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OF KAPPA PSI PHARMACEUTICAL FRATERNITY



Celebrating Excellence  
during challenging times!





*Christina Askew  
Grand Regent*

## The State of the Fraternity 2020–2021

It's been a year of challenges and of adaptation as the COVID-19 pandemic continued to intensify and created additional disruption to our usual activities. Throughout the changing landscape on campuses, within healthcare, and throughout society, our Kappa Psi chapters and brothers stepped up to support their communities and each other with a focus on our ideals and a commitment to service.

One year ago, we were addressing the ongoing changes in our communities and our schools that were impacting all of our chapters and brothers. Plans and recommendations were changing frequently. We didn't know how things may evolve or how long some of the adjustments we were making would need to be in place. Our student leaders were called upon to make difficult decisions under unusual circumstances and they showcased the sober-minded decision making we promote. As universities made the decision to move to virtual or a hybrid of virtual/in-person learning for the fall, rushing and pledging events were modified or changed to virtual structures. New processes for chapter meetings were explored and we learned new ways to keep connected despite being apart.

Although many of our chapters remained off campus or under pandemic restrictions, we continued to find ways to make an impact. Our first-ever Service Week was held October 4–10, 2020, and it was an impressive kickoff. More than 700 brothers joined Service Week activities with over 75 events being held during the week. Activities hosted included health clinics, blood drives, book drives, food drives, and flu vaccination clinics. During this one week, our members prepared more than 7,300 meals,

donated more than 400 boxes of food, and provided financial donations to various charities totaling \$10,659. Seeing the chapters sharing their work as the week progressed, highlighted how much we can accomplish when we work together.



*Gamma Psi brothers make videos of themselves reading children's books for Reach Out and Read. The chapter also partnered with elementary schools in the Atlanta area to assist teachers as they adapted to the challenges and changes in curriculum during the pandemic. The chapter also hosted blood drives with the Red Cross and provided consultation during Men's Health Month.*

Our partnership with Reach Out and Read has continued to strengthen this year with a series of challenges developed by the Philanthropy Committee. The new Kappa Psi donation portal became a key piece to participate with these efforts as it made virtual events and donations easier to complete ([classy.org/campaign/kappa-psi-pharmaceutical-fraternity/c250984](https://classy.org/campaign/kappa-psi-pharmaceutical-fraternity/c250984)). Following a general donation challenge, the fall semester brought a virtual Read Together challenge with brothers creating videos reading stories. The videos were made available for virtual distribution by Reach Out and Read. Our final challenge was a donation event that coincided with the annual year-end fundraising efforts. In the two years since the 59th Grand Council Convention ended, Kappa Psi has raised more than \$40,000 for Reach Out and Read.

As the spring semester remained with most of our chapters in virtual or hybrid education, we continued our community support. While many of our brothers turned their individual efforts to volunteering at COVID vaccination clinics, our chapters continued their service efforts with the development of new projects. Mu Omicron Pi, at Wayne State University, focused on support of children by combating food insecurity as well as improving childhood literacy through a series of events. The Professional Fraternity Association (PFA) recognized their work by naming them the recipient of the 2021 PFA Outstanding Professional Program Award. Kappa Psi also confirmed our commitment to service with the continuation of the Service Grant program started in 2018–2019. Ten chapters received a \$1,000 grant each to assist in developing projects that require some capital to get off the ground.

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## On the Cover:

Twenty-nine members of Epsilon Beta's  
spring 2021 pledge class after initiation.  
Many chapters continued to recruit new  
members and stay connected by being  
creative and adapting to the ever-changing  
rules regarding COVID-19.



Zeta Omicron brothers struggled with the APPE schedules being virtual or rescheduled due to COVID-19, but pre-  
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## Celebrating accomplishments and awarding excellence

Brothers,

In this issue, we celebrate all our accomplishments over the 2020–21 academic year. We have a lot  
to be proud of from our first philanthropy week, overcoming the struggles of the pandemic, and most  
important, continuing to grow our Fraternity. Check out all the 2020–21 chapter award winners and  
Kappa Psi Foundation Scholarship recipients.

Make sure you check out Brother Houston Williams' story on page 28 about overcoming the strug-  
gles of being regent of Upsilon amid the pandemic. Another heartwarming story involves Brother  
Joseph Paul Javier of Mu Omicron Pi (on page 30) and his dedication to pharmacy and making a dif-  
ference in the world.

Fraternally,

Cameron VanDyke, editor

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*Congratulations to all our brothers who have fought through the obstacles that have been presented to them by the pandemic to complete their pharmacy degree. Above, Epsilon Eta Brothers Liony Arzu, Fejiro Omakor, and Brenda Oppong celebrate together.*




*Beta Omicron completed their Welcome Kit Service Grant project in April. More than 35 brothers came together and spent more than \$1,000 to purchase school and bathroom supplies for incoming refugee families. These supplies were assembled into 16 different welcome kits that were donated to World Relief Seattle.*

While much of our efforts over the past year have been focused on assisting our chapters adapt to new virtual structures, we are moving ahead with plans for the future. One of the new initiatives Kappa Psi announced this spring is diversity, equity, and inclusion education and training offered through the Professional Fraternity Association (PFA). The content was developed specifically for professional fraternal organizations and Kappa Psi's membership in PFA allows all our members to take advantage of this training. The initial rollout is education on unconscious bias and additional training will expand as our members complete this first step.

We have learned ways to adapt over the past year, but there are ongoing disruptions we still face. Given concern for the continued risk of COVID-19 infection and uncertain vaccination rates prior to the planned 60th Grand Council Convention in July 2021, the International Executive Committee made the decision to postpone the event to July 2022. While this delay is best for the safety of our members and the ability to achieve our goals with the convention, the time between meeting in person comes with decreased ability for brothers to interact and increased complexity to provide needed support to our chapters. Many of the previous challenges for Kappa Psi remain. We also face new concerns to address due to the lengthy time off campuses and the not yet resolved impact of the continuing to evolve pandemic. The development of new chapters for Kappa Psi was placed on hold when schools moved to virtual learning. It is unknown if that work will be able to continue for most of the groups prior to the next Grand Council Convention. Most notably, the reduction in applicants to pharmacy programs at Kappa Psi host institutions will continue to greatly affect the near future of the Fraternity. We don't yet know the impact COVID will contribute, but the expected reduction in overall membership due to decreased enrollment on campuses is expected to continue and potentially accelerate. As such, the International Executive Committee (IEC) has continued to focus on creating strong operational guides and structures to support chapters and their activities. In addition to impact on chapter activities, decreased membership comes with decreased revenue at the chapter, province and international levels. In 2020, the IEC approved a budget that planned for reduced revenue due to an expected 7% reduction in new members by the end of 2020. It's difficult at this time to evaluate how much our member reduction is due to issues related to COVID changing on campus activities compared to decreased pharmacy enrollment. Regardless of the cause, we plan for the financial impact to continue and are adjusting our financial goals with an eye to chapter support.

One year ago, while planning for unexpected situations, I would never have guessed at the year we were to have. We experienced great successes and unexpected setbacks. Times of comradery and celebration were intermixed with moments of frustration, anxiety, and grief. It was an unusual experience but we've learned so much. I've been inspired by the creativity of our members and the innovative solutions that have been developed. I know we will be stronger in the future as we incorporate what we have experienced this year into our future goals. As always, I'm so grateful to the many volunteers who have given their time to keep our Fraternity strong. We don't yet know what the next year will look like, but I'm confident that we will rise to the challenge and continue to advance our mission.

Fraternally,

  
Christina Askew, Pharm.D.  
Grand Regent 2019–2022



## Kappa Psi Highlights July 2020—July 2021

- The International Executive Committee developed a guide on COVID-19 Considerations for Returning to Campus with resources on: chapter operations, completion of rituals, hosting rushing and pledging events, chapter house concerns.
- Rushing and Pledging during COVID-19 Open Forum was held 9/9/2020.
- Webinar series for graduates on COVID- related topics was held in October and November. Topics included support of collegiate chapter pledging, self-care and COVID-19 impacts on mental health, the heightened role of the pharmacist, and financial considerations in the times of COVID.
- First Kappa Psi Service Week was held October 4–10, 2020.
- Pledging in a Pandemic: Chapter Successes webinar was hosted on December 17, 2020.
- \$1,000 Service Grants Recipients

- o Psi
- o Beta Kappa
- o Beta Omicron
- o Beta Omega
- o Gamma Lambda
- o Delta Delta
- o Delta Lambda
- o Delta Phi
- o Epsilon Rho
- o Zeta Iota



- Past Grand Regent Dr. Brian Reisetter was selected as the 2021 recipient of the A. Richard Bliss, Jr. Grand Council Citation of Appreciation. Presentation of the award was postponed due to cancellation of the APhA Convention in-person meeting and reception due to COVID-19.
- Chapter Anniversaries
  - o Theta at Virginia Commonwealth University—chartered July 30, 1921
- The virtual Leadership Academy was completed over the course of 2020–2021 following the cancellation of the Leadership Symposium due to COVID-19 travel and meeting restrictions.
- Cancellation of in-person events continued throughout the year with virtual rituals being held and virtual Province meetings being developed.
  - o ASHP hosted a virtual Mid-Year Clinical Meeting and APhA hosted a virtual annual meeting.
  - o The 60th Grand Council Convention was postponed from July 2021 to July 17–21, 2022. The Arizona Grand Resort and Spa in Phoenix, AZ, will remain the meeting site.
- A Fraternity-wide virtual Graduation Ritual was held on May 13, 2021.
- Kappa Psi donations to Reach Out and Read from July 2019–July 2021 surpassed \$40,000.
- Mu Omicron Pi chapter at Wayne State University was named the recipient of the Professional Fraternity Association Professional Project Award for 2021.

*Theta Chapter has been active in their Richmond community for 100 years. Above, Theta brothers decide the best arrangement for the desks at the Center for Healthy Hearts in Richmond, Virginia. The brothers rearranged the Center to allow volunteers to work in a socially distanced manner. (L–R): Will Markle, Daniel Wong, Chinmay Bondugula, Bradley Long, Noah Frazier, Ben Mossholder, Brandon Acors, and Evan Meadows.*



## **The Central Office: A Year of Uncertainty**

*Staying strong and celebrating excellence!*



ABOVE: Zeta Omicron chapter brothers from their Delta pledge class. (L-R): Kevin Luong, Nancy Lee, Kevin Tran, Alan Chang, Wilson Lee, Tyrell Turner, Jason Walker, Jenna Creelman, and Daisy Hoehn.

RIGHT: Gamma Eta Initiation. The chapter did a remarkable job of recruiting and maintaining Kappa Psi traditions and values during a very challenging year!





## Report from Executive Director

Since this time last year, the world has been turned upside down. Masks, lockdowns, vaccines, and mandates have affected each of us in a different way. Kappa Psi followed that same road, but we have now turned a corner and the new road does not look quite as bumpy as last year. The Central Office will continue to operate in a manner that will insure the best possible outcome for the Fraternity, for the maximum benefit of all brothers, to enable the Fraternity to grow and prosper and to operate in the easiest way possible for the Brotherhood. We will strive to continue to deliver the level of service that you are accustomed to receiving.

The Fraternity has experienced a few issues during this period, but the Executive Committee and I, through careful planning and budgeting, managed to keep any disruptions or other issues associated with the loss of revenue and decrease in number of brothers to a minimum.

First, let me assure that the Fraternity is on sound footing. We have a positive cash flow with less than \$1,000 in debt. The Audit Committee has finished the annual examination of our books and credit cards and in one or two weeks, the report for this year will be sent to the Executive Committee for review.

As of August 1, 2021, there are 5,930 brothers returning to classes this fall. Our chapters initiated 1,317 new brothers in the 2019–2020 school term and 1,710 in the 2020–2021 school term. Our collegiate brothers are to be congratulated for all the effort and work associated with the recruitment of new brothers during the pandemic, given all the restrictions of the government and universities. I realize that conditions under Zoom meetings, non-contact pledging, and no in-person meetings are difficult at best. But to recruit and make your chapter stronger and more viable under these conditions is nothing short of amazing. But you did it and for that, we owe you our appreciation and thanks!

