

THE LION'S LORE



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KANSAS BETA ACCOMPLISHES 2015 GOALS



Kansas Beta's Homecoming float with partners Kappa Alpha Theta and Phi Delta Theta.



Brothers celebrate with members of Kappa Alpha Theta after winning Homecoming.



Members after the cystic fibrosis walk.

Through hard work and determination, we have elevated Sigma Alpha Epsilon to a position where we actively compete for the role of top fraternity at Kansas State University. We have not only increased our campus involvement, but our social presence as well. Our culture inspires members to enthusiastically pursue larger responsibilities, not for only themselves, but also their community. Overall, Kansas Beta maintains an optimistic outlook for the future.

Our goals were simple in the fall of 2015: win Homecoming, earn a 3.3 GPA, and increase our presence in the community. We accomplished these goals by having an "all in" mentality. Everyone in our chapter wants to make a difference, and that's our culture. We won Homecoming, earned a 3.3 GPA, and recorded 612 community service hours.

The chapter house is once again full, and we have a prime opportunity to increase our presence in the community. We have done just that; every member is a part of an on-campus organization that is unrelated to the fraternity. In fact, many brothers are also leaders in these organizations. When members are not involved in activities on campus, they shift attention to the larger community of Manhattan. The chapter is on track to complete the most recorded community service hours of any fraternity for the school year. We are involved and motivated.

CHAPTER WINS HOMECOMING

Homecoming was a blast this year. Our partners, Kappa Alpha Theta and Phi Delta Theta, put in a tremendous amount of effort to bring home a victory. Winning Homecoming was a great experience and one we will never forget. We are also proud to note that we had more participants in the Homecoming 5K than any other organization.

MEMBERS DELIVER FOURTH HIGHEST GPA OF 25 FRATERNITIES

The significant increase in our GPA ranked the chapter fourth of 25 fraternities on campus. Still hungry for improvement, our new goal this spring is to earn a 3.4 GPA. I have great confidence that we will achieve this goal.

BROTHERS RECORD 612 COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS

It is important that we are making a difference in our community. We help our local elementary schools, the Boys and Girls Club of Manhattan, and volunteer at the Flint Hills Bread Basket. We also find that it is important to support other Greek philanthropies.

Our goal for recruitment is to maintain capacity. Spring recruitment was extremely selective, and we welcomed three new members. We recruited these brothers based on our true values, and we believe they have a lot of potential for Kansas Beta and the Manhattan community.

PARTNERS PLACE SECOND IN GREEK WEEK

Earlier this spring, we paired with Alpha Delta Pi and Pi Kappa Phi for Greek Week. We had outstanding participation from all three chapters. We are very proud to say that we placed second in Greek Week, only shy of first place by a mere two points.

We would like to thank all of our alumni who have continued to support us throughout the years. All of these accomplishments would not be possible without you. Kansas Beta is excited for the future, and we look forward to sharing in it with you. As always, if you find yourself in Manhattan, please stop by the chapter house. We would love to show you around.



Phi Alpha brothers,
Daniel Vasquez '16
Eminent Archon
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Left: Brothers enjoy skiing during the annual Sigma Alpha Epsilon ski trip. Middle: Zach Gerber '19, Daniel Vasquez '16, Matt Worley '18, and Christian Sepulveda '18 traveled to Stillwater, Oklahoma, for the K-State vs. OSU football game and made a stop at the Oklahoma Mu chapter house. Right: Eliot Gassman '19, Matthew Hollingsworth '19, and Zane Heigle '19 attend a date party.

POSITIVE MOMENTUM AT THE ACTIVE CHAPTER REMAINS

Send in Your Recruitment Recommendations to Continue Advancement

I am pleased to report that the active members provide strong leadership, and the chapter continues on the upswing. Please read the chapter update by **Daniel Vasquez '16** on page 1. The men are taking the academic side of their college experience seriously. For the fall 2015 semester, ΣΑΕ had the fourth highest GPA of all fraternities on the KSU campus. See the list of new members for the spring 2016 semester below. The chapter house is in good physical condition and the chapter budget is in solid shape.

Recruitment is the critical lifeblood of the chapter. If you are aware of any potential new members, please fill out and return the document on page 4, or contact me or Recruitment Chairmen **Dane Stewart '18** at danes@ksu.edu or **Zach Gerber '19** at zach41@ksu.edu.

Over the last several years, we have aggressively

worked to fill the chapter house with quality men, significantly improve the physical structure, and carefully manage our finances. With these activities well in hand, I think it's time to move the chapter experience to the next level.

As I have become more involved with Kansas Beta and the Greek system at KSU over the past few years, it is clear the most successful fraternities on campus have the strongest alumni involvement and support.

