

THE LION'S LORE



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SPRING 2020



David Grammer '23, Bret Ambrosier '23, Ben Driver '23, and Cashe McVey '23 celebrate a victory over Oklahoma last fall.



Brothers participate in Zeta Tau Alpha's football philanthropy event, Tackle the Cure.



Kansas Beta's ultimate frisbee team.

RAISING THE BAR AT KANSAS BETA

Undergraduate Brothers Set Aggressive Goals for 2020

It has been a great year for Kansas Beta so far. The chapter house continues to be full each semester. We are striving to be the best chapter at K-State and the best ΣΑΕ chapter in the nation. Kansas Beta aspires to be the top chapter in terms of academics, athletics, social events, philanthropy, and community service. These goals are well within our reach thanks to the dedication of our members and alumni alike.

We initiated 27 members last fall, all of whom have incredible leadership, academic, and athletic potential. Many of them are already stepping into leadership roles. We also initiated three new members this spring. All brothers are working hard to achieve the following goals.

- Finish in the top three for grades in the spring 2020 semester
- Finish in first place for intramurals for the 2019-20 school year
- Win Fraternity of the Year at K-State
- Win the Zeal Award from ΣΑΕ National

SCHOLASTIC SUCCESS

Academic excellence is a top priority at Kansas Beta. The hard work of the brothers has manifested itself with a **3.51 all-chapter GPA** for the past semester. Nearly a quarter of our members achieved a 4.0 GPA, and 56% achieved a 3.5 or higher. ΣΑΕ's fall GPA was good for third place out of the 22 fraternities at K-State. Additionally, our GPA was much higher than the all-fraternity average of 3.21 and the all-university men's average of 2.97. I am very proud of the hard work our brothers have done.

GOING FOR GOLD

Kansas Beta finished second among KSU fraternities on campus in intramurals for fall 2019. Our soccer team performed very well, securing bronze. Our individual members showed some incredible grit and

hustle, winning seven individual intramural championships. We have our eyes set on first place in intramurals for this school year.

PHILANTHROPIC PRIDE

Our philanthropic endeavors are a huge part of what defines us at Kansas Beta. We love raising money for good causes, especially if it means partnering with another one of the great Greek organizations at K-State. Last fall, we were lucky to be able to partner with the women of Zeta Tau Alpha to host a Saturday Cookout, where we barbecued and cheered on the Wildcats at a K-State football game. We also held a second event at the house, selling Chick-fil-A sandwiches drive-thru style in the front circle drive.

OTHER NEWS

- Four freshmen are holding executive positions for the spring semester.
- **Ben Driver '23** showed great work ethic, earning Practice Player of the Week honors for the K-State football team in late October.
- Five brothers are serving on student government: Governmental Relations Chairman **Justin Watkins '22**, Senators **Blaine Snyder '21** and **Fischer Carr '22**, and At-Large Committee Members **Cashe McVey '23** and **Blake Steele '23**.
- Recruitment is off to a strong start. The recruitment team has met with more than 80 prospects.

THANK YOU, ALUMNI!

We are very grateful for the continued alumni support and leadership. If you find yourself in the Manhattan area, we would love for you to swing by the chapter house to visit.

Faternally,
Fischer Carr '22, Chapter President
fischercarr4@gmail.com



View of patio area



View of court



View of outdoor cooking and gathering space

CHAPTER HOUSE EXTERIOR RENOVATION PLANS MOVE FORWARD

Alumni Support Vital for Completion

In November, we shared plans to renovate and upgrade the exterior of the chapter house, including a new sport court, for Kansas Beta—our way of bringing something “new” to Sigma Alpha Epsilon. **But this project is a lot more than a place to play basketball.**

Our fraternity is not the only one that understands upgrades and improvements must be made to stay on top. PIKE, FarmHouse, and DU are already completing renovations and additions to their facilities. While we are proud of the quality of our men, our chapter house must up its curb appeal to keep our competitive edge.

INSIDE THE PROJECT

The house corporation’s plans for this project go beyond simply redoing the basketball court—it’s a full-scale exterior renovation. These updates will provide ample space for our undergraduates and will serve as a communal space for parents and alumni returning to campus.

A few of the features you can expect:

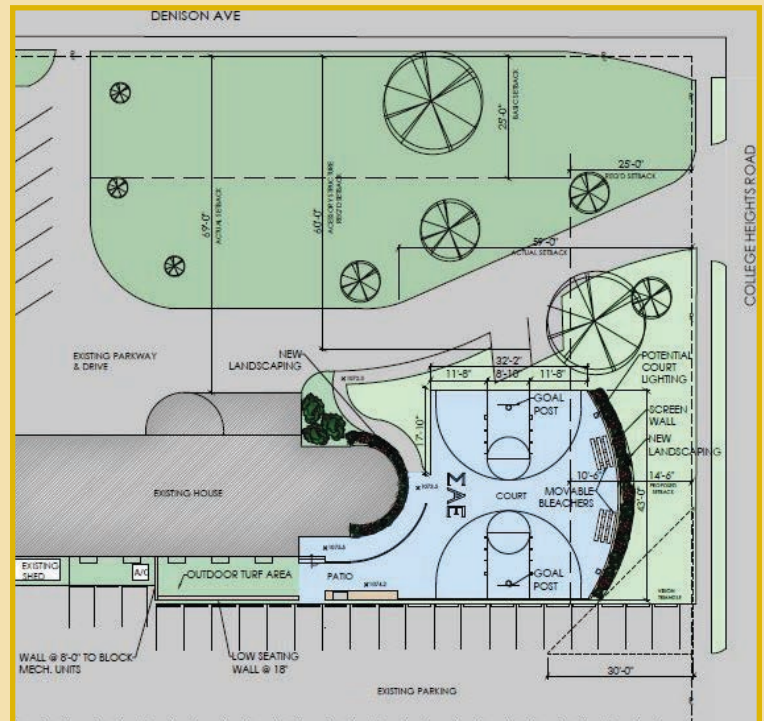
- Repainted exterior in historical colors
- Outdoor cooking and gathering space
- Revamped landscaping and lighting
- Basketball court

