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The Spring 2018 semester was a critical point in the history of the Alpha Kappa Chapter. The chapter was faced with many difficult tasks throughout the semester, but with the help of an amazing executive council and active chapter, we were able to rekindle the flame of Pi Kappa Alpha so that it can burn brighter than ever. We were able to do this by making the necessary changes to our bylaws to further improve scholarship, finances, and overall brotherhood within our great chapter.

The semester began at the Chapter Executives Conference in Memphis, Tennessee, where Josh Bax (AK '14), Matt Hagan (AK '16), and I learned many important skills relating to leadership, management, finances, and recruitment. We then brought these new skills and tactics back to Rolla to continue improving our own chapter. The CEC was also a great chance to catch up with recent alumni Danny Ryan (AK '06) and Ty Thompson (AK '14), as well as meet many new brothers from around the country.

This spring we initiated 8 new brothers into our bonds, 5 of which are on the varsity soccer team. Led by Kyle Carberry (AK '16) and his assistant Eric Roettger (AK '15), the new members had a very successful semester and made a great difference within the house. These brothers did a great job of emphasizing the importance of both making good grades, and still leaving enough time to get involved on campus and within the fraternity. The entire chapter is very hopeful of the new pledge class, and we cannot wait to see where they take our chapter in the future.

Recruitment has continued to excel within our chapter over the past several months. Director of Recruitment, Matt Hagan (AK '16), has done an amazing job so far this semester to keep Alpha Kappa at the top of recruitment on campus. He has also brought new tactics to our rush committee to make it even better than ever. Over the summer, we plan to host rush events at a Royals game in Kansas City and a Cardinals game in St. Louis to let potential new members come out and learn more about our fraternity.

Community service and philanthropy were also great successes this semester. We had two out of town service trips this semester, including the Color Run in St. Louis, and YMCA Trout Lodge in Potosi. The chapter also hosted an in town service event with the Delta Omicron Lambda Sorority at the Kaleidoscope Discovery Center in Rolla. For philanthropy, we successfully hosted our annual PIKE Pig Roast during the St. Pat's parade as well as the first annual Delta Omicron Lambda/Pike BBQ. This BBQ was hosted at our house, where we offered

burgers, hot dogs, and sides to all students and citizens of Rolla.

March 1, 2018, brought the very special 150 year anniversary of our great fraternity. To celebrate, all brothers met in Wolf Hall during the 150 minutes leading up to midnight (1 minute for each year in Pi Kappa Alpha history).

For each minute that correlated to a special year in history, we would honor that event to better educate the brothers of our history. That weekend, we hosted our annual Founder's/Mom's Day celebration. At this event, the Alpha Kappa Education Foundation handed out over \$20,000 in scholarships to our members to award them for their contribution and dedication to the chapter. After the event, we offered many activities for the alumni and parents including a winery tour and trivia night.

This semester was very crucial for our chapter. Although 24 great brothers graduated this semester, the impact they have put on this chapter will stay with us for many years to come. Thanks to our great success in recruitment and new member education, we have a chapter full of highly motivated and driven members that cannot wait to step up and leave their mark. Thanks to the continuous involvement and assistance from our Housing Corporation, Education Foundation, and chapter advisor Chris Ramsay, we were able to turn a tough semester into a great turning point that is headed in the direction of further success for the chapter. I look forward to seeing the chapter maintain our great reputation, and continue to assert our dominance on campus.

In the bonds,

Dylan Holdenried (AK '14)
SMC, Spring 2018



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Celebrating

FOUNDER'S & MOM'S DAY

This Founder's and Mom's Day was a particularly special one for the Alpha Kappa Chapter, as it marked our Fraternity's 150th Anniversary. The morning started off with coffee, bagels, and pastries for the alumni, as the Alpha Kappa Housing Corporation and Educational Foundation met to discuss important matters and check in on the house. Meanwhile, the Mothers and families of the Alpha Kappa men began to arrive with homemade meals and desserts for the potluck lunch. Once the meetings had finished, everyone gathered for the Scholarship Presentation, as we awarded fellow brothers scholarships for their outstanding achievements from the Fall Semester. Once the presentation was finished, the feasting began. Mothers and sons got to enjoy tasting all of the delicious dishes that everyone brought to the house. After lunch, people began to head over to St. James Winery in St. James, MO, for a winery tour. Mothers and sons got to enjoy a private tour of the local winery and get a first hand look of the wine making process. When the tour had finished, there were free wine tastings offered to all who were of age. Later that night there was a Trivia Night hosted by fellow Brother Blake Porter (AK '16) in Wolf Hall. Mothers and sons teamed up and competed for a variety of prizes to see who knew the most. It was truly an amazing day as we got to celebrate the 150th Anniversary of Pi Kappa Alpha and it was even more special considering we got to spend it with our loved ones and fellow brothers. We look forward to another successful and joyful Founder's/Mother's Day next year!



On March 1, 1868, six friends, soon to be brothers, established our beloved Fraternity, Pi Kappa Alpha. They were determined to create a Fraternity that established friendship on a firmer and more lasting basis; a Fraternity that promoted brotherly love and kind feeling; a Fraternity that benefited and advanced the interests with whom they deem worthy of their regard. And on March 1, 2018, we celebrated the 150th anniversary of our great Fraternity, still cherishing the same values and ideals on which it was founded. The active chapter of Alpha Kappa wishes a happy 150th anniversary to all of our fellow brothers and their families. Cheers to a magnificent 150 years, Pi Kappa Alpha!





**CLASS OF
2017**

On December 16, Alpha Kappa said farewell to another outstanding senior class as they graduated from Missouri S&T. These men dedicated themselves to the success of this chapter and are now leaving Alpha Kappa in spectacular shape. We are all thankful for their contributions to the chapter and wish them the best of luck in their future careers!

FELIPE ANDRADE
Civil Engineering

Felipe served AK as Super Duties Chair. On campus, he was a member of the Men's Varsity soccer team for 4 years. Felipe is now working for Turner Construction as a Field Engineer in Omaha, Nebraska.



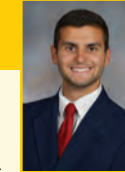
JOAQUIN ALARCON
Chemical Engineering

Joaquin served AK as Secretary. On campus, he was a part of GAMMA where he served as Treasurer. Joaquin is now employed with Accenture in Chicago, as a Management Consulting Analyst.



ZACHARY DURAN
Petroleum Engineering

Zachary served AK as Scholarship Chair. On campus, he was a member of Society of Petroleum Engineers and served as the PetroBowl Chair. Zachary is currently still seeking employment.



BRANDON EISENBATH
Computer Science

Brandon served as the Scholarship and Recycling chair for AK. Brandon now works for Centene in Chesterfield, Missouri, as a Software Engineer.



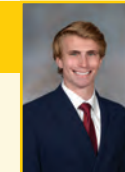
ZACHARY FARNIOK
Mechanical Engineering

Zachary served AK as Brotherhood, Alumni Relations, and Parent's Club chair, House Manager, and SMC. On campus, he was involved with Engineers Without Borders. Zachary now works for Boeing in St. Louis.



JOSHUA GIANCOLA
Mechanical Engineering

Joshua was very involved on campus, he was a member of the Student Union Board where he served as a Director. He also served as the President of American Society of Mechanical Engineers. He is currently employed with CaptiveAire in Kansas City.



TYLER JAEGER
Mechanical Engineering

Tyler served AK in various ways, including Sorority Relations and Community Service chair, Director of Recruitment, New Member Educator, and 1st IMC. Tyler was also a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers where he served as the Executive Membership Development chair. Tyler now works at Walt Disney World with the Design and Engineering department.



JAMES KVESIC
Information Science & Technology

James served AK as Historian as well as Campus Involvement and Public Relations chair. On campus, James served as Secretary for the Rocket Design Team. He is now employed with Boeing working in the IT Career Foundation Program in St. Louis.



SEAN MURPHY
Civil Engineering

Sean served AK as the Continuing Education Chair. On campus, he was involved in GAMMA where he was a Presenter and was also a part of the Choir Guild and served as the Treasurer. Sean is now employed with Burns and McDonnell as an Assistant Structural Engineer in Kansas City.



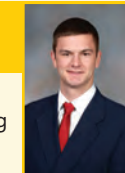
ZACHARY MURPHY
Chemical Engineering and Economics

Zach served AK as Fundraising and Alumni Relations Chair, Treasurer, and 2nd IMC. He now is employed with USG Corporation in Shoals, Indiana as a Project Engineer.



SCOTTY PALMER
Mechanical Engineering

Scotty served AK in various positions including Fundraising and Alumni Relations Chair, House Manager, 2nd IMC, and New Member Educator. On campus, he was a member of the Solar House Design Team, where he served as Treasurer. He is currently employed with Procter and Gamble as a Manufacturing Engineer in Kansas City.



JONATHON SCHLIEM
Petroleum Engineering

Jonathon held many positions at his time at AK, including Scholarship and Fundraising Chair, 1st IMC, and 2nd IMC. Jonathon is currently working for Halliburton in Oklahoma City as a Petroleum Engineer.



ERIK SCHOU
Electrical Engineering

Erik served AK in various capacities. He was the Intramurals and Special Events chairman, 1st IMC, and SMC. He is now employed with Barry-Wehmler Design Group as an Electrical Engineer in St. Louis.



SCOTT SCHROER
Mechanical Engineering

Scott served AK in many ways, such as Special Events Chair, MC, 1st IMC, and SMC. He was also a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers where he served as Vice-President. Scott is now employed at Siemens working as a Sales Estimator.



