liz (Poole) Van Dyke (kyglind-abk@gmail.com) for information.

—Liz Van Dyke

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The winter months have been busy. We started December by hosting a thank-you dinner for last year's executive board from Epsilon Gamma. We

wanted to thank them for all of their hard work and for keeping Epsilon Gamma in the upper echelon of collegiate chapters, maintaining the number two spot in the Fraternity. We recognized both past regent Kate Miyamoto and past financial chair Jaclyn Maya for their outstanding dedication to the betterment of the chapter. We then piggybacked on Epsilon Gamma's winter retreat, with several brothers going up to Mammoth Lake for some winter fun. Next, pledging season began for Epsilon Gamma, and the graduate brothers came out in droves to support the collegiates and help teach the new pledge class. We've also continued to support Epsilon Gamma with their philanthropy, helping to precept them at the free homeless clinic every other week as well as coming out to their Let's Move elementary school presentations. Coming soon, Pomona Grad goes to Vegas, PacWest Province assembly, and a few banquets to welcome the new class and to end the academic year.

—Jacob Arslanian

Portland Grad

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Portland Graduate chapter held their annual dinner meeting in November 2013, and it was attended by 14 graduate members, 4 spouses and 6 collegiate members from Epsilon Xi. The newly elected officers this year are: regent, Arlie Brown; vice regent, Erin Hewitt; secretary, Christie Davis; treasurer, Ed Cole; chaplain, Marshall Crabtree; sergeant at arms, Samantha Flores; and historian, Art Sorenson. We congratulate this year's Executive Committee and also want to thank our delegates, Erin Hewitt and Marshall Crabtree, for their services at the NW Province meeting in Vancouver, British Columbia. We are happy to announce the Oregon chapters are well represented on the newly elected NW Province Board. Marshall Crabtree, Portland Graduate chapter, is Satrap; Janelle Rychlick, Epsilon Xi, is Secretary/Treasurer; and Nicolle Rychlick, Portland Graduate chapter, remains as GCC Delegate.

We encourage anyone interested to take a look at our Facebook page: Portland Grad-Kappa Psi.

—Art Sorenson

Providence Grad

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Providence Grad held its annual business meeting on January 27, at the Outback Steakhouse in East Greenwich. The following officers

were elected for 2014: regent Tom Bertha, vice regent Brian MacDonald, secretary Dan Lefkowitz, treasurer John Grossomanides, historian Karl Kehrle, chaplain Nathan Charpentier, and athletic director Brett Lareau.

In other news, Michael Simeone, who has been very involved with students at the university for many years, became the Grand Council Deputy for the Beta Epsilon chapter at URI. We trust the chapter will continue to flourish under his guidance.

Paul Capuano, URI Class of 1982, is now chief compounding pharmacist at JB Pharmacy in Providence. Paul and his staff have developed a comprehensive non-sterile compounding service since moving to their new Providence location in 2012. Specialty compounded formulations include transdermal creams, pediatric liquids, rectal and vaginal suppositories, veterinary preparations, hormone replacements, and custom dermatology preps. Congratulations Paul!

We look forward to reconnecting with fellow brothers and honoring Golden and Silver Mortar Award recipients at the upcoming Founders Day Banquet, tentatively scheduled for April 21.

—Karl Kehrle

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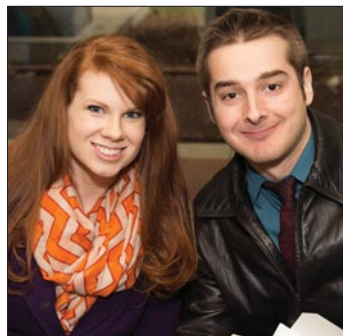
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Savannah Grad has been busy with many projects over the past couple months, being helping hands to the chapters in the area. Several brothers went down and took part in the chartering of Zeta Gamma and enjoyed the festivities in Jacksonville. The brothers of Savannah Grad would also like to congratulate Travis Ireland for another term on the EC of SEP. And locally, we gave a helping hand to the brothers and pledges of Delta Omega and invited them over for the annual Super Bowl Party. For any of you who missed it, we would like to thank Iota chapter for hosting a great conclave and reception dinner aboard the USS Yorktown.



Epsilon Zeta Brothers Angela Perhac and Eric Emery at the 2014 Atlantic Winter Conclave.

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Southeast Florida & Bahamas Grad

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The Southeast Florida & Bahamas Graduate chapter has been working to plan a successful year! We were proud to have a strong representation at the winter Southeast Province conclave meeting. In attendance were Daniel Welch, Amy Elhämshäry, Rick Wilhoit, Kylie Webb, Ryan Ritchie, and Marvin Smith—more than half of our active roster! We will be working with nearby collegiate chapters Delta Rho and Delta Upsilon over the next couple of months to plan chapter development and recruitment socials.

