

PRIDE IN OUR PAST, FOUNDATION FOR OUR FUTURE

Leave Your Legacy at Phi Kappa Theta

\$600,000 Goal within Reach - Help Iowa Xi by Making a Gift Today

This year will be very exciting for Iowa Xi! I hope 2014 has started well for you and your families. We have some exciting updates regarding the *Pride in Our Past*, *Foundation for Our Future* campaign and renovation project.

Campaign Milestone Reached

We are excited to announce that we have crossed the \$500,000 mark for the campaign. That means we are within \$100,000 of our \$600,000 goal. It has taken a team effort to get to this point, and we appreciate everyone who has donated, as

well as everyone who has reached out to others encouraging them to do the same.

Construction to Begin this Summer

The Building Committee plans to start construction this summer after the conclusion of the spring semester. We are currently finalizing bids and need to collect the remaining \$100,000 in pledges so that we can confirm the plans for the full project as envisioned.

Help Your Class Take the Lead

With this update, we are listing donors by

graduation year. Please see how your class compares with others. Alumni are engaging in a friendly competition among graduating classes to raise more funds, though the true winner will be Iowa Xi as a whole. Keep in mind our records are based on the graduation year we have for you in our database. Please feel free to verify or update your class year (and the rest of your information) by visiting the alumni website. www.pktalumni.com, and clicking on the Member Login link. If you need help with your username and password, contact our website administrator, Nate Kemmer '03, at nate. kemmer@pktalumni.com.

Make a Gift Today

If you haven't made a contribution yet, please use the enclosed pledge form to make your gift today. If you have already donated and you would like increase your pledge, we welcome that as well. We still have tax deductibility available for pledges of \$10,000 or more, although the amount is limited and on a first-come, first-served basis.

Right now, the class of 2002 is winning in participation percentage; we encourage every class to rise up and try to take the lead. Every donation—large or small—helps us get closer to our goal: a strong Phi Kappa Theta for years to come. Thank you for your continued support.

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Give, Expecting Nothing Thereof

BUILDING A BETTER IOWA XI: KC GERLITZ '88 GIVES BACK

For KC Gerlitz '88, obtaining a sense of family was the prime objective of joining Phi Kappa Theta. Now he is a self-employed architect who developed the plans for Iowa Xi's house renovation and sits on the building committee, which oversees the physical work. KC uses his craft to secure the chapter's place at Iowa State and improve the quality of living for future Phi Kap brothers.

After graduating from Iowa State with a bachelor's degree in architecture, KC worked at a commercial architectural firm but soon realized that residential architecture better suited his goals. "I worked for five years as business director for a national firm, which focused on residential architecture before venturing out on my own to create Gerlitz Design." KC gives Iowa Xi a lot of recognition for helping him get to where he is today. "I credit most all of my success to my experience at Iowa Xi. The fraternity helped me mature socially and gave me the self-confidence to excel."

KC's ability to give back to the chapter not only financially, but also through his talents as a successful architect, came to fruition during the capital campaign. "I wanted to do what I could to perpetuate Iowa Xi for generations. I believe each individual's experience is different, and thus, their dedication to the campaign will vary. For me, I feel indebtedness to the organization that played such a positive role in my life. For this reason, I give back and stay active so others may have the opportunity to garner similar positive outcomes. I trust that each alumnus takes into

account the role—small or large—that Iowa Xi played in making them who they are today."

Looking back on his personal history with the chapter, KC takes pride in being part of something great and helping it succeed. "I look at the current

chapter and see a similar sense of pride and determination from these young men. They are a great group of individuals who will ensure the future of Iowa Xi."

KC stays in touch with his Phi Kap brothers and does his best to attend the annual alumni-active golf tournament, though time and commitments don't allow him to be as involved as he would like. He does have plenty of memories to share though from his days as an undergraduate. "The most memorable and rewarding experience from my time as an undergraduate was as co-chairman for the 1983 VEISHEA float Iowa Xi built. I remember it best as it was my first true

opportunity to successfully lead and orchestrate a significant task. The float we built finished second, only because of the penalty points we incurred for veering into the parade spectators and then running into the horse trailer in front of us during the parade. Other than that, it went pretty well!"

