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I am pleased to report that the actives continue to provide strong leadership and the chapter continues aggressively on the upswing. For the spring 2019 semester, the chapter house is once again full, with 59 men living in. The house has never looked better and the chapter budget is in solid shape. Please read the chapter update by **Nathan Jackson '21** on page 3.

A sincere thanks to each of you for your tremendous support in donating over \$325,000 for our summer 2017 kitchen and dining room remodel project. Our next major improvement project is the chapter house HVAC system, which ranges from 24 years old for the air conditioning to over 50 years old for the boiler. The total project cost will be approximately \$150,000. This project had been on the House Corporation radar, and we have been fundraising toward this purpose over the last year, but now the need is immediate.

Over the weekend of September 15-16, 2018, our air conditioning unit failed. The unit dates back to 1994 and will cost approximately \$50,000 to replace. We have raised approximately \$30,000 to date. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR
ERNIE BARRETT '51
"MR. K-STATE" DAY
SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2019**

10:00 a.m.	Kansas Beta House Corporation Spring 2019 Meeting
11:30 a.m.	Chapter House Tours Available
12:00 p.m.	Lunch Available
1:00 p.m.	Dedication – Ernie Barrett Sports Media Room

Affectionately known as "Mr. K-State," **Ernie Barrett '51** enjoyed a storybook senior season in 1950-51 as he led the Wildcats to the NCAA Championship game and played on the team that opened historic Ahearn Field House.



ΣAE brothers teamed up with Dillon's to provide food for the on-campus food pantry, Cats Cupboard.

This will be a great opportunity to meet the men in the chapter and see the results of recent renovation projects. For questions, please contact **Terry Garvert '77** at tjgarvert@gmail.com or (612) 210-5396.

Recruitment is the critical lifeblood of the chapter. If you are aware of any potential new members, please contact me or recruitment chairmen **Chase Stalder '19** at stalder00@ksu.edu or (785) 280-3273 or **Ryan Schippers '19** at ryan_schippers3@yahoo.com or (785) 656-1554.

Thank you for your continued support. I promise you the money is carefully managed and invested in the future of Kansas Beta. It is a future that is very bright.

Yours in the bonds,
Steve Lacy '76, '77

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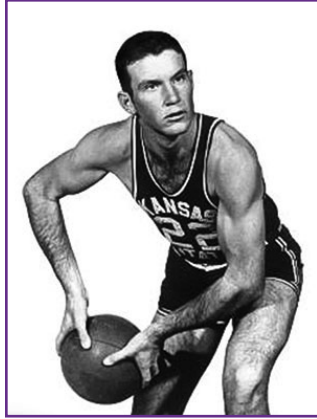
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A LIVING ΣΑΕ LEGEND

How Ernie Barrett '51 Became Mr. K-State



Erne Barrett '51 came from Wellington, Kan., and was recruited by coaching legend Tex Winter to play at K-State in 1947. Jack Gardner was the head coach at the time, and is in the Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame alongside Tex Winter. "I was very fortunate to have those coaches as a freshman," he recalled. "They had me practice

every day, and Coach Winter even had me play against him. He taught me to be quick."

By his senior year at K-State, Ernie was captain of the basketball team and the first-round draft pick of the Boston Celtics. During this time, he met and married his wife, Bonnie, who he's been married to for 67 years. Ernie also let a close friend talk him into joining the Kansas Beta Chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon his last year of school, where he was able to live with fellow athletes. "I really enjoyed my time in the fraternity, and I took part in a lot of activities," he shared. "Since I was a senior, they gave me the role of secretary to help keep things right in the house."

Ernie was drafted in the U.S. military right after his graduation in 1951 and spent two years serving his country. Following his service, he played for the Boston Celtics for two seasons before heading back to K-State as assistant coach under Tex Winter. After many years and a series of head coaches came and left Kansas State, such as Jack Gardner, Tex Winter, Colton Fitzsimmons, Lon Kruger, and Bebe Lee, the university was in need of a new head coach. While others were looking for candidates outside of K-State, the president of Kansas State at the time, James McCain, said they needed to pick someone they all knew and loved—someone they called "Mr. K-State."

And so he became renowned as Mr. K-State, and served as athletic director for the next seven years. "It was one of the most outstanding positions I had in the world of intercollegiate athletics," he shared. "I enjoyed the opportunity to make decisions that needed to be made." As if his own collegiate and professional basketball careers and



roles as assistant and head coaches weren't enough, Ernie followed this by leading numerous fundraising campaigns for Kansas State Athletics.

Many of the current K-State athletics facilities are largely thanks to Ernie, including Bramlage Coliseum, R.V. Christian Track and Field Complex, the men's and women's golf complex at Colbert Hills, the south side of Tointon Family Stadium, and many others. Though we don't know the exact number Ernie has actively helped raise, it's certainly in the millions. "I've always encouraged people to be a part of what they gave money for, and to enjoy the success of the facilities we have now."

