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Epsilon-Kappa's Newest Philanthropy Event

# THE TRADITION LIVES ON

#### OUR REVERED CHAPTER ADVISOR SHARES HIS THOUGHTS AND AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE



The miracle continues at Epsilon-Kappa. A new group of officers have been installed and the tradition endures of providing men the opportunity to hone their leadership and personal skills that will prepare them for their future. Much is the same as it was in our undergraduate days and much has changed.

Some change is negligible; Lambda Chi Alpha was founded with the policy "to inspire and foster the highest ideals of manly character and gentlemanly behavior..." and today the members learn the 7 Core Values to provide their moral compass.

Much of the change is enormous; society's expectations, "boys being boys" is no longer an excuse for abhorrent behavior, failure to report a possible sexual assault/harassment is a violation of university policy, a university's failure to investigate a report of possible sexual assault/harassment (even without a complaint) is a violation of Title 9 and jeopardizes federal funding, the social media with everyone having a video camera in their hand, and an upload can be the next internet viral sensation.

One has not read or watched the news without having seen the many reports focusing the spotlight on college fraternities, some deserved and some not. Some fiction, sensationalized with questionable journalistic integrity and some obviously an alcohol fueled lapse of judgement. Both have equally damaged fraternities for years. Unfortunately reporting on a rape or hazing at a fraternity house will be more rewarding than reporting a fraternity collected 1.75 million pounds of food to fight hunger.

Members (undergraduate and alumni) need to be cognizant of the changes. Some will argue that a group mentality encourages the problems with fraternity. I challenge that a group can counter the behavior. Be the sober monitor at the social that intervenes when a brother is about to take a fateful step. Hold your brother accountable for a violation.

Live the Seven Core Values;

- Loyalty: Bear true faith and allegiance to Lambda Chi Alpha, your chapter, and your brothers.
- Duty: Fulfill all your obligations from associate member and ritual oaths.
- Respect: Treat people as they should be treated.
- Service and Stewardship: Put the welfare of Lambda Chi Alpha, your chapter, and your brothers before your own. Know that as a brother you hold something of value in trust for others.
- Honor: Live all our values and be an honorable man.
- Integrity: Do what is right all of the time walk the walk.
- Personal Courage: Demonstrate the courage of your convictions.

Lead by example and the miracle endures.

Yours in ZAX, Mark Stitz, E-K 906 [ALUMNI OFFICERS]

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# STATE OF THE CHAPTER

OUR ESTEEMED UNDERGRADUATE PRESIDENT RECOUNTS THE RECENT SUCCESSES



#### Brothers,

The Epsilon-Kappa Zeta chapter has been continuously putting effort towards making strives to strengthen our chapter over the past six months. With the largest graduating class the chapter has seen since re-founding, new leaders are starting to emerge and take over the roles of the chapter. With new leaders come new ideas and a new thinking process. Ideas that the undergraduates believe will help our chapter grow and become the top chapter on campus.

Over the past six months the undergraduate brothers have begun to focus on smaller issues within the chapter instead of the overall picture. It has become clear to us that Dean's Cup and Grand High Alpha awards are a great accomplishment; but, in order to achieve such reward we must worry about the smaller parts individually in order to reach that goal. Just this past year we focused heavily on our Philanthropy by increasing our Feeding America totals and increasing our secondary philanthropy event Spike and Strike, which benefits the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society in honor of our late Crescent Girl, Andrea Messina, who passed away from Leukemia just days before her graduation last year. You can read more about their success in our Philanthropy article.

In addition, the Chapter has been slowly working on recovering our academic standing, after losing multiple Dean's List students due to graduation. For the past two terms we have improved our position among the other 13 fraternities. Our scholastics chair has been working on new mentoring and study sessions for brothers to help improve their scholastic performance. These efforts have been succesful as we have jumped to the top 5 in academics after summer term. Now that the chapter feels confident in these two divisions we are now working on our recruitment.

The Chapter has decided to bring in Master Stewards and external resources, such as Sororities, to help further develop our recruitment skills. All this with an ambition of recruiting a class size that the Brothers of Epsilon-Kappa Zeta know we can achieve this fall. Over the past six months, the brothers have put forth a lot of work and are ready to put forth the additional work necessary to recruit a large class the task is not possible without the support of the entire chapter working with the recruitment chair.

The future is looking bright for Epsilon-Kappa Zeta and with our 75th anniversary just a few months away the Chapter is striving to work harder to become the best Chapter on campus and in Lambda Chi Alpha. I have full faith in our undergraduate Brothers when it comes to accepting these new ideas in order to grow and following through with the work from past events that were successful. Once we strengthen our shortcomings then the chapter will grow stronger as a whole with the help of our emerging leaders and finally grasp Dean's Cup and the Grand High Alpha award.