—Ryan Ritchie

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South Dakota Grad will hold its spring meeting in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, to elect delegates to the Northern Plains Province conclave in Omaha, Nebraska; plan the Graduation Ritual for 2014 graduates; offer fundraising efforts for the new house; increase involvement with Gamma Kappa; and discuss the future of the profession. Sean Donahoe is in the process of reviewing and revising the chapter ordinances. The changes will be considered at the fall meeting. Many of the brothers have been involved in many community service activities around the state and region.

—Gary Van Riper



Wisconsin Grad Brothers at Nicole Welke's wedding in Nassau, Bahamas. From left: Meghan Wolfmeyer, Jill Gostisha, TJ Welke, Nicole Welke, Jena Wissbroecker, Heather Berghammer, Aimee Zold

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The brothers of St. Louis Graduate chapter have had a winter full of philanthropy and fellowship promoting industry, sobriety, and high ideals. Brothers of St. Louis Grad and Gamma Pi participated in gift wrapping for the St. Louis Asthma and Allergy Foundation. Brothers also assembled care packages that were sent overseas to active military. The packages included snacks, personal care items, puzzle books, and more.

We remembered our brothers who have passed away with the Grand Agora at our Christmas party. Brothers Chad Forinash, Brent Bloemer, Adam Nobbe, John Rahilly, and Brock Stotlar braved the cold for a ski trip in Cooper Mountain, Colorado, in early February. We're looking forward to warming up in the spring and planning for CE, the NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Walk, and Mid-America's Province meeting in Chicago!

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Wisconsin Grad chapter has been working hard on our goal of bringing back the scholarship fund for our brothers in Beta Psi! Members of our chapter have taken many steps forward and are following leads on decreasing financial obligations to get this fund going. We are planning to meet with a lawyer to determine if it is feasible to sell shares of the Beta Psi house to brothers to help decrease some of the financial commitment. Brothers have also been coming up with additional ideas of fundraising possibilities to restart the scholarship fund.

This past November, brothers of the Wisconsin Graduate chapter had



Beta Pi brothers pose for a formal picture during Northwest Province Conclave Awards Banquet in Vancouver B.C.



Zeta Delta pledges enjoy their first Southeast Province assembly.

the opportunity to celebrate the wedding of one of our members, Nicole Welke! The couple had a destination wedding at the Atlantis Resort in Nassau, Bahamas. Several of the brothers of our chapter were able to attend the wedding and support Nicole as she took a step into the next chapter of her life. Congratulations Nicole and TJ!

Our next meeting will be in Milwaukee on April 12. If you are interested in joining WI Grad, send us an e-mail. We'd love to have you! Use the official address above, or try wikappapsi@gmail.com.

—Meghan Wolfmeyer

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The Great Lakes Province has been busy this winter with exciting events such as initiations, trips to Gatlinburg, and bake sales. Recently, brothers from Xi, Beta Lambda, Beta Phi, and Gamma Delta traveled to Columbus, Ohio, to participate in the Student Pharmacist Legislative Day. Students met with their local congressmen in efforts to advance the profession of pharmacy. Gamma Delta is hard at work preparing for the 2014 GLP spring Province assembly in Lima,

Ohio, March 21–23. The next fall Province assembly will be hosted by Mu Omicron Pi chapter in Detroit, Michigan. More details will be available in the next MASK issue.

—Theresa Davis

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While most of us have been covered in snow since the start of the year, we've also been busy within our chapters and within the Province. Chi chapter spent February 22 at Cornerstone Community Outreach in



Epsilon Phi Brothers Raynell Gibbs, Jodi Singleton, and Tianna Pressley at the 2014 Atlantic Winter Conclave Banquet

Chicago feeding the homeless. On March 1, brothers of Epsilon Rho took the icy plunge in support of Special Olympics at the Polar Bear Plunge in Rockford, Illinois. Delta Nu hosted a Kappa Psi Brother Hour for old brothers to welcome new brothers at Gnarly J's in Downers Grove, Illinois. Gamma Pi has been busy starting the semester with a variety of rush events, including a Girls'/Guys' Night, Dove chocolate party, mug decorating night, a Super Bowl event, a masquerade, and a Kappa Psi Night Out at the Blues hockey game.

We are in the final stages of planning our spring conclave, set for April 25–27 in beautiful Chicago, Illinois, hosted by Chi chapter. Chi has been busy to make it a weekend everyone will remember. Our Province weekend is scheduled to include a blood drive to benefit our national philanthropy, the Red Cross; a trivia night to benefit our Province philanthropy, the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI); a CE opportunity, social events on the town, and tours of the area by Chi brothers.