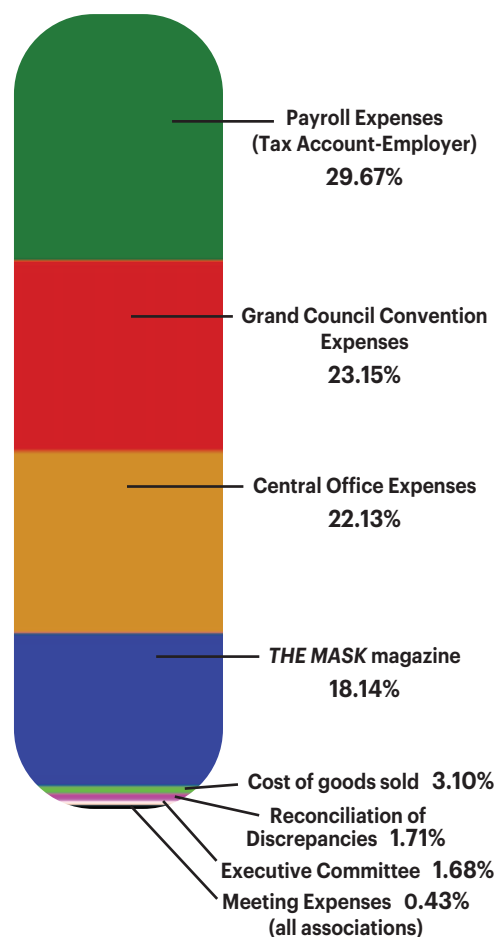
Now that the fall term is in full swing, we will be facing new challenges on all fronts. That being said we, cannot let up on our recruitment of new brothers for the fall, because it is the lifeblood of our Fraternity. But recruitment must be done in a safe and appropriate manner. Universities and local authorities may have differing advice or demands. New recruits may be more cautious about safety. Many questions will be asked about procedures and practices. Be prepared to answer honestly with the latest information from reliable sources or university or local procedures.

As always, The Central Office is here to serve the brothers. Wendy, Adrienne and I are here to serve and fulfill your needs and to answer any questions or issues that may come up. If you have questions or concerns, please contact us. We are here to help.

*Johnny*  
Johnny Porter  
Executive Director

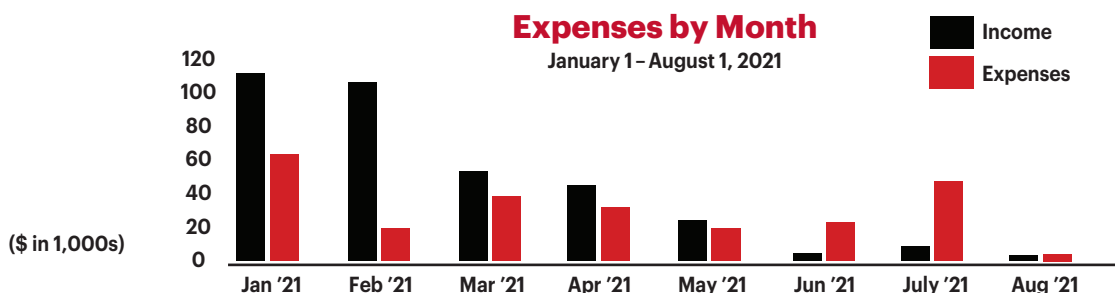
### Expense Summary

January 1 – August 1, 2021



### Expenses by Month

January 1 – August 1, 2021



# CELEBRATING *Strength*

Sigma chapter has grown with 16 newly initiated brothers! With the virtual pledging process this year, bonding was a different experience. The pledges came up with a group nickname: "The Quarantiapines 16mg," as a play on the drug quetiapine and so named because "while this year has been crazy, the 16 pledges have kept each other sane through everything from quarantine to pledging to pharmacy school." We love their cleverness and tenacity!

Due to pandemic restrictions, rush did not begin until spring semester and was condensed down to three weeks. The chapter made the decision to finalize Big Brother matches after initiation to allow for some in-person mingling, (following CDC guidelines), over spring break. When the big day finally arrived, everyone was very excited to finally meet their respective families.



Zeta Sigma celebrates the graduation of their largest class, the Delta Class, in spite of all the adversity they faced this past year.



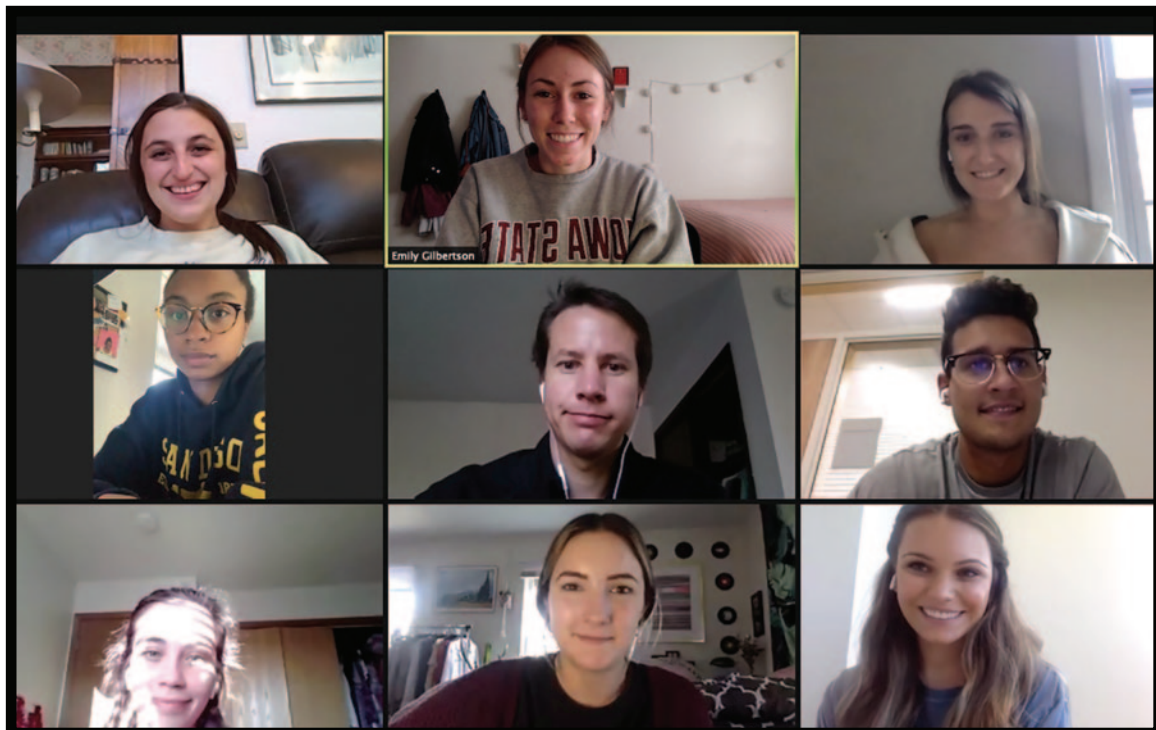
RIGHT: Delta Rho chapter held a virtual meeting with SNPhA President Joseph Washington and Nova Southeastern University. Brother Joseph was very thorough in discussing how he got his position as president, describing his experience, and educating students and members on what his duties are as the president and what kind of obstacles he faces and how he overcomes them. Almost 30 students were in attendance and some of the non-members were interested in joining after the meeting.



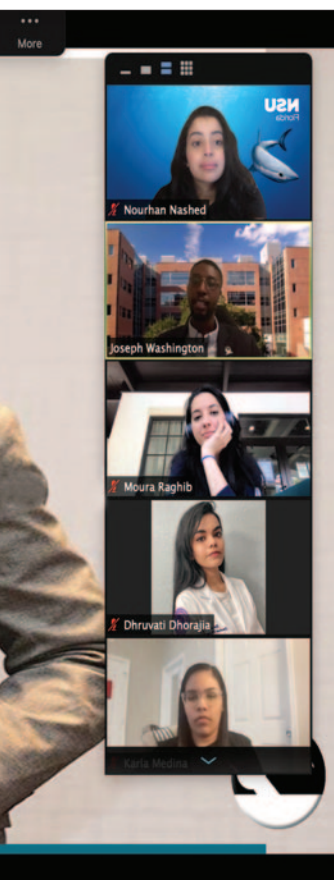
Epsilon Omicron holds a very successful initiation toward the end of the school year, giving the initiates their jerseys and announcing their names and numbers! Welcome new brothers!







Delta Zeta public relations chair Emily Gilbertson hosted creative and educational virtual Journal Club events in April to help prepare brothers for rotations and get a taste of what a Journal Club presentation looks like! This JC event was led by former P4 (top left) Jaelyn Pulkrabek and discussed Perioperative Management of Patients with Atrial Fibrillation Receiving a Direct Oral Anticoagulant: (L-R top row) Jaelyn Pulkrabek, Emily Gilbertson, Samantha Whitcomb; (middle) Keitasha Arnold, Trey Stoll, Zach Nunemaker; (bottom) Emily Steimel, Chyan Decker, and Patrycja Buch.



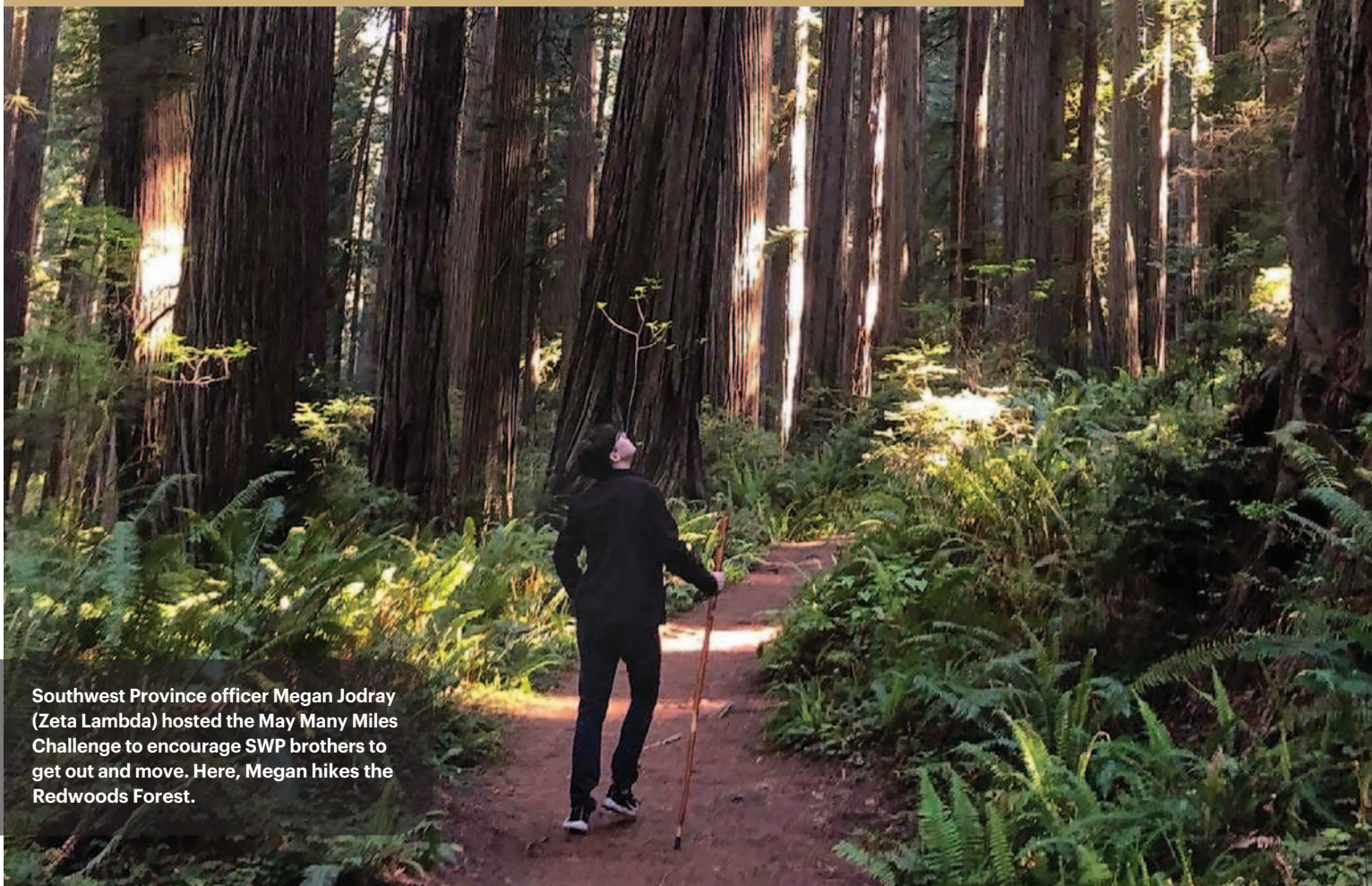
Zeta Beta chapter held a successful initiation ceremony, following CDC guidelines. Welcome new brothers!