Yours In ZAX, Adam James Lynn, E-K 1525 [UNDERGRADUATE OFFICERS]

High Alpha, President Adam Lynn

High Beta, Internal VP Trey Harper

High Theta, External VP lan Lempitsky

High Gamma, Secretary Lee Jacobs

High Tau, Treasurer Daniel Finnegan

High Iota, Risk Manager Connor Fink

High Kappa, Fraternity Educator Dominic Primerano

High Delta, Recruitment Chair Nicolas Kilkenny

High Phi, Ritualist Daniel Finnegan

High Sigma, Scholastic Chair Andrew Villa

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Technology Chairman Phillip Ryan

Inner Circle Steward Chris Ozgar



# IT'S GREATTO BEKING

#### LAMBDA CHI BROTHERS CROWNED 2015 HOMECOMING KING AND 2015 DEEPHER DUDE



Back in November, I decided to run for Drexel University's 2015 Homecoming King. I had been a little disappointed after choosing not to run the previous year because I knew how great it could be for our chapter. I knew I had a great shot for this year because of the amount of people I know on campus and my inherent ability to talk to people. Talking to people is so easy.

The requirements to run for the prestigious title were a 2.7 GPA, involvement in a recognized organization, and a personal essay. After crushing, the personal essay, I was chosen to be a finalist for the crown. As a finalist, I attended the Crystal Ball and did some community service with the other candidates. Voting was open for a week and in the end, I was crowned King during the halftime of the homecoming basketball game.

Winning was awesome! It definitely was nice to wear a crown again. I'll never forget my name being called and immediately hearing the Lambda Chi's in the crowd (both undergrad and alumni) erupt. What I cherished the

most though is what the award has done for our chapter. Since then, we have seen grown in our brotherhood, we have grown socially, and had an amazing philanthropy event with a turn out that crushed our expectations.

- Rich Felix, Homecoming King 2015



On February 7, 2015 I participated in Delta Phi Epsilon's eleventh annual Deepher Dude at Drexel University. Deepher Dude is Delta Phi Epsilon's biggest philanthropy event of the year and supports the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Cystic Fibrosis (CF) is a life-threatening genetic disease that affects the lungs and digestive systems of approximately 30,000 children and adults in the United States. Research and care supported by the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation are making a huge difference in extending and improving the quality of life for those with CF; however, we continue to lose at least one life to CF each day.

The Deepher Dude event consists of an all-male beauty pageant, with both members of Drexel's fraternities and non-affiliated men competing to become the next Deepher Dude. The beauty pageant is broken up into three parts: a swimsuit contest, talent portion, and traditional pageant Q&A. All three parts are worth points and the top finishers in each section receive the

most points, increasing their chances of becoming the Deepher Dude. However, the amount of money each contestant raises toward the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation plays a big role in deciding who gets crowned. With a ton of support from my brothers, friends, and family I was able to raise close to **\$4,500** for the foundation. This, along with my points received in each of the three sections of the beauty pageant allowed me to win the competition and become the crowned Deepher Dude for 2015.

- Matthew Prusinski, Deepher Dude 2015

# THE GRSSK GAMES

## **MAY THE ODDS BE EVER IN YOUR FAVOUR!**

## GREEK WEEK 2015

"This year's Greek Week was as hectic as ever, but Lambda Chi showed up in force to every event. With almost all of the Brothers contributing, the amount of energy shown was huge. While we did not win Greek Week, we had a lot of fun, and look forward to competing again next year."



- Phillip Ryan, Greek Week Chairman

#### IFC STANDINGS

1st	Sigma Dhi Engilon (246 ptg)
ISL	Sigma Phi Epsilon (346 pts)
2nd	Pi Kappa Alpha (323 pts)
3rd	Alpha Chi Rho (298 pts)
4th	Phi Kappa Psi (292 pts)
5th	Beta Theta Pi (285 pts)
6th	Delta Sigma Phi (275 pts)
7th	Lambda Chi Alpha (257 pts)
8th	Tau Kappa Epsilon (224 pts)
9th	Alpha Epsilon Pi (210 pts)
10th	Sigma Alpha Mu (200 pts)
11th	Theta Chi (174 pts)
12th	Pi Kappa Phi (154 pts)
13th	Alpha Pi Lambda (114 pts)



# KE & STRIKE Volleyball Tournament

#### benefiting the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society

and change the organization to remember a dear friend of the Fraternity, Andrea Messina. Last year, just a few months before her graduation, she was diagnosed with Leukemia and passed away a short time after. Every member of our chapter loved her and that

The event was a daylong tournament with three brackets: men's, women's, and Co-Ed. We had 29 teams participate from numerous organizations across campus including PHC, IFC, MGC, and many more. We also got support from three corporate sponsors who wanted to get involved with the LLS and our

benefiting the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Though it had been held in

the past funding Feeding fueled our drive to make America, this year we decided to revamp the tournament

On Sunday April 26th

Lambda Chi Alpha EKZ held

the first annual "Spike and

Strike" volleyball tournament



day, our Facebook page was

chapter.

In addition

to just this

this tournament mean something.



updated every day of that week to give a fact about Leukemia or Lymphoma.

The amount of planning for this tournament was unreal, but in the end it was completely worth the time. We raised \$4,264.51 for the LLS. That is the largest amount that Epsilon-Kappa has raised for philanthropy since our re-founding in 2009.

In the end, the reason for this event was to raise awareness about Leukemia and Lymphoma and to re-



member Andrea. I am proud to say that this was the first event in my time in Lambda Chi Alpha that had 100% backing from our active Brothers, Associate Members, and the community. I am also proud of every dollar that was raised, as it is much needed for research about Leukemia and Lymphoma and hopefully one day our efforts help find a cure.

