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# President's Corner

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As we approach the close of the 2015-2017 biennium, I am extremely proud of all that Grand Council and our dedicated Kappa Epsilon Members have accomplished! These accomplishments include:

- Establishing a philanthropic partnership with BrightPink to promote our new national project of Breast and Ovarian Cancer Awareness
- Revamping of the National Liaison Program by recruiting nearly 20 dedicated KE alumni to help serve and strengthen our collegiate chapters
- A continuing effort to preserve our history through the implementation of a Members Only Website to improve the maintenance of our membership database and offer members a forum to communicate and become engaged with the national fraternity.

Over the next few months Grand Council will continue to work to finalize key strategic initiatives, that will be unveiled prior to or at convention, including tools for collegiate and alumni chapters, a formalized KE mentoring program, and events and activities to promote alumni engagement and added membership value.

The theme of the 2017 National KE Convention is "Come As You Are, Leave Different," which is at the heart of all these strategic initiatives and projects that Grand Council has been working hard to implement during the 2015-2017 biennium. At the convention, attendees will have opportunities to interact with BrightPink, hear firsthand from Grand Council about these new membership engagement tools and events, and learn what other collegiate chapters and alumni are doing all around the country, and to learn how they can work with KE to leave the profession of pharmacy different than when they came to it.

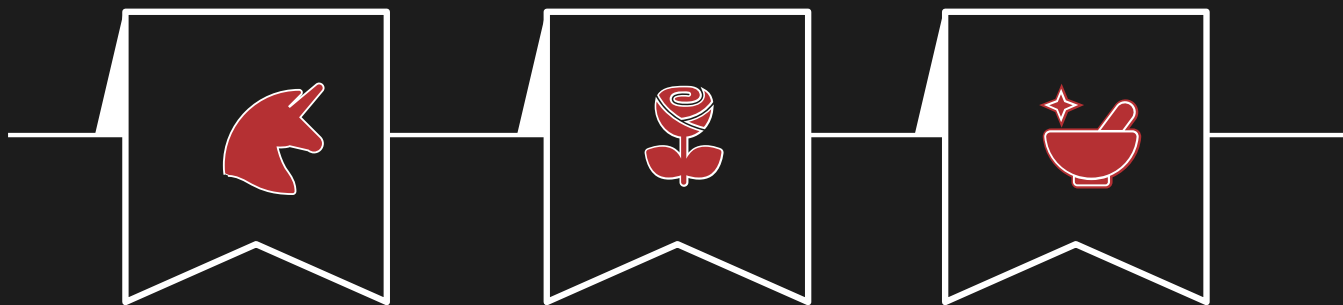
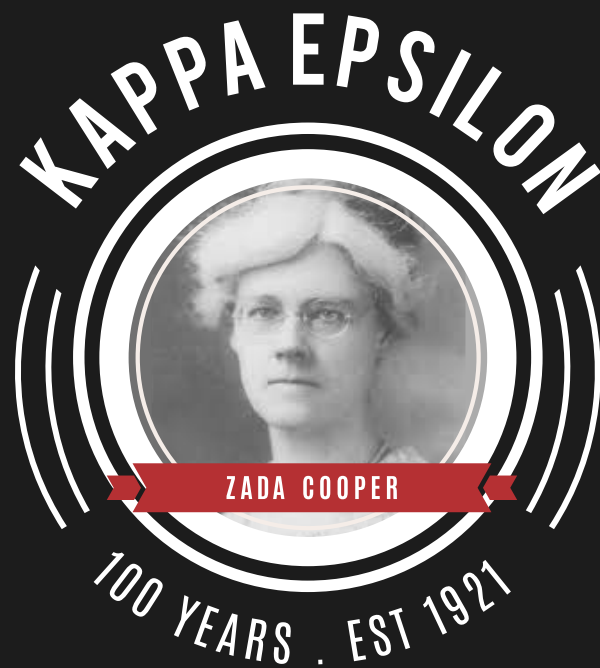
I look forward to seeing everyone at the Loews Hotel in New Orleans, LA on August 2-5, 2017 and making lifelong memories with our KE family!



In the BOND,

*Sara Snow*

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# Grand Council Connections

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# Mission Statement

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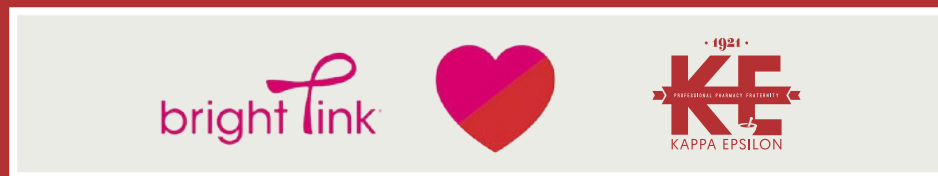
The mission of Kappa Epsilon is to empower its members to achieve personal and professional fulfillment by developing their confidence, self-esteem, interpersonal skills, and leadership vision, and to represent the interest of the membership to health care professionals and the community at large.

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# PHILANTHROPY

BY SALVATORE BOTTIGLIERI, PRESIDENT-ELECT

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At the 50th National Kappa Epsilon Convention in Orlando, Florida ovarian cancer awareness was selected as a secondary national project for the fraternity. Since then the fraternity has been working diligently on adopting this new project and spreading awareness and hope for ovarian cancer. Ovarian cancer is the fifth leading cause of cancer related death in women in the United States. With the adoption of this project Kappa Epsilon hopes to increase awareness and contribute to public education and or increased strategies for prevention and treatment.

Chapters around the country have hit the ground running this biennium and have really impressed us with some of their projects. Some of the events chapters have held include:

## Ovarian Cancer Philanthropic Projects

- Wear teal day
- Ovarian cancer walk
- Survivors talk about their story with cancer
- Teal gala
- Beauty class for women undergoing treatment
- Concert fundraisers
- Wig fundraisers
- Light up buildings on campus in teal
- Brighten up workshops

Grand Council has recently entered a partnership with Bright Pink over the summer of 2016 during our midterm meeting in New Orleans, LA. Bright Pink is the only non-profit organization focused on prevention and early detection of breast and ovarian cancer in young women. The vision for Bright Pink is to reach 52 million young women in the US to educate and empower them with life saving health programs. Kappa Epsilon has found that our values aligned as we have adopted both breast

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# PHILANTHROPY ...