—Lauren Palmier

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We are looking forward to our next Province meeting hosted by Beta Nu April 4–5, at the Embassy Suites in downtown Omaha, Nebraska. It will be Beta Nu's grand centennial year, so there will be a lot to celebrate! The Province Planning Committee had their last meeting on February 12 and everything is coming along really well! On Friday night, chapters will compete in a fun night of trivia and games. Saturday evening following dinner will be a night full of dancing. Brothers are to come dressed in their



Delta Lambda Brothers at the 2014 Atlantic Winter Conclave Banquet

best “Hunger Games” attire and a prize will be awarded for the best costume of the evening! We look forward to seeing you there!

—*Pamela Wong*

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Spring has been an important time for the Southeast Province. With the addition of new legislation into our local ordinance, the Southeast Province has been working diligently to lay the foundation of a formal ‘election process’ that mirrors that of the Grand Council Convention’s election process. We hope the changes will encourage Province brothers to proactively get to know their Province Officers before attending conclave.

These legislative changes were voted upon and adopted during our spring 2014 conclave in beautiful Charleston, South Carolina, hosted by



Atlantic Satrap Jason Milton presents Atlantic supervisor Michael Starvaggi with a W. Bruce Philip Certificate of Commendation for his service to the Atlantic Province.

the brothers of Iota, with an amazing keynote speaker, the legendary Brother Dr. DiPiro himself. At this assembly, we also recognized old officers for their dedication and elected new ones to serve the Province! Please congratulate these brothers as they commit their time to better our Fraternity: Satrap Karl Healy, Vice Satrap Saswat Kabisatpathy, Secretary Sam Schmis, Treasurer Travis Ireland, Historian Timmy Do, Chaplain Amanda Brown, Parliamentarian Dave Cook, Newsletter Editor Harrison J. Beasley, Asst. Newsletter Editor Bella Mogaka, Webmaster Sarah Mak, Asst. Webmaster Daniel Morley, GCC Delegate Jenny Carrillo, and Alternate GCC Delegate Ashton T. Cobb. We also celebrated Brother Dr. Marvin Smith’s birthday. Happy Birthday and thank you for continuing



Brother Grand Ritualist, Harry Marcelin delivering Marvin his Bday roast!

to be the fire-breathing dragon that ignites the flame within all of us.

Further, the Southeast Province as a whole has been very involved and hands-on with our chapters. With contributions from nearly every chapter, we have had the fortune of chartering one of the newly “Zeta” chapters within our Province. On February 28, 2014, the University of Florida (UF) Jacksonville Campus was officially chartered as Zeta Gamma. This concludes the final UF distance campus to have a Kappa Psi chapter within the Province!

As for future events, the Southeast Province will be organizing our first annual Leadership Retreat this summer July 18–20 to help develop our future brothers. Our fall assembly will be held September 5–7 in beautiful

Bradenton, Florida, home of the number one beach in the U.S. —Siesta Key! We encourage all brothers to attend our events as we love visitors.

—*Timmy Do*

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As I am writing this, our Province weekend is coming to a close. We had an eventful meeting with elections, legislative debates, and lots of brotherly fun. The outgoing officers would like to wish the incoming officers the best of luck and warm wishes for your terms. We have faith in your abilities to move our Province onward.

Special thanks to Epsilon Epsilon for hosting a wonderful Province in warm, sunny Corpus Christi!

—*Christine Cooper*



Don Juan Leftridge and Courtney Murphy (Epsilon Nu) attend the Hoe-Down at the Spring 2014 Mountain East Province Assembly.

His name was Kareem . . . what are their names?

By Marvin Smith, Southeast Florida & Bahamas Grad

His name was Kareem McKinney. I remember the first time I met him ... he was a pledge at Delta Iota and was so happy to meet a fellow Bahamian who was already a brother in the Fraternity he was pledging. He said to me, "All the brothers here talked to me about you, even the faculty ones." That begun almost a decade of our interaction. Kareem was a smart kid, with a good heart. He could be energetic, spirited, and the life of the party. He could have easily been regent, or satrap, or anything he wanted, because in addition to his intellect and energy, Kareem had the one thing going for him that money couldn't buy—EVERYONE that met Kareem wanted to like Kareem.

I kept tabs on him at Delta Iota while I was back working in the Bahamas. Then he dropped off the radar for a while. But later he resurfaced when I saw his name on an application for the vacant deputy chief pharmacist post at our country's largest public hospital. Of course, I did all I could to support his employment and when he started, I was there on his first day to offer encouragement, the support of my office, and one more thing—a "welcome to the job gift." It was a brand-new Kappa Psi necktie. For the next year or so, we had lunch weekly, hung out on weekends, and Kareem was present for every family function I had. Our favorite thing was to show up in our chapter jerseys and laugh at all the folk who kept confusing us with Kappa Alpha Psi. Things seemed great and I was so happy to have another Kappa Psi brother here in the country with me.