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# We are the Champions... of IFC Softball

#### THE UNDEFEATED SEASON BY NED MILLER AND DAN SAGER

Lambda Chi looked to improve on their semi-final loss to Sig Ep in the 2014 Softball season. After a grueling winter consisting of an arduous cross fit program and a strict Taco Lou diet, the team emerged from hibernation ready to bring their inner Jose Canseco to Fairmount Park. Despite losing the crafty veteran, Anthony Iacono, the season looked promising with the insurgence of some young talent such as his untested century brother, Dom "Sunshine" Primerano.

Early season jitters were abundant. After the team anxiously watched former foe, Sig Ep, make light work of their adversary in the matinee of a day-night double header, a pep talk was in order. Chad "Chip" Mehmel gathered the groggy team where he stressed fundamentals such as hitting the cutoff man from left field, which is coincidentally where Zawlocki often finds his mind wondering. As the home team, Lambda Chi took the field in the top of the first inning. With one out and one on, Rich "Dickie" Felix delivered a smooth arc to the batter who sent a sharp grounder to the lanky shortstop, Ned "Stork" Miller, who initiated a text book 6-4-3 double play, setting the tone for the 2015 campaign.

Lambda Chi went on to fight to a competitive 14-10 victory, and never looked back. During the remaining three regular season games, Lambda Chi became extremely familiar with IFC's run rule, outscoring their opponents by over forty runs. The gruesome twosome consisting of Rob-



#### SEASON SCHEDULE

Game 1: vs Sigma Phi Epsilon (W) 14-10 Game 2: vs Alpha Epsilon Pi (W) 17-2 Game 3: vs Theta Chi (W) 21-4 Game 4: vs Alpha Pi Lambda (W) 16-6 Game 5: vs Tau Kappa Epsilon (W) 16-1 Game 6: vs Sigma Phi Epsilon (W) 8-7

Championship Game Game 7: vs Pi Kappa Alpha (W) 9-7

ert "Frobby" Syperreck, who provided the nutrients that Babe Ruth himself would be proud of, and Dan Finnegan who truly embodied the natural American spirit no doubt spurred the offensive surge.

After quickly setting down TKE in the first round of the playoffs, Lambda Chi faced the most important day of the season: Championship Sunday, where legends are made. In the first game of the day, Lambda Chi faced their old nemesis, Sig Ep, and once again, in a clash of titans, Lambda Chi found themselves as the last one standing.

In the championship game, Lambda Chi faced off against a confident PIKE team, fresh off a rumored 50 run offensive explosion against a team of local girl scouts. From the moment umpire Al called "Play Ball!" the game was dominated by PIKE, with many uncharacteristic fielding errors being committed by Lambda Chi. Eventually, Lambda Chi was able to claw their way back into the game and tie the score at 6-6 in the bottom of the 5th inning. After setting down PIKE 1-2-3 in the top of the 6th inning, the momentum was in Lambda Chi's favor. With two runners on in the bottom of the 6th inning, Zach "Chief" Reiziss made a herculean effort mirroring Raul Ibanez's 2012 playoff performance, hitting what ended up to be the game winning two run double, leading Lambda Chi to its first undefeated softball championship!

Lambda Chi looks forward to another champagne shower after the 2016 season and has already begun their advanced sabermetric scouting for Fall rush.

# AXA spikes its way to a 2nd CHAMPIONSHIP

#### CREATING A DYNASTY BY RICH FELIX

With summer term finally setting in, the Lambda Chi volleyball was itching to avenge their loss in the championship the previous season. Lambda Chi lost to a strong Pike team in a heated battle of volleyball titans. Pike took the match in three sets, ripping away Lambda Chi's chance at being back-to-back volleyball champions.

The volleyball team went into the 2015 season with high hopes. All 4 starters were returning. Dalton "Niche Driven" Eggles played the back and you would think he lived underground because of his digging ability. The wings consisted of Sebastian "Left Field" Zawlocki and Chad "Always on the Green" Mehmel who could both spike with the power of a 50-caliber sniper rifle. Those things are both accurate and powerful. I would not want to be on the other end of one of those machines. Rich "TV Ready" Felix played the front and had the ability to block spikes like a 3 car pile up would block the flow of traffic on I-95. The team was looking good.

The Lambda Chi volleyball team cruised through the regular season. Their powerful offense and aggressive defense led them to an easy undefeated season. When I say easy, I mean the squad did not drop a single set the entire season, that's 8-0 in sets.

With the first playoff game, the Lambda Chi volleyball team finally met everyone's least favorite acquaintance, adversity. Chad and Dalton both had a midterm the day of the first playoff game and it turns out fraternity intramurals aren't big enough to get out of class. With half of the team unable to play, Lambda Chi had to call up young talent, which included Dom "Watch Me" Primerano, Cam "Wildcard" Petersen and Lee "Movie Connoisseur" Jacobs. The inexperience showed early. The group was not used to playing together and just barely squeaked by a weak Theta Chi team. Even though they got the win, the team was worried with news that Dalton was unavailable for the rest of the season.