# CELEBRATING *Strength*



Epsilon Gamma Brothers Philip McMichael, Christine Kim, and Jennifer Hom work together to complete their volunteer tasks as student pharmacists.



Southwest Province officer Megan Jodray (Zeta Lambda) hosted the May Many Miles Challenge to encourage SWP brothers to get out and move. Here, Megan hikes the Redwoods Forest.





Delta Epsilon Brother Lauren Ajak celebrates graduation!



ABOVE: Chapters got creative as they did their best to continue the Fraternity business. Delta Delta officers held their summer retreat via Zoom, where they discuss future visions, events, and goals.



LEFT: Beta Psi Brothers Maryann Egbujor (right) and Kathleen Tierney (left) pose with the Kappa Psi letters to celebrate completing their first block of introductory pharmacy practice experiences as third-years.



Brothers from Houston Grad chapter pose after a long day of packing boxes of food to be distributed to community at the Houston Food Bank. We applaud our brothers' ongoing commitment to making a positive impact on their communities!



# 2021 Collegiate Chapter Awards

Brothers,

I'm pleased to share the results of our collegiate and graduate chapter awards for 2020–2021. The challenges of having every chapter under different rules for the entire year due to the COVID-19 pandemic required creative solutions to our traditions. Changing a system that has been in place for over 30 years is not an easy task. I want to thank the Collegiate Chapter Awards Committee for their additional work this year in adapting the Chapter Progress Report Form for continued use while adjusting the awards process. I'm excited we are recognizing not just chapters this year but individual brothers as well. Please join me in congratulating them on their achievements!

Christy Askew  
Grand Regent 2019–2022

## Top Performing Chapters

(in Greek alphabetical order)

Chapters having received >85% of total points on the chapter progress report form.

**Beta Kappa**  
**Beta Omicron**  
**Gamma Phi**  
**Gamma Psi**  
**Delta Zeta**  
**Epsilon Omicron**  
**Zeta Delta**

## Frank H. Eby Scholarship Tray Award

Awarded to the collegiate chapter with the highest percentage of eligible brothers earning Scholarship Honors Certificates based on chapter membership and their school grading system.

**Delta Phi**



*Fueled by their devotion to provide public health care and increase health literacy, several Gamma Phi brothers, in partnership with a local food drive, served at a health fair at Barney's Pharmacy in Wren, GA. Whether taking blood pressure or helping place bags of food in cars, the brothers showed they were willing to step up and help others while gaining professional experience.*

## Nicholas W. Feeney Industry Improvement Award

Awarded annually to the collegiate chapter which has shown the greatest percentage of improvement in chapter scholastic achievement over the past academic year.

**Delta Kappa**

## COVID-19 Pandemic Advocacy Award

Awarded to the collegiate chapter that did the most to volunteer and assist in fighting the COVID-19 pandemic.

**Beta Kappa**



*Beta Kappa brothers teamed up with their university and Allegheny County to vaccinate hundreds of healthcare workers and the general public. Although the scramble for vaccinations has slowed down, brothers continue in their efforts to vaccinate the community. Here, Brother Christopher Yang (P3) poses with the Roc, the University of Pittsburgh mascot at the Pitt CoVax Clinic, where he helped to administer COVID-19 vaccines throughout the summer.*

## Leadership Award

Awarded to a collegiate brother whose leadership in organizations outside of Kappa Psi have distinguished themselves from their peers.

**Landon Bordner (Delta Omicron)**



## Pledge Class Activity Award

Awarded to the collegiate chapter for the pledge class whose work represented the ideals of the Fraternity and helped serve the community.

**Delta Lambda**

## Scholastic Achievement Award

Awarded to a collegiate brother for exceptional academic achievement.

**Abbey Schwery (Delta Zeta)**

## Member Spotlight Award

Awarded to brothers for outstanding work within the Fraternity.

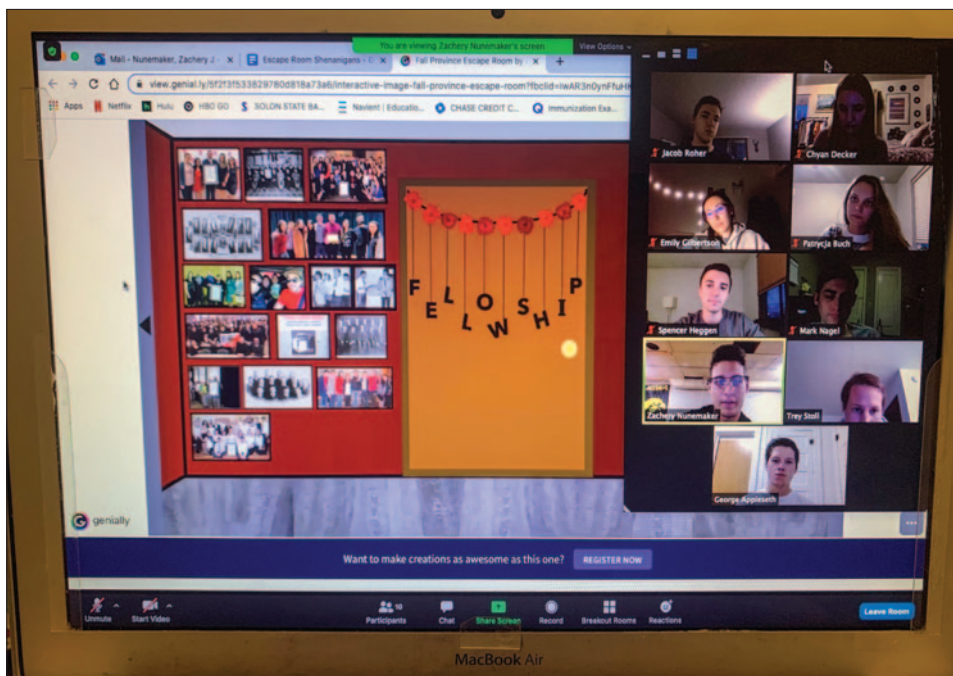
**Emily Steimel (Delta Zeta)**

**Minh Ta (Sigma)**

**Jamie Rusan (Beta Chi)**

**Mujtaba Mahmud (Beta Kappa)**

**Sabrina Alahmad (Epsilon Eta)**



*Delta Zeta brothers stayed active and connected during the COVID-19 pandemic with several creative online social events. Above, brothers enjoy an Among Us social.*



Even though restricted to the virtual setting, Sigma brothers continued to be active in the community. One of the newly initiated brothers, Sabrina Wang, created an amazing fundraiser event that involved multiple student organizations and raised hundreds of dollars for multiple charities. Her event "Dares for Donation" had each participating organization create a Bingo board of dares, with each dare costing a certain amount, that was posted to social media, mainly Instagram. Each organization selected a charity of their choice and people would donate funds to see those dares completed and fill out the Bingo board. In light of the recent anti-Asian hate crimes, Sigma chapter selected the charity Compassion in Oakland, a nonprofit organization that provides chaperones to its aging Asian American and Pacific Islander community. Through this initiative, Sigma chapter raised \$600! In addition to that, the chapter was able to donate \$500 to Reach Out and Read.

*LEFT: Sigma Brother Minh Ta completes his dare to become a human banana split. Minh was awarded the Member Spotlight Award for outstanding work within the Fraternity.*



# 2021 Graduate Chapter Awards

## Family Inclusion

### South Carolina Upstate Grad

Every year the South Carolina Upstate Graduate chapter celebrates their Founders Day with an annual Pig Roast. On April 25, 2021, after a year's hiatus due to COVID, the brothers of SCUG and their close friends and families came together to once again enjoy fellowship. All brothers of the chapter and their families were invited. As a family inclusive event, it was held in the daytime (although the roasting began in the wee hours of the morning), with plenty of yard games and food to make for a wonderful day of relaxation and brotherly love. More than 20 people were in attendance which included children, family, friends and of course brothers. One benefit of this event is that it serves as a potential recruitment opportunity for graduate brothers who may not have been actively involved previously. Twelve brothers renewed their membership at this event and one brother joined the chapter.



*After missing the annual Pig Roast due to COVID in 2020, South Carolina Upstate Grad brothers, family, and friends gathered to celebrate SCUG's sixth anniversary.*

## Mentorship

### Iowa Grad

The Iowa Graduate chapter hosted an open forum event for the collegiate brothers of Beta Chi and Delta Zeta, covering general professional development and tips for successfully transitioning from collegiate to graduate involvement in Kappa Psi. This event was established based on feedback from the collegiate chapters on how Iowa Grad can best support and mentor their members. There were 46 collegiate brothers who participated as well as 16 graduate brothers who presented. The Zoom event allowed for 20 separate roundtables tailored to the unique interests of each collegiate. Each roundtable consisted of one or more graduate brothers as well as collegiates of



*Iowa Grad hosts a very successful Virtual Career Roundtable for collegiate brothers from Beta Chi and Delta Zeta.*

varying years (P1, P2 etc.) from both Beta Chi and Delta Zeta—allowing for mentorship opportunities, networking and new connections for both collegiates AND

grads. The event was such a success that in a post-event survey, 100% of respondents stated that Iowa Graduate should host this event again in the future.



## Professional Event

### DC Grad

Each year, the brothers of DC Grad have hosted an annual Career Panel with the brothers of Delta Kappa. This year's experience was taken virtually and was entitled "Securing the Bag with DC Grad." Fifty students participated from Howard University ranging from their 1st–4th years. The panelists spoke on how they reached their current field of practice and emphasized how important building professional connections is toward building a successful career. Additionally, involvement in organizations, volunteering of time, and perspectives on the current pharmacy market were also topics of discussion by the panelists as well. Most exciting, each of the panelist members expressed in the final moments of the event how the Fraternity is still an integral part of their careers and lives. They expressed how their continued involvement allows them to give back to students and how the Fraternity at large has allowed them to "climb career ladders"

and achieve professional goals. These experiences drive home the concept that Kappa Psi is for life!

## Philanthropy

### Jacksonville Grad

Jacksonville Grad has been participating in an annual "Children's Holiday Drive," helping out by adopting families in need in the local area. Through the coordination of their efforts to include the support of their entire Province in addition to collaboration with Gainesville Grad, they raised \$1,700 in addition to various non-monetary donations. The funds and support have positively impacted 91 children by providing not only gifts, but items of need. Of note, the chapter ensured that every parent was delivered a gift that they could then present to their children. The chapter was able to continue their collaboration with the Department of Juvenile Justice in their efforts during COVID and look forward to expanding their support to more than 250 children this upcoming year!



*Excellence is fostered and recognized in chapters and individual brothers at the chapter level, the Province level, and the International level.*

## Top Performing Graduate Chapters

(Top 25% of chapters)

**Arizona Grad**  
**Dallas Fort Worth Grad**  
**Denver Grad**  
**District of Columbia Grad**  
**Houston Grad**  
**Iowa Grad**  
**Jacksonville Grad**  
**Maryland Eastern Shore Grad**  
**Orlando Grad**  
**Pomona Grad**  
**Utah Grad**



DC Grad brothers celebrate Founders Day Tonic at Quigley's Pharmacy.