I am in the process of recruiting select alumni to begin reaching out into their own networking pool to create opportunities for the ΣΑΕ active members to find top tier-internships. The needs are by major and by region, both in Kansas and neighboring states. Each alumnus has his own circle of influence and, together, we can make a difference in the lives of our undergraduates.

If you can help with our internship program, please reach out to me.

Our annual giving campaign is now in its third year. I am pleased with alumni response. We have raised more than \$58,000 in the first two years. See our results for 2015 on page 3.

Our new goal for 2016 is to raise at least \$30,000 by December 31. Please be generous in the next mailing that you will receive in mid-April. 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, '77
House Corporation President
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New members Chris Lubrano '19, Tyler Moore '19, and Eddie Genovese '19.

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS

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Chris Lubrano / The Woodlands, Texas
Tyler Moore / San Jose, Calif.

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Thank You, Loyal Alumni, for Committing \$25,000 in 2015

YOUR SUPPORT IS NEEDED TO REACH OUR \$30,000 GOAL IN 2016

We are truly grateful to the following alumni who donated nearly \$25,000 in 2015. Your gifts help complete necessary projects and ensure our legacy lives on. Thank you!

Phoenix Club

(\$1,000 and above)

Bruce E. Hughes '50
Richard Mistler '62
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Thomas Mistler '63
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(\$500 to \$999)

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Lawrence Wagner '61
Chester C. Wilcox '61
Edward A. McConwell '63
Robert E. Judd '67
Al Enlow '69
John W. Morgan '75
Jeffrey Hughes '76
Terrance J. Garvert '77
Brian E. Calovich '82
Randall Garvert '81

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(\$250 to \$499)

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A TESTAMENT TO THE TRUE GENTLEMEN EXPERIENCE

Jim Grier '60 Appreciative of Kansas Beta, Opportunities, Friendships

Jim Grier '60 says that his time at Kansas Beta was some of the best years of his life. He made great friends, many of whom he still maintains contact with today. As an undergraduate, there were not many men's dorms at K-State. Fraternities were a viable option for young men to live near campus. After **Martin Eby '56**, Jim's future brother-in-law, invited him to the chapter house, he knew that the men and the camaraderie were right for him.

The True Gentlemen Experience provided new ways for Jim to live the values of friendship, scholarship, and service. He served as pledge trainer and vice president as an undergraduate, and as an alumnus he is on the house corporation endowment board committee. "Being in Sigma Alpha Epsilon helped me in the True Gentleman Experience," he says. "It taught me to live with other people, compromise on decisions, and to get along with others."

After graduation, Jim went to work at Eby Construction in Wichita, where he has served as chairman of the board since 2004. Although he is semi-retired, Jim still goes into the office every day. Jim's advice to younger Kansas Betas is to stay in contact. "Keep your good friends and stay in touch with them," he says. "Get involved with the chapter and learn to have good friends and make them for life. Kansas Beta gave me a tremendous background. I want to see it be successful for others to have the same experiences."

*Jim lives in Wichita with his wife, Carolyn, and has three children. He has remained good friends with **Steve Bressler '58**, **Jim Kadel '62**, **Mike Stout '58**, **Joe Stout '67**, **Stan Knowles '58**, and **Bob Kissick '58**. Several of them were in his wedding. Their two sons, Michael and Kurt, run Eby Construction. Jim and Carolyn love to travel and have a "ranchette" in Chase County that they frequently visit. Jim can be reached at jgrier@ebycorp.com.*



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Chapter Eternal



Bruce E. Hughes '50 entered Chapter Eternal on September 28, 2015 at his home in Colorado Springs. He participated in the invasions of the Solomon Islands, Palau, Guam, and Okinawa, and was honorably

discharged in November of 1945. After returning to K-State, Bruce received a degree in architecture and engineering.

Bruce was a member of the First Lutheran Church, the Associated General Contractors, the Kissing Camels Golf Club, and Garden of the Gods Club. He was also eminent archon during his time at Kansas Beta. Bruce loved traveling and socializing with friends, playing bridge and pool, bird hunting, fishing, flying, and reading. He served on numerous boards including chairman of the Penrose Hospital Board, the Advisory Board of United Banks and Norwest Banks, the Pikes Peak Humane Society, and for 38 years as the Management Trustee of the Laborers National Pension Fund.

Attention:

This newsletter is intended for alumni, undergraduates, and parents. If your son has graduated, please send us his permanent address to update our records. Thank you.

SEND US YOUR RECRUITMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

Alumni, we value your input in membership selection. Please send your recruitment recommendations to House Corporation President **Steve Lacy '76, '77** at steve.lacy@meredith.com or Recruitment Chairmen **Zach Gerber '19** and **Dane Stewart '18** at ksu.sae.recruitment@gmail.com. Or, simply fill out the form below and mail it to 1015 Denison Ave., Manhattan, KS 66502.

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