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and ovarian cancer awareness as our national philanthropic projects. We could not be more pleased with this partnership and look forward to the coming years of working together and making a difference in breast and ovarian cancer awareness.

Grand Council has formally challenged each chapter to fundraise \$250 per year to support bright pink and our partnership with a goal of \$25,000 by May 31, 2018. Currently we have just over \$5,000 dollars raised this year, but we have a long way to go. Donations for each chapter or for individuals who wish to donate may do so [here](#). We would also like to recognize the top three fundraising chapters:

1. Alpha Omicron: \$2050
2. Psi: \$980
3. Beta Kappa: \$550

The goal of our partnership with Bright Pink is for each chapter to grow and develop a breast and ovarian cancer awareness project that features Bright Pink's "Brighten Up" workshops. Our strategic vision with this project is for each year your chapter will expand these workshops from individual KE chapters to college or campus

wide programs, and eventually develop into community outreach programs. Each chapter president should have been contacted from a liaison with Bright Pink to set up your program. Bright Pink will handle the details of the programming including a speaker and materials. Your chapter will be responsible for reserving a space and publicizing the events on campus. If your chapter hasn't started a Brighten Up workshop, has questions, or needs contact information for Bright Pink, please contact the national office ([KE@affinity-strategies.com](mailto:KE@affinity-strategies.com)).

As a clinical oncology pharmacist I could not be more pleased to see the progress and impact our organization has made on cancer screening and care of cancer patients from the local and now national level. I look forward to hearing more about the great things you are all doing on campus for breast and ovarian cancer awareness at our 51st national convention in New Orleans, LA this summer. Until then I wish you all an excellent semester.

*Sal Bottiglieri*, PharmD, BCOP

President-Elect, Kappa Epsilon Fraternity

# Chapter Updates

## MU

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The Mu Chapter, based at the University of Kansas School of Pharmacy, has had another great biennium serving the fraternity and our community! We have increased our efforts towards National Philanthropy projects to include a variety of activities like bake sales and creating a Ribbon Memorial Wall at the school of pharmacy where students can donate to place a pink or teal ribbon on the wall in honor of someone who has had breast or ovarian cancer. We hosted a fashion show in conjunction with a local boutique to raise awareness for women's health and cancer screenings, handing out informational fliers, and information on how to donate to charities like Bright Pink. We also made fleece blankets for our local infusion center to donate to breast and ovarian cancer patients!

In addition to our national philanthropy projects, Mu serves the community by volunteering for events with Go Red for Women, Relay for Life, Soles4Souls, Ronald McDonald House, various local food banks, and we hosted a donation drive called "Pennies for Parker" for a young girl in our community who is suffering with an

incurable form of pediatric brain cancer. Our chapter serves the School of Pharmacy by volunteering at our White Coat and Hooding ceremonies each year, and participating in school-wide events like a fundraiser called the "Barn Party" to raise money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society's pediatric holiday party.

The most successful fundraisers our chapter has recently developed have been a series of coffee mugs with the School of Pharmacy logo and various versions of our school's mascot, the Jayhawk, printed on them. We also hosted buffet style meals like baked potatoes bars and taco bars.

On top of our community service, the members of Mu involve strengthening the bond of our brotherhood through monthly socials, many of which involve our extern and alumni members! Some of the chapter's favorite events include our holiday gingerbread house building competition, Thanksgiving progressive dinner (hosted at alumni's houses), and the networking socials we host at the Kansas Pharmacist Association meeting each year. We look forward to our chapter's continued growth and service over the next biennium! If you would like to contact our chapter, feel free to reach out to us at [kukemuchapter@gmail.com](mailto:kukemuchapter@gmail.com).



# Chapter Updates

## PI

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Throughout the course of the 2016-2017 year, the Pi Chapter of Purdue University has had many exciting events thus far with many more to come. We have had the pleasure of having 15 pre-pharmacy affiliate members join us and on February 19, 2017 we initiated 6 brilliant women to the Kappa Epsilon family.

As part of our mission to raise awareness to our communities about breast cancer, we have conducted various fundraisers including the Pi Chapter's sale of "caKE" pops. We get together as a group and make approximately 300 cake pop treats to sell on campus. This year's proceeds were donated to Bright Pink, a breast and ovarian cancer health organization.

In the Fall 2016 semester, the Pi Chapter hosted a Breast Cancer Awareness Seminar where the local YWCA spoke about the importance of early detection. Purdue Center for Cancer Research's Dr. Sophie Lelièvre also came to speak on the global impact of this disease. This seminar had a successful turnout with over 200 students and community members! The Pi Chapter also participated in other service events that took place in our community of West Lafayette, Indiana; the Boilermaker Half-Marathon and 5K as well as Boo at the Zoo – an event held for young children to promote a safe environment for children and parents to participate in Halloween themed activities.

In the Spring 2017 semester, there are many fun events that we have planned as the warm weather and the end of the term are approaching. To kick off the New Year, we held a brotherhood retreat to our local indoor trampoline park, Sky Zone, which was a lot of fun. As mentioned previously, initiation was held on February 19th at Puccini's Pizza and Pasta in West Lafayette, Indiana. The current members, affiliates, local alumni, and new members enjoyed a delicious Italian meal followed by the initiation ceremony for new members.

To advertise for our newest service event, the Bright Pink Seminar, more caKE pops will be sold with those funds again being donated to Bright Pink for the early detection and prevention of breast and ovarian cancer. Kappa Epsilon Pi Chapter's Bright Pink Seminar will take place on March 3rd where there will be a guest speaker from the national organization to talk about what young women can be doing to prevent breast or ovarian cancer. After the seminar, the Pi chapter will hold a "Tater-Tot Social" with movies and tater-tots (of course!) to relax.

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Kappa Epsilon Fraternity is an organization that truly does bring people together from all walks of life, all throughout the country with one thing on common: the pursuit of a degree in Pharmacy or Pharmaceutical Sciences. The members of the Pi chapter continue to come together to support one and other through the rigorous academic programs, while having some fun along the way.

By: Shannon Leahy & Alyson Almon



*Some members at the Brotherhood Retreat at SkyZone*



*Our new pre-pharmacy affiliates at the pinning ceremony*



*Four of our potential new member trainer (on left) with four of our potential new members*

## CHAPTER UPDATES

# ALPHA BETA

Greetings from the Alpha Beta chapter!