Utah Grad Brothers Jenny Hiatt, Ha Phi, and Angie Vo join together at the IPSF World Health 5K.





Big Brother Dr. Ashley Dike is awarded Delta Kappa chapter's Brother of the Year Award and the DC Graduate Chapter Award and her Delta Kappa family (aka Littles) could not be more proud!



Zeta Lambda graduate Brother Dr. Luis Aguilera (shown with Dr. Machu and Dean Madhavan) is a recipient of the Scholarly Excellence with an Emphasis on Research Award. He was recognized for his work in Promoting Diversity in Research Training for Health Professionals and the Intramural Seed Grants Program.



Epsilon Theta brothers celebrate graduation.

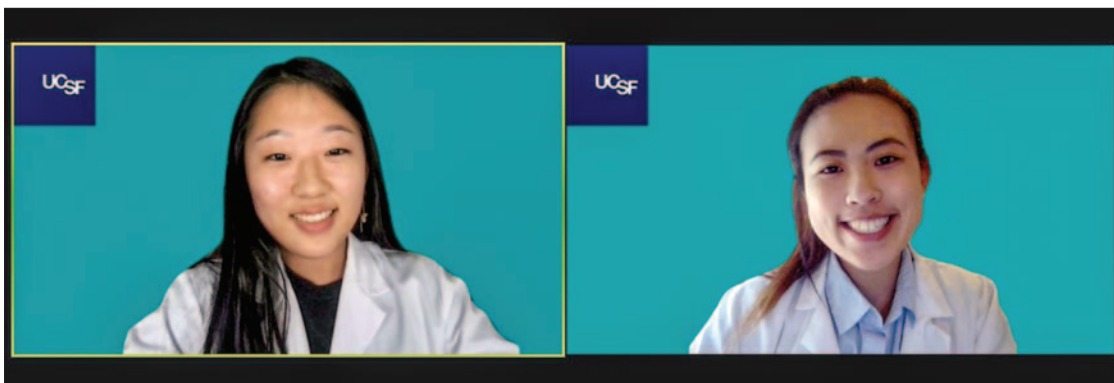


Epsilon Iota brothers enjoy time together at spring gala. The gala is a time to celebrate the best of industry, sobriety, fellowship and high ideals!



Epsilon Epsilon wins the 99 Hands Award for their annual Triumph Over Kid Cancer (TOKC) fundraiser. During the pandemic, they used social media platforms to engage donors, raising nearly \$5,000. With MD Anderson matching their donation, they gave almost \$10,000 to TOKC.





**LEFT:** Brilliant Beta Gamma Brothers Emily and Yubin won the local SNPhA Clinical Skills Competition, having only two hours to work up a patient and create a comprehensive SOAP note to present to a clinician. They were able to find the best treatment for the patient using their resources and knowledge while providing exceptional patient counseling. They will be moving on to represent UCSF on the SNPhA national stage!



Maryland Eastern Shore Grad Brother Dr. Dana Fasanella (front center) serves as faculty advisor for the graduating Class of 2021. Kappa Psi thanks all our grad brothers who volunteer as advisors!



Zeta Sigma brothers dedicate their Saturdays to volunteering at different COVID clinics in the Valley. The chapter also continued to volunteer at their local Bulldog Pantry, handing out food and clothing to the underserved populations.

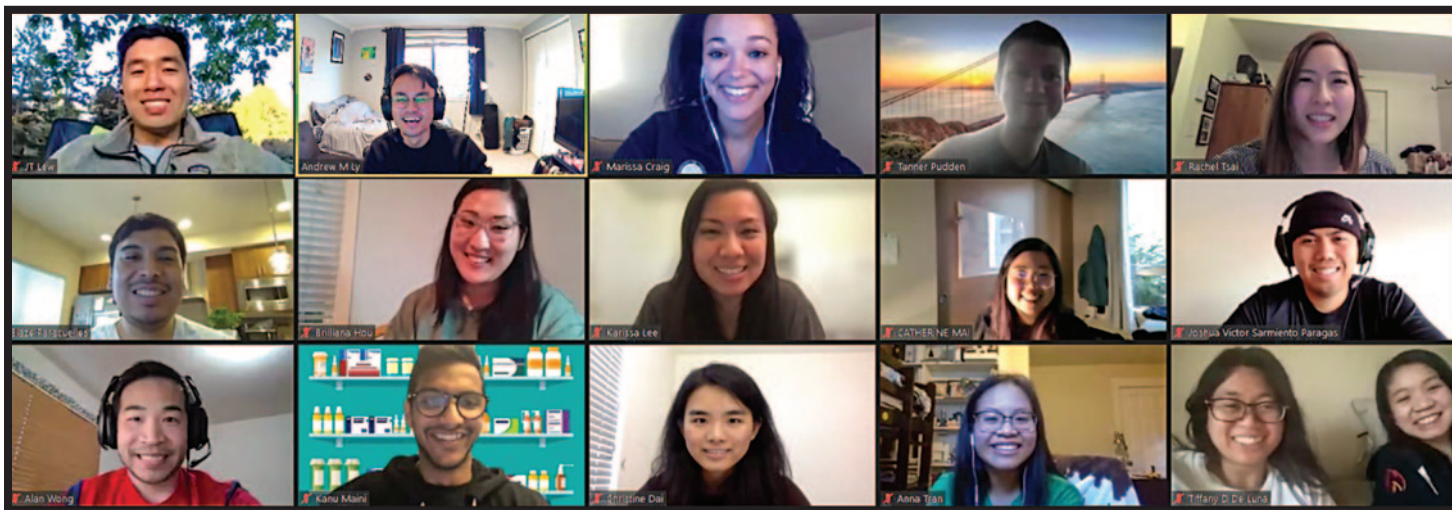


Gamma Sigma Brother Jacques Gregoire Derival receives his graduation chords at the Gamma Sigma banquet. It is special to celebrate milestones with brothers!



Iota Brothers Dr. Lager, Dr. Rennebaum, and Dr. Crane at the Iota graduation ritual.





ABOVE: Beta Omicron chapter got creative and hosted a Clinical Skills Competition in May organized by Brothers Andrew Ly and Catherine Mai. This served as an opportunity for family lines to collaborate and put their clinical skills to the test. Graduate brothers also returned to help with judging team assessments and presentations.



Epsilon Theta congratulates three PY-1 brothers: Jessica Martin, Mustapha Jobe, and Enmarie Guzman Rivera, who received awards during the 2021 Pharm.D. Class of 2022 Pinning and Awards Ceremony. All three PY-1 students who were recognized are Kappa Psi brothers.



Delta Epsilon Brother Victoria Dadebo, Class of 2021, is ready to celebrate graduation!



LEFT: Beta Eta chapter was able to continue their quest for industry by changing their spelling bee to a virtual event. Thanks to a lot of hard work, the event was a big success!



# The **2021 Henry J. Goeckel Grand Council** Scholarship Key Winners



**Alyssa Boesche**  
*Gamma Kappa*

Alyssa will be pursuing a PGY1 residency at CentraCare in St. Cloud Hospital, St. Cloud, MN.



**Elizabeth Hansmann**  
*Gamma Kappa*

Elizabeth loves working with people and is looking for a job in community pharmacy.

Originating in 1916, the **Henry J. Goeckel Grand Council Scholarship Key** is given annually to Kappa Psi brothers who graduate with First Honors or who stand first in their graduating class.

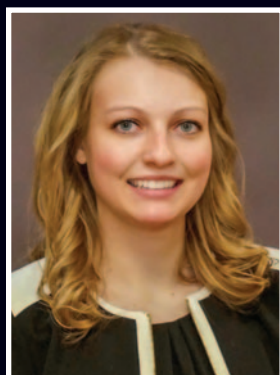
Congratulations to these **outstanding brothers!**

**You make Kappa Psi very proud!**



**Andrew Flint**  
*Gamma Epsilon*

Andrew plans to practice in an acute setting while precepting pharmacy students and conducting research.



**Melanie Heeren**  
*Gamma Kappa*

Melanie will be completing her PGY1 residency at Monument Health in Rapid City, SD.



**Melanie (Umbaugh) Norris**  
*Beta Kappa*

Melanie plans to do a PGY1 pharmacy practice residency at the University of Washington Medical Center in Seattle.



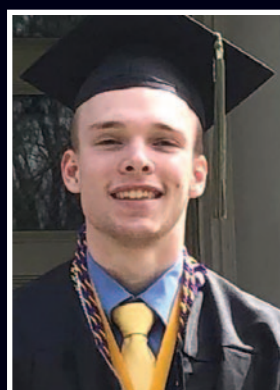
**Kyle Schuchter**  
*Beta Phi*

Kyle is pursuing a PGY1 Acute Care Pharmacy Residency at the UNC-Chapel Hill and ultimately wants a hybrid position of teaching at a COP while practicing/precepting at an academic medical center.



**Khalil Ford**  
*Gamma Kappa*

Khalil will be pursuing a PGY1 residency at the HCA Houston Healthcare Clear Lake.



**Kyle Hess**  
*Gamma Kappa*

Kyle plans to finish a PGY1 residency at Mayo Clinic in Rochester, with an interest in emergency medicine and infectious disease.



**Alexandra Noble**  
*Gamma Kappa*

Alexandra would like to pursue a career as a hospital pharmacist in the area of infectious disease, critical care and emergency medicine.



**The Scholarship Key**



# CELEBRATING *Philanthropy*

Brothers,

This past year was unusual in many ways but our commitment to service remained strong.

We had excellent involvement by brothers and chapters in our first-ever Service Week in October 2020 and that commitment to our communities continued throughout the year. Today we are recognizing two chapters for their philanthropy efforts during the 2020–2021 scholastic year.

Please join me in congratulating these brothers for their hard work! Don't forget to make plans for the second Kappa Psi Service Week to be held October 3–9, 2021!

Christy Askew  
Grand Regent 2019–2022

## Reach Out and Read Impact Award

### Beta Kappa

Presented to the collegiate chapter whose participation in Reach Out and Read was creative, unique, and helps the organization achieve their mission.

## Community Impact Award

### Mu Omicron Pi

Presented to the collegiate chapter whose participation in local philanthropy was creative, unique, and impactful during the COVID-19 pandemic

Mu Omicron Pi Brothers Jad Kawas, Joseph Paul Javier, Hussein Safaoui, Johnie L. Bailey, Noah Trotter, Evan Johnson, Steven Conway, and Daniel Frederick pose in front of the 400+ books they collected as part of Kappa Psi's national philanthropy, Reach Out and Read.



Epsilon Zeta Brother Max Lamb delivers a check for \$1,040 to the Boys & Girls Club. The monies were raised during the 9th Annual Apothecary Dash, which was held virtually. The chapter also raised money and collected food for Bucky's Food Pantry, in addition to putting in many hours of service at various COVID-19 vaccination clinics.







Gamma Sigma Brothers Austin Pierce, Hannah Reynolds, Lauren Trummel, Delia Khayat, Tanner Abbott, and Lucas Zhou at their annual Kappa Psi Golf Tournament, benefiting the Children's Miracle Network on May 1 at Ironwood Golf Course. The day was filled with philanthropy, fun, and competition! The Golf Tournament Committee organized raffles, breakfast and lunch donations, and an auction. Overall, the tournament hosted 58 players and raised \$3,333.33! Alumni Brothers Jason Powell, James Taylor, and Andrew Wilks showed up to play and support.



Delta Tau celebrates brothers and sisters separated in the foster care system at the Sibling Day Festival held at St. Jude's Ranch for Children in April.

LEFT: Delta Tau chapter volunteers at the Vegas Roots Community Garden. Based in downtown Las Vegas, the garden nourishes the community with freshly grown foods.



Zeta Chi brothers volunteer at Project C.U.R.E.



Delta Rho brothers volunteer at a Feeding South Florida food drive event, collecting food for homeless shelters and animal shelters. The volunteers were divided into three groups: inspectors, sorters and builders. Inspectors check the donated food to confirm none of it is expired or has been tampered with. Sorters divide that food into different categories. Finally, the builders place those categorized items into boxes to be sent out. Brothers learned so much from the experience and have requested it become a monthly event if possible.