JONAH WALKER
Mechanical Engineering

Jonah served AK as Brotherhood chair and Assistant New Member Educator. On campus, he was a member of the Club Baseball team and GAMMA. Jonah is now employed with Nucor Steel as a Project Engineer in Blytheville, Arkansas.

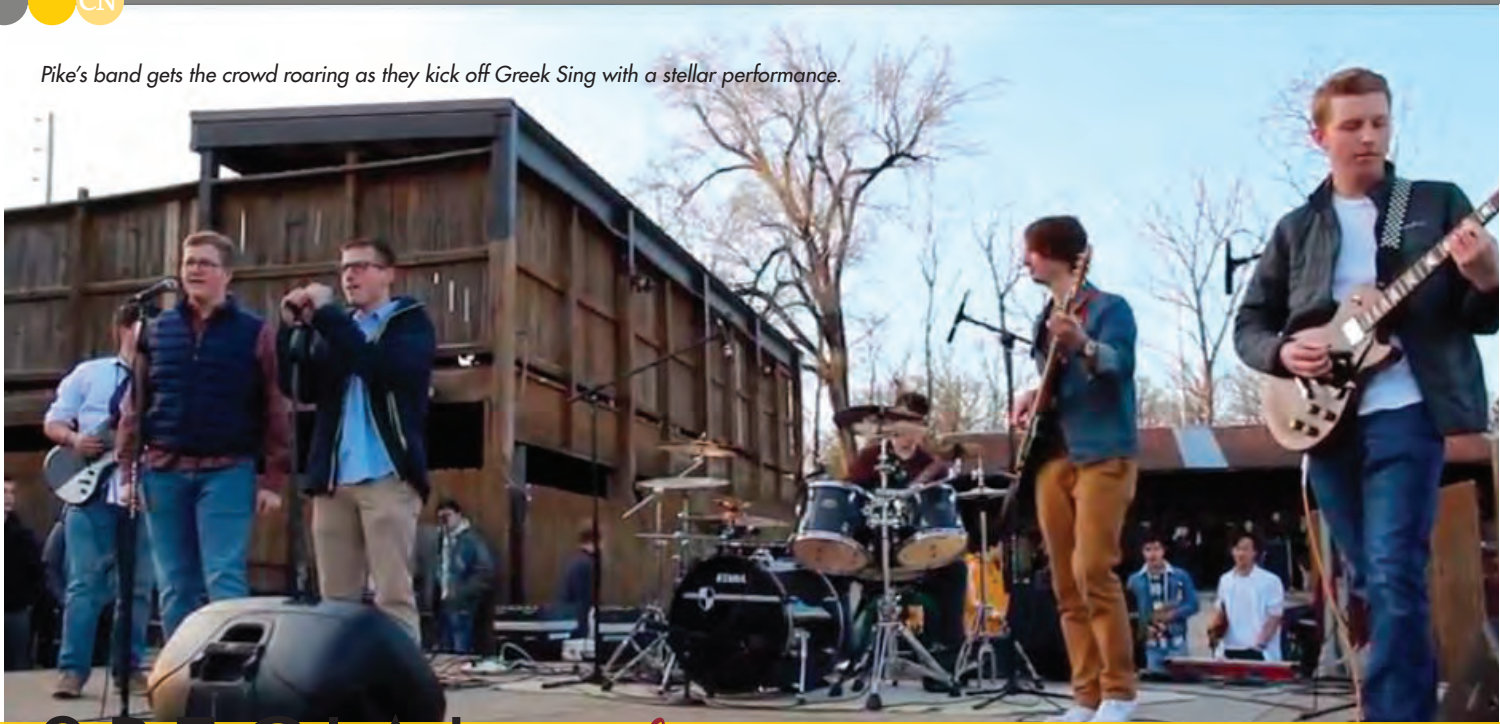


WILLIAM WYNE
Mechanical Engineering

William held multiple executive positions for AK including Secretary, Director of Recruitment, and 1st IMC. On campus, he was a part of Engineers Without Borders where he was a Sub-Team Lead. He now works for CaptiveAire Systems in St. Louis as a Technical Sales Engineer.



Pike's band gets the crowd roaring as they kick off Greek Sing with a stellar performance.



SPECIAL events

GREEK SING

This spring semester, Pike put together a band and participated in IFC's annual Greek Sing. The most recent Fall pledge class had a lot of musical talent, which helped fill spots left by graduated alumni. The theme this year was "One Hit Wonders", so the band settled on "I Found A Way" by Drake Bell and "Come On Eileen" by Dexy's Midnight Runners. Band leader, Drew Nelson (AK '17), was very proud

of the hard work and musicality of the freshmen and other band members. They were able to learn complicated parts in a short amount of time and performed admirably onstage. Special thanks to the other members of the group Davis Perry (AK '16), Ben Hughes (AK '17), Hiram Duran (AK '17), Jacob Bayless (AK '17), Sid Ketcham (AK '17), Cole Looney (AK '17), Jack Nelson (AK '17), and Garrett Pugh (AK '14).

ST. PAT'S

The 110th Best Ever St. Pat's was, of course, the best St. Pats to happen yet! Pi Kappa Alpha participated in the festivities such as the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade, Gonzo Games, follies, and Green Fridays. This year's theme was "Pats at High Noon" and we created an amazing sweatshirt design for actives and alumni to put on the back of their St. Pat's sweatshirts. Our St. Pat's "darty" went off without a hitch, and we had well over 300 people celebrating being off school to enjoy the many festivities of the weekend. Unfortunately, we had bad weather during the parade but the rest of the weekend was beautiful. Many of the Pikes went to the St. Pat's concert and had a blast with Tech N9ne performing exclusively for S&T students. The new members and new initiates have begun to gather cudgels for the next St. Pat's and future new members. One of our very own active members, John Schweer (AK '16), was in charge of all costumes for St. Pats and was deemed "Iron Mom" for his assistance to the St. Pat's Board. We are already ready for the 111th Best Ever St. Pats!

Some of our brothers were lucky enough to meet UM System President, Mun Choi, as he visited Rolla during St. Pats festivities.



RUSH

As the semester comes to a close, we look back and see how our recruitment team has positively impacted our Fraternity. We strive to recruit the very best here at S&T and this past Spring class was no different.

The Spring 2018 class consists of 8 outstanding gentleman that bring various talents and ideals to Alpha Kappa. They have already shown their love for Pike and their willingness to step up in times of need. These men will grow into some of Alpha Kappa's finest members and will promote the overall well-being of the Fraternity.

As for recruitment for the fall of 2018, there are ten PRO Days where first contact with the potential new members is made. Meeting and talking with those who plan to attend MS&T in the fall gives us a grasp on what kind of men we are going to have. After initial contact with these potential new members, we here at the Alpha Kappa chapter only talk with the best. We strive for men that show the attributes of the infamous SLAG characteristics- scholars, leaders, athletes, and gentleman. From the men planning on attending Missouri S&T in the fall of 2018, we will chose 35 of the best to join us in our brotherhood.

We have two major events held over the summer- a Cardinals baseball game in St. Louis and a Royals baseball game in Kansas City. We will have about 10 actives and about 15 potential recruits at these games in an attempt to get to know these men and find the best and brightest. We are hoping to recruit the best incoming freshmen men in order to continue our chapter's excellence here at Missouri S&T in an attempt to continue the tradition of academic excellence, athletic dominance, determined leaders, and polite gentleman here at the Alpha Kappa Chapter.



Matthew Hagan (AK '16)
Director of Recruitment

Want to help with RUSH?

Do you know a high school senior coming to Missouri S&T in the fall? Does he have the qualities to make an excellent Pike? Any suggestions will be greatly appreciated and actively pursued by our recruitment committee.

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Director of Recruitment

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RUSH ORGANIZATION

Director of Recruitment

Matthew Hagan (AK '16)

Rush Captains

Jacob Hunter (AK '16)
Kyle Carberry (AK '17)
Ian Fitch (AK '16)
Ben Softic (AK '17)

COLOR RUN • ST. LOUIS



After the race, brothers were covered in various colors which made for quite a colorful picture!

On Saturday, April 21st, about 40 members of Alpha Kappa traveled to volunteer at The Color Run in St. Louis. This event helps out many amazing organizations and this year we happily partnered with Autism Speaks to help raise money for their cause. The brothers had many important roles in this year's event. The community service chairman, Steven Fluegel (AK '16), took the role of being in charge of all 125 volunteers for the event. Many of the brothers also took up important color zone captain positions, while the rest had a blast throwing and spraying colored powder at all the oncoming participants. At the end of the race, everyone was

wearing their smiles along with many different colors as we once again had a blast at this year's event.

The Color Run was very grateful for our help and would love to have us coming back year after year. I think brothers would agree that this is truly a great event for us to exemplify our leadership to the St. Louis community while doing our best to help out as much as we can!

KALEIDOSCOPE DISCOVERY CENTER • ROLLA



We are always happy to help support the Kaleidoscope Center, which offers science education to the community youth.

During the spring semester, the men of Pi Kappa Alpha volunteered multiple times at the Rolla Kaleidoscope Discovery Center. The brothers have been helping out the Kaleidoscope Discovery Center for the past two years and we love their initiative to get kids introduced to the STEM field. The brothers also had a great time working with the service sorority Delta

Omicron Lambda, as they completed multiple tasks such as moving furniture, managing inventory, finishing up multiple rooms, and helping market and advertise the Kaleidoscope Discovery Center events. Alpha Kappa loves helping out the Kaleidoscope Discovery Center and hopes to show others in the community how important it is.