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It has been a very busy and successful year for our chapter. One exciting thing we did this year was host PharmCORP for the second year. The purpose of this event is to invite high school students to come and experience some of the things that pharmacists do to break the stigma that pharmacists just count pills. They participated in six different labs where they learned about prescription filling, compounding, sterile preparations, clinical skills, physiological responses, and pharmaceutical research. We had 41 students registered for this event and we had great feedback from high school students. At the end of the event, we put together a pharmacy student panel where the students were able to ask any questions about pharmacy school.



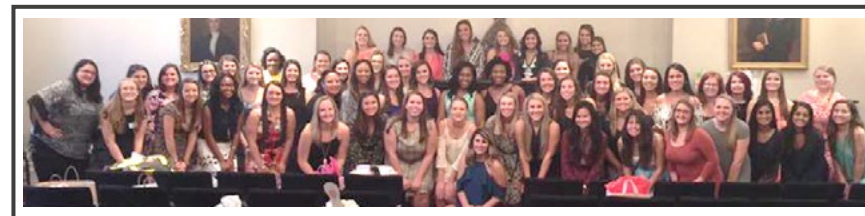
# Chapter Updates

## Alpha Lambda

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Hello, from the Alpha Lambda Chapter in Columbia, South Carolina!

This Fall, we had the privilege of initiating 33 new members, bringing us to a total of 79 members. To uphold our philanthropic goals, the chapter plans a service project each month. Some of our most recent projects included: donating hats and scarves to a local homeless shelter, packing boxes for Operation Christmas Child, and making Valentine's Card for local nursing homes. Members brought in an abundance of presents and we were able to fill over 40 boxes for Operation Christmas Child!



We also participated in multiple events for Breast Cancer and Ovarian Cancer Awareness. We held bake sales, sold awareness ribbons, and even had each member of our chapter donate to the local Breast Cancer Walk for Life! We plan to host more fundraisers this coming Fall, which would allow us to make an even bigger impact on National Projects.

This Spring, we are planning to continue our monthly service activities as well as team up with other organizations at the College of Pharmacy for supply drives, and fundraisers. Through these projects, we hope to not only have an impact on our local community, but a more widespread impact as well. We are looking forward to awarding our KE Service Award at our P3 banquet. This award is given on an annual basis to a student who is representing the College of Pharmacy through dedication to service.

Through establishing new traditions with our members and encouraging our members to contribute new ideas in all aspects of our organization, we hope to see our chapter continue to grow and prosper. We are looking forward to seeing what the rest of this semester and the next school year has to offer for the Alpha Lambda chapter of KE.

# Chapter Updates

## Alpha Omicron

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Greetings from the Kappa Epsilon Alpha Omicron Chapter at St. Louis College of Pharmacy! We currently have 106 active members and continue to look forward to welcoming new members each fall. Our school recently transitioned from a six to seven-year program, giving students the opportunity to obtain a bachelor's degree in either Health Sciences or Health Humanities after their senior (P1) year, while working towards their Pharm.D. This year, the college accepted a large number of transfer students, most of whom have already completed a four-year degree, to fill the class of 2020. With the dramatic increase in enrollment, this year's newest inductee class is unique in that it is made up of students that range from their sophomore year to their first professional year at the college. With the diverse backgrounds and past experiences of these students, we are excited about the new ideas they bring to the chapter.

This past year, we were excited to host our first-ever Ovarian Cancer Awareness Week in September. Our goal for the week was to raise awareness on our campus and educate on the risks and screening tools for early detection. Some activities within the week included a discussion hosted by an oncology pharmacist who teaches at the college and practices at Siteman Cancer Center;

a corn-hole tournament to raise funds for Bright Pink; and volunteering at the St. Louis Race for Ovarian Cancer 5K. In October, we hosted our annual Breast Cancer Awareness week that included an educational talk led by a Bright Pink representative and a kickball tournament to again, fundraise for Bright Pink. In our efforts, we were able to raise over \$1,500 for Bright Pink!



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# Alpha Omicron

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In this upcoming spring, we look forward to hosting our third annual Organ Donation Week in honor of our late sister, Morgan Ciota, who was passionate about the cause. This is the perfect way to remember and honor Morgan's giving spirit. Within the week, we mainly focus on encouraging students and faculty to sign up to be an organ donor and last year, over 100 people signed up!

As we grow each year, we continue to keep our focus on maintaining our strong sisterhood while promoting women in the pharmacy profession and serving our campus and community.



## CHAPTER UPDATES

# ALPHA CHI

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This past year has been a great and progressive year for the Alpha Chi chapter just as it has been for the National Office of Kappa Epsilon! It's our pleasure to reach out to everyone and let you know how we're continuing to make the Bernard J. Dunn School of Pharmacy a home in the Shenandoah Valley in Virginia. We've made great strides in developing new events while also polishing our annual traditions, all in order to help support our evolving goals and needs as a fraternity.



Alpha Chi's local, near, and dear philanthropy is efforts in poison prevention. This fall, as with many in the past, we paired up with the Valley Health Medical Center and their health fair in Winchester to educate local children and their families about poisons in the home, including lessons in medication safety!



We were able to successfully continue a new tradition for our chapter that we started last year: a faculty silent auction! To help support our new partnership with Bright Pink, we tested a new fundraising event that both raises money for philanthropies and helps foster a bond between our fellow

students with each other and our faculty. The faculty here have been gracious enough to volunteer to host small social events that students can bid on attending – such as hockey games, fitness classes, home-cooked meals and book clubs - with the proceeds going toward Bright Pink. This year we were able to donate \$250 to the Bright Pink organization, as well as help pay for our yearly Breast Cancer Survivors' Dinner!

Our survivors' dinner, which takes place in October every year, invites all of the local survivors in our community to come out for a dinner and fun evening covered by our chapter! This year was a Halloween-themed costume party, with candy corn bingo and a moving speech by Jessica N. Shorter on behalf of the Young Survival Coalition. Between the sale of student tickets and our fundraising events, we were able to both offset the cost of the event and fundraise enough

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# ALPHA CHI

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to send a \$150 donation to the Young Survival Coalition! The Young Survival Coalition, as always, was amazingly helpful with advice on how to develop the event.