KC lives in Waukee, Iowa, with his wife of 19 years, Patricia, their 15-year-old daughter, and 10-year-old son. In his spare time, KC enjoys golf and playing the tambourine. You can contact KC at kgerlitz@gerlitzdesign.com.



Thank You, Loyal Alumni and Friends, for Committing More Than \$500,000

We are deeply grateful to the brothers and friends who have committed to the *Pride in Our Past, Foundation for Our Future* campaign. These alumni recognize the importance of ensuring the future of Iowa Xi and have demonstrated a sense of gratitude for their personal experience. Commitments are still needed from the rest of our alumni to achieve our goal of \$600,000. All donors contributing a minimum of \$1,000 to the campaign, over a five-year period, will be recognized on a plaque prominently displayed in the chapter house.

Shown below are donors by graduation class. If an error has been made in recording your gift, or your name has been mistakenly omitted or listed improperly, we sincerely apologize. Please contact our campaign coordinator at (785) 843-1661 and be sure to update your information at www.pktalumni.com.

Clement Ward '66

Mailable Alumni: 8

Participation: 25.00%

Mailable Alumni: 13

Participation: 7.69%

Phillip C. Barry '68

James W. Victor '68

Mailable Alumni: 13

Participation: 23.08%

Thomas R. Havey '69

James F. Willer '69

John Perlich '70

Mailable Alumni: 14

Participation: 7.14%

Stephen P. Engel '71 Frank L. Kock '71

Maurice R. Russell '71

Edmund J. Winfield '71

Mailable Alumni: 27

David J. Besser '72

Mailable Alumni: 13

Participation: 23.08%

Robert J. Reinhardt '73

Mailable Alumni: 13

Participation: 7.69%

Gregory L. Albert '74

Gerald L. Dostal '74

Mailable Alumni: 10

Participation: 20.00%

Michael L. Canney '75

Bill Fleischaker '75

Mailable Alumni: 11

Participation: 18.18%

Joseph G. Bertogli '76

Michael J. Maloney '76

Robert J. Peterson '76

Kirk E. Thomas '76

Mailable Alumni: 11

Participation: 36.36%

David K. Fontanini '72

Clinton E. Freiburger '72

Participation: 14.81%

Mailable Alumni: 16

Participation: 18.75%

Leo A. Milleman, M.D. '69

Michael W. Morrissey '68

Francis L. Pisney, M.D. '67

Mailable Alumni: 12 Participation: 8.33%

Mailable Alumni: 17 Participation: 11.76%

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David B. Biegger '81 Mailable Alumni: 15 Participation: 13.33%

David M. McSweeney '83 Participation: 30.77%

Gary A. Culp '84 Daniel K. Duffy '84 Rick A. Hardcopf '84 Edward T. Larson '84 Stephen E. Pascuzzi '84 Gregory D. Stolp '84 Mailable Alumni: 17

Ronald A. Contillo '85 Lane M. Crosser '85 Mailable Alumni: 13

Michael L. Fahning '86

Michael T. Slavens, M.D. '87

David M. Abendschein '01 Manni K. Balignasay '01 Ryan A. Daedlow '01 Troy D. Henry '01 Eric J. Newendorp '01

CAMPAIGN STATUS

AT-A-GLANCE As of March 26, 2014

\$600,000 GOAL

\$500,000 Contributions

22% Participation

629 MAILABLE ALUMNI

Emmett Full '46 Mailable Alumni: 6 Participation: 16.67%

Edwin L Carr '47 Mailable Alumni: 5 Participation: 20.00%

Herschel J. Chudomelka, DVM '50 Mailable Alumni: 6 Participation: 16.67%

Robert M. De Dobbelaere '52 Robert J. Fitzgerald '52 William J. Shaw Sr. '52 Mailable Alumni: 14 Participation: 21.43%

Arthur J. Groff '53 George E. Hoganson '53 Harold F. Johnson '53 Mailable Alumni: 10 Participation: 30.00%