YMCA CAMP LAKEWOOD • POTOSI

Community service is an integral part of being a Pike and teaches the importance of helping causes much greater than ourselves. On May 4th and 5th, 35 Alpha Kappas ventured out to YMCA Camp Lakewood in Potosi, MO to develop those life skills. Our chapter has created a strong relationship with the maintenance crew at the Y and this semester we were able to improve that bond. Brothers were kept busy cutting down trees, staining and painting, spreading mulch, and even burning a couple fires. The brother's hard work was vastly rewarded with a cabin to sleep in Friday night and three wonderful meals on Saturday. The community service team is in contact with Operations Director, Matt Engel, to make this trip a biannual event.



Brothers work diligently to set up fencing at the YMCA Camp in Potosi.

CAMPUS *involvement*

EWB PROVES TO BE LIFE-CHANGING FOR CHADBURN BARTON (AK '16)

I joined EWB in the fall of 2015 as a freshman and quickly joined the distribution sub-team which was working with 4 other sub-teams to complete a nine-year project to bring clean water to Nahualate, Guatemala. Our team successfully completed our specific project in November of 2016 when we traveled there. Following our return, I was humbled when I got promoted to the Guatemala team lead. I am happy to say the team has continued its success and we traveled again in December 2017 to officially sign over the Nahualate water system to the Nahualate Water Committee. Completing a project comes with mixed emotions; we are happy the project is completed but sad our partnership with Nahualate has come to an end. During the Dec. 2017 travel, our team also assessed the feasibility of a new school infrastructure project in Paraje, Xecaxoj. Our team is made up of 6 sub-teams each working together to reach the common goal — a sufficient school building for the community's children. To date, we have designed two buildings and have presented these designs to the community for their input. The team will keep busy with this project for the next two to three years when we will once again move to a new community.

My overall growth as a person during my time involved with EWB has been invaluable. I have gained real-life experience in project and people management, drafting professional



Chadburn Barton (AK '16) officially signs off their water system to the Nahualate Water Committee.

documents, and building design using calculations from classes like statics and dynamics. All the lessons I have learned I have taken to heart; lessons that cannot be taught in a classroom such as humility, respect, and compassion. I will use these experiences to continue to improve and inspire myself throughout my career and I am forever grateful to the Pike brothers who first inspired me to join Engineers Without Borders.

FORMING A COLLEGIATE DECA CHAPTER

My name is Jacob Hunter and I am one of the three founders of collegiate DECA on the Missouri S&T campus. DECA is a business based club that focuses on thinking on your feet in a business setting as well as preparing you to act and speak in the business world. It took a little longer to create the organization than expected because we had to jump through hoops on the student organization side of things, but it is well worth the time and energy. I have a great passion for DECA and it has prepared me with skills I would need for interviews and future jobs. Currently, we are sitting at around 15 members and are growing each week. Because of what DECA has taught me, and the amount of fun I had doing it, I think everyone should have that chance to learn important business techniques like how to have a great interview, public speaking skills, and create new friends all while networking with many like-minded individuals.



Jacob Hunter (AK '16) works with fellow members of DECA to plan out next week's schedule.



ADAM KONCKI (AK '17) CONTINUES ST. PAT'S INVOLVEMENT FOR AK

This past semester I became the second active Alpha Kappa member involved with the St. Pat's Board. Alpha Kappa has now had consecutive years of members joining the Board after being uninvolved since 2009. Experiencing my first St. Pat's on the board has been an unforgettable experience. In the 2018 Court, Brother Schweer (AK '16) obtained the position "Mom" where he acted as the board's risk manager during the week. As for me, I was on the sales committee. I spent most of my time selling sweatshirts or decorating the sales truck. In my free time, I managed to talk to alums Danny Ryan (AK '06), Elliot Giles (AK '06), and Jeremiah Mohan (AK '06), about their ventures on the board. The organization demanded a lot of time and without the help of my brothers, putting on another best ever celebration would not have been possible. Next Spring, I hope to see another Pike dressed in Kelly Green, counting down the daze and planning the 111th Best Ever St. Pat's!



Adam Koncki (AK '17) and fellow brother John Schweer (AK '16) have renewed the tradition of Alpha Kappa's involvement on the St. Pat's Board.

Rockin' Out!

ZACH MONROE (AK '13) BRINGS BIG NAME CONCERTS TO CAMPUS

I am the Director of Concerts for the Student Union Board, where my job is to plan at least one large scale concert per semester. The process for a concert starts with planning with my committee, where we sort through hundreds of artists to find the right one that fits the ideal genre and availability for the date that we have selected. After we have selected the artist, we begin working with a mid-agent and start negotiating and working with the artist to make sure they are interested in the show. Once all the contacting is completed, we begin promoting on campus, many weeks before the concert, to get students ready for the show. The day of the show, we run through our last checklist making sure everything is ready for the show to start. The day of the concert tends to be the most stressful but once the artist takes the stage, all that stress washes away and you can just enjoy the show. I love holding this position; even though it is a lot of work and stress it is very rewarding to see something that started off as an idea turn into a massive concert.



Zach Monroe (AK '13) stands with music group Timeflies and performer Bryce Vine before their concert at S&T.

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Alpha Kappa Leaves a Positive Impression

A VISIT WITH MS&T SOCCER COACH GREG HALL

On March 2nd, Alpha Kappa welcomed Coach Hall, the Missouri S&T soccer coach, for dinner and friendly chit-chat. After the meal, the coach described the influential role of Alpha Kappa on his players and how usually his players want to be a part of Pike. He went on to describe how at first, he was skeptical of letting his players join a fraternity, but Alpha Kappa has completely changed

his perspective on Greek life. Alpha Kappa and the soccer program have been synonymous with each other for years, with players joining our fraternal bonds and using what they learned from Pike in their daily lives, on and off the pitch. At the end of the speech, the coach thanked us for bringing such a large crowd to their sporting events and for a wonderful dinner.



Varsity Men's Soccer Coach Greg Hall stands with SMC Dylan Holdenried (AK '14) as he addresses the chapter about Pike's positive influence on his soccer players.

LEARNING THE TRICKS OF THE TRADE

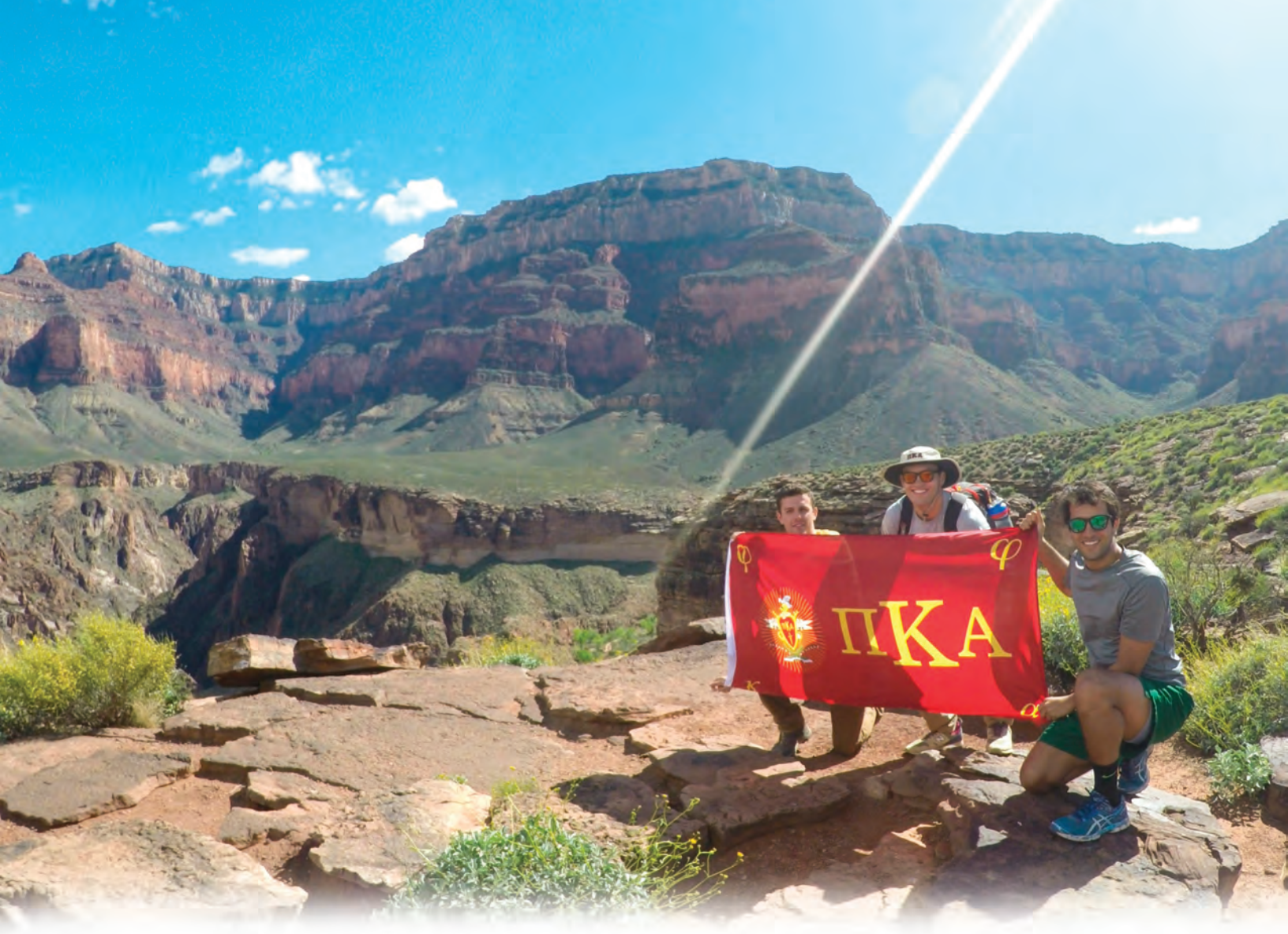
Resume Night with Career Oportunities & Employer Relations



Jacob Hunter (AK '16) receives helpful resume advice from the COER representative before the Spring Career Fair.