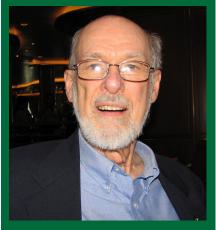
A week later, it was championship Wednesday. The Lambda Chi team had a semi final match up against a tough undefeated AEPi team. AEPi was known for their fundamentals and savvy defense. Lee took over for Dalton in the back and played well, but AEPi jumped out to an early lead. The Lambda Chi squad regrouped though, rallying late to score 6 straight points and tie the game at 23, and then took the first game 27-25 with a thunderous spike by Chad. Game 2 started the same as the first, but did not share the same dramatic ending. Lambda Chi lost the game 25-16. Game 3 was upon the Lambda Chi team and it was a must win. Prior to the game, Sebastian huddled the team up to give an emotional speech. The team was expecting a moving monologue about how it was his and Rich's last season, and this is not how it would end. Instead he gave a speech which focused on Cheez-Its and subwoofers. To this day, no one knows what he was trying to say but for some reason it lit fire under the Lambda Chis. They came out firing in Game 3. AEPi's strong defense was no match for the relentless spikes and precision placement from the Lambda Chi team. In the end, Lambda Chi took the final game 15-11. They were headed to their 3rd straight championship game.

The championship game was considerably less eventful. Lambda Chi faced off against Phi Psi who had no impressive wins or skills under their belt. The only thing they had going for them was they were fresh because their semi final opponent, Pi Kapp, did not show up. The boys of Lambda Chi fought through their fatigue and won the match in two straight sets. The Lambda Chi volleyball team was crowned champions for the 2nd time in 3 years establishing themselves as a dynasty.

Looking to next year, the team is losing Zawlocki and Felix due to graduation, so the young talent like Cam and Do will have to step up. How will the team do next year you ask? I guess only time will tell.



## ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT glenn ritter



Glenn Ritter, EK-531, attended Drexel Civil Engineering from 1959 to 1961 and lived in the 3507 Baring Street Lambda Chi Fraternity House. He then transferred to Drexel Evening College of Architecture. Glenn was licensed as an architect in February, 1970 and soon after drew plans to renovate the 3401 Powelton Avenue Carriage house.

During his years in Philadelphia, he lived in Powelton Village and worked for Howell Lewis Shay Architects & Anthony T Rienzi Architects. He then worked for Richard E. Martin Architects and Altemose Architects & Engineers forming his own firm, Glenn Ritter Architect, in 1975. Glenn continues to practice architecture.

Glenn can be reached at gartrain404@gmail.com or 215-264-6642.

### Annual Awards Banquet and Annual Alumni Meeting

On May 1, 2015, EKZ held its Annual Awards Banquet at the Chapter House. The event played to a packed Chapter Room, including 23 alumni ranging from E-K 300 Frank Bockius to E-K 1501 Tevin Hill. In addition, the three living EKZ Order of Merit Recipients (Frank Bockius – 1978, John McGarrigle – 1988 and Mark Stitz – 2014) were in attendance. Brother (Taco) Lou Williams prepared the Prime Rib Feast.



The following awards were presented:

- Philanthropist of the Year Andrew Garber
- Sportsman of the Year Lee Jacobs
- Scholar of the Year Kirpal Kochar
- Recruiter of the Year Ian Lempitsky
- Alumnus of the Year Mark Stitz
- Senior of the Year Mike Elmer
- New Member of the Year Declan Patterson
- Brother of the Year Mike Elmer

The evening also included a brief Annual Meeting of the Alumni Corporation. Business conducted during the meeting consisted of:

- An update of completed and proposed repairs and renovations to the Chapter House during the previous year
- Revisions to the Alumni Corporation By-Laws, including the removal of term limits for officers and directors
- Officers and director elections

A good time was had by all as we told old stories, enjoyed good food and great friends....both old and new.

- Stephen Cohen, Housing Board Chairman



## Class of 2015

Welcome our Newest Alumni Brothers

- EK 1501 Tevin Hill, BS Finance & International Business
  EK 1502 William Kwok, BS Finance
  EK 1504 Louis Luong, BS Business Administration, Finance & Communication
  EK 1508 Sunil Verma, BS Marketing & Entrepreneurship
  EK 1509 Florid Burda, BS Management & Entrepreneurship
  EK 1510 Thomas Neff, BS/MS Chemical Engr.
  EK 1511 Chris Seidl, BS Information Technologies
  EK 1514 Stephen DiPietro, BS Information Technologies
  EK 1515 Michael Elmer, BS Mechanical Engr.
  EK 1522 Alexander Davie, BS Mechanical Engr.
  EK 1524 Joseph Hosey, BS History
  EK 1533 Jacob Horejs, BS Material Science Engr.
- EK 1541 Kevin New, BS Cinematography & Film/Video Production



## ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT sunil verma



Sunil Verma, EK 1508, graduated earlier this spring from Drexel with a BS in Marketing and Entrepreneurship. Sunil had the opportunity to work 3 different co-op positions at companies such as TargetX, Sodexo Corp. and Drexel University Business Services. Throughout his time here at EKZ he served as Vice President of Internal Affairs (High Beta), Fraternity Educator Recruitment (High Kappa), Chair (High Delta), and Executive Member at Large. Outside of the Fraternity Sunil served has served as a Residential Assistant. Dean of Students Committee Member and also an Orientation Leader.

Sunil is currently looking for a marketing position in the Philadelphia area and will remain being an active alumni by serving on the Alumni Advisory Board.

