



# Iota-Kappa Chapter

Newsletter | November/October 2022

## Sigma Class Initiated

It is with great pride that we are able to announce that on October 15th, we initiated six new men into our fraternity. Through their 5 weeks as new members, they have demonstrated their personal worth and character, proven that they will be responsible members, and have helped us in achieving our chapter goals. With this latest new member class, our total chapter size is 36 members, continuing our legacy as the largest greek organization at Clarkson. Thank you to the alumni who made the trip to celebrate this accomplishment for our new members. Shown below are the members of the Sigma class, with the rest of the chapter and alumni after initiation.



Shown above is the Sigma class consisting of (left to right) Nick Lender, Zach Quinn, Adam Johnson, Peter Sovinski, Peter Nekos, and Neel Patel holding their class paddle with the rest of the attendees of initiation.

## St. Jude Rally

This past weekend, we held our first-ever Iota-Kappa St. Jude No More Cancer Rally. A No More Cancer Rally is an hour dedicated to calling family, friends, fraters, and alumni from across the country. The chapter held this event bingo-style, where members mark off a bingo slot as they reach milestones and complete challenges. The first 3 winners received prizes. As of now, we have raised over \$13,000 for St. Jude from this event but are continuing to receive donations, the biggest amount from a single event in Iota-Kappa history. Thank you to those of you who participated, and if you would like to support our cause, please consider donating here:

[https://fundraising.stjude.org/site/TR/TKE/TKE?pg=entry&fr\\_id=139860&copy\\_link\\_share](https://fundraising.stjude.org/site/TR/TKE/TKE?pg=entry&fr_id=139860&copy_link_share)

## Montreal Formal 2022 & New Sweethearts

After a hiatus, we were able to once again hold our fall formal in Montreal, Canada. Everybody had a great time enjoying the culture and nightlife in the city. Additionally, we were able to welcome 4 new sweethearts into our fraternity, Isabella Schuchardt, Willow Boyce, Allison Grant, and Haley Witucki. They have been invaluable to our chapter, helping plan formal, rush new members, and support our philanthropy for St. Jude. We are excited to see what they will bring to the chapter moving forward.



Shown above are our 4 new sweethearts (Left to Right) Haley Witucki, Isabella Schuchardt, Willow Boyce, and Allison Grant

## President Marc Christensen, Ph.D. Inauguration

The chapter was invited to join the student life showcase at President Marc Christensen's inauguration. It is an honor to be able to share our chapter's success on such a historic occasion. President Marc Christensen is the 17th president of Clarkson University and is nearing the completion of his first semester in the esteemed role. The chapter has developed a good relationship with President Marc Christensen and will be sending a card congratulating him on his first semester here.



Active Members, New Members, and Alumni tabling at President Marc Christensen's Inauguration.



## Rushing for Spring 2023

The chapter has already started rushing for next semester holding a number of events over the course of the semester. In order to reach our key result area of 20 new members over the year, we need a class of 14 this spring. We have held capture the flag, dodgeball, game night, and NFL watch nights since the end of rush week. Our new rush committee heads are excited to tackle this challenge and get new members into our fraternity.



Shown above is the dodgeball rush event and some brothers and rushes studying for an exam

## Provincial Educational Conference (PEC)

Several members attended the international PEC in Canada this fall. Despite the cold temperatures, members were able to form new connections with fraters, listen to keynote speakers, and learn more about the fraternity. This is the first PEC in Canada in some time due to COVID-19 travel restrictions. Hopefully, this event will continue to occur yearly and allow us to further develop chapter relationships within the international fraternity. Shown below on the left are the attendees from Iota-Kappa and other Canadian chapters and on the right is a session with our guest speaker.



## Semester Calendar

Listed below are dates of significance for the Fall 2022 and Spring 2023 Semester.

- **Founders Day:** January 10th
- **First Day of Classes (Spring 2023):** January 12th
- **Regional Leadership Conference (Jersey City):** February 24th-26th
- **TEKE Week:** TBD
- **Commencement:** May 13th

## Iota-Kappa Website/Newsletter Archive

The Iota-Kappa Chapter is making an effort to populate our chapter's website at <http://www.tkecu.org/>. We have archived our newsletters dating back to 2019 through the website so past newsletters can be easily accessed by potential new members, active members, alumni, and others. If you have digital copies (PDF or Scanned) of newsletters from before 2019, we encourage you to send them to [tkeiotakappa@gmail.com](mailto:tkeiotakappa@gmail.com) so we can add them to the archive. If you have additional ideas on ways we can further improve and utilize the website, we would be greatly appreciative of the feedback.

## Acknowledgments

Thank you to all of the alumni that have supported us this semester by visiting or giving financially for house improvements. We are looking forward to doing more larger house improvement projects soon. We would not be a successful chapter on campus without the hard work, support, and donations that continue to allow us to make a difference and provide us with opportunities such as the upcoming RLC. Please reach out to [clappicj@clarkson.edu](mailto:clappicj@clarkson.edu) or [tkeiotakappa@gmail.com](mailto:tkeiotakappa@gmail.com) if you have feedback or questions.



Shown on the left is our steering board meeting led by Epipyrtanis Ryan Pearl to oversee committees. On the right are some of the members fundraising during our St. Jude Rally