But the utopia didn't last. Frequent absences and reports of episodes of mood swings and erratic behavior soon began to find their way up the ladder to my ears. After a planned trip together to conclave at Delta Iota was disrupted by a weeklong absence in which not even his mother could locate him, I knew something was wrong. Returning back home, I confronted him, in a rather aggressive manner, somehow knowing that the soft approach would garner no results. In doing so, he admitted he was facing some serious challenges and substance abuse was one of them. I begged him to get proper help and even offered to pay for it myself. I told him that he couldn't quit on his own and whether he believed it or not, it was clear he was no longer in control of his life. He told me he would get help in his own way and I was being "dramatic."

Subsequent efforts on my part were always rebuffed or directly rejected, and by the time the hospital filed a formal complaint against him, he and I would rarely even speak. Ironically, the decision was made for him to be removed from the hospital and serve the remainder of his contract's tenure at the National Drug Agency where I am the current deputy director. But here he was allowed to do as he wanted, through no doing of mine, and every effort to help him reform was met with his refusal, compounded by institutional disregard or coddling. In the end, there was nothing to be done but watch him walk down the rough, dangerous path, being stripped of his professional integrity and his dignity as a man. It was his choice, but he had given his addiction all of the authority and in turn, it transformed this vibrant, smart young man into a shell, a carcass of suffering, misfortune and tragedy.

Even my long-suffering superiors have their limits and so late in 2013, he was informed that his contract was not to be renewed. When he left the office that Friday in early November, he left as a broken man. He could barely walk due to multiple strokes he had experienced due to his addiction. He had suffered various injuries; some we surmised through beatings and assaults, others due to activities of choice. His speech was damaged and he looked 10 years older than the 40 years of age he really was. Nobody wanted to verbalize it, but deep down most of the staff knew he would not be alive in three months ... not unless there was a drastic change in his life.

Kareem died this past January and while many shed tears for him, I was not one of them. It was as close to a natural "mercy death" as I have ever seen, and I honestly can't say I was sad to see him pass away. You see, I grew up across the street from two drug houses (places where people bought and used cocaine). As a child, I saw the effects of addiction every day and realized that this type of addiction wants and takes control. And unless you take the control back, it will either kill you quickly, or slowly, but it will kill you. That fact is undeniable and when it comes to cocaine, the White Lady is undefeated when she runs the show. I didn't want to see someone who I had once considered a close friend and a brother go down the slow version of that path. I didn't want to see him at 55 or 60 living on the streets, begging for spare change, or dis-

abled permanently. I believe that in His mercy, the Grand Regent of the Universe took Kareem now, sparing him additional pain and sorrow.

In speaking with my brothers at Delta Iota, they just had no clue that Kareem battled this addiction, and the truth is now surfacing that he had these issues long before he entered pharmacy school. Without the requisite exposure, and training, these brothers were no match for a seasoned addict who at that time had the ability to be a "functional addict" and cloak his addiction, even to trained pharmacy professionals. It even took me more than a year to figure this out about him, and I'm from the drug-infested ghetto and have been around addicts all my life.

So why am I writing this? We have so many brothers who battle substance abuse problems, but we often operate in denial because we are more concerned with being friendly than we are about being brotherly. We see this in our families, our social groups and beyond. The time has come for us to address this more aggressively in our chapters and at our schools. The time has come for us to have a real "no tolerance" attitude to substance abuse (including marijuana) at our chapters. The time has come for us to be proactive rather than reactive. The time is now for us to not just say it, but truly be our brother's keeper.

His name was Kareem ... and he could've easily been the next great pharmacist in the world. Instead, he died having wasted the enormous gifts that the Creator endowed to him. There's no saving him now, and his 40 years on this earth leave so much more to be desired. As I write this, I'm turning 40 in 4 days and I know that except for some decisions I made and some advice I listened to, it could've easily been me lying in the grave he now occupies. The difference in my life has been family, friends and in a major way, Kappa Psi. Who in your chapter do you need to make a difference for? How many "Kareems" are now showing their addictive tendencies with pot, prescription drugs, alcohol and other substances? What will be your response as chapters and as individual brothers? His name was Kareem ... how many Kareems are in your chapter? If you choose to ignore their habits, that's fine; just make sure you save the date for their funeral.

His name was Kareem ... what are their names?



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Trey Reeves,
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Dave Cook at
the Southeast
Winter Conclave

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