

THE LION'S LORE



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KANSAS BETA NAMED TOP ΣΑΕ CHAPTER IN THE NATION

It has been an incredible year for the Kansas Beta Chapter, the recipient of the **2020 John O. Moseley Award for Fraternity Zeal**, which is awarded to the top ΣΑΕ chapter in the nation. In addition to the Zeal Award, Kansas Beta was awarded the Chapter Achievement Award, the Outstanding Chapter Communication Award, the Outstanding Chapter Management Award, the Outstanding Service and Philanthropy Award, and the Outstanding Chapter Recruitment Award.

Several brothers also won individual National awards. **Justin Tinkler '22** was named the ΣΑΕ Recruitment Chairman of the Year, **Travis Wiebler '22** was named the ΣΑΕ Treasurer of the Year, and **John Hatfield '76** was named the ΣΑΕ Chapter Advisor of the Year. We could not be prouder of the contributions these brothers have made and the hard work of all the brothers in the chapter over the past several years. This year, we are steadfastly focused on further improving our chapter and keeping our members safe under the current circumstances.

RECRUITMENT

We're pleased to state that we have filled the chapter house for another semester thanks to the innovation of our talented recruitment team. They worked incredibly hard over the past semester, adjusting their strategies to a more virtual approach. The new basketball court has greatly aided the recruitment chairmen as it provides the perfect outdoor venue to have potential new members over for barbecues and basketball tournaments. We have initiated 32 new brothers this year and we're very excited to watch them grow into leaders in the house.

SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENTS

Academics continue to be a top priority for Kansas Beta. Our members achieved a 3.51 all-chapter GPA for the spring 2020 semester, even with COVID-19 pushing all classes online. We had 59% of our members achieve a 4.0 and 71% achieve a 3.5 or higher. Brothers have worked incredibly hard on their academics over the past year. Our academic goal for the semester is to finish with a 3.5 or higher GPA and in the top three of fraternities.



Kansas Beta raised over \$3,000 for Children's Miracle Network during the ΣΑΕ Car Wash.

OTHER NEWS

Four brothers are senators in the Student Governing Association: **Justin Watkins '22**, **Blaine Snyder '21**, **Fischer Carr '22**, and **Cashe McVey '23**. Our exterior renovation project was completed at the beginning of this semester, and brothers have been making daily use of the new basketball court and porch area! Our first philanthropy event, the ΣΑΕ Car Wash, made over \$3,000, and several more are planned throughout the semester.

Overall, the chapter continues to advance and redefine itself. Recruitment continues to bring in strong leaders, excelling academics, and astounding athletes. Through the True Gentleman experience, our members improve themselves and, in turn, maintain and excel the glory Sigma Alpha Epsilon has had in the past, has today, and will have in the future.

None of this would be possible without your continued alumni support. We want your dedications to be recognized and for you to share in our successes. Today and every day, we appreciate the positive impact your contributions have had on not only our house, but the men who join ΣΑΕ.

Fraternally,
Fischer Carr '22, Eminent Archon
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Chapter House Exterior Renovation Completed

As you can see from the photos on this page, the chapter house has never looked better! Eminent Archon **Fischer Carr '22** provides the chapter update on page 1, which tells us that we have much to be proud of as it relates to the ongoing strong performance by our undergraduate brothers. This fall, Kansas Beta was named the top ΣΑΕ chapter in the country by earning the Fraternity Zeal Award, the highest award granted by ΣΑΕ National each year.

In November 2019, we shared plans to renovate and upgrade the exterior of the chapter house—our way of better utilizing the exterior space and bringing something new to Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

Our fraternity is not the only one that understands upgrades and improvements must be made to stay on top. PIKE, FarmHouse, and DU recently completed renovations and rebuilds to their facilities. While we each know

the quality of our membership, our chapter house must up its curb appeal to keep our competitive edge.

The \$300,000 project went well beyond simply redoing the basketball court; it was a full-scale exterior renovation. These updates provide an ample outside space for our undergraduates in the current pandemic environment and will serve as a communal space for parents and alumni returning to campus.

Projects completed include:

- Repainted the exterior in historical colors
- Added outdoor cooking and gathering space
- Revamped the landscaping and lighting
- Added a new outdoor basketball court
- Installed a new lawn irrigation system

Over the last several years, we have worked aggressively to fill the chapter house with

quality men, significantly improve the physical structure, and carefully manage our finances.

Recruitment is a year-round activity and the critical lifeblood of the chapter. If you are aware of any potential new members, please contact me or Recruitment Chairmen **Justin Tinkler '22** at jltinkler18@gmail.com or (913) 439-7732 or **Brett Tilton '22** at brettmtilton@gmail.com or (913) 945-0249.

Thank you for your continued financial support. I promise you the money is carefully managed and invested in the future of Kansas Beta, which is bright.