Sunil can be reached at sverma1508@gmail.com or at (856)-313-8393.

# Philadelphia Area Alumni Association and the Joseph T. Charles Mentor Program

Joseph T. Charles (JTC) Mentor Program was developed by the Lambda Chi Alpha Educational Foundation, and aims to harness the vast knowledge and experience of more than 199,000 living alumni. The Program is designed to leverage this knowledge and talent base of our alumni to mentor sophomore, junior and senior collegian members, to build meaningful relationships between brothers – alumni and collegian – regardless of individual chapter affiliation.

The JTC Mentor Program, initially implemented by the Lambda Chi Alpha Educational Foundation for the Area Alumni Associations, delivers values-based activities that support, link, and network collegians with alumni to further a collegian brother's growth, academically, personally or professionally.

The Mentoring Academy is an in person five hour seminar, is where collegians and alumni begin their mentoring journey. With curriculum rooted in Lambda Chi's values based approach, it is an opportunity to introduce the alumni experience to current collegians and to engage and educate our current alumni on our values.



What it does:

- Prepares collegians to become more competitive and effective job seeking candidates
- Provides articulation methods to translate Lambda Chi Alpha core values into marketplace skills
- Establishes mentoring relationships to coach resume building, interviewing skills and personal and professional development.

The Philadelphia Area Alumni Association will have its third Mentoring Academy next April 2016. Philadelphia was selected as part of the pilot program in April 5, 2014; we had our second on April 11, 2015 and are planning our third in April of 2016.

This upcoming academy will be my 4th time participating. Two in Philadelphia and I along with Lambda Chi Alpha Educational Foundation board member Mike Odell attended the Washington DC Mentoring Academy in October 25, 2014. The Educational Foundation has conducted about 20 of these programs over the last three years and is shooting to bring the program to about 40 cities per year. Consider participating in this year's program; email me at cpersing@bederson.com or Allen Horton at AHorton@lambdachi.org.

The Philadelphia Area Alumni Association will have a reorganization teleconference meeting in September (TBD) and kick off this year's events with a Fall Reception 6:00 pm on November 12th at the Union League of Philadelphia. Please join us and if you or your Company want to sponsor any door prizes of the event let me know.

Charles Persing Educational Foundation Northeast Regional Leader

## 2nd Annual Alumni-Undergrad Softball Game



On July 18th, the 2nd annual Alumni vs Undergraduate softball game took place. The game was held in Fairmount park on a beautiful day without a cloud in the sky allowing the temperature to reach nearly 100 degrees. The only shade near the field was occupied by Steve Cohen and Mark Stitz.

This game was expected to be a tough one for the alumni as the undergrads had just won the IFC softball championship. The Alumni took the field first, and the undergrads began scoring at will. Things did not go well for the Alumni probably due to the absence their star first baseman, John McGarrigle.

Despite an alumni loss, the game was a lot of fun for both sides. Next year the alumni might have a fighting chance as some of the skilled undergrads will graduate and be switching to the better side.





- Joe Hosey

The 75th anniversary of the Epsilon-Kappa Zeta of Lambda Chi Alpha will be held on April 9, 2016, at the Sheraton Philadelphia University City.

The current agenda is:

- Luncheon at the Fraternity house
- Ritual at The Church of St. Andrew and St. Monica
- Philadelphia museum tour at The Barnes Museum
- Dinner and dancing at the Sheraton

It is expected that many alumni and their significant others will attend, along with many undergraduates and their dates, Drexel staff members, and members of the General Fraternity staff.

We will provide additional information as it develops.

Over a weekend in late July, brothers from over 190 of Lambda Chi Alpha's chapters traveled from across the United States and Canada to the campus of Iowa State University located in Ames, Iowa for the 2015 Stead Leadership Seminar

The three-day program offers workshops, presentations, and other educational sessions covering the full range of chapter programming and personal leadership development. The seminar's program also consists of brotherhood activities, chapter award presentations, and the Initiation Ritual exemplification.



The EKZ members attended programming workshops which discussed Tough Brotherhood, Title IX, recruitment hosted by the Phired Up program, and more. During the awards banquet the Drexel Chapter received three awards:

- Tozier Brown Public Affairs Project award for best new event, Spike & Strike
- Feeding America award for donating more than 2500 lbs of food
- Alumni Affairs Program award

The Initiation Ritual exemplification was performed by the brothers of the International Ritual Team (IRT). The team was composed of brothers from across North America, but most importantly one of our own, Brother Andrew Villa (pictured second from right). The IRT practiced over phone conferences during the summer, and then practiced together for almost fifteen hours.

The undergraduate members learned a great deal over that long weekend in Ames, Iowa. After their return to Drexel they began working to integrate these new ideas and programs so as to continually grow the chapter of Epsilon-Kappa.

As you are aware in 2001/2002 completed a renovation of the dormitory section of the house was completed through the generous donations of many of you reading this newsletter. While we anticipated refurbishing the carriage house at that time, the project was more costly than expected and Drexel was not in a position to provide loans for the completion of both projects.

The good news is we have a spectacular facility. I think it has the potential to be the shining jewel of the campus. We have improved the exterior of the house, we professionally landscaped the grounds, added exterior lighting, rebuilt the walkway stairs, pointed about 1/3 of the house, removed the dead trees and replaced them with 8 new trees, the sidewalks repaired, and many more projects. Last year we spent \$120,000 on repairs.