In the spring, we look forward to hosting our major social event of the year for the school, Mr. Pharmacy! Developed with the help and advice of brothers our chapter delegates met at our last convention, last year was the first year we successfully held the event. It was a resounding success! We have representatives from each class, each fraternity, and the faculty show off their impressive 'talents' and passion for pharmacy for the judges and the crowd. The judges' choice is crowned the year's "Mr. Pharmacy," with a crowd vote determining who wins coveted people's choice award – "The Leo." "The Leo" will, obviously, soon have to be renamed on account of Leo finally getting recognized. Suggestions always welcome at our chapter email, [kappaepsilon@su.edu](mailto:kappaepsilon@su.edu).

The Alpha Chi chapter looks forward to continuing our philanthropic endeavors in the Spring. Our Spring events include an event hosted at our close local partner, the Alamo Drafthouse, for "A Night at the Movies." Our movie this Spring will be "Ferris Bueller's Day Off!" Last year, we hosted "Phantom of the Opera," and sold masks we painted at one of our chapter's socials.

And last but not least, an update on our chapter socials. Our chapter is small but mighty, and the eight of us find great opportunities to get together. We work very hard to foster our bond not just with the rest of our school and community, but amongst ourselves. We host board game nights, go out for impromptu chapter dinners, and even will take a drive east to D.C. to take some stress out on unsuspecting golf balls at Top Golf!

So far, it's been an amazing time for the Alpha Chi chapter since our last update, and we look forward to growing and paying it forward to our future brothers with rush this spring!



## CHAPTER UPDATES

# BETA ALPHA

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Hello from the University of Florida campus in Jacksonville, FL! Thanks to the passion and involvement of new members and old, the 2016-2017 school year has been full of growth for Beta Alpha.

We kicked off the fall semester with recruitment and had tons of fun getting to know new students. Our current and prospective members enjoyed a BBQ with food donated by alumni, attended a local minor league baseball game, shared breakfast in between classes, and went rollerblading together. This year, our chapter had a record-breaking recruitment, initiating 34 new members!

During October, we went full-force, raising both funds and awareness for breast cancer by hosting an inaugural Pink-Out Party. The goal of this fundraiser was to raise money for the Donna Foundation, which assists local families affected by breast cancer with their home bills and medical expenses. The temperature had been cooling off, so we held the Pink-Out Party in a member's backyard next to a bonfire. Students, faculty and friends enjoyed food that was donated by a local restaurant and competed in a corn hole tournament. Collectively, we raised more than \$800!

It was also very important for us to directly support patients during Breast Cancer Awareness month. Beta Alpha held bake sales in the UF Health atrium and sold pink ribbons and badge pulls on campus. With the money raised from these sales as well as donations from students, our members assembled 12 care packages and delivered them to patients at the UF Health infusion center. It was a truly humbling experience to see the vast impact this simple gesture had on the recipients, and we certainly hope to continue and expand on this tradition in years to come.

In addition to our philanthropic efforts to support breast cancer, Beta Alpha also continues to support the children in our community. Thanks to the success of our luau toy drive last spring, we were able to make many visits throughout the fall semester to local hospitals to deliver toys and visit with sick children. Our members also had a great time cooking dinner for the children and families staying at the Ronald McDonald house--especially when they made breakfast for dinner!

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# BETA ALPHA

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Between all of the good deeds and school work, we also took time to kick back and relax with one another. We used our teamwork skills to solve escape room puzzles, made our own lollipops at Sweet Pete's Candy Shop, had a blast at the Jacksonville fair, and shared many dinners together.

Moving forward through the spring semester, we look forward to making even more memories and coming up with new ways to help our chapter grow in the right direction. We are so excited to meet and collaborate other KE members from across the country this summer at the convention!



# CHAPTER UPDATES

# BETA ZETA

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Greetings from the Beta Zeta Chapter in Findlay, Ohio!

We are running on high spirits as we roll into Spring semester after a very successful Fall! Our chapter nearly doubled in size, our biggest new member class yet, with an Olympic-themed Fall recruitment. We started out the Fall with a huge carnival Welcome Week event for all campus students, partnering with AZO and PDC. We then started our recruitment events including information tables, an Olympic game night, and our favorite, Bid Day!

We also hosted a new event: "PinkCakes for Cancer" to raise awareness of breast cancer. Our Pink Pancake event had pancakes with all the toppings for participants to enjoy while they signed large poster boards with encouraging words that were later donated to a local cancer center, to be hung in the treatment room for patients to see. We had a huge turnout and are already making plans for next year's event!

We kicked off Spring semester with a Dip Party social, and we are looking forward to a DIY Spa Day of making our own sugar scrubs. Currently, our new member class is actively

working on their service project of blankets to be donated to a local shelter. As we plan for our Bright Pink speaker in March, we hosted a Valentine's themed bake sale with all proceeds going to Bright Pink. We have our own chapter newsletter, The Beta Zeta Buzz, back in production and we are excited to share it with our pharmacy faculty and alumni. For the rest of the semester, we look forward to our annual Alumni Dinner and Relay for Life in April.

We can't wait to see everyone at convention in August!



## CHAPTER UPDATES

# BETA LAMBDA

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Hello from the Beta Lambda chapter in Wichita, KS! As a satellite campus fraternity, it can sometimes be challenging to keep a large member base, and we were extremely excited last semester to initiate 11 new members! This amazing growth in membership has allowed us to expand our opportunities for reaching out to our community and make a difference.

We came together and participated in both national service projects last fall. In September, we spread awareness by handing out teal suckers with facts and statistics about ovarian cancer to the students on campus. We also raised money and participated in the 2nd annual Making Strides for Breast Cancer walk, which benefits the American Cancer Society. This semester, we are excited to host a Brighten Up workshop in partnership with Bright Pink. We will invite all students and staff to a luncheon at the school where they will be able to engage in an educational discussion about breast cancer. Our chapter had a great time doing these things together and we were able to learn a thing or two as well.

In November, we had the opportunity to volunteer with Habitat for Humanity's local community build. Many of our members were installing baseboards, door frames, and piecing together the laminate floor. Several families that will benefit in the future from these homes were also there helping and donating their time to the project, which is a requirement for eligibility for a home through this program. At the end of the day, we felt very accomplished and were even able to donate our hours to one of the families so that they could start building their house a little sooner.