Iota Brothers  
Chris Donaldson,  
Grey Duke, Kala  
Brown, Dr. Cook,  
Dallin Billow,  
Angeleki  
Zecopoulos,  
Lauren Adams,  
Bernard Best,  
and Caroline  
Donaldson pick  
up litter with the  
help of their furry  
friends!



ABOVE: Gamma Eta brothers volunteer at a highway cleanup.

LEFT: Beta Kappa P1 Brothers Amanda Chiaravalle, Benjamin Davic, Tony Kim, Ruth Li, Alana Chen, Bethany Corry, and Lydia Shen and Erika Thomas (P3) gather together to help the community by clearing out a demolition site.





Beta Pi Brothers Zoë Shelton (left) and Spencer Knudson volunteer at Second Harvest Food Bank, packing meals for people in need.



Unbeknownst beforehand, two graduate brothers of Gamma Nu chapter, Dr. Chris Woo '88 (left) and Dr. Irwin Chow '70, ended up being team members as volunteer vaccinators with the FEMA COVID-19 Community Vaccination Center operated in Norfolk, Virginia, May 16–24, 2021.

Delta Tau brothers help with the Get Outdoors Nevada Wash Trail Cleanup.







Gamma Nu Brothers (L-R, top to bottom) Amir Chadha, Talar Yetenekian, Brianna Nguyen, Parth Butani, Joel Katsumata, Kelvin Huang, Anthony Jiang, Rajvir Singh, Tejvir Nijjar, Brian Lai, Noah Jacala, Ashley Chow, Bora Kim, Woojin Lim, and Carissa Leung help out at a COVID clinic, administering vaccines to the community in Stockton.



ABOVE: Brothers from the Zeta Tau chapter and grad brothers volunteer together at the Working Wardrobes Donation Center.

LEFT: Zeta Theta brothers man the concessions at a Brewers game. (L-R top): Nathan Grimmer, Nicholas Johnson, Grant Heller; (middle) Liz Soter, Lacy Brandau; (L-R bottom) Morgan Krueger, Bryn Rohde, Tara Reber, Selena Gaud, and Kelly O'Connell. The brothers spread generosity while raising money for chapter expenses.



# 2021 A. Richard Bliss, Jr. Grand Council Citation of Appreciation Award Recipient Brian C. Reisetter

*I'm so very pleased to announce that Past Grand Regent Dr. Brian Reisetter is the recipient of the 2021 A. Richard Bliss, Jr. Grand Council Citation of Appreciation Award. This award is given for extraordinary contributions to the Fraternity or the profession to either members or non-members of the Fraternity.*

*Christy Askew  
Grand Regent 2019–2022*

**Brian Reisetter** was initiated into Beta Chi chapter at Drake University in 1981. At Drake, he received his Bachelor of Science degree in pharmacy and completed a master's degree in business administration. Brother Reisetter undertook doctoral graduate work at the University of Illinois at Chicago and completed his Doctor of Philosophy in pharmacy administration at the University of Mississippi in 2002. In 2001, Brother Reisetter became vice president and partner in Medical Marketing Economics, LLC, a company offering consulting services and litigation support in the areas of pricing, marketing and promoting within the pharmaceutical industry. After 15 years with MME, Brother Reisetter continues his consulting services with his own company, Reisetter Health Services (RHS), Inc.

Brother Reisetter's CV details his other contributions to the profession including his numerous book chapters, publications, presentations and invited lectures on pharmacy, economics, marketing, health care and leadership. Especially notable is his long service to students in various capacities over the years. Brother Reisetter has shared his marketing and economics knowledge with students in the classroom and on rotations. He speaks enthusiastically of his experiences serving as a preceptor and engaging the next generation of pharmacists in the economics of health care. He served as



*Grand Regent Christy Askew presents the A. Richard Bliss Award to Past Grand Regent Brian Reisetter.*

a member of the board of directors for DELTA Rx and as a member of the National Advisory Council (2006–2012) at Drake University College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (2007–2015). He has served as a member of the National Alumni Board of Drake University since 2014.

Outside of his professional work, Brother Reisetter also has offered significant impact to Kappa Psi. He served the Fraternity as a member of the International Executive Committee for 10 years. First elected in 1993 as Grand Ritualist, he then served as Grand Counselor 1995–1997, Grand Vice Regent 1997–1999, and Grand Regent 1999–

2001. Outside of Fraternity positions, Brother Reisetter continues to support the members of Kappa Psi as a member of the Kappa Psi Foundation in the office of Treasurer since 2014. In that role, he simplified the donation process and his efforts streamlined the work of the Foundation.

His nominator notes that many brothers over the years have interacted with Brother Reisetter and he has always had helpful advice and counsel for those with questions. He has been a mentor to many young brothers who have gone forth to serve Kappa Psi at all levels.



# Grand Council Deputy Awards

A sincere thank-you goes out to all of our hardworking GCDs. We appreciate your dedication and service to Kappa Psi!

Brothers,

Our Grand Council Deputies are an important support for our collegiate chapters. Their role takes time and dedication and during this past year that was truer than ever as they helped our brothers navigate the tremendous disruption to their chapter activities caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

It is my pleasure to announce the recipients of the 2021 Grand Council Deputy Certificates of Excellence. These GCDs were nominated by their respective collegiate chapters for outstanding service to the chapter and the Fraternity. Please join me in congratulating these brothers!

Christy Askew  
Grand Regent 2019–2022

## Recipients of the A. Richard Bliss, Jr. Grand Council Citation of Appreciation Award

2021	Brian Reisetter
2020	Toyin Tofade
2019	Joseph DiPiro
2018	John Grossomanides
2017	Robert Crisafi
2016	Kenneth B. Roberts
2015	Lawrence Brown
2014	William H. Riffie
2013	William Fitzpatrick
2012	Anthony Palmieri III
2011	Robert Magarian
2010	Eugene White
2009	Dewey Garner
2008	J. Lyle Bootman
2007	Bruce Canaday
2006	Ronald Jordan
2005	John Murphy
2004	Lisa Tonrey
2003	Richard Penna
2002	Salvatore Giorgianni
2001	Norman Campbell
2000	Varro Tyler, Jr.
1999	Lucinda Maine
1998	Kenneth Barker
1997	Maurice Bectel
1996	Joseph Oddis
1995	Lawrence Weaver
1994	James Doluisio
1993	Herbert Carlin

## 2021 Grand Council Deputy Certificates of Excellence



**Julie Akers**  
GCD for Beta Pi



**Fernando Diggs**  
GCD for Epsilon Kappa



**Karen Hoang**  
GCD for Beta Kappa



**Raven Jackson**  
GCD for Delta Eta



**Neel Prasad**  
GCD for Gamma Nu



**Gary Van Riper**  
GCD for Gamma Kappa



**Johnny Yoko-Uzomah**  
GCD for Delta Kappa



**Louis Williams**  
GCD for Delta Delta



# Navigating Regency During a Global Pandemic

By Houston Williams, '20-'21 Upsilon regent, Pharm.D. Candidate 2022, and Dr. Kenneth Record, Associate Professor/GCD

"Congratulations Houston, you have won the regent election." Those words were the beginning of one of the most difficult yet rewarding years in my pharmacy school career. The world had started to stand still, and at that time, no one knew what the next year had in store. Due to the ongoing global COVID-19 pandemic, we had to face countless unprecedented hardships and challenges. Having an active role in leadership within Kappa Psi over the past year has allowed me to grow both personally and professionally while developing leadership skills alongside my fellow brothers. This reflective piece is a result of a question-and-answer session with the GCD of the Upsilon chapter, Dr. Kenneth Record.

Utilizing aspects of various leadership styles proved to be pivotal in dealing with difficult times. Through many trials and tribulations, our chapter had to make a lot of changes and restructure our plans for the entire year. One of those monumental changes was transitioning a primarily social and professional pharmaceutical fraternity into a fully virtual format. We, as brothers of Kappa Psi, in a time when we could have easily given up and accepted defeat, battled adversity while still maintaining the core values of brotherhood. Having the title of regent meant fostering a sense of belonging, facilitating networking opportunities, actively participating in open communication between brothers despite being unable to see them in person, and bringing realization to the saying "One for All and All for One."

Over the past year, I learned countless valuable lessons that I will carry with me throughout my final year of pharmacy school and into my future career. One of those lessons is about adaptability. As the ever-changing year progressed, I learned that I needed to be able to change ideas and plans

while remaining open to feedback. Our chapter operated in accordance with the strict guidelines enforced by the CDC, the Commonwealth of Kentucky, and the University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy (UKCOP). We continuously switched between in-person events, virtual meetings, and a hybrid format. Another crucial lesson I

“By encouraging brothers to check in on one another, our chapter grew closer in ways we didn’t know were possible.”

learned was about effective communication. While I knew that open communication would play a vital role in the success of my time as regent, I quickly learned that this could not be done alone and was going to be a team effort. Our chapter made sure we utilized different platforms including Zoom, email, Instagram, Canvas, and the Remind app. It was very important to be transparent and honest about COVID policies and procedures, planned events, and updates from the Great Lakes Province (GLP) and Kappa Psi Central Office. This experience highlighted the value of taking time to check on brothers and their mental health during a time when many of us were in isolation. By encouraging brothers to check in on one another, our chapter grew closer in ways we didn't know were possible.

One of my greatest accomplishments during my term as regent was that our chapter continued to build on our success from previous years and we were still able to initiate 28 new members. I was ecstatic to see that my brothers remained engaged despite the challenges we faced. While we did not get to have



*Upsilon regent, Houston Williams*

some of the staple events that our chapter usually holds (e.g., a scavenger hunt and our fellowship retreat in Gatlinburg, Tennessee), we created a few new socially distanced in-person events. This was made possible by determining that our chapter had a 95% vaccination rate via an anonymous survey sent out during the spring semester. We had more than 30 events this past year, most notably the new events, including a bonfire with s'mores and an ice cream social. Our chapter remained dedicated to our ongoing philanthropic efforts by our commitment to the Lexington Humane Society, our annual book drive for Reach Out and Read, and being active supporters in local COVID-19 vaccina-





*Pictured (L-R): 2nd year Upsilon Brothers Lyric Lane, Christopher Mashburn, Kyler Runyon and Paige Roberston create an assembly line to help put together "Chemo Care Kits" for the pediatric oncology patients at Kentucky Children's Hospital.*



*Upsilon brothers enjoy time together at their brotherhood ice cream social. At the center of the photo are 4th year Brothers Kameron Griffith (red shorts), Kaitlyn Grieves (right of Kameron), and Michaela Perry (right of Kaitlyn) enjoying one last event with their brothers before graduation.*

tion programs through UKCOP. These efforts strengthened the bonds that have been built within our chapter of Kappa Psi and instilled in our new members the true meaning of brotherhood.

If I had to do it all over again and could give my past self one piece of advice, it would be to keep a journal throughout the year. This would have allowed me to keep track of everything that was going on and would have helped me hold myself accountable along the way. It could have been a resource of my thoughts and ideas that I could pass on to the next newly-elected regent. When I started my regency, my biggest fear was that my brothers would not enjoy Kappa Psi. However, this fear pushed me to think outside the box and to be creative with plans and events. The guidance from Kappa Psi Central Office allowed chapters to share their innovative ideas for ways in which to proceed through the year. These interactions with other regents provided a space for everyone to bounce ideas off one another and figure out what events did not work, as well as which events were a success. Utilizing a trial and error-based approach, we were able to pioneer a good foundation for the virtual format in case a need for it arises in the future.