The house and grounds are historically certified (the only building on campus) and as you know is strategically located in the center of the Drexel/Powelton Village housing and residences.

Over the years we have not kept up with maintenance of the facility as much as we should have. Since we returned we have put a big dent in the lack of maintenance. Since 2009 we have spent approximately \$562,600 for major repairs, ongoing maintenance, and furnishings. We are improving the facility but need to continue that effort. We are starting a 10 year capital program to coincide with our 75th anniversary on campus which estimated at \$1,200,000. The program will include the following items to be completed:

- Rebuild the kitchen
- Repair and maintain the woodwork throughout the house
- Window painting, repair and/or replacement
- Refurbish the flooring on the first and second floors
- Replace the flat roofs
- Refurbish the slate roofs
- · Repair remainder of stone wall around the property
- Install air conditioning and auxiliary hearing
- The carriage house
- Maintain and repair other items in normal course.

The good news is that about 75 percent of those funds will be provided by current funds and rent charged to the fraternity brothers. The rent is based on current market conditions and is approximately 90% of the Drexel managed fraternity locations.

For as far back as my freshman year in college 1976/77 we have not done anything to improve or maintain the carriage house. Today we find ourselves with a structure in need of stabilization estimated at \$250,000 and eventual renovation as student house estimated at \$800,000. During the last several years we have explored ways to solve the problem from selling the carriage house to Drexel for their use to working with a commercial developer to assist in assessing commercial development. None of these efforts have provided results. Thank you in advance for your support to make our 10-year capital plan a reality

- Charles Persing

#### **Donation Results**

I want to thank all who have contributed to the fraternity, either directly or through Drexel. Since we returned in 2009, we have raised over \$147,000. This is a tribute to you and the mission of the fraternity, making the undergraduate years productive and providing a circle of "brothers" for life for all members.

#### How much to Donate

I feel many of you don't know how much is appropriate and just don't make a contribution. No amount is too small, what you can give is appropriate. Some feel if you donate to us through Drexel, restricted to Lambda Chi Alpha, your donation will not be counted as a donation to Drexel. We have discussed this with Drexel and your donation to the fraternity counts as if it was made to Drexel.

Last year we started the alumni dues program for two reasons: 1. Have funds come directly to the fraternity, while not tax deductible your direct donation helps:

a. Provides the fraternity flexibility in making disbursements;b. Sets an amount we believe that all brothers could donate annually without breaking the bank.

- 2. Funds contributed through Drexel:
  - a. Provide you a tax deduction
  - b. Gives you credit with Drexel for donation,
    i. Drexel counts this donation as a donation made directly to Drexel.
  - c. Fund educational and capital project funding.



#### **Funds contributed through Drexel**

Since we returned to campus we manage the fraternity house under a contract with Drexel which requires us to contract our major repairs with Drexel approved vendors. While we appreciate Drexel's assistance it generally means it each project takes much longer to plan and contract. Drexel's vendors cost significantly more than if we do it ourselves. Further, we lose control of the project and generally have no recourse when the project is not what we expect. Providing funds directly to the fraternity through dues enables us to contract the smaller projects directly and speed up the completion of the project at a reasonable cost.

We are not suggesting that you do not donate through Drexel but allocate a small portion of your annual donation to the annual dues appeal.

## Treasurer's Report

Charles Persing, Housing Board Treasurer

The combined Alumni Housing Corporation and undergraduate chapter activities financial up date as June 30, 2015

Assets Cash unrestricted Cash held by Drexel Cash held for Undergrads by alumni Other current assets <b>Total Assets</b>	\$ 47,115 \$209,361 \$ 19,530 <u>\$ 18,437</u> <b>\$294,443</b>
Liabilities Current Liabilities Other Liabilities Drexel Note Payable <b>Total Liabilities</b>	\$ 6,741 \$ 5,100 <u>\$ 65,182</u> <b>\$ 77,023</b>
Fund balance Prior year balance Accrued Reserves Current income Total Fund Balance Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$ 14,103 \$150,012 <u>\$ 53,305</u> <b>\$217,420</b> <b>\$294,443</b>

Income and expenses for the year ended June 30, 2015

Revenue Chapter operation Room and board Donations through Drexel Interest Donations direct Alumni dues Total Revenue	\$ 86,529 \$293,270 \$ 24,447 \$ 30 \$ 1,548 <u>\$ 1,742</u> <b>\$407,565</b>
Expenses Chapter operation National Insurance Expense Alumni programs Repair & Maintenance - Major Repair & Maintenance - Ongoing Utilities Room and board Property Insurance Interest - Drexel Loan <b>Total Expenses</b>	\$ 71,270 \$ 9,871 \$ 17,967 \$122,187 \$ 26,767 \$ 37,658 \$ 62,439 \$ 2,556 \$ 3,545 <b>\$354,259</b>
Net Operating Income	<u>\$ 53,305</u>