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# BETA LAMBDA

This semester, we kicked things off with a combined recruitment night and social at the bowling alley and welcomed two more prospective members. We baked goodies for a Valentine's Day party at the temporary shelter provided by the Salvation Army downtown, and hope to do this for all holidays this semester. We will also be organizing a donation drive at the school for hygiene items to benefit InterFaith Ministries later this semester. We hope to have a few more socials this semester as well so that we can take a break from the stress of school and have fun together!



## CHAPTER UPDATES

# BETA PI

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Greetings from the Beta Pi Chapter at Concordia University of Wisconsin! For the 2016-2017 school year, our members have been working diligently to honor our traditions as well as to create new events that align with our mission to serve others.

As a new chapter that was chartered only two years ago, one of our main goals was to grow our chapter. Our rush activities have included ice cream socials, Pictionary, and icebreaker BINGO, which have allowed us to grow closer as a sisterhood should, despite the gaps in pharmacy class standing. We spend quality time off-campus, by going to movie nights at a theater near school as a relaxing study break. By the end of the Fall 2016 semester, we had doubled our membership count by initiating 6 new members! Although it may not seem like much, we value what having a smaller group has taught us and as our fraternity continues to grow. We hope the lessons we learned together during our humble beginnings will be carried with us.

As we did in previous years, we are continuing the making of an APPE Pocketbook, which is a pocket-sized reference guide that we sell to P3 students to use on their upcoming clinical rotations. It contains important drug information to help make pharmacotherapy decisions at the point of care. The feedback from upperclassmen who have purchased them in the past has been overwhelming—so much so that the Pocketbook has easily become our most successful fundraiser. In addition, our chapter holds an annual Pie-a-Professor event that remains a favorite among our classmates. Students pay a small fee to be entered in a raffle for a chance to pie one of the faculty members of their choice. It is a simple yet interactive way to raise money while getting the entire school involved. We plan on donating this year's proceeds to Bright Pink, in light of their official affiliation with Kappa Epsilon.



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# BETA PI

Some new activities we started included volunteering for the Pink Pumpkin Run, which is a community-run race held that helps local families affected by breast cancer. The event coordinators were very appreciative of our help while our members were equally enthusiastic to be there and expressed their interest in volunteering again next year. We also took this school year to come up with new fundraising event ideas, such as the “Gobble Gloves” for the month of November, where we sold assorted snacks in a plastic glove designed to look like a turkey. It was a huge success among both students and faculty members, who would send these “gloves” to each other with anonymous “thank you” messages.

We collaborated with Aurora Pharmacy for the first time by creating a brochure on breast cancer health for the month of October. Our chapter was excited for another opportunity to promote community outreach while incorporating our national initiative of breast cancer, an issue that is very personal and close to our hearts. This collaborative agreement with Aurora Pharmacy is something we hope to continue for years to come.

Despite being a smaller group, our chapter is brimming with innovative ideas on how to make a positive contribution to our community and to advance the pharmacy profession. As the spring semester comes to a close, we eagerly anticipate what the 2017-2018 year has in store for our growing chapter!



# Scholarship & DUES

Nominate your colleagues  
for these prestigious awards.

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## **KE/MERCK VANGUARD LEADERSHIP AWARD**

Awarded to an exemplary alumnus who has contributed both professionally and within their community. Nominations due October 15th annually.

## **CAREER ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**

Active alumnus member noted for their professional accomplishments. Nominations due October 15th annually.

## **LINDA RODGERS MEMORIAL AWARD**

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Nominations due May 15th in even years (Collegiate)

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## **FOUNDATION GRANTS**

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## ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

# EMILY GORMAN

### Breast Cancer, from the Eyes of a Patient

In pharmacy school, you learn about different types of cancer and the various signs and symptoms. I can't remember exactly, but I feel like we had one page worth of notes on breast cancer signs/symptoms/risk factors. I really began to learn about the disease throughout my membership with Kappa Epsilon. My chapter created informational pamphlets and a display case for the museum in Columbia. We even made wallet-sized breast-check reminder cards with a monthly check-off. I admit that I was not great at doing self-breast exams every month. I thought, "I go to the doctor and he does a breast exam once a year, that's enough right?" In reality, patients are much more likely to find a mass as compared to a physician. I had a breast exam at my annual appointment in December 2015. The next day while I was in the shower, I decided to



do a check since I had received the all clear a day before. I found a lump. I talked myself out of it being something serious because the doctor checked me the previous day. If it were actually something, he would have felt it.

Fast forward to January: my husband feels the lump and convinces me to get checked again. My exam appointment is in February. They told me they feel what we felt so they set up an ultrasound

appointment. They told me not to worry because I was young. I had an ultrasound two weeks later that was highly suspicious for breast cancer. A biopsy confirmed that I indeed had breast cancer and it was in at least one lymph node. Everything moved quickly after that discovery. I had a bilateral mastectomy two and a half weeks after the ultrasound. The final pathology revealed that I had stage IIIa breast cancer. It took three months from finding the lump in December to stage III cancer. **Three months from a physician checking my breast, finding nothing out of the ordinary, to stage III cancer. It still blows my mind.** It was certainly not my physician's fault. The odds were not in his favor. This is why it is so important for women to check themselves every month. You know your body best, so it is important to become familiar with your breast anatomy.

I occasionally think about the feelings I had when I found out that I had cancer. I remember being afraid that it was not breast cancer. What if it was somewhere else and it had spread to my breasts?

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## ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT (CONTINUED...)

# EMILY GORMAN

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I found a small piece of comfort in my diagnosis of breast cancer because of organizations like Kappa Epsilon. By donating time and resources to breast cancer research and awareness, I felt confident in my cancer action plan. I knew that the treatment I received was the best treatment for me. I had a very aggressive form of breast cancer and I am confident that if I had waited any longer to receive treatment, my current situation would be very different. I am now a year older, and I have trouble wrapping my mind around all that happened in the last 365 days. I had three surgeries, eight rounds of chemotherapy, 28 rounds of radiation, one round of clear scans, and countless friends and family members cheering for me. All this to say, the fundraising for research and education about breast cancer is incredibly impactful.