Now that this door is closing for me and another one is opening, I would like to give a big thank-you to the UKCOP faculty and staff, the GLP Executive Board, my fellow regents, and each brother who remained active and played a vital role in making this year a suc-



*Upsilon brothers hold an in-person service event at the University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy, making "Chemo Care Kits" for the pediatric oncology patients at Kentucky Children's Hospital. Brother Emma Gerthoffer organized the event by collecting donations of blankets, hand sanitizers, tissues, games, crafts and stuffed animals from brothers. The brothers then got together to pack these items into more than 30 care packages to be handed out to the pediatric patients who are going through chemo treatments. Pictured are (Back L-R): Brothers Paige Robertson, Madeline Wermeling, Christopher Mashburn, Houston Williams, Adam Kiser, and Shaunie Miller. (Front): Kyler Runyon, Emma Gerthoffer, Melynda Kromsky, and Lyric Lan.*

cess despite the odds. As I step away from my role as regent, I have the utmost confidence that I have left our chapter in great hands. However, it is clear that one of the challenges of achieving normalcy again is the resocialization of the Fraternity. My hope is

that our chapter members have the knowledge needed for our chapter to support and build upon our success, while continuing to strengthen the bond that makes Kappa Psi the oldest (and best) professional fraternity that there is. ■



# Mind, Heart and Soul:

## Doctor of Pharmacy student Joseph Paul Javier gives everything his all

Story thanks to Wayne State University's Applebaum College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences

**Joseph Paul Javier almost died.** Ten years ago, he was hospitalized in the Philippines, sick enough that a priest was beckoned to administer last rites. Sick enough that he called his parents in the U.S. for a tearful goodbye. Sick enough that he was bargaining with fate.

On his deathbed, Javier swore that if he somehow managed to survive, he would spend the rest of his life doing as much as he could to help keep others alive as well.

People who aren't familiar with this story are astounded by everything Javier manages to accomplish in any given day—on top of making his way through Wayne State's rigorous Doctor of Pharmacy program in the Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences. His email signature block lists no fewer than 15 affiliations and leadership positions below his name. Among them, he is:

- President of the Student National Pharmaceutical Association, which has mobilized to address the growing trend of violence toward Asian American and Pacific Islander communities across the country.
- President of the WSU chapter of the Academy of Managed Care Pharmacy, which recently hosted a three-part seminar series to broaden the horizons of fellow students and whose team made it to the national finals in this year's Pharmacy & Therapeutics Competition.
- Vice president of the Student Pharmacists Diversity Council, which hosted a panel discussion on health disparities and systemic racism during Black History Month.
- Pharmacy intern for World Medical Relief's Prescription Program and Pathways to Better Health, an educational program for underserved diabetes patients in metro Detroit.
- A member of the Michigan Pharmacists Association, which featured a video created by Javier and fellow Pharm.D. student Johnie L. Bailey to salute the state's pharmacy heroes during the group's annual convention this year. Because of his expertise in integrated marketing communications and public relations, Javier also was recently appointed to the MPA Communications Workgroup to provide strategic direction.
- International vice president of the American Pharmacists Association Academy of Student Pharmacists, through which he earned first place in WSU's APhA-ASP Patient Counseling Competition earlier this year.
- Board member and co-chair for marketing and communications at the Council of Asian Pacific Americans, which worked to donate masks, gloves, surgical gowns and other PPE to local hospitals during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- A newly inducted member of the Phi Lambda Sigma pharmacy leadership society, selected by peer recognition.
- One of the directors of the Philippine American Cultural Center of Michigan, which is in the process of vaccinating its community with support from WSU student pharmacists.



*Mu Omicron Pi Brother Joseph Paul Javier makes quite an impact.*

A connecting thread through all of these commitments is the Kappa Psi Pharmaceutical Fraternity. In addition to serving as historian of Wayne State's Mu Omicron Pi chapter and sitting on the Fraternity's Great Lakes Province Executive Board, Javier is the chapter's unofficial ringleader, organizing and motivating his brothers to participate in a range of philanthropical efforts. "Joining Kappa Psi was one of the best decisions of my life," Javier said. "A fraternity is all about lifting each other up—you can accomplish so much with a team of brothers at your side."





Despite being nearly twice the age of some of his Mu Omicron Pi brothers, Javier brings energy to the group and elevates the chapter to even greater achievement.

## One for All

Despite being nearly twice the age of most of his Fraternity brothers, Javier brings youthful enthusiasm to an industrious brotherhood. In addition to promoting childhood literacy through the national Reach Out and Read philanthropy campaign, helping staff health care clinics and volunteering with Detroit nonprofits, Kappa Psi has for the past two years participated in the national Up to Us competition, which raises awareness about the U.S. national debt and its impact on future generations. Since arriving on campus, Javier has served as the team's executive director, leading them to sixth place and an award for most creative campaign.

"Joseph has been a vocal leader and organizer from the beginning," said Kappa Psi's faculty advisor, Pharmaceutical Sciences Assistant Clinical Professor Philip Pokorski. "Many of the brothers are active in community and university events, but Joseph elevates both his and the chapter's involvement to a totally different level with his infective enthusiasm and commitment to the Fraternity, Wayne State and the Detroit community. Joseph is mega-active in so many different aspects of giving back to the community and has represented Kappa Psi at the highest level."

And Javier isn't just busy. He's good. His superpower is organizing and motivating others, and his finely honed leadership skills are due in part to the fact that he is a second-career student. After beginning college at age



Javier (right) with radio partner "Mo Twister" during his broadcasting days in the Philippines.

16—he studied at Harvard for a semester but chose to major in biology as a Presidential Scholar at Wayne State—he veered onto another path.

"I was doing math and science before I could walk," Javier laughed. "Then when I got to college, I was rebellious and didn't go to class."

Looking for a fresh start, he left WSU and moved to the Philippines to live with an aunt and study integrated marketing communications at the University of Asia and the Pacific. During a night of karaoke with his cousins, Javier was discovered by a talent manager, which ultimately led to a 15-year career in radio, TV, PR and journalism.

"I was a columnist for the *Manila Bulletin*, editor for *The Manila Times* and taught students at the Manila Times School of Journalism. I ran my own PR and events man-



"Family is everything to me," Javier said. "I owe everything to my parents, who have sacrificed so much for me and my brothers. Having a second chance at life, I make it a point to let them know how much I love them whenever I can."

agement company while I worked as a broadcaster on a top radio show, which was syndicated across the Philippines and around the world. Our program was eventually developed for television and my co-hosts and I would fly to different locales in the Philippines, China, Singapore and Korea to film. It was all so surreal," he said. "My life seemed picture-perfect. But then I got sick and almost died."

Not even a high-profile media personality can get the level of medical care in the Philippines that is available in the U.S., so Javier's parents flew him home. He had lost a lot of weight as well as the use of his legs, and it took him a full year of treatment and physical therapy to recover from severe nerve damage. During the time he was bedridden, Javier began online classes through Oakland Community College, and then graduated summa cum laude from Oakland University's Honors College in 2018.

He finally had the biology degree he had started in his teens and was fueled by his deathbed promise to make a difference. Javier considered applying to medical school but his uncle—Dr. Pedro Saavedra, who earned a pharmacy degree from Wayne State in 1980—suggested that the Pharm.D. program would be a quicker path to a health care career.

Javier says he broke down in tears during his WSU Applebaum admissions interview: "My life has never gone in a straight line. I'm really thankful it's led me to Wayne State."



## All for One

This month, Javier is participating in the Up to Us Mentorship Summit, which offers the top 20 teams in this year's competition the opportunity to glean industry advice from Up to Us alumni and the Clinton Global Initiative University. He is serving as the event's Political Science and Public Policy moderator, joining other innovators to discuss their experience advocating for legislation that supports sustainable economic growth and equitable health outcomes for all Americans.

Being part of the Up to Us alumni community has led to numerous opportunities, including a scholarship to Harvard Business School. Along with Kappa Psi Brothers Hussein Safaoui and Noah Trotter, Javier completed online courses and now holds Harvard certificates in business analytics and sustainable business strategy—coming full circle after studying at the Ivy League university in the '90s. Just last week, Javier was awarded another Harvard scholarship, this time for a certificate in global business.

He thinks he may put those business lessons to use by opening a pharmacy one day. "I love having my finger on the pulse of my community, and I'd like to have patients who become familiar faces," he said, adding that one of the reasons he is involved in so many organizations is to try on different hats for the best fit. "I want a job where I'll have the biggest impact—maybe with a government agency like the FDA or CDC."

Javier recently served as a legislative intern for Michigan House Rep. Padma Kuppa, who added him to her team after she was appointed to the state's Prescription Drug Task Force. "I sat in on task force meetings, worked with pharmacists to provide better access to lifesaving medications, and helped Rep. Kuppa respond to constituents who contacted her about medical or science issues," he said. "Because one of my skill sets is networking and mobilizing people, working in policy might be the best way to make a difference by giving more Americans access to health care and medications that would improve their quality of life—or save lives."

Professor of Pharmacy Practice Mary Beth O'Connell, who has worked with Javier on community research projects, is confident he'll have a positive effect on others no matter which path he takes. "Joseph combines



*Dr. Pedro Saavedra, Javier's late uncle who he called Tito Pete, graduated from Wayne State's pharmacy program in 1980 and helped guide his nephew toward the profession.*



*"I've been blessed with Kappa Psi brothers who have supported me along my journey," Javier said. "I am thankful to Dr. Zack Mueller, Pharm.D. '20, who has been a trusted confidant and mentor. And I am especially grateful to Dr. Sean Lang, Pharm.D. '18, who is a Kappa Psi brother and my Theta Chi undergrad fraternity great grand big. Sean guided me in applying to pharmacy school and wrote recommendation letters that resulted in awards and scholarships."*

his life experience with his passion for all people to have good and healthy lives, and leads and acts from his mind, heart and soul," O'Connell said. "He is an amazing student pharmacist who understands the importance of advocacy, community engagement, pharmacy services and research. His positivity, respect and team spirit make him an essential partner."

Javier is grateful for the support. "Most people get one chance at life, but I feel like I'm on my second or third chance," he said. "I believe we are sometimes given hardships so we can better identify the struggles of others. I've had a lot of blessings but also a lot of adversity, and that has allowed me to see what others may not. Now I am driven by the feeling that I need to do as much as I can because life is fleeting. When the time finally comes and I find myself on that deathbed



*Javier canvassed for Michigan House Rep. Padma Kuppa ahead of the November 2020 election and completed a health care-focused internship with her.*



*Javier worked with classmate Bhargav Kovuru to found the WSU chapter of the Industry Pharmacists Organization.*



*June 2019, Javier was interviewed on Cheddar News about the Up to Us competition and how health care spending is a major driver of the national debt.*

again but close my eyes for the last time, I want to be able to look back at my life and not be disheartened. I want to say with full confidence that I used this borrowed time to honor my parents and please my God happily in the service of others." ■





Javier (left) and Kappa Psi Brother Johnie L. Bailey help vaccinate the community against COVID-19.



Javier puts his student pharmacist training to use at a Philippine American Cultural Center of Michigan vaccination clinic.



Javier is an alumnus advisor for the Phi Theta Kappa honor society, shown here with PTK International officers Elena Wong (left), Tala Alahmar and Catreese Qualls, an incoming WSU student. (Photo courtesy of Yuliia Lane Photography).



June 2020, Javier (second from left) gathers with several members of the WSU Applebaum community—including Dr. Mary Beth O'Connell (second from right) and Kappa Psi Brothers Jacob Dudash, Noah Trotter and Hussein Safaoui—for Detroit's White Coats for Black Lives demonstration.

Fadi Manuel (left) and Javier spend a full day showcasing the WSU Applebaum Pharm.D. program, campus and Detroit for Wayne State's 26,000 Instagram followers.



# The Kappa Psi Pharmaceutical Foundation

is pleased to announce our **2021 Scholarships.**

**MATTHEW CAMPION**

BETA EPSILON  
UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND  
KΨ Foundation Scholarship



**ELIZABETH DONNELLY**

BETA KAPPA  
UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH  
**Northern Plains Province  
Scholarship**



**ANNIKA MEYERS**

BETA CHI  
DRAKE UNIVERSITY  
KΨ Foundation Scholarship



**LESTER PIRI**

GAMMA PSI  
MERCER UNIVERSITY  
**Pfizer Scholarship**

**LONG 'LEO' CHEN**

GAMMA PSI  
MERCER UNIVERSITY  
KΨ Foundation Scholarship



**VINCENT KNECHT**

BETA KAPPA  
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In May, Epsilon Theta Brother John Wright held a fundraiser selling T-shirts to benefit the Matthew Boyd Scholarship and raised \$2,440. Matt passed away in 2020. BELOW: Epsilon Theta Brother Kelsey Dunkin is emotional as she receives the Matthew Owen Boyd Brotherhood Scholarship Award.



