



TAU KAPPA EPSILON

— Better Men for a Better World —

LAMBDA GAMMA CHAPTER UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI

Alumni Association Newsletter April 12, 2022

President – Bill Foster (173)	812-528-4061	bill.cpatax@gmail.com
Vice President – Sean Hearne (446)	614-560-9530	hearnesc@mail.uc.edu
Treasurer – Randy Billian (141)	269-217-3291	randal.billian@dana.com
Secretary – John O’Carz (456)	440-867-8237	ocarzj3@gmail.com
Chapter Prytanis – Mark Turner (461)	614-285-2837	turne2mk@mail.uc.edu
Chapter Histor – Nicolas Vallenias (475)	513-372-4029	nicovallenias@gmail.com

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP FUND REPORT – DOUBLE YOUR DONATION!

As reported in the last alumni newsletter, the Board of Trustees and the Alumni Association have approved a scholarship program as a permanent item, to the extent of available donations for funding. This scholarship program consists of two parts:

- First, two scholarships will be awarded to two active members from the TKE Foundation, Lambda Gamma Chapter scholarship fund, one each for fall and spring semesters. This school year \$250 will be awarded after each semester.
- Second, for new members, scholarships will be awarded from the local Alumni Association Scholarship Fund, funded by non-tax deductible contributions. Our goal is to award \$200 for a GPA of 3.0 or greater and \$300 for a GPA of 3.5 or greater in the semester in which the new member pledged; for reference, the all men’s GPA is about 3.23

A group of 12 alumni (Fraters Agee (93), Billian (141), Bongard (133), George (134), Chuck Hertlein (110), Rich Hertlein (123), Imfeld (183), Oerke (130), Ritter (126), Schappacher (148), Schulte (120), & Schweitering (191)) who, collectively, have pledged to match dollar for dollar up to \$2,000 contributed by other alumni, therefore, you can double the impact of your contribution.

Our goal is to raise \$4,000 in order to fully fund scholarships for 2022 spring and 2022 fall semesters. As of 4/07/2022, we have received \$300 in contributions, meaning we have raised only \$600 toward our goal of \$4,000. Please consider donating today to double your contribution and help us fully fund the scholarships for future Tekes. Consider using part of your tax refund to donate.

There are two ways to make this non-tax deductible contribution: check or PayPal. We urge alumni to pay by check since PayPal charges a 5% handling fee; **please make check out to “TKE Alumni Association”, write “scholarship” on memo line, and mail to:**

TKE Alumni Association
c/o Randy Billian,
202 East Indiana Ave
Maumee, OH 43537.

If you desire to pay online using Pay Pal, you need to use the below QR code.



If you have questions concerning online payments, please contact Frater Billian directly at Randal.Billian@dana.com.

We know that the USPS mail is now slower than molasses, so you can inform Frater Billian that your check has been mailed if you have concerns.

If you have questions about the Alumni Association Scholarship Fund, please contact Frater Schulte at 513 473 4137 or srschult@iac.net.

SCHOLARSHIP DONATION BONUS – USED 96 GAL TRASH CART

Recently, the city of Cincinnati decided that fraternities and sororities are not residences but businesses, and, as such, we must contract with a private waste company. Despite paying around \$5,600 per year in taxes, the Board of Trustees has contracted with Rumpke at a cost of over \$1,300 per year. Since they provide the trash carts, we have 3 used 96 gal trash carts available. With a donation to the local scholarship fund of \$75 or more and the willingness and ability to pick up the trash cart, the 3 carts are available on a first come, first served basis. Contact Frater Billian, alumni association treasurer, when making contribution so he can pass your info along to the House Mgr, Frater Steve Tyranski, to arrange pick up.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OFFICER ELECTIONS TO BE HELD TUESDAY, APRIL 26

Your alumni association will be holding its officer elections on Tuesday, April 26, 9pm as part of its monthly zoom meeting. The positions are President (overall responsibility), Vice-president (responsible for organizing alumni events & coordinating with chapter), Treasurer (keep the books, make deposits, pay expenses) and Secretary (keep minutes of meetings and update chapter roster with actives and TKE office).

Fraters Hearne and O'Carz, current VP and Secretary, respectively, have informed your alumni leadership team that they will not be running for office. If you are interested and/or have questions, please contact Frater Bill Foster, 812-528-4061 or bill.cpatax@gmail.com. You do not necessarily need to live in the greater Cincinnati area, for none of the current 4 officers do.

ALUMNI AND CHAPTER TO CELEBRATE 55TH ANNIVERSARY OF CHAPTER'S TKE CHARTER

This year's Founders' Day Celebration will be Saturday, May 14 (our actual charter date is 5/13/1967), 6 – 10 pm at Mecklenburg Gardens, 302 East University Avenue, 45219.

We expect to have a social hour, cash bar, and buffet dinner as well as lots of renewing frater friendships and conversation. Save the date. Alumni and actives and their significant other are invited. Casual dress and wear your TKE jewel(s), if you can find them.