#### Brothers we remember. God bless them and their families.

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Edward McCardell	1	Donald S. Claghorn	50	Frederick M. Stutzbach	112	Kent L. Roberts	183
Harry Tarbotton	2	Warren Stanley Cooper	51	Thomas M. Tressler	113	William R. Ross	184
William Young	3	George A. Dix	52	Carl J. Trout	114	Glenwood C. Weisensale	185
William Stevens	4	Thomas A. M. Fisher	53	Francis Trybe	115	Charles E. Black	186
Edwin Perry	5	Charles Hayden Jamison	54	John W. Weaver	116	Joseph F. O'Brien	189
Donald Ickes	7	Frank S. Kugle, Jr.	55	George V. Woodrow, Jr.	117	William S. O'Sullivan	190
Clarence C. Dehaven	8	John W. Mirsch	56	Edward H. Hadra	118	Carmill Sulpizio	191
John McLoughlin	9	Warren C. New	57	George Sasin	119	John G. Sweigert	192
Edward R. McCormick	10	Harold F. Torok	59	Harry Ward Benson	120	Karl Wentworth	193
Ellwood Revell	11	David F. Evans	60	Ernest Miklau	121	Miles J Willard	194
Eugene Buch	12	Frank A. Hamel	61	Orlo James Archer	125	Eugene T. Dotts	195
Charles Gary Treftz	13	Erasmus A. Randich	62	Donald Caziarc	126	Willis Tinney	196
Dr. Harold M. Myers	14	Henry S. Seitz	63	Albert W. Lawrence	127	Gerald G. Little	197
Thomas Payne	15	John Fesko	64	Charles F. Scheffey	129	James M. McCulley	198
Joseph J. Warga	16	Thomas Jay Polites	65	John W. Weaver	130	Henry Heiss	199
Arthur J. Norris	17	Lee W. Tipton, Jr.	66	James O. Hutchinson, Esq.	131	Bernard E. Yeager	201
Norman G. Schaffer	18	William Freiler	67	John Bonaccorsi	132	William Davis	202
Edward Russell	19	H. Russell Bintzer	68	Donald W Devow	135	William T. Blake	203
Earl R. Burrier	20	John Robert Dale	70	Earl S. Gottshall	136	Donald W. Brogan, Sr.	205
Kenneth K. Wignall	21	Burke Jay	71	Harry Hawman	137	Harry J. Gorman, Jr.	206
William J. Bodkin, Jr.	22	Henry. Stephen Kerr	72	John E. Jednacz	139	Frank W Kistenmacher	208
Richard Heckel	23	Harry E. Parker	75	Arthur M. Watkins	142	Harold Littleton	209
William Lindsay	24	Earl Potteiger	76	William Billetter	143	Lowell S. Mercer	210
George R Karr	25	William Seiders	78	James Albert Clarke	144	Leo Moni	212
John Brick	26	William E. Watson	79	David Drummond	145	John J. Pyper	213
Raymond W. Tucker	27	Raymond Zerewat	80	Joseph M. Foremny	146	Frank Schofield	216
Allen H. Keyser	28	Charles Kerber	81	Graham Parkinson	147	Thomas F. Smyth	217
Edward A. Lehman	29	John H. Blake	82	Frank Thomas Snyder	148	Stephen Gike	218
E. Vallance Winslow	30	James Glenn Freedy	86	Herbert John Fadeley, Jr.	150	Charles E. Rauch	220
Ralph W. Eberly	31	Thomas Murphy, Jr.	87	Elmer Goetz	152	Julius C. Schwab	222
Harold F. Tucker	32	Russel P. Phillips	88	Thomas Healy	156	Adrian N. Guiley	223
Rev. Ralph B. Morrow	33	Lon Edward Welch, Jr.	90	John P. Liggins	157	Frank Amand	224
Donald S. Webber	34	Warren Zivie	91	Bernard J. Kridle	158	Michael Boczar	225
Rev. John H. Guenther	35	Donald A. Conklin	92	Richard Booth	159	Allen or Alfred J. Fonner	226
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William E. Bethards	37	Marvin M. Grove	94	David I. McPherson, III	162	Richard V. Graham	229
Paul J. Roumanis	38	Frank Hill	95	Joseph M. Van Name	163	Thomas Hawthorne	230
William Hiltebeitel	39	Harold Smith	96	Arthur W. Kees	166	William Moni	233
Charles Anderman	40	Arthur William Worthington Jr.	97	William H. Linton, Sr.	168	Warren S. O'Sullivan	236
Charles Caulfield	41	John M. Gabriel	98	Truman McDonald	169	H. William Prinkey	237
Fred Joseph Mallgrave	42	William McAllister	99	Charles H. Christie, Jr.	170	William James Taylor	240
Dr. John Rumpf	43	John E Herman	102	Joseph Patrick Power	170	Colonel Lewis A. Welzel	240
Ralph G. Young	44	G. Donald Flaith	102	John J. Bacica	173	Ralph A. Troupe	241
John Corr	44	Oistein J Bratlie	104	Benjamin Davis	174	Edwin K. Cliver	242
Harold B. Olson	45	Robert L. Cragg, P.E.	100	Edward C. Derby	170	Lester B. Flowers	243
Frank D. Perry	40	Paul H. Maedel	107	Frank A. Hanner	177	George Kuba	244
William H. Poole	47	Edward Mason	108	Albert J. Katella	180	Joseph F Krince	245
Winnam H. Poole Werner A. Uebersax	48	James J. McBride, Jr.	109	Robert Davies	181	James P. Meglathery	240