Not only has he given so much back to K-State, but he's also contributed to the effort of updating and replacing equipment in the fraternity. There, all members know who he is and are proud to have him over to the chapter house when they can. "ΣΑΕ was a tremendous addition to my success, and it's significant for students as it leads to greater opportunities for them as they get an education," he said.

For Ernie, K-State and ΣΑΕ were just the right fit. "To this day, I know I made the right decision because of those who show up and make ΣΑΕ and K-State bigger, better, and winners when they leave."



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Thank You, Loyal Donors, for Your Support of Kansas Beta Chapter

Thank you to the following brothers for contributing \$32,485 with 77 gifts to the fall 2018 appeal. These brothers and friends have shown their appreciation for their undergraduate experience by supporting the future of ΣAE at Kansas State University. The successes of Kansas Beta Chapter are directly attributed to the generous alumni support and alumni relations efforts. Those who donated to the fall 2018 appeals are listed below under their giving level. If an error has been made in recording your gift, we sincerely apologize. If corrections to your giving record are needed, please call (785) 843-1661. Thank you, again, for your loyal support.

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Kansas Beta Sets Advancing Chapter Goals

Kansas Beta continues to advance in every aspect. The determination and devotion of the members coupled with the alumni support has allowed the chapter to continuously leap hurdles and reshape our chapter into what is being termed a "modern fraternity." This reformation has been initiated through the words of the True Gentleman, which our chapter strives to embody and hold steadfast to daily. Our chapter has continued a pursuit of excellence through recruitment and this is evident in the newly initiated freshman class. We have brought in four new members this spring that have amazing leadership, scholastic, and athletic potential.

Moving forward, we set higher goals than ever before:

- Achieve top three in grades
- Be top three in intramurals
- Continue multicultural education
- Continue longstanding philanthropies
- Deliver more than 2,500 hours of community service
- Continue building upon intracommunity relations

Academics

We hold tight to our highest priority: academics. **Kansas Beta achieved fourth overall with a 3.46 GPA** for fall 2018, with 20 percent of our members achieving a 4.0 and 54 percent above a 3.5. This is well above the all-fraternity average of a 3.177, and the all-university men's average of a 2.932. We achieved our previously stated goal of entering the top five in grades, but we advance this goal even higher and aim to be top three in grades in spring 2019.

Fourth in Intramurals for Fall 2018 Semester

We know that intramurals are extremely important, and we put a lot of pride in excelling athletically. We have recruited very favorably in the athletic direction through both the fall 2018 class and the spring 2019

class. This past semester, we continued our advancement in the direction of athletic excellence. Pertaining to team sports, we were in the championship for soccer, got second in the wrestling tournament, and our football team advanced to the semi-finals. We continued to be successful in the individual sports, winning championships in the three-point contest and the free throw contest. With this being said, we are on track to have a very strong basketball team, soccer team, and football team moving forward, which will lead us to achieving the goal of finishing top three in intramurals.

Diversity and Inclusion

We have realized the necessity for advancement in diversity and inclusion training, and its direct effect on the advancement of the True Gentleman experience. We have taken into account the progressive nature of society and believe that the leaders of tomorrow must be culturally competent and have the ability to recognize and respect the differences of others. We have added a new chair to our executive board, the diversity and inclusion chair. We have also begun a diversity and inclusion leadership series where we bring in speakers from different backgrounds to share their personal experiences. We have hosted Dr. Bryan Samuel, chief diversity and inclusion officer at Kansas State; Adrian Rodriguez, associate vice president for student life of diversity and multicultural student affairs at Kansas State; Dr. Mark Weiss, the advisor for Hillel, the Jewish student organization at Kansas State; and plan on having many more leaders come to speak. Moreover, we have joined with Phi Beta Sigma, a Divine Nine Fraternity, and will be hosting a joint philanthropy with them this semester.

ΣAE Partners with Cats Cupboard

We as a house have banded around the issue of food insecurity found across our campus. Cats Cupboard is an

on-campus food pantry that supports both faculty and students who struggle to provide food for themselves and their families. We saw a necessity for reliable food delivery to the food pantry and grabbed at this opportunity to build a lasting relationship. After communicating with Cats' Cupboard and determining what food items they were in most need of, we partnered with the local Dillon's grocery store to facilitate a food drive. This initial food drive was very successful, and we have plans to hold similar food drives every month.

In Other News, Here Are Additional Accomplishments We'd Like to Share:

- Kansas Beta won third in Homecoming with Gamma Phi Beta and Beta Upsilon Chi.
- Brother Ryan Montgomery was elected IFC vice president.
- We started a bible study with FarmHouse.
- Two freshmen are running for Student Governing Association senate positions, brothers **Fischer Carr '22** and **Blaine Snyder '22**.
- Six freshmen hold executive positions.

Wrap-Up

Overall, the direction of the chapter continues to advance and redefine itself. Our recruitment continues to bring in strong leaders, excelling academics, and astounding athletes. Through the True Gentleman experience, our members continue to 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 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 that enter it.

Phi Alpha brother,
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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 **Chase Stalder '19** and **Ryan Schippers '20** 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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