More details to come very shortly.

To help us gauge interest, follow the below link, fill in information and submit.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfaZMVXsPDWWXYXPRhXDotHM1sWdPjm_S3LyrixuYX_Ga68A/viewform?usp=sf_link

FRATERS TO CHAPTER ETERNAL

To date, the following fraters have entered Chapter Eternal:

Robert "Woody" Woodruff (1)	Frederick Rau (90)
Arthur Heck (5)	Al Uhrig (97)
Gary Butterbaugh (7)	William Reynolds (101)
William Koch (13)	Russ Henry (109)
Benjamin Stepp (22)	Rick Dettmer (114)
W. Michael Kaiser (44)	Rob Wagner (125)
John Akers (49)	Bill Sharp (127)
Harold Leith (50)	Douglas Coffman (129)
Marvin Meyer (51)	Randall Baumbach (152)
Robert Suhr (56)	William Browne (170)
Robert Williamson (63)	Eric Yerina (184)
Paul Vaught (64)	David Johnson (186)
David Dusthimer (69)	Paul Redd (283)
Kyle Webb (71)	Zachary Maxwell (305)
Dave Chen (86)	Shawn Bender (355)
Arthur Lusane (88)	

If you know of any frater who has passed through to Chapter Eternal and not listed above, please contact Frater Steve Schulte, 513-473-4137 or srschult@iac.net with date of death so chapter roster can be updated.

YOUR CHAPTER'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES LOOKING FOR ALUMNI

The current Board of Trustees consists of 5 alumni members plus chapter Prytanis and Crysophylos: 2 Lambda Gamma alumni – Steve Schulte (120), and Paul Lindenschmidt, President (138). The other 3 alumni are Jack Bredenfoerder, Chapter Advisor (Zeta Gamma, Bowling Green State U, OH), Matthew Burgess, Treasurer (Omega, Albion College, MI), and Andy Curran, Secretary (Alpha Beta, Ohio University). 3 of the 6 board members are retired, so we have “old fraters” covered.

We are looking to add several board members of a less “senior” status, ideally those from the graduating classes between 1985 and 2015. We have one qualification – a strong desire to create and sustain a great TKE Lambda Gamma fraternity experience for today and tomorrow. We currently meet monthly, typically on the 3rd Wednesday of the month, except December with no meeting. We meet not only in person at the Teke house but also virtually.

Interested in learning more? Contact Frater Lindenschmidt at 513-398-2997 or plindenschmidt@cinci.rr.com

YOUR ALUMNI ASSOCIATION ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Want to chat with your fellow alumni? You can do so by searching on Facebook “tke lambda-gamma alumni” or go to:
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/190204541320809> .

WE ARE LOOKING FOR THESE “LOST” ALUMNI:

We recently found Fraters Rob Clapie (122) and Kevin Kurtz (187).

We have no good contact information for the following fraters:

Charles Staley (9)	Andy Reehorst (189)
Jeff Barsness (34)	Jimmy Chess (193)
Patrick Hayes (43)	David Gardner (195)
Frank Patterson (53)	Theron Makley (197)
David Kutzko (82)	Tom Groll (223)
Mike Bigler (132)	Martin Walker (227)
Don Copher (140)	Randall Good (267)
David Harding (154)	Adam T. Litke (296)
Brett Ishida (155)	Eric Nofziger (285)
Guillermo Hernandez (157)	Rob Wells (300)
Brian Dick (171)	Richard Stubblefield (301)

Jamie Broughton (317)
J. Gray Petterson (321)
Nick Kerul (322)
Geoffrey Weissenberger (323)
Chris Gribben (344)
Andy Reynolds (347)
Robert Lee (353)
Mark Hardin (358)
Philip Ouellette (374)
Greg Hutzel (375)
Kyle Beanland (378)
Christopher Kasson (383)

Todd Patterson (389)
Samuel Heller (389)
Mattis Brumbach (395)
Adam Broady (408)
Greg Lehman (410)
Ronald Chin (411)
Timothy Ratterman (412)
Joseph Brodar (419)
Matt Wilker (426)
Dylan Patel (428)
Taylor Steven Van Winkle (431)
Robert Grumski (449).

If you have any contact information for these fraters, please inform Alumni Secretary, Frater John O'Carz, ocarzj3@gmail.com .

MONTHLY ALUMNI "ZOOM" MEETING INVITES YOU

If you desire to be involved with the activities of your alumni association, your alumni officers and interested alumni have a monthly "zoom" meeting, currently on the last Tuesday of the month at 9pm (subject to change) – next is Tuesday, 4/26.

Interested? Contact Frater O'Carz, ocarzj3@gmail.com , so that you can be added to the meeting notification list.

Nicolas Vallenias
Histor
513 372 4029
nicovallenias@gmail.com