On Tuesday, February 14th, Alpha Kappa cordially held a resume night with Career Opportunities and Employer Relations (COER) to help provide some tips and check resumes before the upcoming week's Spring Job Fair. For about an hour and a half, brothers and new members could receive professional advice about their resume. One piece of advice they gave us was to use the Missouri S&T resume format, a format the school has worked with their industry partners to design and perfect. After each check, the representative from COER informed Alpha Kappa what catches the eye of future employers and what most employers are looking for in their potential internships, Co-Ops, and full-time jobs. This is just one of the many ways Alpha Kappa provides its members resources to better their futures.

brotherhood SPOTLIGHT



Kramer Hall (AK'12) is one of Alpha Kappa's finest members. From being the life of any party to playing and coaching varsity soccer, all while teaching and pursuing his Ph.D., Kramer has made the most of his time here at S&T.

KRAMER HALL (AK'12)

I have taken the path less travelled and chosen to remain a student at Missouri S&T to pursue my PhD in Nuclear Waste Disposal. After finishing my undergrad in Geological Engineering and Mining Engineering, I knew that at some point in my career, I would want to do some sort of further schooling. My advisor presented me with a fantastic opportunity to study nuclear waste disposal and I found it very interesting because of our nations need for some sort of long term nuclear storage facility.

Through the PhD program, I am required to be a graduate teaching assistant to an upper level mining engineering course. While at times this is tedious and stressful, I am put into a position where I get to teach full lectures which really develops my leadership abilities as well as my confidence with public speaking.

LEFT: Brotherhood at its finest; Brothers Hall (AK'12), Himmelberg (AK'15), and Andrade (AK'15) on an adventurous Spring Break trip to the Grand Canyon.

TOP RIGHT: The Varsity Men's Soccer Team poses for a picture which includes many Pikes.

LOWER RIGHT: Kramer played on the Varsity team for 4 years, here he is pictured with one of his teammates.

BELOW: Pure excitement after the Miners score a goal.



I spent about a year focused only on schoolwork before realizing that my passion for soccer will never leave. I played four years on the varsity soccer team and am now lucky enough to call myself the assistant coach of the Missouri S&T men's varsity soccer team. Up to this point, it has been a great leadership experience and I am able to work with several other Pike brothers that currently play on the squad.

Pike has played a huge role in my development both as a student and a coach. The skills that I learned at Pike have made me a much more successful coach and research student. Also, since I have been at the University for almost seven years, I have developed a large web of friends and connections that will prove to be useful in my future endeavors. I currently do not have a plan for what I will be doing after I graduate, but I hope to have an impact and positive effect on the world!



Strike Out Diabetes

On March 21st, Pi Kappa Alpha held its Strike Out Diabetes fundraiser at Coachlite Lanes in Rolla. Coordinated by Brett Donner (AK '16) and with the help of brothers Harry Medler (AK '17), Michael Sallee (AK '18), and Jonathan Todd (AK '17), this event was a success. The members of Alpha Kappa not only got to hangout and compete, but also had the chance to win several prizes that were donated by local businesses. The Strike Out Diabetes event has now turned into a recurring fundraiser that we plan to host each semester and continue to make it fun for both the community of Rolla and for Alpha Kappa members.



Brothers enjoy their time bowling, especially when it helps such a great cause!



Brothers Jon Todd (AK '17), Brett Donner (AK '16), and Jon Zettwoch (AK '17), work the front table during the Strike Out Diabetes bowling fundraiser.

BBQ

On April 27th 2018, Alpha Kappa and DOL (Delta Omicron Lambda) held a BBQ at Pike out on the patio where fresh grilled burgers and hot dogs were dished out to the hungry customers. Later that night, a Pub Crawl was held around different bars in downtown Rolla such as the Grotto. Discounts were awarded at each of the bar locations to those who purchased pub crawl wristbands. Overall, the event brought in \$2002 and was donated to Russell House to aid towards members of the Rolla community who have dealt with domestic violence in their life. A big thanks goes out to all who helped make this event possible!

Grillmasters Brett Donner (AK '16) and Jeremy Bruder (AK '13) serve up burgers and hotdogs to all of their hungry customers.



On March 17th, 2018, the Alpha Kappa Chapter hosted its 7th annual Pike Pig Roast during the St. Patrick's Day Parade. The Thursday prior to the parade, Chef Jimmi prepared 120 pounds of pork butts and slow roasted the meat overnight. The result was juicy, fall-off-the-bone meat ready to be served upon a bun with BBQ sauce and coleslaw to hundreds of parade-goers. The pulled pork sandwiches were served alongside BBQ baked beans, chips, and a wide array of different beverages which left customers satisfied and happy. Alpha Kappa's philanthropy committee was able to test out their new Square Card Reader which increased sales from past pig roasts, as it allowed a new method of payment that was not previously offered. After a long and successful day, we were able to raise over \$800 for JDRC. Alpha Kappa is extremely thankful to everyone that came out to support the cause, and we hope to see you back again next Spring!

Managing a MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR HOUSE



An interview with the House Manager, Alex Kardon (AK '16)

Q: Why did you want to take on such a position?

A: I took on this position due to a couple of factors. Like I mentioned earlier, the presentation of our house is huge for our reputation. Also, I absolutely cherished the opportunity to give back to the fraternity and all my brothers.

Q: How do you manage to take care of a such a large house?

A: Taking care of a multi-million dollar house is not the easiest of things to do. It really takes a group effort from everyone in the chapter to make sure the house stays clean and functional. As the House Manager, I'm in charge of 8 committees that aid me in fixing and maintaining the house.

Q: What are the difficulties of taking care of the chapter house?

A: There are numerous difficulties of taking care of the house. With the house being so large, it requires a lot of people working together to maintain it, which is not always easy to do. Also, making sure issues get fixed in a timely manner can also be a struggle because of all our studies.

Q: What do you like about being the House Manager?

A: Being House Manager is a fairly rewarding position. I personally take a lot of pride in what our house looks like and the image we maintain. Being able to give back to everyone in the house is one of the biggest things I enjoy about the position.

Q: What have you done to improve the houseman position?

A: I have done a few things to improve the House Manager position. First of all, with the help of previous House Managers, I was able to develop a very good file of contacts, how to fix certain things and other important aspects of being able to do this job correctly. I also came up with a more efficient way to keep track of my budget and how to cut costs to the best of my ability.





CELEBRATING THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF PI KAPPA ALPHA

This semester we worked on improving the brotherhood experience in the house. To accomplish this, we held more events to promote friendship like the super bowl party and a poker night. One of our most successful events this semester was our celebration to ring in the 150th anniversary of this amazing fraternity. We began this event at 9:30 pm February 28th, 150 minutes before the 150 year anniversary of Pi Kappa Alpha. Each minute that passed by represented a year in the history of Pi Kappa Alpha including us pointing out all the important years on their corresponding minutes. For example: 1889 the refounding of Pi Kappa Alpha was at 9:51, 1905 the founding of Alpha Kappa was at 10:07, 1999 the fire that burned down the Alpha Kappa chapter and the loss of Brother Jared Adams was at 11:41, 2007 the construction of the new addition of our house was at 11:49, and finalizing at 2018 the turn of the 150 year anniversary of Pi Kappa Alpha at midnight. Our 150th celebration of Pi Kappa Alpha is just one example of the always improving brotherhood the Alpha Kappa has created to bond and have a good time together.

Brothers gather in Wolf Hall to celebrate the 150th anniversary of Pi Kappa Alpha.

SPRING BREAK

Activities

SPRING BREAK HERO

While enjoying Daytona Beach with fellow brothers, Jeremy Bruder (AK '13) noticed a group of children flaring their arms in the riptide. Before the lifeguards on duty could make it to the water, Bruder, who is an exceptional swimmer, ran out into the ocean and was able to bring one of the kids back safely while lifeguards rescued the rest. Thankfully everyone involved was rescued and the only injury was a broken leg. We here at Alpha Kappa are lucky to have such amazing members and we always take pride in the amazing ways that they positively impact our society.



Jeremy Bruder (AK '13) relaxes under pier after his heroic acts helped rescue drowning children.



Brothers Tim Schreffl (AK '17), Garrett Thele (AK '17), Dakota Eikermann (AK '16), and Kyle Carberry (AK '17) rep the Pike flag while enjoying the warm weather on South Padre Island.



Brothers enjoy the clear skies and calming waves on the shore of Daytona Beach.



Eight brothers had a blast traveling to Oklahoma City for the spiritual and leadership conference, representing S&T, as well as Alpha Kappa.