Speaking of fundraising, have you ever thought about giving a care package to a cancer patient, not really knowing what to put in it? No worries, I have devised a practical gift-giving and fundraising guide for all stages of breast cancer:

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*Emily Gorman graduated from the Columbia campus of South Carolina College of Pharmacy in 2013. She was president of the Alpha Lambda chapter and a recipient of the Zada Cooper Scholarship.*

**1. Surgery** – heart shaped pillows (also known as mastectomy pillows), drain aprons, dry shampoo, spray deodorant, button down shirts and pajamas, loofas, anti-bacterial body soap, craft kits (all the supplies to make a bracelet or a macramé key chain would be amazing!), or shower stool

**2. Chemotherapy** – hats, flavored water drops/packets, plastic cutlery (some people have an aversion to metal tastes), Goldfish crackers, saltine crackers, mint flavored gum or sour candy (I had anticipatory nausea. When the nurse flushes the port, you get a weird taste in your mouth. Anytime they flushed my port, I would vomit. I used Warheads Sour Spray when they flushed my port and I didn't get sick!), skin sensitive makeup, heating pads, craft kits, light-hearted fun/mystery/adventure books

**3. Radiation** – Lotion (must contain NO metals!), sunscreen, hats, transportation (radiation is five days a week for 4 weeks, which could be a large burden for many people).

# HISTORY TIDBITS

BY METTA LOU HENDERSON (SIGMA) PAST GRAND PRESIDENT

## KE's 50th Anniversary Celebration

1971 was the 50th anniversary of the founding of Kappa Epsilon. Activities occurred throughout the year. Each collegiate and alumni chapter held events in addition to the national celebrations. Marjorie Coghill, a past grand president, authored "The Five Decades of Kappa Epsilon". In preparing for the writing, Marjorie organized the first history archives of KE. The second major publication was "The KE Directory, 1971 update" and was compiled by Judy Ozbun (Iota), the voluntary Executive Secretary. It included names and addresses of 625 alums and 650 collegiates.

Several events occurred during the 1971 American Pharmaceutical Association (now American Pharmacists Association) annual meeting. A special breakfast was held and included a number of invited guests. For the first time, KE had a booth in the exhibit hall. The major emphasis was the promotion of the latest KE career brochure, "Pharmacy Career for a Modern Girl." Marjorie Coghill presented a history of KE during the American Institute of the History of Pharmacy podium session and Metta Lou Henderson presented a brief history at the meeting of the APhA Women's Auxiliary meeting.

A special program was held in Iowa City on May 13. At that time, the Marjorie Coghill Award was established to be given to a member of Gamma chapter who was an outstanding woman pharmacy student, active in pharmacy activities and an asset to the college. The award was discontinued when Gamma chapter went inactive.

Our convention was held August 30 to September 1, with the theme of "Dreams to Reality" at the University of Minnesota. For the first time, KE had a major pharmacy speech. William S. Apple, executive director of APhA, spoke on "Pharmacy's Lib." This resulted in a great deal of publicity for KE. At the history dinner, a slide show and style show of 50 years of KE occurred. All attendees received a copy of the Membership Directory, the 50 year history, a special rose bud vase and a framed tile of the KE Crest. Each chapter participated in a special greeting card contest.

KE sponsored a breakfast for all women pharmacists attending the 31st International Congress of Pharmaceutical Sciences Meeting (FIP) in Washington D.C. As a part of our celebration of 50 years of KE, these women were our guests.

As we plan towards our 100th anniversary, we need to plan to "top" the events and activities of 1971.

# BIENNIUM AWARDS

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## 2016 KE CAREER ACHIEVEMENT AWARD



**DONNA HEFFNER**

Kappa Epsilon Fraternity is proud to announce that Donna Heffner was selected as the 2016 recipient of the KE Career Achievement Award. The KE Career Achievement Award was created in 1965 to honor a Kappa Epsilon Member for their professional accomplishments.

Donna Heffner earned her Bachelor and Master degrees in Pennsylvania. She graduated Valedictorian from the University of Sciences with a Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy, and with distinction from The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania with a Master of Business Administration. Her blend of education as a licensed pharmacist and business major gave Donna the foundation to expand her work and influence throughout the pharmaceutical industry. Over the last 25 years at Merck & Company, Donna has held numerous roles of increasing responsibility in quality control, technology, procurement, marketing, regulatory, supply chain management, and business development. She currently leads a Center of Excellence within Supply Chain Management. Her significant accomplishments have included leading global cross-functional teams in the development of a new product, global launch and supply of a new vaccine, the development and execution of the strategy to return medically necessary vaccines to the market after significant outages, the CMC filing for a new product, the development of Merck's global serialization strategy, and the negotiation of a key deal in the emerging markets to expand public access to one of Merck's critical products.

In addition to her work and official roles at Merck & Company, Donna has participated in multiple mentoring and recruiting efforts. Donna has been recognized at Merck with numerous awards and recognition, including being selected for Merck's Women's Leadership Program at Simmons College. She is also a member of the Healthcare Business Women's Association.

Donna has been a dedicated member of the Kappa Epsilon Fraternity (KE) for 28 years, inducted into the Omicron Chapter on campus at the University of Sciences. Her service to KE includes Vice President of Recruitment and Collegiate Development, Co-chair of KE's National Convention in Philadelphia, Board Member of the Kappa Epsilon Foundation for three biennia and, currently, Chair of the Alumni Interest Committee, since 2013. She is the recipient of three prestigious KE Awards including the 2015 Linda Rodgers Memorial Award, 1997 Unicorn Award, and the Zada M. Cooper Scholarship as a collegiate.

## 2016 KE/MERCK VANGUARD LEADERSHIP AWARD



Kappa Epsilon Fraternity is proud to announce that Lisa Braccini-Barletta was selected as the 2016 recipient of the KE/Merck Vanguard Leadership Award. The KE / Merck Vanguard Leadership Award was established in 1989 to recognize members who have made exemplary contributions in their area of practice, demonstrated leadership qualities of service beyond self and professional achievements that have influenced others serving as a role model to young practitioners.