1954

James E. Kent '54 David J. Meis '54 Mailable Alumni: 7 Participation: 28.57%

Eugene H. Scallon '58 Mailable Alumni: 14 Participation 7.14%

David A. Kleveter '59 Mailable Alumni: 8 Participation: 12.5%

David E. Schmeiser '61 Mailable Alumni: 15 Participation: 6.67%

Richard E. Champion '62 Allan W. Kintzle '62 Jerome C. Peltier '62 Mailable Alumni: 14 Participation: 21.43%

Keith B. Downey '64 Jerome E. Kuennen '64 Mailable Alumni: 11 Participation: 18.18%

Phillip M. Sosalla '65 Mailable Alumni: 11 Participation: 9.09%

Thomas E. Bottin '66

Keith A. Springer '77

Brian J. Biegger '78 Michael T. Lustig '78

Timothy R. Laird '80 Mailable Alumni: 12

Joseph A. Rude '81

Thomas R. Babcock '83 Frank J. Hays Jr. '83 Andrew J. Lyons '83 Mailable Alumni: 13

1984

Mark F. Biegger '84 Participation: 41.18%

Daniel K. Ahern '85 David J. Nichols '85 Gregory Stein '85 Participation: 38.46%

1986

Richard E. Ball '86 Robert P. Homolka '86 Mailable Alumni: 18 Participation: 16.67%

Michael D. Biegger '87 John F. Erickson '87 Leo E. Landis '87 Kerry T. Lawless '87 Edward J. Maginn '87 Christopher M. Martin '87 Mailable Alumni: 27 Participation: 25.93%

1988

Jerome J. Carpenter '88 James R. Flanigan '88

Kristopher C. Gerlitz '88 Brian M. Johnson '88 Christopher R. Ladner '88 Michael J. McClellan '88 Christopher J. Mote '88 John S. Patten '88 Mailable Alumni: 17 Participation: 47.06%

Daren L. Grothaus '90 Mailable Alumni: 12 Participation: 8.33%

Leon D. Brink '91 John R. Davidson '91 Mailable Alumni: 19 Participation: 10.53%

Kendall A. Griffith '92 Matthew J. McCoy '92 Marc A. Muilenburg '92 Mailable Alumni: 24 Participation: 12.5%

Timothy S. Davidson '93 Tal D. Kovarna '93 Shawn G. Kuhlman '93 Mailable Alumni: 18 Participation: 16.67%

David R. Chumbley '94 Brian J. Streich '94 Mailable Alumni: 16 Participation: 12.5%

Robert L. Carter '95 R. Todd Eliason '95 Louis D. Shell '95 Mailable Alumni: 18 Participation: 16.67%

Scott A. Shuler '96 David R. Sonka '96 Mailable Alumni: 13 Participation: 15.38%

Matt A. Van Berkum '98 Mailable Alumni: 9 Participation: 11.11%

Jeffrey T. Brown '00 Gregory S. Marso '00 Ou W. Meksay '00 Mailable Alumni: 7 Participation: 42.86%

Paul D. Peterson '01 Joshua A. Sterling '01 Eric L. Van Gorp '01 Ryan C. Veenstra '01 Ian C. Young '01 Mailable Alumni: 18 Participation: 55.56%

Jonathan D. Hicks '02 Isaac J. Olsen '02 Craig S. Peterson '02 Bradley J. Streich '02 Vachel L. White '02 Mailable Alumni: 8 Participation: 62.5%

Charles Baumert '03 Steven R. Brittain '03 Nathaniel G. Kemmer '03 Jay M. McArdle '03 Mailable Alumni: 10 Participation: 40%

Michael C. Ungerman '04 Mailable Alumni: 6 Participation: 16.67%

2007

Mitchell J. Gore '07 Mailable Alumni: 5 Participation: 20.00%

David T. Feely '08 Mailable Alumni: 5 Participation: 20.00%

Cory L. Sents '10 Jeffrey M. Trende '10 Mailable Alumni: 4 Participation: 50.00%

Ted J. Anders '11 Mark J. Arnold '11 Benjamin D. Bakkum '11 Gregory E. Burgess '11 Cory W. Timm '11 Mailable Alumni: 15 Participation: 33.33%

Cory J. Millmier '12 Mailable Alumni: 7 Participation: 14%

Matthew R. Kline '13 Mailable Alumni: 5 Participation: 20%

Friends of Iowa Xi

Anonymous Mary Sue Kelley