STUDENT MOBILIZATION RECOGNITION

This winter break, eight Alpha Kappa Pikes broke new ground, not just for Pi Kappa Alpha but for the university as a whole, by being the first group of Missouri S&T students to get recognized by the organization known as Student Mobilization commonly referred to as StuMo. For four days at the beginning of January, we road-tripped to Oklahoma City to attend the annual StuMo Conference (SMC) where we were recognized for being the first S&T students to solidify a liaison between StuMo and S&T. Why is this a big deal? On top of our AK Pikes pioneering what could be a several hundred student organization on S&T's campus in the near future, it's a big deal because of the purpose

behind StuMo. StuMo is a non-profit college campus organization that exists to build spiritual leaders for Christ from the college campuses of the world. They're growing rapidly at Mizzou and Missouri State and reach thousands of students worldwide. College is the time that young men and women begin to mold themselves into who they'll become for the rest of their lives and StuMo helps them achieve that mold. Alpha Kappa Pikes learned the truth behind the problems they face in their lives and, ultimately, what life is really all about. A special thanks go out to the parents that helped make this trip possible!

TREVOR KOPP (AK '16) TAKES A MISSION TRIP TO HAITI

Over winter break, I had the pleasure of being part of a mission trip to Port-Au-Prince, Haiti. I traveled with a team of 9 others from my church with the mission to install water filters to communities with no access to clean water. Our first day there, we stopped at a local orphanage that our team leader had taken other teams in the past. All the kids loved us and pretty much treated us as human jungle gyms as they climbed all over us. It was so fun connecting with these kids and seeing them have huge smiles on their faces. The next day, we split into two groups. My group's job was to get feedback from people who had already received water filters from groups in the past. We traveled to a small community called Petionville, where we spent all day walking through the hills of the community, interviewing people on how their health has improved since getting the water filter. It was gratifying to hear that every single household said their health has improved since receiving their filter! For the next two days, I was a part of the installation group. Each day we set up shop in a local church and around 50 people would come to receive their water filter. Before people could get their filters, they had to sit in on a training session on water safety and how to take care of their filters. Afterward, we sat down with each person one on one and helped them assemble their filter. Everybody was so gracious and happy to receive their own filter that you could not help but smile with them. This trip was so rewarding on so many levels and reminded me just how good we have it here in the US. It was such an amazing experience and I would love to go back again sometime in the future!



Trevor Kopp (AK '16) plays with kids at a local orphanage on the outskirts of Port-Au-Prince, Haiti.

Winter SKI TRIP



Over 50 Pikes and friends had the opportunity to hit the slopes in Breckenridge, CO, together during Winter Break.

The gentlemen of Alpha Kappa continued a long-standing winter break tradition. The week of January 8th, over 50 brothers and friends from home traveled out to Breckenridge, CO, for the Lifestylez ski trip. The week was filled with fresh snow, active nightlife, and opportunities to make memories for life. Although the skill level of each brother varies, everyone was able to cruise at their own pace and get the most out of their four-day lift tickets. By the end of the week, most brothers were exhausted but the overwhelming majority agreed that this trip amazing and will continue to be a success in the future.

INTRAMURALS



As the spring semester ends, Pi Kappa Alpha overcomes adversity and wins intramurals once again. Over the course of this semester, we won every major sport and 6 sports in total. The sports we had this semester consisted of basketball, soccer, weightlifting, track & field, racquetball, spikeball, tennis, and pickleball.

Basketball was led to success by seasoned veterans Thomas Himmelberg (AK '15) and James Gleeson (AK '14). We strolled through the regular season, dominating every team we faced and it continued that way until we faced Sigma Phi Epsilon in the finals. At halftime in the finals, we were only up by 3 points. During the halftime talk, Rob Pearson (AK '13) delivered the energy that changed the way we were playing. The boys dominated the second half, routing the competition by 15 points. This was the first of many times we won over the course of the semester.



TOP: Back to Back champs! Pike celebrates another Men's Greek Basketball championship season.

LOWER: James Gleeson (AK '14) rises up for the dunk in front of Pike's energetic fan base.

As the intramural season continued, Kyle Schnell (AK '15) and Matt Hagan (AK '16) brought home a doubles tennis championship, and Kyle Schnell (AK '15) and Jacob Mendez (AK '17) brought home a pickleball championship. The young faces of Pi Kappa Alpha in Jacob Hunter (AK '16) and Kevin Morris (AK '16) helped bring home another dodgeball championship. These were small contributions that ended up catalyzing our success. The little things are what make the difference.

Saving the best for last, soccer season came around. Retired varsity players Chris Zdvorak (AK '15), Neil Wiaranowski (AK '15), Jared Pechette (AK '15), and Kramer Hall (AK '12) led the way. We strolled through the regular season winning all our games and scoring 29 goals and only allowing 2 goals against. Going 4-0 in the regular season gave us a first round bye. In the quarterfinals, we beat Delta Sigma Phi 6-1, which led us to our toughest competition yet, Sigma Nu. Continuing our undefeated season, we rallied in the late minutes to overcome Sig Nu 4-1. The last game of the intramural season came down to Pi Kappa Alpha vs Phi Kappa Theta. We were tied 2-2 going into the final 3 minutes of the game, and then Jacob Mendez (AK '16) delivered the dagger to Phi Kappa Theta's season, solidifying Pi Kappa Alpha's spot as Campus Intramural Champions.

All the credit goes to the athletes and all the hard work that they put in during the practices and games. They are a force to be reckoned with and their energy made this intramural season so fun to watch. Alpha Kappa, once again, showed that its athletic talent is way above the rest.



Pike, once again, shows its dominance as we secured the intramural soccer championship!



Pike brings home the Men's Dodgeball Championship after going undefeated in a double-elimination tournament!



Brothers Thomas Himmelberg (AK '15) and Kevin Morris (AK '16) simultaneously wind up for a powerful throw



ABOVE: Kyle Schnell (AK '15) dribbles past an opponent during an intense matchup.

FAR LEFT: Brother Dan Enloe (AK '17) clears the bar during the high jump event.

LEFT: Alex Burns (AK '17) sprints to the finish line during the 800m race.

| SMC (PRESIDENT) | | | | | |
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| Dylan Holdenried | | | | | |
| NEW MEMBER / PLEDGE EDUCATOR | ThC (TREASURER) | SC (SECRETARY) | VP — RISK MANAGEMENT | DIRECTOR OF RECRUITMENT | HOUSE MANAGER |
| Kyle Carberry | Kevin Morris | John Schweer | Steven Fluegel | Matthew Hagan | Alex Kardon |
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| Kyle Schnell | Davis Perry | | | | |
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| COMMUNITY SERVICE CHAIRMAN: Steven Fluegel COMMITTEE: Joe Early | BROTHERHOOD CHAIRMAN: Joshua Bax COMMITTEE: Jack Nelson | | | | |
| CORRESPONDENCE CHAIRMAN: Luke Mathews COMMITTEE: Grant Husman | COMPUTERS CHAIRMAN: Jacob Bayless COMMITTEE: Nico Dalumpines COMMITTEE: Mark Daming | | | | |
| INTRAMURALS CHAIRMAN: Troy Kahle COMMITTEE: Jacob Mendez | CONTINUING EDUCATION CHAIRMAN: Dakota Saylor | | | | |
| PUBLIC RELATIONS CHAIRMAN: Luke Mathews COMMITTEE: Grant Husman | FUNDRAISING CHAIRMAN: Brett Donner COMMITTEE: Harry Medler | | | | |
| SORORITY RELATIONS CHAIRMAN: David Murphy COMMITTEE: Alec Miller | HISTORIAN CHAIRMAN: John Iffland | | | | |
| SPECIAL EVENTS CHAIRMAN: Jacob Hunter | PARENT'S CLUB CHAIRMAN: Tyler Sivadon COMMITTEE: Joshua Bruce | | | | |
| | SCHOLARSHIP CHAIRMAN: Thomas Taglieri COMMITTEE: Bradley Grothaus COMMITTEE: Jacob Mendez | | | | |

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1ST IMC: Kyle Schnell

2ND IMC: Davis Perry

ThC: Kevin Morris

SC: John Schweer

HOUSE MANAGER: Alex Kardon

NEW MEMBER PLEDGE
EDUCATOR: Kyle Carberry

DIRECTOR OF
RECRUITMENT: Matthew Hagan

VP—RISK MANAGEMENT: Steven Fluegel





This semester, Alpha Kappa welcomed eight new brothers into the bonds of Pi Kappa Alpha.

NEW INITIATES & PLEDGES

This Spring, Alpha Kappa had the honor of initiating 8 incredible men into the bonds of Pi Kappa Alpha. By way of persistent work from the recruitment committee, Alpha Kappa was able to find men who exude SLAG to the highest degree. A class composed of honor roll students, on-campus committee holders, varsity athletes, and stand up men, we are excited to see what they hold for us in the future. The semester began with the traditional trip to Ramsay's, where the pledge class set their goals and learned from some of the executive board what it takes to be a Pike. The new members took this to heart and immediately set out to accomplish their lofty goals with the hopes of one day becoming a Pike. One such goal was to hold multiple fundraisers over the course of the semester. During

a St. Pats event, the new members took it upon themselves to forgo celebration and grill out, make brownies, and sell an assortment of goods to generate income. Over the course of that one afternoon, they raised nearly \$250. We also had multiple new members step up and ask to be involved in the recruitment process. Because of their interest, the house held an event to teach the ins and outs of recruitment at S&T. Shortly thereafter, some of our new members stepped into roles on the recruitment committee and have already made progress in developing relationships with potential new members for next semester. The drive and initiative of the new class to build Pi Kappa Alpha is outstanding and we are confident they will be the men that lead this house to new heights.