Yours in the Bonds,
Steve Lacy '76
House Corporation President
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THANK YOU, BROTHERS, FOR SUPPORTING THE EXTERIOR RENOVATION PROJECT

Your Contributions Made a Difference

The successful completion of our exterior renovation project would not have been possible without the generous donations of our alumni. **Your support along with the House Corporation helped raise \$284,720 toward the \$300,000 project goal, leaving approximately \$15,000 left to raise this fall.** Thank you for showing your appreciation and understanding of the undergraduate experience. Investing in our chapter directly impacts our members and sets them up for success.

Phi Alpha Society (\$10,000 and above)

Richard E. Mistler '62
Thomas E. Mistler '63
Charles Q. Chandler IV '75
William K. Shaw '75
Stephen M. Lacy '76

Chester C. Wilcox '61
Jerry D. Prather '66
Joseph H. Stout '67
John W. Morgan '75
C. Jerome Chandler II '78
Dr. Michael A. Hattan '78
Don Herold '78
Randall L. Garvert '81

Purple and Gold Society (\$2,500 to \$9,999)

Minerva Club - Kansas Beta
Jarold W. Boettcher '63
Edward A. McConwell '63
Gen. Richard B. Myers '65
Steven F. Randle '70
Ronald P. Jones '77
Robert K. Beymer '78
James M. Johnson '84
Mark Lacy '89

Dr. Michael A. Mueller '82
Randy J. Gassman '83
Patrick J. Kellerman '89
Curt R. Coffman '90
Todd C. Hansen '93
B.D. Horton Jr. '94

Archon Society (\$500 to \$999)

Roger W. Coulter '62
Lawrence P. Becker '67
Daniel E. Fankhauser '67
James Shucart II '69
Dr. Willard B. Ransom '71
Terrance J. Garvert '77
Steven R. Brewer '78

Brotherhood Society (\$1,000 to \$2,499)

Col. Charles J. Wingert '59
Robert D. Griffith '60

Michael A. Dykstra '78
Thomas B. Banta '79
Kenneth Alan Christie '79
Paul J. Lacy '81
John C. Moser '82

Violet Society (Up to \$499)

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Ernie D. Barrett '51
Peter A. Martin '54
William H. Braddock '57
John P. Jung '57
Jack Kiddoo '57
Joe A. Wilcox '58
Frank C. Chrisbens '59
Lawrence H. Wagner '61
John D. Whittier '61
Dan E. Bartholomew '62
Warren C. Hixson '62
Melvin R. Renner '62
Michael C. Rose '62
Larry A. Bolton '64
Spencer A. Puls '64

Robert E. Judd '67
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Dr. William P. Beezley '68
Rick B. Sigwing '69
George T. Miserendino '69
Roger S. John '70
Victor L. Doperalski '71
Curtis L. Bock, D.V.M. '72
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Michael E. Debold '72
Max I. Miller Jr. '72
Dr. Gregory L. Hattan, D.D.S. '74
Larry F. Levenson '74
Joel M. Burrow '75
Bradford L. Smith '75
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Edward K. Kite '76
Michael Kunz '76
Jeffrey D. Hughes '76
Paul C. DeVore '76
John R. Hatfield II '77
Ian M. Drake '79

Joseph C. Glotzbach '79
Robin A. Ladner '79
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Scott D. Davies '80
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Alumni News

Paul Arnold '54 is the editor of his retirement community's monthly eight-page journal. He lives in Winchester, Va., with his wife, Jane. Email: pejlarnold@aol.com

James Breneman '64 retired from HW Lochner/BWR in 2017. He serves on the city planning commission for Prairie Village, Kan., and volunteers with AARP Tax Aide. Email: jbreneman2@gmail.com

John C. Moser '82 is semi-retired from his landscape maintenance and installing business of 28 years. He enjoys traveling with his wife, Lori, to Wildcat football games. Email: jemoser5@cox.net

Kirk A. Franz '96 had bile duct cancer in 2010, which led to a liver transplant at Emory University in Atlanta. He created the Swing Easy Hit Hard Foundation to raise funds and awareness to support organ transplant patients. Learn more at www.swingeasyhithard.org. Email: kirkfranzga@gmail.com

Brady M. Ott '10 became director of engineering for Concrete Frame Associates in 2017, building all over Denver from high-rises to stadiums. He looks forward to recruiting an SAE from the architectural engineering or construction management program to join his team. Email: bott33@gmail.com

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Jack Cruz • Leawood, Kan.

Mark Early • Overland Park, Kan.

Lukas FreeLove • Salina, Kan.

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Gage Fritz • Great Bend, Kan.

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Jack Rigdon • Olathe, Kan.

Jonas Rowland • Shawnee, Kan.

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