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**LAMBDA GAMMA CHAPTER
UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI**

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IMPORTANT!! WE NEED YOUR HELP!!

At the 2019 Conclave, TKE International attempted to change the Fraternity Constitution and By-Laws to require that the Board of Advisors/Trustees and the Housing Corporation be two separate entities for liability reasons. It failed, but has been on the back burner since. This year at Conclave, these changes were passed.

Since its founding, our chapter's Board of Trustees has also served as its Housing Corporation. We must now form a separate entity and members cannot be on both entities. As we currently have only 5 Alumni Board members, it would be very difficult to split off any members to form a new entity. We really need some alumni who would be willing to serve on the Board or the yet to be formed Housing Corporation. Adding additional Board members would allow 1 or 2 current Board members to serve on the Housing Corporation. Living in the Cincinnati area is not necessary, as most business can be conducted virtually. If you have any interest, please contact Frater Paul Lindenschmidt (138) at 513-398-2997 or plindenschmidt@cinci.rr.com

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION NEEDS SECRETARY

Currently, the office of Secretary is vacant.

- The duties of the Secretary are to coordinate updates to alumni roster with chapter Histor and TKE offices, handle alumni association social media (such as Facebook), coordinate monthly alumni association zoom meetings, and prepare meeting minutes for same.

If you are interested in Secretary, and/or have questions, please contact Frater Bill Foster, 812-528-4061 or bill.cpatax@gmail.com. You do not need to live in the greater Cincinnati area.

UPCOMING ALUMNI EVENTS

UC Homecoming – mark your calendars for **Saturday, October 8, 2022**. The chapter will be working with Lambda Chi Alpha and possibly a 3rd organization to enter the homecoming parade. Also, the chapter and your Alumni Association are planning an open house and cook out but since the football game's time has not yet been announced, more details to come.

ACTIVE CHAPTER REPORT

Because of our hard work last year, our chapter was awarded with the 100% KRA plaque as well as an Excellence in Achievement award for education that was awarded at Conclave. I had the opportunity to attend this year's Conclave in Houston where I had a great time with fraters around the country. Through the many different workshops and interactions with others, I was able to learn valuable information that would help benefit our chapter.

This past summer we spent time planning how to be successful for the upcoming year. Our chapter went to a cabin in Red River Gorge for our annual retreat to discuss our areas of strength and weakness and came up with specific goals to focus on throughout the year outside of our typical KRA goals. This year our KRA goal for new initiates is 10, St. Jude dollars is \$3000, general philanthropy dollars is \$3000, and service hours is 400. Overall, our retreat was productive and fun and hopefully helped us as a chapter be more prepared for what is to come.



Chapter Retreat at Red River Gorge

In terms of recruitment, we have already been reaching out to many potential new members and have already had a successful event at the house that brought over about 7 interested people before the start of the Fall semester. Our schedule for Showcase Week (formally known as Rush Week) is as follows:

- Friday, 9/2, 6 – 9pm: IFC Open House
- Saturday, 9/3, 7 – 9pm: Movie Night at the house
- Sunday, 9/4, 7 – 9pm: Tutoring at the house
- Monday, 9/5, 7 – 11pm: Main Event
- Tuesday, 9/6, 7 – 8pm: Archery Dodgeball
- Wednesday, 9/7, 7 – 9pm: Casino Night at the house
- Thursday, 9/8, 7 – 9pm: Day with a Teke
- Friday, 9/9, 7 – 9pm: Bid Dinner

As long as we stay true to our plans and work towards our goals set at retreat, our chapter will have a successful year and hopefully earn a Top Teke Award!

YITB, Mark Turner (461), Prytanis

HOW CAN ALUMNI HELP LAMBDA GAMMA RUSH?

If you know of a freshman or sophomore who is attending UC this upcoming school year and may be interested in TKE fraternity life, please contact Frater Joseph Berger, (464), Rush Chairman, joeyberger17@gmail.com , 330 730 4468.

The chapter would love to have 2-3 alumni at several of their rush events (see above). In particular, these are IFC Open House, Movie Night, and Casino Night. If interested, please contact Frater Berger.

ALUMNUS UPDATE –

If you desire to update your fellow fraters, send a short bio or a description of a humorous or impactful event during your active TKE years, email to Frater Bill Foster, bill.cpatax@gmail.com .

TEKE HOUSE PRIDE

On Sunday, 8/7, the actives and alumni worked for several hours in the afternoon to get house ready for fall semester. Alumni fraters Paul Lindenschmidt (138), Steve Schulte (120), and Andrew Deckman (468) helped.

The activities completed were

- Front step demo'd and re-poured thanks to Frater Lindenschmidt for his expert work (see photo),
- Back door painted,
- Refrigerators and freezers cleaned out,
- Pots and Pans gone through; old pans to recycle,
- Furnace Room cleaned out and organized,
- Fire line repainted in furnace room,
- Living room organized and cleaned,
- Debris left from living room counter demo broken down and thrown away (in the September newsletter we will have more about the refreshing of the living room).

Afterwards, the chapter and alumni enjoyed a grill out.



Also, the chapter is in need of a small, hand held vacuum cleaner with beater bar to make carpeted steps much easier to clean. If you have one to donate, contact Frater Steve Tyranski (455), House Manager, 513-646-8510, tyranssa@mail.uc.edu .

CHAPTER'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The current Board of Trustees consists of 5 alumni members plus the 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).

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 TKE house but also virtually. Alumni are welcome to attend meetings in person or virtually.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR THESE “LOST” ALUMNI:

We have no good contact information for the following fraters:

Scott Adams (346)	Patrick Hayes (43)
Jeff Barsness (34)	Samuel Heller (389)
Kyle Beanland (378)	Guillermo Hernandez (157)
Mike Bigler (132)	Steve Holland (202)
Robert Bostrom (3)	Greg Hutzel (375)
Terence Brennan (158)	Theron Makley (197)
Adam Broady (408)	Eric Nofziger (285)
Joseph Brodar (419)	Philip Ouellette (374)
Derek Broughton (368)	Dylan Patel (428)
Jamie Broughton (317)	Frank Patterson (53)
Mattis Brumbach (395)	Todd Patterson (389)
Jimmy Chess (193)	J. Gray Petterson (321)
Ronald Chin (411)	Timothy Ratterman (412)
Don Copher (140)	Andy Reehorst (189)
Tim Coulehan (236)	Andy Reynolds (347)
Brian Dick (171)	Charles Staley (9)
J. Patrick Eberly (181)	Richard Stubblefield (301)
Daniel Everett (142)	Taylor Steven Van Winkle (431)
David Gardner (195)	David Wagner (14)
Randall Good (267)	Martin Walker (227)
Chris Gribben (344)	Geoffrey Weissenberger (323)
Tom Groll (223)	Rob Wells (300)
Mark Hardin (358)	Matt Wilker (426)
David Harding (154)	Andrew Wohler (80)

If you have any contact information for these fraters or if they have entered fraternity eternal, please inform Alumni President, Frater Bill Foster, 812-528-4061 , bill.cpatax@gmail.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> .

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 this Tuesday, 8/30. Interested? Contact Frater Bill Foster (173), 812-528-4061, bill.cpatax@gmail.com so that you can be added to the meeting notification list.

ALUMNI & ACTIVE OFFICERS & APPOINTEES

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