PIKE U

This semester we had 37 men attend the Pike University conference in Dallas, Texas, over the weekend of February 23rd-25th. The group consisted of eight new members, twenty-six new initiates, and three more senior members. This high attendance earned the Alpha Kappa chapter the award for highest chapter attendance. During seminars held over the course of the weekend, attendees were able to further their knowledge in various pillars of Pi Kappa Alpha. Whether these sessions were offering insight into the latest risk management strategies, useful recruitment tips and techniques, or the Fraternities Rituals and symbols, all those in attendance were able to come back to the chapter with something useful to contribute. Not only were those in attendance able to better themselves by sitting in on seminars, they were also able to interact with other Pike chapters from across the United States. This opportunity for personal and professional development is a tradition that has set the stage for the success of the Alpha Kappa chapter.



This year, Alpha Kappa had an impressive showing at Pike University, taking both the F2K17, and S2K18 pledge classes, as well as some older members looking to grow.

BRANDON JAEGER (AK'16) • Hunter Engineering

I got a good taste of the engineering world this past semester at Hunter Engineering Company in St. Louis. I began with a week transition period, but after that, I really started to get comfortable with the work I was doing and the people I was working with. My job consisted of making design changes to Hunter Wheel Balancers, fabricating parts, and designing projects of my own.

Fun Fact—If you peek under the left fenderwell of the Hunter Engineering Jeep display at this year's SEMA Show, then you'll spot two, rather insignificant, brackets holding up two, rather insignificant, air hoses... Yeah. I did that. I'm a big deal. Through my Co-op, I have learned many lessons and have had experiences that no book could have ever quite given me. In addition, I gained many connections that I plan to keep in touch with in the future. With all that being said, I am definitely ready to return to Rolla. Experiencing the setting of a 9-5 job makes you want to enjoy the "glory days" for as long as you have them. With that in mind, I'll be heading back to Rolla in the fall with a new fire under me to make the most of my couple years left. Overall, I am very happy with my experience at Hunter Engineering, but I am excited to be back at Alpha Kappa!



LUKE SCHNIEDERS (AK'15) • ACME Constructors

My Co-op with ACME Constructors has been an experience unlike any of my past internships. ACME Constructors is an industrial construction company that was started in 1947. ACME operates out of Shrewsbury, Missouri, with another office in Columbia. However, ACME has projects all over the country with regular customers like Coca-Cola, Kraft, ICL, and Blue Buffalo. Although about 40 people work out of my office, I primarily work alongside 2 structural engineers. Our work primarily consists of steel structure design, but it is not uncommon to work on foundation design, or other miscellaneous structural engineering projects. On any given day I may be running calculations for potential or existing structures, designing or drafting potential structures, or in the field measuring existing conditions for a customer who wants to start a new project. One of my favorite aspects of my position is getting exposed to new things. Because many of our customers are manufacturers, a lot of our work is done within factories – an environment I was never exposed to prior to beginning this position. I am looking forward to returning to Missouri S&T in the fall to apply my new skills and experiences to the classroom.



TAYLOR KELLER (AK'16) • Emerson

Currently, I am a sophomore studying electrical engineering, but this Spring semester I am on Co-op with Emerson Automation Solutions and Process Simulations. I was hired to work as an Applications Engineer in Chesterfield, Missouri. I work as a consultant for automation on processing plants using industrial Ethernet Protocols, primarily revolving around integration with Virtual I/O Modules and our distributed control system Delta V. My past few projects were preparing a Virtual Dynamic Simulator Server for Anadarko in Woodlands, Texas and consulting for the BP Oil plant shutdown at their Azerbaijan plant. I am planning on continuing my Co-op in the summer until the fall semester starts back up. The experience has been amazing and I look forward to learning much more about the world of automation.



DREW PAVLIK (AK'15) • Ameren Missouri

I am currently working for Ameren Missouri at the Rush Island Energy Center as a Power Operations Engineer. I am working directly with the head Mechanical Engineer and Boiler Engineers to complete inspections for the major boiler outage this spring. We are inspecting the Boiler Draft Systems which supply the air to the boiler, and the boiler systems which consists of thousands of tubes that superheat water under enormous pressures. To complete these inspections, the engineers and I must open up the boiler and the boiler draft systems and climb into the systems to see what repairs need to be done to keep the systems running correctly and prevent future problems. When we complete the inspection of a system, we write an inspection report to summarize our findings and determine what action needs to be taken. After the inspections are completed, I will have a hand in ordering the work to complete the repairs to the system as well as managing all other tasks that are presented to me on a daily basis. Having the opportunity to work alongside these engineers during the outage has allowed me to gain hands-on experience and to be able to see what all it takes to create electricity.



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Joseph Early (AK'15)

One of the best parts of being a part of the Alpha Kappa Chapter is the enormous generosity shown semester after semester by our Educational Foundation and alumni. As a student in my final year at Missouri S&T, I cannot express enough gratitude for how much the AKEF has financially supported myself and several of my other brothers in pursuing our education and helping us towards our future careers. The aid from our alumni reiterates just how important it is to strive for success in our education. I would like

to especially thank Brother Al Wentz for his continued support of my chemical engineering degree in addition to his continued commitment to giving back to our chapter through Al Wentz Week. It is my hope that one day I will be able to give back to the future members of Alpha Kappa and return the same generosity that myself and so many others have experienced throughout our time at Alpha Kappa.



Garrett Thele (AK'17)

This semester I was graciously awarded the Caleb Waldbuesser Scholarship along with a GPA scholarship from my previous semester at Pi Kappa Alpha. These scholarships awarded to me by the Alpha Kappa Educational Foundation have been of great assistance while going through life in college. I most certainly would love

to thank my brothers for electing me as the recipient of the Caleb Waldbuesser Scholarship, a scholarship awarded to a great brother most truly involved in community service. Receiving these scholarships continues to motivate me to be a greater student and a better brother.



Jonathan Todd (AK'17)

This semester, I received the Bernie Rippert Scholarship and the Robert & Nora White Scholarship. Being recognized for both my academic and fraternal achievements has pushed me to continue having a good work ethic here at Alpha Kappa. It is great to know that alumni recognize and appreciate what I have accomplished, and it encourages me

to keep improving, not only as a student, but as a great Fraternity man too. Thanks to the AKEF, my scholarships I received will allow me to continue to improve my academics to make my parents and fellow fraternity brothers proud.



SCHOLASTIC Awards

| GPA Scholarships | | | Leadership Awards |
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| 3.8 – 4.0 Luke Schnieders Alec Stirnemann Tyler Dachel David Murphy Thomas Taglieri Davis Perry Matthew Hagan Thomas Himmelberg Brett Donner Will Weishaar Brendan Curran | 3.5 – 3.79 Austin Powell Michael Meyer Chris Oswald Austin Nault Danny Moeller Drew Renner Kyle Schnell Andrew Wade Joseph Early Martin Klevjer Troy Kahle Trevor Kopp | 3.2 – 3.49 Dalton Major Alex Kardon Kevin Morris Martin Vaupel Corey Jolitz Alex Higinbotham Blake Porter John Schweer Brandon Jaegers Chris Murphy Brad Asselmeier Taylor Keller Drew Pavlik | BERNIE RIPPERT SCHOLARSHIP Jon Todd CHARLES R. HUBBARD BADGE AWARD Bradley Grothaus Nico Dalumpines Jacob Bayless F2K3 SCHOLARSHIP Kyle Schnell GUND SCHOLARSHIP Kevin Morris OFFICER SCHOLARSHIPS Danny Moeller Dylan Holdenried Brandon Jaegers Creighton Miles Joseph Early Thomas Himmelberg Joshua Bax CHARLES A. WENTZ JR. –KAPERS Zach Monroe Davis Perry Joseph Early AKEF GRADUATING SENIOR AWARD Joshua Bax CALEB WALDBUESSER SCHOLARSHIP Garrett Thele |
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(AS OF 12/31/17)

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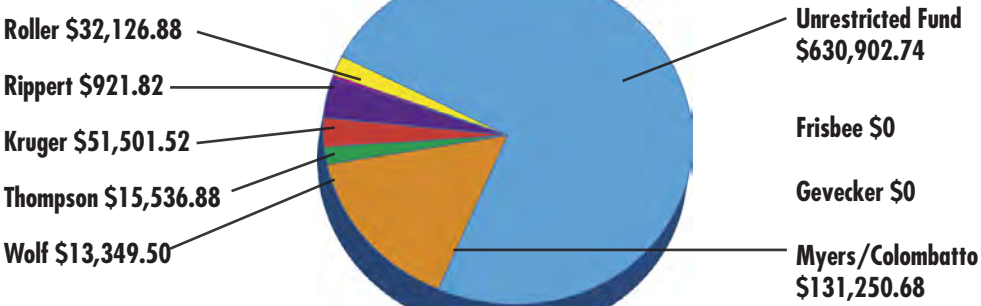
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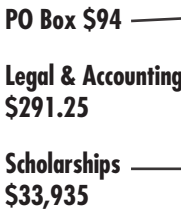
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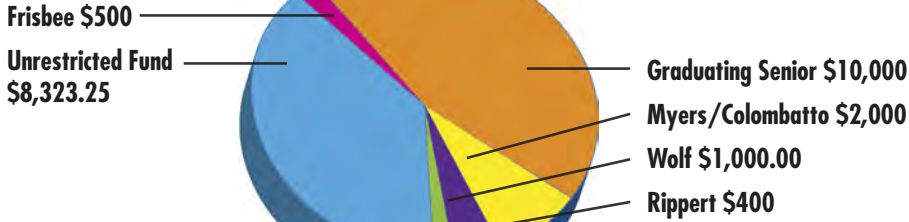
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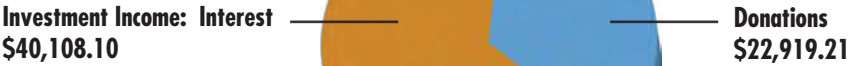
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DONALD A. BRANSON AK'50 a proud Alpha Kappa Alum, passed away on February 24, 2018, at the age of 90. He is survived by his wife of 68 years, Dottie Lee Branson, three children, four grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. Donald was an active alum who assisted with the rebirth of the chapter house. For his 85th birthday, he and his family traveled to Rolla to see the new Chapter House; it was on his bucket list. While there, he was able to talk with several active members, telling stories from his time as a Pike at Rolla and ultimately strengthening the bonds that Pi Kappa Alpha creates. The active chapter at Alpha Kappa is saddened by his passing and sends our deepest sympathies and sincerest condolences to his family, friends, and fellow brothers.