The International Fraternity assists brothers with scholarships each year and individual chapters also award scholarships. Here, Sonia Phan is the first place Nevada Grad Scholarship recipient.

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# Mu Omicron Pi, Brotherhood and Tradition

**Located in one of Detroit's most historic neighborhoods,** the chapter house of Mu Omicron Pi stands proud and tall ... weathered, but resolute. This home, which was built more than a century ago, is testament to a story of brotherhood, triumph over adversity, and an enduring commitment to building a legacy which has spanned generations. Erected in 1908, the three-story brick mansion at 719 Virginia Park St. has served as the home of Kappa Psi brothers for 50 golden years. The uneven avenue leading to the 16-room Colonial Revival belies a time when horse and carriage were still the only form of transportation. The first Model T automobile was manufactured at the nearby Ford Piquette Plant shortly after the mansion was built. The nation's first paved road was constructed about two miles away on Woodward Avenue a year later. Less than 500 feet away from the Mu Omicron Pi chapter house is the lot where the last minority-owned hospital of the city once stood (Hope Hospital founded in 1952) which served people of color during a time when they could be refused care at Detroit's major hospitals. Down the street is where the Algiers Motel once was, the site of a bloody clash with police during the 1967 Detroit Uprising which intensified the fight for racial equality during the United States Civil Rights Movement. And just a few miles away from Virginia Park is the modern Detroit Medical Center, home to the largest single-campus medical school in the country via Wayne State University and where the first mechanical heart was created more than 50 years ago.

719 Virginia Park, lovingly known as the 'John F. Radtke House' by the brothers of Mu Omicron Pi, speaks volumes to the history of the Motor City as well as the Detroit chapter of Kappa Psi Pharmaceutical Fraternity.

## Before Mu Omicron Pi joined Kappa Psi

At first glance, one may find it peculiar that Wayne State University's designation for its Kappa Psi chapter is composed of three Greek letters while all other Kappa Psi chapters have only one or two. The reason behind this distinction is that the traditional method of naming chapters was not used for Mu Omicron Pi. From its very inception, chapter Mu Omicron Pi has been unique. Mu Omicron Pi Fraternity was founded by 14 members on May 12, 1926, as its own independent fraternity at the Detroit College of Pharmacy. Fourteen members were on the General Assembly which was comprised of executive members President John H. Conlin, Honorary President Dean Esten P. Stout, Secretary & Treasurer Kenneth C. Owens, and Faculty Advisor Dr. Walter J. Wilson. Mu Omicron Pi was born from this group of men who met one another two years prior. They noticed that each possessed similar tendencies and wanted to excel in the College of Pharmacy as well as in a drug store. The goal of Mu Omicron Pi was to uplift the campus with school spirit and to excel socially within the Detroit College of Pharmacy.

From its beginning, Mu Omicron Pi had much success recruiting members with its bi-weekly luncheons. On November 15, 1926, Mu Omicron Pi elected Francis J. Koelzer as president, C. Anderson for secretary & treasurer, M. Quinin as publicity chairman, F. Kurczewski as membership chairman, and F. St. Amour as social chairman. Emphasis was placed that the fraternity's purpose was to sponsor campus functions to elevate the social rating of their college through the cooperation of the more active members of the pharmacy school.

On March 10 of 1927, Mu Omicron Pi entertained its newest member, Ray Parker, at a luncheon. After the meeting, Brother Cole of Kappa Psi Fraternity gave a presentation on the benefits of Kappa Psi with the hopes of chartering a Kappa Psi chapter in the Detroit College of Pharmacy. Brother Cole approached Dean Stout and J. Verne Crandall, who were brothers of Mu Omicron Pi, to gauge if there was any interest in becoming a chapter of Kappa Psi. Dean Stout and the rest of the brothers of Mu Omicron Pi expressed that they would not join Kappa Psi unless certain conditions were met. The Mu Omicron Pi fraternity brothers were very proud of the organization they founded and demanded that Kappa Psi let Mu Omicron Pi keep their letters of Greek designation as well as their local traditions. If these conditions were not met, there would be no charter of Kappa Psi allowed at the Detroit College of Pharmacy. Prodigiously, these conditions were agreed upon and Kappa Psi chartered Mu Omicron Pi at the Detroit College of Pharmacy on May 14, 1927. Kappa Psi's Grand Historian, Brother K. Darbaker, conducted the installation ceremony for Mu Omicron Pi. Soon after, with the assistance of brothers from Beta Beta chapter, Beta Lambda chapter and the Cleveland Graduate chapter, Brother Darbaker directed the initiation of the new members. Dean Esten Powers Stout, J. Verne Crandall and Joseph L. Dorian of the faculty were included among charter members initiated.

On July 1, 1957, the Detroit College of Pharmacy merged with Wayne State University in Detroit and Mu Omicron Pi was transferred to its new institution. "I cannot express how thankful we are to our Mu Omicron Pi Founding Fathers and all the brothers who came before us," says Brother

Noah Trotter, current regent of Mu Omicron Pi. "We've made countless memories as a brotherhood throughout the years and our chapter has done much to uplift the profession of pharmacy. Because of the foresight and wisdom of these brothers, we have built our fraternity into a diverse organization that brings us all together to accomplish our goals. They built for us a foundation as well as a home that has been integral to my pharmacy school experience." In the fall of 1957, a chapter house was obtained for Mu Omicron Pi at 815 W. Warren in Detroit. Later, the chapter occupied the property at 1120 Forrest St., the former home of



*In 1967, Mu Omicron Pi brothers and friends fix up the Charles Lindbergh House in celebration of the 40th anniversary of the famed aviator's historic flight across the Atlantic.*



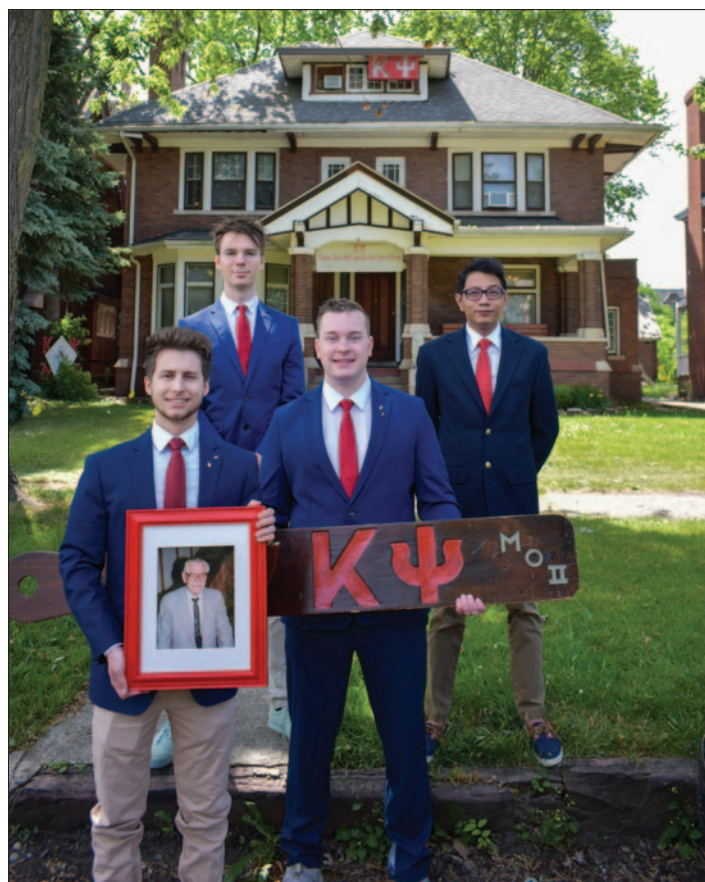


*Mu Omicron Pi, then and now: 1926 photograph of Mu Omicron Pi's founding members (above) and the collegiate and alumni brothers of Mu Omicron Pi today (below).*

Charles Lindbergh. This property was acquired by the Detroit Graduate chapter as a chapter house for both the collegiate and graduate members in Detroit. In 1970, the chapter finally moved into its current house at 719 Virginia Park.

## John F. Radtke and Brothers of Distinction

The house at 719 Virginia Park was dedicated in honor of Mu Omicron Pi Brother John F. Radtke on May 28, 1982, and remains as the chapter house of Mu Omicron Pi and meeting place for the Kappa Psi Detroit Graduate chapter. On Friday, May 15, 1982, Brother Radtke was presented a plaque commemorating the chapter house dedication during a gala at Detroit's Hotel Pontchartrain to celebrate Mu Omicron Pi's 60th anniversary and the Detroit Graduate chapter's 50th anniversary. "I want to say thank you. You know, this is a lovely honor," Brother Radtke said during his acceptance speech at the gala. "Of course, I won't forget it. I can't. But my wife and I had no children, and then one day, they (Kappa Psi) gave me a houseful. And I haven't regretted it one moment. I've lost my dear wife, but I've still got a houseful of kids and Kappa Psi. Thank you." These were his last words to the Fraternity. Unexpectedly, Brother Radtke died the following evening. "I was the last brother to see John F. Radtke alive," says Brother Paul Cyprus (fall 1979 pledge class) who drove John home after the gala and later saw John on his hospital



*The Mu Omicron Pi fall 2019 pledge class stands proudly in front of their chapter house dedicated to Brother John F. Radtke: Jacob Dudash, vice regent; Lucas Crum, recording secretary; Noah Trotter, regent; and Joseph Paul Javier, historian.*

deathbed. "He had the corniest jokes and always made us laugh. John could go up to any brother and be able to talk to them, even though he might have been 30 or 40 years older. John had a real talent with people." "John F. Radtke was a very distinguished brother of Mu Omicron Pi. He was Detroit's 'Mr. Kappa Psi' and it is only befitting that our chapter house is named after him," adds Brother Kenneth Kochajda (summer 1982 pledge class). "He was a very dynamic individual. He was always proud to be a member of our Fraternity and John was an exceptional pharmacist. John F. Radtke was like a father to the brothers of our chapter."

Inside the John F. Radtke House, there are several plaques dedicated to prominent brothers who have gone above and beyond to help build or support the chapter. They are displayed proudly and prominently in various rooms and hallways within 719 Virginia Park. Aside from Mu Omicron Pi's Founding Fathers who have awards named after them, one brother who has touched the lives of so many Kappa Psi brothers is Brother Francis Facione. An award was named after Facione to honor the Detroit Graduate Chapter Man of the Year. Better known to his brothers as 'Father Frank,' Facione studied pharmacy at Wayne State University and was initiated into Mu Omicron Pi. He earned a B.S. in pharmacy in 1962, a M.S. in pharmacy administration in 1974, and a Ph.D. in pharmacy administration in 1982. Father Frank eventually taught at the Wayne State pharmacy school and became an integral brother at Mu Omicron Pi and for Kappa Psi as a whole, ultimately serving on the National Executive Board and becoming editor of *THE MASK*. Realizing his calling, Facione





*Detroit Graduate chapter: Sean Lang, regent Dave LaForest, Chima Nwamba, Grand Council Deputy Michael Wodecki (holding the portrait of William R. Smith, Past Grand Regent of Kappa Psi), Paul Cyprus, and house manager Michael Gozdziński.*



*Father Frank Facione, former Wayne State faculty member and past editor of THE MASK.*

entered the Old Roman Catholic Church and was ordained a priest on July 14, 1974. Father Frank rose to become the presiding bishop of the Old Roman Catholic Church in North America before passing away on June 14, 2019. “I had the honor to call Father Frank my mentor. He was known as ‘Mr. Mu Omicron Pi’ because of how much he cared for and loved the Fraternity,” says Brother CJ Zarecki (fall 2012 pledge class). “Father Frank was a longtime pharmacy law professor at the university and everyone knew him. He always talked about Kappa Psi. It’s impossible to replace Father Frank and all the wisdom and knowledge he shared with our Brotherhood.”