Lisa Braccini-Barletta is a 1986 graduate of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science and an alumni member of the Omicron Chapter. She has been a dedicated member of Kappa Epsilon Fraternity for more than 30 years serving on various national committees and has held several Grand Council positions including Grand President, Vice President of Collegiate Development and Vice President of Province Development. In addition to her many years of service to the Fraternity, she also served the Kappa Epsilon Foundation Board as a Trustee. Lisa is a member of the American Society of Health-Systems Pharmacists, the Pennsylvania Society of Health-Systems Pharmacists and the Hospital Oncology Pharmacists Association. Lisa has served the Penn State Milton S. Hershey Medical Center in various leadership roles for over 25 years currently serving as the Director of Pharmacy, Outpatient Services. As a senior member of the Pharmacy's Leadership team, Lisa oversees the clinical and distributive activities of over 60 staff members and a budget of over \$50M. Her areas of responsibility include the Penn State Hershey Cancer Institute Chemotherapy/Infusion Pharmacy, Specialty Pharmacy, Transitions of Care team, two Anticoagulation Clinics, the Investigational Drug Service, three Retail Pharmacy operations including the Employee Prescription Program, the Prescription Assistance Program and the Outpatient Billing Team. In addition, Lisa has oversight for pharmacy services at 62 Medical Group Clinics and serves on numerous departmental and interdepartmental committees throughout the institution. As one of the first graduates of Penn State Hershey's Residency Program in 1986, she serves as a proud preceptor for the department's PGY1 residency program as well as countless 6th year pharmacy students.

Upon completing her residency program, Lisa attended Penn State University and Lebanon Valley College completing her MBA degree in 1992. Lisa has been the recipient of distinguished honors and awards. While at PCPS, she was the recipient of the Madeline Holland-McDowell Award, a Service Award, for two consecutive years. She received the Unicorn Award at Kappa Epsilon's National Convention held in 1991. The Unicorn Award recognizes alumni members serving as the leaders, workers, contributors and creators who make Kappa Epsilon a better organization. In 2003, she was honored to receive the coveted Linda T. Rodgers Memorial Award, established in 1985 to honor a Kappa Epsilon member who best exemplifies Linda's characteristics of leadership, dedication, diplomacy, friendship, and inspiration to others to attain higher goals and achievements. In 2008, Lisa was awarded the Community Service Award by the Pennsylvania Society of Health System Pharmacists. Lisa is the recipient of the 2014 Career Achievement Award, that was bestowed to her in person at KE's 50th National Convention in Orlando, Florida.

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# BIENNIUM AWARDS

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## 2017 KE CAREER ACHIEVEMENT AWARD



**MARIANNE BILLETER**

Kappa Epsilon Fraternity is proud to announce that Marianne Billeter has been selected as the 2017 recipient of the KE Career Achievement Award.

Marianne Billeter is currently the Manager of Clinical Pharmacy Services at New Hanover Regional Medical Center and continues to have a very successful pharmacy career with nearly 30 years of experience in clinical pharmacy. The many positions she has worked in both academic and clinical pharmacy have given her the opportunity to distinguish herself in the field of pharmacy. In addition to her busy work schedule and the many accomplishments she has achieved in her career, she has also served Kappa Epsilon through positions on Grand Council and is a Past President of the KE Foundation. Through her work on the Alumni Interest Committee, she has contributed to professional development programming for both alumni and collegiate attendees at multiple conventions.

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# BIENNIUM AWARDS

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## KE/MERCK VANGUARD LEADERSHIP AWARD



**MARIANNE IVEY**

Kappa Epsilon Fraternity is proud to announce that Dr. Marianne Ivey has been selected as the 2017 recipient of the KE/Merck Vanguard Leadership Award.

Dr. Marianne Ivey is currently a professor at the University of Cincinnati James L. Winkle College of Pharmacy and continues to have a very successful pharmacy career with over 30 years of experience in academic and clinical pharmacy. The many positions she has held both at the University of Washington and University of Cincinnati have given her the opportunity to develop her leadership. She has also served in leadership positions in multiple national pharmacists organizations, including as Treasurer for American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) and on their other national committees.

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# BIENNIUM AWARDS

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## 2016 NELLIE WAKEMAN FELLOWSHIP



**ASHLEE BRUNAUGH**

Ashlee Brunaugh was selected as one of two 2016 Nellie Wakeman Fellowships recipients.

Ashlee Brunaugh is currently in her final year of the PharmD program at the University of Texas at Austin (UT) College of Pharmacy. Upon graduation, Ashlee plans to pursue her PhD in Pharmaceutics at UT, with a focus on developing novel formulations of biologics.

Ashlee is an active member of KE's Xi Chapter on campus at UT. She has held several executive positions, including Vice President, Fundraising Chair, and New Member Class Liaison. Her efforts in these positions have benefited both the Xi Chapter and Austin, Texas community. Projects include updating new member education material, creating presentations on pharmacy for high school students as part of the Pharm-CORP program, and developing care packages for breast cancer chemotherapy patients.

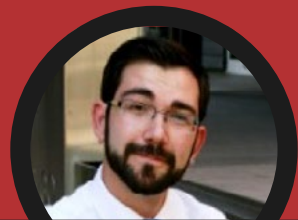
Recognizing the work and benefits of community service offered by professional organizations, Ashlee is a member of several organizations, including American Pharmacist Association Academy of Student Pharmacists, Texas Pharmacy Association, and National Community Pharmacists Association. Her studies at the University also include service to the College of Pharmacy, as committee chair of the Pharmacy Council Student Affairs Committee and the Graduate Student Association Representative for the College of Pharmacy. In addition, she has been recognized for her scholastic and leadership abilities through induction into Rho Chi and Phi Lambda Sigma.

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# BIENNIUM AWARDS

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## 2016 NELLIE WAKEMAN FELLOWSHIP



**PATRICK CAMPBELL**

Patrick Campbell was selected as one of two 2016 Nellie Wakeman Fellowships recipients.

Dr. Patrick Campbell is currently in his second year of graduate studies at the University of Arizona (UA) pursuing a Doctor of Philosophy in Pharmaceutical Economics, Policy and Outcomes. He serves on the Research Affairs Committee at the UA College of Pharmacy; was invited to participate in a measure development team of the Pharmacy Quality Alliance; serves as a co-chair of the KE National Liaison Committee; and coordinates with student chapters around the globe in his role as Membership Outreach Committee Chair of the International Society of Pharmacoeconomics and Outcomes Research.