JOEL SCHRENK AK'04 welcomed his third child, Emma Rose Schrenk, into the world on September 19, 2017. Her older siblings Jonah (4) and Macie (2) are very excited about their new sister.



RYAN WOYSKI and his wife welcomed their newborn child, Deklen Woyski, into the world on March 16, 2018. Ryan is also newly employed with Barr Thorp Electric as a Motion Territory Manager covering Missouri, Kansas, as well as Nebraska, and currently resides in Merriam, KS.



NICHOLAS FOUCHE AK'12 has taken new employment as an IT Support Specialist for Agilis Systems in Chesterfield, Missouri.

In Memory of David Curt Grimm June 14, 1927 – May 7, 2018

David Curt Grimm, 90, of Clinton, passed away unexpectedly on May 7, 2018, in New Haven. He was the devoted husband of 49 years to renowned artist Lucille Davis Grimm, until her death in 2002. For the past 13 years, Ruth Raleigh was his beloved partner.

Dave was born on June 14, 1927, in St. Louis, MO, to Dr. Justin Max Grimm and Matilda Maier Grimm. Six-foot-four, he was a basketball star at Cleveland High in St. Louis. Upon graduation in 1945, he joined the Navy. After WWII, he entered what is now Missouri University of Science and Technology. He was a proud member of the Alpha Kappa Chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity and president of his junior class. He obtained a B.S. in metallurgical engineering in 1950. Dave earned an M.B.A. from St. Louis University in 1953.

He worked as a metallurgical engineer in St. Louis, including on Project Mercury at McDonnell Aircraft Corp. In 1964, he and his family became New Englanders when he was hired by a Boston manufacturer of textile looms. In the late 1960s and 1970s, Dave worked for several firms and the family lived in New Hampshire, Vermont, Rhode Island and again in New Hampshire.

In 1979, he became owner and president of Clinton-based Argo Transdata Corp., a manufacturer and supplier of printed circuit board assemblies. Argo outgrew its original building and Dave moved the company to Heritage Industrial Park. He sold the company in 2001. In 2005, he was inducted into the Missouri S&T Academy of Mines and Metallurgy.

He possessed an immense sense of curiosity and was an avid world traveler with Lucy, and continued to travel after her death. He and Ruth, also widowed, found late-in-life love. They traveled widely, were active members of the Madison Winter Club and attended the First Congregational Church of Madison. In later years, Dave stoically battled life-threatening illnesses and lived to celebrate his 90th birthday with the help of Ruth's loving and capable care.

Kind and generous, Dave cherished his family. He is survived by his daughter Elizabeth (Libby) Grimm, son-in-law Norm Zeigler and grandson Travis Zeigler of Sanibel Island, FL, and granddaughter Katrina Zeigler Sherman, grandson-in-law Hunter Sherman and great-grandson Archer Sherman of Austin, TX; and by his son Curt Grimm, daughter-in-law Monica Ciolfi and granddaughter Lily Ciolfi of Concord, NH.

Dave is also survived by his brother-in-law David Baumgartner of Oxnard, CA, and nine nieces and nephews. In addition to Lucy, he was predeceased by his beloved daughter Cecilia Ellen Grimm, his sister Mary Louise Baumgartner, sister-in-law Ann Rowe Davidson and brother-in-law Ralph Neal Davis. He was very fond of Ruth's four children and their families.

A memorial service was held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, May 19, 2018, at the First Congregational Church of Madison. A reception was held afterward at the church.

Memorial contributions may be made to either of the following:

The Cecilia Grimm Memorial Scholarship. (The scholarship is for Morgan High School graduates). Please send checks to the Town of Clinton Finance Department, 54 East Main St., Clinton CT 06413.

The David C. Grimm Scholarship Fund to recognize Alpha Kappa Chapter members of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity at Missouri University of Science and Technology. Recipients will "excel in campus involvement, community service, scholastic achievement, and chapter contribution."

Please send checks to Miner Alumni Association (Memo line: David C. Grimm Scholarship Fund), 1100 North Pine St., Rolla MO 65409. For information about electronic contributions, please email Renee Stone at renees@mst.com. The Miner Alumni Association can be reached by calling 800-566-4637.

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

BILL BUCKLEW (AK '89)

In 2005 while running with colleagues, in a group he started, Bill Bucklew (AK' 89) felt a tightness in his right leg. This tightening persisted and would continually show up when he ran and began to get worse as time progressed. After seeing an orthopedist and consulting numerous sports medicine specialists, Bill was routinely thought to have sciatica. "Strengthen the Core" was the short-term solution, with back surgery as the long-term answer.

Meanwhile, the symptoms were worsening, to the point that Bill was catching his foot on the floor and having diminished handwriting. In early 2012, Bill was at dinner with a friend who was going back to school to get a PhD in statistics and then perform research into Parkinson's disease, which both his mother and brother had. On his suggestion, Bill saw a neurologist and was ultimately diagnosed with Parkinson's. While it was great to have an answer, it still was like a "punch in the stomach." In a strange twist of fate, Bill's father was also diagnosed with Parkinson's in 2015.

Ever since his diagnosis, Bill has been on a mission to raise awareness for the disease, help people live better with it and find a cure. Bill has also been an adventure athlete his whole life, completing 12 marathons, 9 triathlons and a full Ironman, as well as climbing mountains like Kilimanjaro and competing in a Nordic skate

skiing race. So it wasn't a surprise when he told his friends he was forming a board of directors and planned to walk across the country to meet others affected by Parkinson's in record breaking time.

Bill formed a 501(c)(3) charitable organization UnCorked Adventures NFP in 2017 with a mission of finding a cure for Parkinson's disease, inspiring those affected while educating those who aren't. Bill, with help from the UnCorked board, began detailed planning for Bill to walk across America. He would leave Tybee Island, GA, on November 24, connecting each day with someone affected by the disease and raise \$100k for the Michael J. Fox foundation (the sole beneficiary). The goal was to finish the walk in San Diego in January.

On November 24th, Bill left the pier, as planned, at 8 A.M. and averaged 53 miles a day for the first three days. From the very first day, it was clear this was going to be a special trip when Bill walked up to a McDonalds at 2:30 A.M. and met the night manager who proceeded to tell him that it was drive thru only. After talking about his trip, the night manager gave Bill some food and coffee on her. The next morning at around 10 A.M., Bill had been walking for about 3 hours when a truck pulled off the road right behind him, and the night manager emerged from the passenger seat with a care package containing socks. She had been driving



Bill walked a total of 2,594 miles starting at Tybee Island, Georgia and finishing in San Diego, California.



around with her boyfriend looking for Bill all morning. Bill later found an inspirational note in the socks that said how inspired she was by what he was doing. Pretty much every day after that, Bill had similar moments.

The first few weeks were incredible from the media coverage he received, Bill did numerous local television and newspaper interviews as well as spending two days with the Today Show production team who filmed Bill and the team in action for 19 hours. But, problems were looming, the Team confronted Bill on day 4 that they were not getting enough sleep and requested he finish each night no later than 10-11 P.M. At the same time, Bill was experiencing severe blisters on his feet and a significant abrasion to his leftmost toe, due to walking on an angle and the intensity of walking 17 hours a day, with no breaks.

So, Bill set a goal of completing 1.5 marathons a day without a break and due to advanced planning, met with a team of sports medicine professionals who gave him everything he needed to keep himself going, from advanced performance foot care bandages to a TENS unit that sends electrical pulses to supersede the pain receptors. This, plus additional shoe experimentation, helped significantly with the blisters and toe problems. Although the victory was not long, the reengineered shoe was putting pressure on the top of his foot and a stress fracture



TOP: On the trek, Bill went through 26 pairs of shoes in only 67 days.
LOWER: Bill and his family pose with Megyn Kelly after their appearance on Megyn Kelly Today

formed, which again necessitated some creative shoe engineering, which later resulted in a severe stretching of the Achilles tendon. This also became a central theme of the trip, solving one problem, only to encounter another; plus the emotional landscapes associated with taking one step forward, only to take a step back continually

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Pure happiness on the shores of San Diego, California.

took its toll. Only the motivation and inspiration derived from all the support Bill received from the community kept him going.