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Robert B. Test	249	Louis Walter Herwig	307	David Walter Shappell	423	William D. Wittorff	579
Edward J. Gadzinski	250	Frank O. Krohnert	311	Ralph C. Hibbitts	427	Edward John Nalewak, JR.	596
Donald P. Burkart	251	Pierre J. Marcolina	314	John Harvey Ashenfelter	430	Arthur E. Sauerwalt	598
Carl Cable	252	Kenneth Peters	318	Thomas A. Ferrante	433	Harold E. Myers	603
Richard A. Davis	255	Richard E. Rummler	322	W. Bruce Evans	443	Arthur John Chew, Jr.	606
George G. Holdsworth	256	Samuel Shepherd	324	Richard I Dickinson	445	Glenn Kaylor, III	619
Irvin L. Miller Jr.	257	James Victor Smith	325	Warren "Tom" J. Gregory	446	Frank Kratzinger, Jr.	620
Frederick G. Schroeder	258	Virgil Pratt Templeton	326	Richard Schaarschmidt	467	Roger Layton	621
Warren Weidemann, Jr.	259	William H. Van Slyke	327	Dr. James H. Somerset	469	David C. Vaders	622
Eugene Alter Bergey	260	F. Clark Walton	328	Richard F. Spayd	470	Bernd Pahl	636
Richard R. Blessing, Jr.	261	Joseph McDonough	330	Joseph B. Thompson	473	Calvin R. Parks	637
George Daft	262	Walter Phillips	331	Dr. Richard Coppernol Cuba	477	Warren Alan Sherlock	648
Forrest Glass	263	Eugene C. Hille	335	Robert C. Flogaus	480	Edward Zarytkiewicz	685
William H. Heffner	264	Howard K Lake, Jr.	336	Thomas James Hayes	481	Stephen H. Dix	696
Richard G. Jamison	265	James Peterson	338	Daniel T. Mattioli	484	Wayne R. Evans	698
Dr.Frederick R. Kompass	266	Henry Ross Abell	343	George H. Mueller, Jr.	485	George J. Hamilton	705
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Auty Wayne Ballard	272	John Carroll Mentzell	354	Lewis Watson	496	Walter De Coursey	736
Albert Kober	273	Harold S. Page	355	Fred H. Egner, Jr.	515	John Anthony Mariani	754
Robert Brudereck	276	Harry Edwin Peacock, Jr.	356	Edward Fitzpatrick	526	Gerald H. Glick	773
Richard Earl Haines	277	Carl Schleicher	358	George Frena	527	Joseph Simeone	779
Albert James Barrett	280	Robert King Talley	363	George R. Nice	530	James P. McAuliffe	817
John Roschen	281	Dan R. Klopp	367	Raymond Wesley Sutton	534	William P. McDermott, Jr.	818
John Warren Heckert	282	Ronald Clouser	371	John Edward Thomas	535	Randolph Olson	820
Evans L. Morrison	283	Daniel V. Dalzell	372	Theodore Bosse	536	Thomas Cairns	825
James L. Siddall	285	James A Moore, Sr.	385	Louis Henry Wydro	538	Gary V. Mihelc	828
John Sennett Franklin	286	Raymond C. Slegel	387	Joseph A. Monteleone	540	Vincent DeSimone	876
Dr. Joseph F. Rocereto	287	George H. Carey, Jr.	391	Alexander Ralston	541	William Joseph Beatty	946
Rudolph G. Schmitt	288	Edwin Earl Joseph	401	Thomas Woody	543	Michael Adam Krulikowski	957
Walter F. Schmitt	289	Robert J. Van Natta	409	Roy Keller Shaddinger	544	Robert Muehlbach	972
David Paul Jones	293	Martin Miller, Jr.	411	Stephen Miller	560	Emmanuel P. Tsepouridis	1331
Richard Murray	295	George R. Beck	413	Charles Button	562		1
Ronald H. Shapella	296	Robert Charles Burton	415	Thomas S Foster	566		1
Richard C. Dietterich	302	George Robert Davis	416	James W Morehouse	571		

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Full Name	EK #	Full Name	EK #	Full Name	EK #	Full Name	EK #
Howard Canning	123	Edek Garbolewski	395	James Robson	561	Morris Abboudi	783
Paul Lasko	187	John B. Mullins	420	Thomas Steiner	578	Alan Edgar Moore	797
Jerry Augustus	298	Robert White	442	Brian Elmo Curry	585	Paul Walker	886
William F. Foran	304	Thomas Henry Gryzewski	457	Albert Gaydos	608	David Pokolsky	892
Gilbert Alan Scott	305	Gordon J. Kibbee	460	Paul Norman Leichner	634	Christopher Bacon	952
Dr. Joseph F. Dienst	332	David MacDonald	461	Louis Ertel	647	Nicholas Hasenecz	1203
Karl N. Schauer	357	William Prescott	465	Robert Barrett	678	Christopher Swan	1211
William Steele	362	Munro Yuill Brett	492	Edward Brucia	689	Shane Malia	1448
Eugene John Brown	370	Michael Badders	518	L. R. Fidler	701		
James Thomas Young	382	John Morris	552	Gerald Luterek	742		





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Drexel vs UNC-Wilmington (In the suite) on January 23, 2016 75th Anniversary on April 9, 2016