He is involved in a variety of research projects at the college that investigate the impact of pharmacist-centered initiatives to improve healthcare quality. His research interests center around latent trait measurement including instrument development, psychometrics, and patient-reported outcomes. Patrick would tell you, "I am passionate about the inclusion of the patient voice in healthcare research. Continued graduate training will provide me with the necessary tools to be a more influential advocate for the profession and promote meaningful change to improve patient care."

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# BIENNIUM AWARDS

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## 2017 NELLIE WAKEMAN FELLOWSHIP



**ZANEERA HASSAN**

Zaneera Hassan was selected the 2017 Nellie Wakeman Fellowships recipients.

Zaneera Hassan is currently in her first year of graduate studies at Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) School of Pharmacy within the dual PharmD/ PhD program. Thus far, she has completed the requirements for a PharmD and over the next few years, will focus on research within the Department of Pharmaceutics in the field of preterm birth. Her mass spectrometry- based proteomic research has the potential to bridge basic research and clinical pharmacy through the continued mapping of the human vaginal metaproteome, leading to identification of preterm birth biomarkers and potential drug targets. Zaneera has been involved in the Tau chapter at VCU since her first year of Pharmacy school and continues to be involved as a graduate student. She has held several executive positions including Historian and New Member Class Historian and has been involved in the Women's Health Committee within her chapter. She looks forward to being additionally involved in KE on the national level as a member of the National Projects Committee.

Throughout pharmacy school, Zaneera has been a member of several pharmacy organizations including the Pediatric Pharmacy Student Group, the Inter Health Professionals Alliance, and Phi Lambda Sigma Leadership Fraternity, as well as research organizations: Graduate Women in Science (Richmond Chapter) and the American Association of Pharmaceutical Scientists as a Student Representative of the Newsletter Content Advisory Committee. Zaneera is passionate about serving the underserved as demonstrated by her participation and leadership involvement in outreach trips traveling to rural areas of Virginia as well as international trips to Ghana and the Dominican Republic. After graduation, she intends to apply to become an officer in the Commissioned Corps of the United States Public Health Service, where she can utilize trainings from both degrees by conducting research full time with the background and perspective of a pharmacist, to become a patient centered research pharmacist.

# 2017 Awards

The Zada M. Cooper Scholarship was established in 1955 in honor of Kappa Epsilon's founder, Zada M. Cooper. This scholarship recognizes superior achievement and scholarship of five collegiate members. Congratulations to the 2017 recipients of the Zada M. Cooper Scholarship:



**Morgan Cawthon (Alpha Gamma)**  
*University of Mississippi*



**Ally Jarvi (Beta Mu)**  
*University of North Carolina-Ashville*



**Taylor Lansing (Tau)**  
*Virginia Commonwealth University*



**Bionqua Lynch (Beta Tau)**  
*University of South Florida*



**Kristina Rosus (Pi)**  
*Purdue University*

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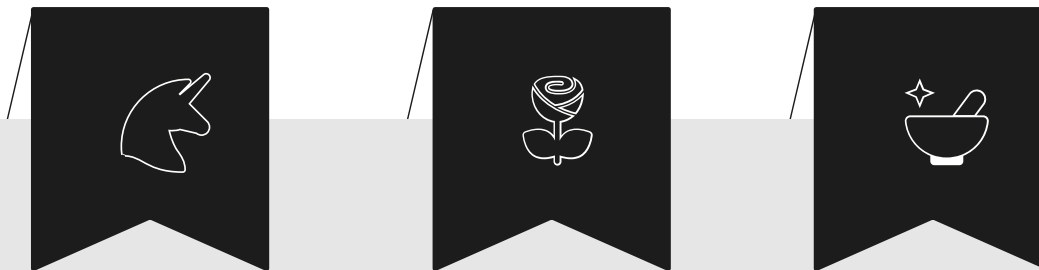


Registration deadline is June 1, 2017. Please register online at [www.kappaepsilon.org](http://www.kappaepsilon.org) or [CLICK HERE](#) to attend the 2017 KE Convention and [book your room](#) reservations at the LOEWS NEW ORLEANS HOTEL, today.

All rooms must be booked at the Loews New Orleans Hotel, by June 1, 2017 to receive the contact rate of \$144 per night for a single, double, triple, quad and \$249 per night for a suite (plus taxes). The special group rate has been requested for singles, doubles, triples and quads sharing a room.

To secure your room for Kappa Epsilon's 2017 New Orleans Convention, visit the Loews New Orleans Hotel website link [HERE](#).

Each collegiate chapter is encouraged to send two delegates. Attendance of one delegate from each collegiate chapter is required. Delegates, representing their respective chapters, are required to attend all scheduled programs and activities. Please plan to submit collegiate chapter delegates; registrations [ONLINE](#) with payment.



## 51ST KE FRATERNITY NATIONAL CONVENTION REGISTRATION

August 2-5th

<a href="#">Registration</a>	Alumni	\$400
<a href="#">Loews Hotel</a>	Collegiate 1st Delegate	\$325
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# 100 YEAR CHALLENGE



## Donate by June 30, 2020

"Whereas everyone enjoys a birthday party, whereas KE will soon be celebrating its 100th birthday, whereas parties can be expensive, therefore be it resolved that each and every KE member donate \$500 by June 30, 2020, to the Kappa Epsilon Foundation and that Foundation designate a custom made piece of fraternity jewelry that will be ONLY given to those members donating the \$500 minimum."

— Resolved at the 49th Kappa Epsilon National Convention Richmond, Virginia 2013

# ASHP & APhA Meetings

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The American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) Mid-year Meeting is the country's largest meeting of pharmacists. This 2016 meeting was held in Las Vegas, Nevada. Kappa Epsilon hosted a dessert reception at the Mandalay Bay Hotel, where members from across the country gathered to share sweet treats and new memories. It was also the first opportunity for members to interact with the new Assistant Director of Kappa Epsilon, Cayla Marconi of Affinity Strategies.



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# ASHP & APhA Meetings

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The American Pharmacists Association (APhA) Annual Meeting was held on March 24 – 26, 2017. Grand President Sara Snow and our directors were present at our booth with some fun KE giveaways. KE hosted a Reception at the Hilton Union Square. At the reception, we received a 100-Year Update from Metta Lou Henderson. The 2017 recipients of the Zada M. Cooper Scholarship, Nellie Wakeman Fellowship, and Merck Vanguard Leadership Award were announced as well.



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## ASHP & APhA Meetings

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