The team was somehow able to keep the goal in check despite additional physical problems like a major back problem but Bill still powered on. It turned out that finding someone each day, organically, that has a connection to Parkinson's disease, was not a problem. In fact, we sort of lost track and talked to, walked with, etc, over 160 people along the way. Most of these were great stories in their own right, one man, Neal Levin, didn't know that Bill was real-time trackable via google, but that didn't stop him from tracking Bill down after returning from the Mayo Clinic after double knee surgery and driving hundreds of miles after reading about Bill's walk in the Roswell paper.

From the pecan farmer to the 50 or so people that walked with Bill to the finish line in San Diego, the people were the real story. Bill developed a theme of "we can all do more" based on his experiences and the fact that he continues to push his own boundaries and every attempt has really resulted in real growth for Bill.

Bill encountered a number of significant obstacles outside his own physical problems, that challenged him and the team as well. There were dog attacks, some of them vicious, but fortunately with his three point protection system, that included an air-horn and trekking poles, the team avoided injury. The weather tried its best to stop him, with

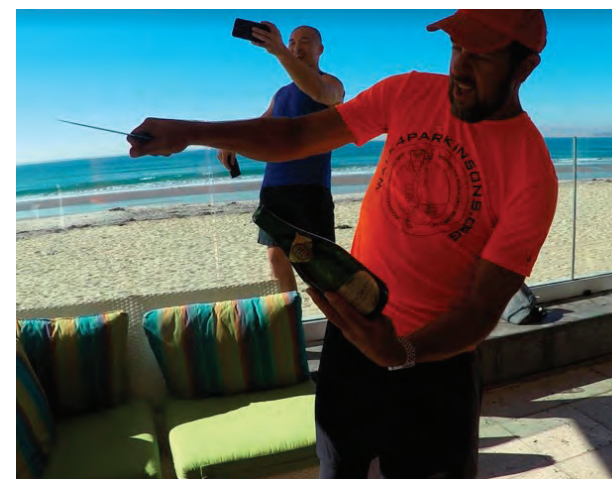
a 5 inch snow storm in Mississippi, horrific 33 degree rain storms in Texas and a 50 MPH wind storm in Roswell that sent a mailbox over Bill's head. Bill kept going, and finished his journey on January 31st, 2018 with friends, board members, Pampered Chef consultants and strangers affected by the disease that were inspired by the adventure. The night before the finish, the donation total crossed the \$100k mark, reaching his goal and was still going in March, currently at ~\$125k.

The team raised incredible awareness, from the +160 people that walked/talked with Bill, to the 32+ interviews, to the second appearance on Megyn Kelly Today the week after the finish, with his family.

As of this writing, Bill has been asked to do a TED Talk and is heading Washington DC to speak to Congress about funding for Parkinson's research.

Bill and UnCorked Adventures NFP are just getting started with their mission and are already planning their next event, so stay tuned, much, much more to come. Web— www.uncorkedadventures.org Facebook and Instagram—Uncorked Adventures NFP

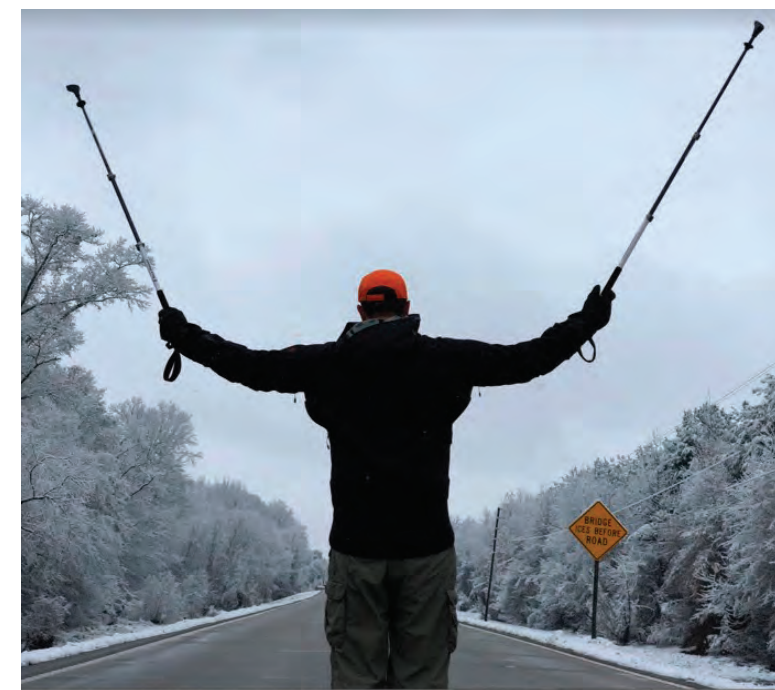
Bill is the Vice President of Product Development for the Berkshire Hathaway company, The Pampered Chef, and lives with his wife of 20 years, Heidi, and two children Madeleine and Evan, in Wilmette Illinois.

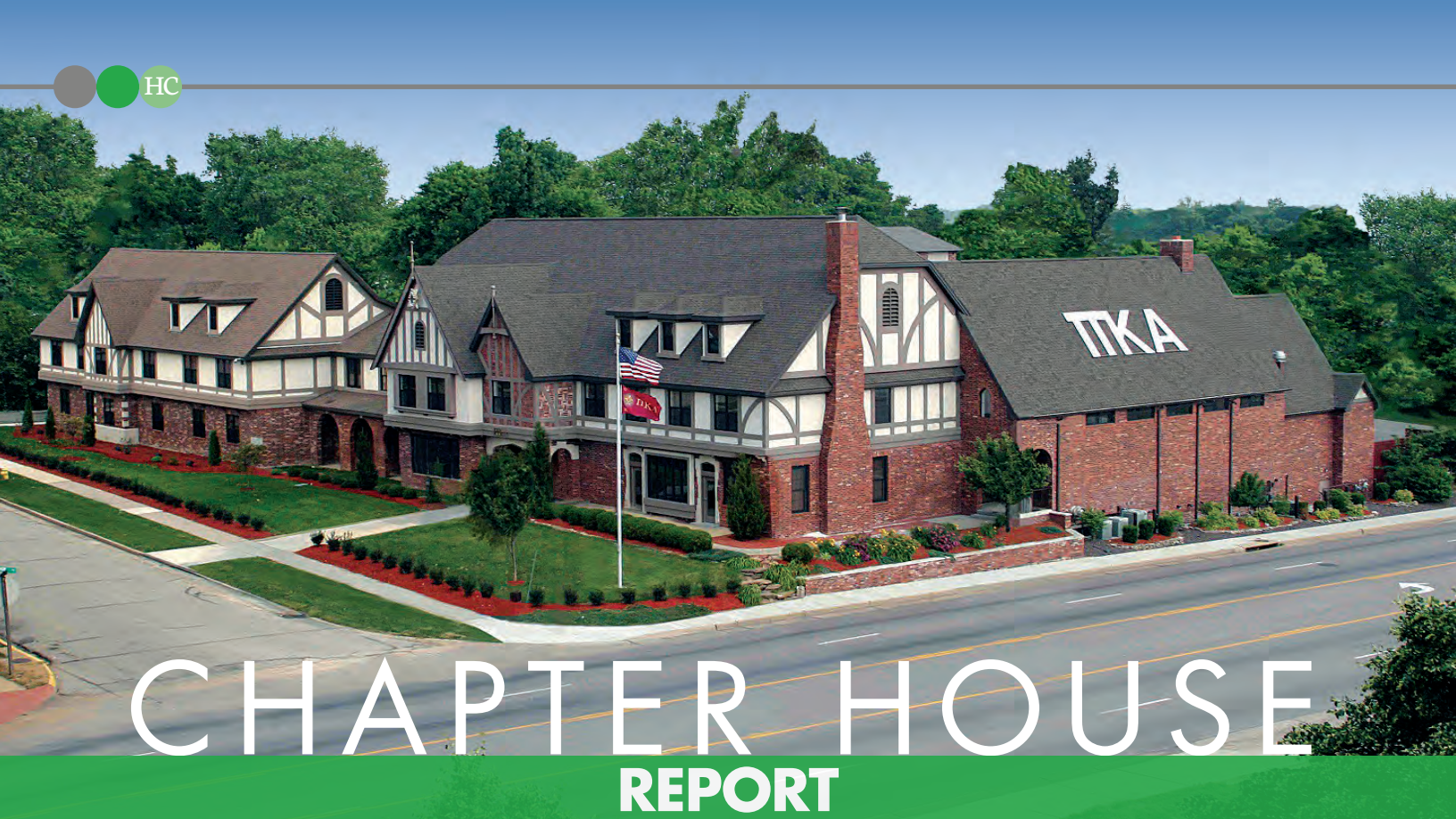


TOP: Bill met and walked with many other Parkinson's patients on his journey.

LEFT: Bill pops open a bottle of champagne to celebrate his marvellous achievement.

RIGHT: The weather didn't always cooperate, but Bill had no choice but to embrace the challenge.





Once again, this summer the Chapter House will be brought back to a “like new” condition and as always, improvements will also be made.

The Active Chapter has requested more areas designed for group studying. Therefore, the House Corporation is considering converting the current TV room into two study areas as well as converting the weekend kitchen into a third room for group study.

The House Corporation has also refinanced its bank loan enabling it to save tens of thousands of dollars between now and the date that the bank mortgage is retired.

If you have not visited the Chapter House in recent years, you should plan a trip to Rolla. We are sure that you will be impressed with the appearance and maintenance of both the interior and exterior of the house.

- THE CURRENT HOUSE CORPORATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS ARE:**
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LET’S KEEP IN TOUCH

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