



THE LION'S LORE

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COMPLETE MAKEOVER OF SAE HOUSE

Nine Years of Alumni Giving

A complete makeover. That's what Kansas Beta alumni achieved at 1015 Denison over nine years and with \$1.3 million of generosity.

The last project, renovating the north end of the basement, was completed this summer. It all started a decade ago when the call went out to alumni to help remodel the aging house, and you answered.

"I am blown away by the generosity of our alumni over such a long period. Time after time, we put out the call and they responded, transforming our house into a modern facility befitting our quality young men. Thank you, thank you, thank you," said House Corporation President **Steve Lacy '76**.

"There will always be maintenance issues as things pop up. But we have done the big things," he added.



Remodeled kitchen



Remodeled dining room

2019-20

Dedicated Ernie Barrett Media Room

New outdoor basketball court

Outdoor cooking and recreation area

Approximate cost: \$350,000



TIMELINE

2017-18

Complete remodel of kitchen and Presidential dining room

New air conditioning unit installed

Resealed and striped the parking lot

Approximate cost: \$400,000



Remodeled formal living room

Outdoor basketball court



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COMPLETE MAKEOVER OF SAE HOUSE

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2021-23

- Remodeled all five bathrooms
- Renovated second and third hallways
- Replaced roof on front porch
- Replaced glass block in living room
- Installed seven security cameras

Approximate cost: \$250,000



*The basement was redesigned
as the Kansas Beta Chandler
Educational Center.*

2024-25

- Complete renovation of the basement
- Replaced hot water heaters
- Replaced boiler

Approximate cost: \$300,000



SHAW'S SERVICE

Bill Shaw '75 was instrumental in managing the remodeling of the chapter house over the last eight years. Shaw lives 260 miles west in Ashland, Kansas, and had to make frequent trips to Manhattan to oversee the projects.

"It is remarkable that we were able to completely renovate an 87-year-old chapter house. Thank you to all the alumni who contributed to make this happen."

—Bill Shaw

CHAPTER REPORT CARD

- The chapter had a combined GPA of **3.45** in spring 2025, **ranking second** among fraternities with more than 100 members. **Twenty-seven** members had a GPA of 4.0.
- The house is full with **61** brothers.
- Kansas Beta has **120** total active members, including those living out of the house.
- **Twenty-six** new members were initiated this semester.
- The chapter is excelling at intramurals during the fall semester. SAE **won the fraternity championship in soccer**, beating DU 2-1. The chapter placed **second** in two-pass flag-football and **made the semi-finals** in one-pass football.
- The SAE float in the Homecoming parade, created with Alpha Delta Pi sorority and Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity, **won the Greek division**.



Tiebreaker Decides SAE Annual Alumni Golf Tournament for a Second Year



The first-place team flashes victory signs. From left: Sam Stewart '24, Hunter Hatcher '24, Lucas Freelove '24, and Rob Freelove.



The second-place team with their winnings. From left: Jon Roberts, Garrett Roberts '21, Ethan Hatcher '18, and Nick Hatcher.

For the second year in a row, a team of **Lucas Freelove '24, Hunter Hatcher '24, Sam Stewart '24, and Rob Freelove** won a tiebreaker to take the title at the Sigma Alpha Epsilon alumni golf outing.

They shot -11 (61) in the scramble format on the par 72 Stagg Hill course, the same score as the team of **Ethan Hatcher '18, Garrett Roberts '21, Jon Roberts, and Nick Hatcher**. The tiebreaker was the third hole, which the team of Hatcher-Freeloves-Stewart won.

"Two years in a row. That's not luck, that's a dynasty in the making," said Hunter.

The golf outing was the start of a great alumni weekend that saw well over 100 brothers join the festivities. All 18 holes were filled as 75 brothers teed off in beautiful weather at the golf outing. The



Third place team from left to right: Curtis Snowden, Grant Snowden '26, Dan Pearson, and Jack Pearson '26.

next day alumni gathered at a tailgate before the K-State-UCF football game and 60 alums cheered on a K-State victory from the Shamrock Zone at Bill Snyder Family stadium.

Four Hatcher family members played in the outing, and three of them placed

in the top two teams. Hunter was on the winning team and Ethan on the second-place team. Their father, Nick, was also on the second-place team, while third brother **Lee** participated.

Third place with a score of 62 (-10) was the father-son team of **Curtis Snowden and Grant Snowden '26** and **Dan Pearson, and Jack Pearson '26**. Jack was eminent archon last year and Grant was recruiting co-chairman.

First place netted \$800 in prize money, followed by \$600 for second and \$460 for third.

Chase Stadler '19 once again did a fantastic job organizing the event. After finishing the 18 holes, golfers enjoyed beer and a catered barbecue dinner at Stagg Hill.

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INTRAMURAL CHAMPIONS



SAE won the intramural championship in soccer this fall by beating DU 2-1.



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