A most special honor is reserved for Mu Omicron Pi’s most distinguished brothers—having a specific room dedicated to them in the John F. Radtke House. The library is named after Brother Joseph Holden who was once regent of the Detroit Graduate chapter. The living room is dedicated to Brother Leo J. Jezewski, past treasurer of Mu Omicron Pi. And the back parlor room is dedicated to Brother Walter R. Tilson, past regent of the Detroit Graduate chapter. However, the most prominent room at 719 Virginia Park, the front sitting room that houses the chapter’s charter, constitution, and other historic documents, is dedicated to William R. Smith, the first and only Mu Omicron Pi brother to have served as Kappa Psi’s Grand Regent. Father Frank Facione served as pledgemaster to Brother William R. Smith when Smith decided to join Kappa Psi and the two became the best of friends up until Brother Smith’s passing. “Father Frank always had stories to tell about William R. Smith,” continues Brother Zarecki. “One of the stories really hit hard for me. Father Frank recounted when he first met William R. Smith. William came to the Lindbergh house to pledge Kappa Psi wearing a coonskin cap. Father Frank said he looked like Davy Crockett. William was younger and Father Frank helped guide William R. Smith before and after pharmacy



*Kappa Psi is in the blood: Father and son, and Mu Omicron Pi Brothers Jad Kawas (fall 2020 pledge class) and Aiman Kawas (fall 1992 pledge class.)*

school. It was amazing to hear how close they became over the years. Father Frank became his close friend and also his mentor. Eventually, I heard the story of how Father Frank was there at William R. Smith’s funeral and how he carried William’s casket to his grave. This relationship alone speaks to what kind of fraternity we are. It’s more than just a fraternity or organization. Mu Omicron Pi is built on brotherhood, friendships that last a lifetime. What we have here is special.”

## Men Of Principle: Paying it Forward

The most recent room to be named after a brother at 719 Virginia Park is one of the second-floor bedrooms. Room No. 3 is dedicated to Robert S. Rembisz. Brother Rembisz was a beloved member of Mu Omicron Pi and graduated from Wayne State Pharmacy School in 1993. He lived his life by the philosophy of service to others. If a brother needed help or if something was needed for the Fraternity, Brother Rembisz would drop everything to help the chapter. The John F. Radtke House meant a lot to Robert and during times when the house went into arrears, he would step in to cover costs until the chapter could raise the necessary funds. Sadly, Brother Rembisz was fatally wounded by a gunshot on November 30, 1995. He was only 27 years old. The Rembisz family established the Robert Stanley Rembisz Memorial Pharmacy Scholarship in honor of Brother Rembisz. Through a generous endowment, Kappa Psi brothers who exemplify Robert’s dedication to academics and service can benefit from this scholarship every year. “Mu Omicron Pi has always been about brotherhood. Being there for your brothers, connecting with them and supporting them,” says Grand Council Deputy Michael Wodecki (fall 2009 pledge class). “This is something that our chapter has done well, by the brothers before me and by the brothers who have come after me. We’ve been blessed to have our graduates support our collegiate brothers.” “The struggles, trials, and tribulations, our joys, accomplishments, and successes all go hand in hand. It is all about brothers paying it forward,” adds Brother Michael Gozdziński, Detroit Graduate chapter





*Mu Omicron Pi officers: Evan Johnson, corresponding secretary; Philip Pokorski, faculty advisor; Johnie L. Bailey, house manager; Steven Conway, scholarship chair and a recipient of the Robert Rembisz Memorial Scholarship for Kappa Psi brothers. (Brother Rembisz's photo shown in the picture frame)*



*Mu Omicron Pi collegiates and alumni pose in front of their Founders Day awards: Jacob Dudash, vice regent; Shivam Patel, Detroit Graduate chapter; Steven Conway, pledgemaster; Hussein Safaoui, sergeant at arms; CJ Zarecki and Bill Snyder, Detroit Graduate chapter; and Noah Trotter, regent.*

house manager (initiated spring 2012). "Everything stems from our chapter house. It is an amazing asset that keeps our grads connected to the active chapter. The John F. Radtke House is the reason why I am still active as a grad. It's the reason why I keep coming back. Thankfully, the brothers before me had the forethought to keep a house for our chapter. Mu Omicron Pi is blessed because of the generosity of our brothers." "We've been here on Virginia Park for 50 years and we want to be here for 50 more years," says Johnie L. Bailey, Mu Omicron Pi's current house manager. "It isn't easy maintaining a very old, historic mansion while coordinating with the schedules of all the brothers who live here. It really is a labor of love. It's imperative to maintain this house for the brothers who will come after us and preserve the history of our Kappa Psi chapter. 719 Virginia Park is more than just a house. For the brothers of Mu Omicron Pi, the John F. Radtke House is our home."

—Joseph Paul Javier



*Detroit Grad 1960s*



*June 1, 1961: Award of Merit is presented to James Joseph by Ray Moss.*



*Detroit Grad 1970s*





St. Louis Grad brothers look forward to their yearly float trip.

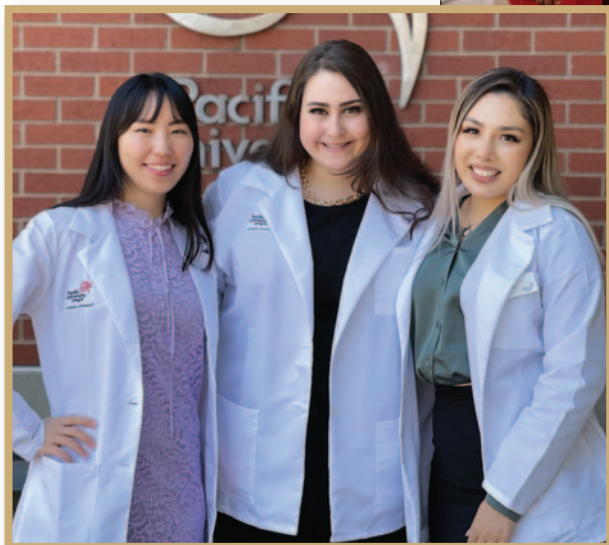


The Kappa Psi Brotherhood celebrates milestones as a family. ABOVE, the Delta Epsilon PY1 Class enjoys their White Coat Ceremony, with the support of their Kappa Psi family: (L-R, top to bottom) Matt Zilionis, Sean Kerrigan, Temple Coldren, Joe Chobany, Michael Amato, Sophia McCarthy, Michael Hair, Juliana Ferreira, Macy Skepanski, and Sarah Leist.

We are sad to announce South University has closed their campus in Columbia, SC, which forced the closing of our Epsilon Phi chapter. We hope our Epsilon Phi brothers will remember Kappa Psi is for Life and our family extends around the globe. Please stay involved and enjoy the many benefits of our Brotherhood through one of our Graduate chapters!



Zeta Lambda Class of 2021 brothers pose during a Founders Day event. Zeta Lambda was founded in 2015 at the University of North Texas, with a founding class of 27 brothers. The chapter grew quickly, and now has nearly 100 active brothers. Zeta Lambda was scheduled to host spring 2020 Province before the pandemic hit. One year later, they finally hosted Province and won their first Chapter of the Year award.



LEFT: Epsilon Xi brothers celebrate getting their white coats.





Delta Tau brothers at the Faculty Luncheon.

BELOW: Epsilon Gamma celebrates the Class of 2021 brothers at their graduation: Sunny Park, Linh Nguyen, Esther Hahm, Tom To, Gloria Oh, Christine Vuong, and Zachary Oh.



Epsilon Zeta's Apothecary Ball is one of the chapter's biggest events every year. Fortunately, this year, the school allowed them to host the event for brothers only, following COVID protocols. You best believe this year's Apothecary Ball did not disappoint!

Epsilon Gamma Brothers Leanna Hunt, Christine Kim, Jennifer Hom, and Philip McMichael together with their preceptor, Brother Dr. Christine Wong, after volunteering at the Riverside Free Clinic (RFC). At the Riverside Clinic, people can receive free health care from volunteer students and professionals. Service at the RFC is a tradition that the brothers have always proudly enjoyed.





# CELEBRATING *Brotherhood*

After being fully vaccinated, Beta Omicron brothers are able to gather to watch the North American premiere of the movie "Demon Slayer: Mugen Train" at theaters. Brother The-Huy Mai took the initiative to organize this fun social event to bring back the spirit of fellowship after a long year of social distancing.



Gamma Eta brothers enjoy their end-of-the-year barbecue.

**RIGHT:** Northwest Province celebrated Founders Day with a province-wide virtual social. Here, brothers play Four Corners to get to know each other better.







ABOVE: Epsilon Psi brothers enjoy being outdoors together and capturing the unique sunrises and sunsets of the Hawaiian Islands.

LEFT: Utah Grad brothers gather for a night of fellowship at All Star bowling.



ABOVE: The Omicron class of Epsilon Iota chapter celebrates their awards during their Spring Gala.



LEFT: Delta Sigma brothers gather between classes for a photo wearing their Kappa Psi colors.

We thank those brothers who have paid their voluntary graduate dues. That money goes toward things like scholarships, GCC expenses, Leadership Symposium, and Kappa Psi receptions at APHA/ASHP.



# CELEBRATING *Brotherhood*

Third-year Epsilon Mu brothers prepare for their final-year rotations: (L-R top) Bre'onna Harrison, Jacqueline Nguyen, Athena Perez, Noriam Roman, Matthew Doenges, Reginald Leandre; (L-R bottom) Caroline Leeflang, Briana Williams, Devi Surajbali, Lydia Borah, and Sabrina Satchfield.



Epsilon Xi brothers help celebrate Brother Lisa's birthday. Having brothers makes every celebration sweeter!



Delta Zeta brothers mask up to attend a fundraising event at Freddy's Frozen Custard & Steakburgers in downtown Iowa City. (L-R): Dylan Gao, Kari Starbeck, Tanner Frey, and Samantha Whitcomb.





Gamma Chi brothers reconnect at an alumni assembly at the local zoo. It was the first time the brothers were able to reconnect personally since the start of the pandemic.



ABOVE: Seattle Grad brothers gather at a housewarming party to catch up, enjoy food and play Just Dance in person.



RIGHT: Gamma Sigma, Epsilon Mu, and Zeta Gamma chapters came together to host a joint beach cleanup in St. Augustine in celebration of Founders Day.



# CELEBRATING *Brotherhood*



Pittsburgh Grad Brothers Liz Van Dyke, Cameron Van Dyke, Trisha Miller, Kate Anthony, and Chris Miller are relaxed and vaxed at Topgolf. It was the first time the Grad group had met in person for more than a year.



St. Louis Grad brothers take in a Cardinals baseball game together.



Newlywed Iota Brothers Chris and Caroline Donaldson.



Zeta Phi graduating brothers enjoy the graduation dinner held in their honor: (L-R) Jessica Senderkis, Paul Acosta, Dena Cvetkovic (current regent), Jennyflore Eliazar, Katheryn Mansur, and Zeina Eid.





Epsilon Theta 2020–2021 regent John Wright and newly elected Grand Council Delegate, Brother Dale English enjoy fellowship at the barbecue.



Epsilon Pi graduates are honored at the chapter's traditional barbecue send-off.

ABOVE: After a year of Zoom calls, mask wearing, and hand sanitizer, Delta Omega newly elected officers and past officers were treated to an Officer Transition Retreat in Edisto Island, South Carolina. The brothers engaged in ice breakers and games to strengthen the Brotherhood and then past officers were able to sit down with the new officers for one-on-one time. After business was finished, they enjoyed some free time on the beach.





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During meetings in late 2020, the International Executive Committee learned that, due to social distancing restrictions, the maximum in-person capacity would be reduced by two-thirds in the largest ballroom space if GCC were held in 2021. Facing a variety of concerns for a one delegate per chapter event, they explored various options and made the difficult decision to postpone the 60th Grand Council Convention to July 2022.

The 60th Grand Council Convention site will be at the Arizona Grand Resort in Phoenix. Mark your calendars now for one big family reunion of Kappa Psi nation!