OUR TIMELINE

As a board, we’ve already hired a contractor and submitted our plans to the Manhattan zoning board. That appeal was approved in January 2020. The goal is to have all documents completed in March and construction completed before the men return to campus for the fall semester in August 2020.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

To execute this project to the level we’ve planned, \$250,000 is needed. The house corporation, alongside three generous alumni, is matching alumni donations dollar for dollar. Our \$125,000 challenge is vital to covering the cost of this much-needed renovation. So far, thanks to supportive alumni, we have raised nearly \$50,000 toward this project. **Help us close the gap and raise the remaining \$75,000.** You can double your impact by making your gift to the Kansas Beta House Association today.



Each of us committed to a lifetime membership in Kansas Beta during initiation. Now it’s on us to ensure that membership still benefits undergraduates and alumni alike. With just a few minutes of your time, **you** can decide the future of this brotherhood. How do you want Kansas Beta to remember you?

Yours in the Bonds,

Steve Lacy '76

President

Kansas Beta House Corporation

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Make your contribution today!

Give online to the House Association at <http://www.saeksu.net/giving-back>

Or send your contribution by check to: Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Kansas State University,

Payment Processing, P.O. Box 2187, Columbus, GA 31902-2187



THANK YOU, LOYAL ALUMNI, FOR DONATING TO THE EXTERIOR RENOVATION PROJECT

We would like to give a big thank-you to the generous alumni listed below who have donated this year to the Kansas Beta House Association for chapter house exterior renovations. Thanks to your support we have raised nearly \$50,000 toward our \$125,000 challenge. The successes and achievements of the Kansas Beta Chapter are directly attributed to the support and involvement of its members. The active brothers are grateful for and proud of the support they receive from their alumni.

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

Stephen M. Lacy '76

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

Gen. Richard B. Myers '65
James M. Johnson '84

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

Robert D. Griffith '60
Joseph H. Stout '67
Patrick J. Kellerman '89
Todd C. Hansen '93

Archon Society (*Up to \$999*)

Anonymous
William H. Braddock '57
Jack Kiddoo '57
John D. Whittier '61
Dan E. Bartholomew '62
Roger W. Coulter '62
Melvin R. Renner '62
Michael C. Rose '62
Jerry D. Prather '66
Lawrence P. Becker '67
Daniel E. Fankhauser '67
Robert E. Judd '67
Kenneth H. Underwood '67
James Shucart II '69
Roger S. John '70

Dr. Willard B. Ransom '71
Curtis L. Bock, D.V.M. '72
Alan B. Crane '72
Michael E. Debold '72
Max I. Miller Jr. '72
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John C. Moser '82
David M. Anderson '85
Thomas R. Tewell '85
Todd C. Elder '87
Michael A. Wilson '89
Darren D. Hinton '91
Blake J. Kaus '93
Jay E. Holthaus '94
Kirk A. Franz '96
Patrick J. Ralston '96
Jonathan K. Staats '09
Dane Steven Forsberg '12
Justin Wiezorek '13
Colton Jenkins '18

Alumni News

Bill Sinderson '58 is enjoying retirement and keeping in touch with many brothers. He served as EA in the fall of 1955. Bill writes, "What a great experience that was!" He lives in Overland Park, Kan. Email: wsinderson@gmail.com

Jerry Prather '66 is still married and loving life with his wife, Pat, who was a Gamma Phi at K-State. They are raising a 12-year-old sixth grader, who is their third adopted child. Jerry is the treasurer for the local Lions Club and volunteers with two other non-profits. He has volunteered with CASA, a non-profit that advocates for foster children, for the last 29 years. Jerry treasures his memories of ΣAE at K-State. He lives in Glen Rose, Texas.

Landon Parker '79 and his son, Chase, share the purple pride as he is a senior at KSU. Landon and his wife, Terri, reside in Woodland Park, Colo., and enjoy the retired life. Email: lparker@bajabb.com

D. Mark Robertson '82 is the owner of Tactical Target Systems, which produces training targets for U.S. government, local and state law enforcement, shooting ranges, and civilians. Tactical Target Systems owns U.S. copyrights for its designs. Mark and his wife, Brandi, live in Leawood, Kan. Email: robertson00007@gmail.com

Zane Keller '17 is a first-year dental student at the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Dentistry. He has three more years before he becomes Zane Keller, D.D.S. Zane lives in Kansas City, Mo. Email: zanedkeller@gmail.com



The fall 2019 new member class.



Brothers with their dates at a toga party.



Brothers run in the Homecoming 5K.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR KANSAS BETA ALUMNI DAY Saturday, April 18, 2020

9 a.m. Chapter house tours available

10 a.m. Kansas Beta House
Corporation spring 2020 meeting

12 p.m. Lunch available with active
and prospective members

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
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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



Welcome, Spring New Members

Logan Hyland
Colorado Springs, Colo.

August Liberty
Leawood, Kan.

Jack Tesoriero
Hiawatha, Kan.

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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** at steve.lacy@meredith.com or our recruitment chairmen at ksu.sae.recruitment@gmail.com. Or, simply fill out the form below and mail it to 1015 Denison Ave., Manhattan, KS 66502.

Prospect Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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Does prospect have an Σ AE relative? _____

High School: _____

Reference Submitted by: _____

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