



XI CLONE

PHI KAPPA THETA FRATERNITY ■ IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY ■ FALL 2015

The *Pride in Our Past, Foundation for Our Future* Campaign Is Now Complete

Alumni Involvement Sets Iowa Xi on Path for Continued Success

We did it. Thanks to all the generous donations of time and treasure from so many alumni, we have renovated the chapter house and exceeded our fundraising goal. Thousands of hours and hundreds of thousands of dollars helped make this possible, and we should be proud of what we have accomplished.

Phi Kappa Theta at 2110 Lincoln Way is now a facility that allows us to compete with other chapters on campus. This upgrade has already paid dividends as our summer recruitment yielded 16 new associate members, our largest class this millennium. The facility is safer, more efficient, and a much more comfortable place for our undergraduates to call home.

Contributions to the campaign crept up just over \$643,000, which exceeded the \$400,000 to \$600,000 mark that was recommended by the feasibility study. Even more impressive is the fact that our alumni participation reached 32%, while typical campaign results are 20-25% based on numbers from our consultant. It's a testimony to how the house has bonded us together, and how proud we are to be Phi Kaps.

With the *Pride in Our Past, Foundation for Our Future* campaign officially concluded, we want to take time to recognize all of those who had a hand in making our success possible. Included on page 2 is our final donor list and we are grateful for everyone who contributed. We have also listed those brothers who served on committees during the campaign, including the alumni corporate board, campaign committee, and building committee, as well as era and class leaders. There were many meetings, conference calls, e-mails, and phone calls that went into our success. We appreciate everyone who reached out to others from their era to encourage their participation. This undertaking would not have succeeded without each and every one of you.

If you haven't yet seen the finished product, please stop by next time you are in Ames and take a tour. For those unable to make it back, we hope the photos on our website at <http://pkталumni.com/construction-progress> and in mailings have helped you stay connected from afar.



Undergraduates recruit largest new member class in over 15 years; chapter welcomes 16 new brothers.



Young alumni and older undergraduates pose for a picture at the Homecoming tailgate (keep in mind it was on Halloween).



Undergraduates and 1980s and 2000s graduates catch up with each other outside the Homecoming tent.

With the completion of the capital campaign, we are now shifting our focus from the facility to annual chapter operating expenses, including alumni events and communication. Our next vital step is to embark on a self-sustaining annual campaign beginning this fall. Keep an eye out in the coming weeks as we tell you more about how you can stay involved. It is our hope that Phi Kap alumni will make modest contributions through this annual giving program.

Thank you for your participation, thank you for your generosity, and thank you for living up to

our motto, "Give, expecting nothing thereof." We are all very proud to be Phi Kaps, and it certainly shows.

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THANK YOU, DEDICATED ALUMNI, FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT

We are deeply grateful to the brothers and friends who have committed \$643,505, exceeding our goal of \$600,000 for 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.

All donors who have contributed 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. 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.

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(\$25,000 and above)

Thomas E. Bottin '66
Gregory D. Stolp '84
In honor of
John Pheffer '61
John Luksetich '80
Mike Murphy '81
Joe Rude '81
Dan Ahern '85
Greg Stein '85
Paul Peterson '01
Stand in the Gap for
Steve Polito '76
Kurt Moody '85
Daniel K. Ahern '85
Richard E. Ball '86

Amethyst & Pearl Society

(\$15,000 to \$24,999)

Iowa Xi Undergraduate Chapter
K.C. Gerlitz '88
Vachel L. White '02
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(\$10,000 to \$14,999)

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In honor of
Rocky the Raccoon
Anonymous
In honor of
The Felicitous Four
Michael L. Canney '75
Stand in the Gap for
Steve Polito '76
James R. Lynxwiler '81
David M. McSweeney '83
Gregory Stein '85,
NY Eta '70
Michael L. Fahning '86
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M.D. '87
In memory of
Kurt Moody
Jerome J. Carpenter '88
Michael J. McClellan '88
Todd D. Senne '90
Matt A. Van Berkum '98
Jeffrey T. Brown '00
David M. Abendschein '01
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(\$7,500 to \$9,999)

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(\$5,000 to \$7,499)

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Frank L. Kock '71
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Russell '71
Kirk E. Thomas '76
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Steve Polito '76
Biegger Brothers
Brian J. Biegger '78
Dave Biegger '81
Mark Biegger '84
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Michael T. Lustig '78
Timothy R. Laird '80
Frank J. Hays '83
Andy Lyons '83
Dave T. McCleary '83
Stephen E. Pascuzzi '84
Lane M. Crosser '85
James R. Flanigan '88
Jeff Moody '88
R. Todd Eliason '95
In memory of
Jeff J. Lucas '95
Scott A. Shuler '96
In memory of
Jeff J. Lucas '95
Ou Meksay '00
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(\$2,500 to \$4,999)

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(\$1,000 to \$2,499)

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In memory of
Lewis H. Oster '48
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George E. Hoganson '53
Harold F. Johnson '53
David J. Meis '54
David T. Drees '57
Eugene H. Scallon '58
In memory of
Melvin "Mike"
Barta '58
Allan W. Kintzle '62
Gerald J. Gartner '63
Stand in the Gap
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Phillip M. Sosalla '65
Clement Ward '66
Michael Morrissey '68
In memory of
Steve Maloney '68
Stephen J. Veit, M.D. '68
In memory of
Dick Concannon '68
Michael C. Bellinger '69
In memory of
Charles Hoffman
James L. Longnecker '69
Dr. Frank R. Pisarik '69
Thomas E. Rastrelli '69
In memory of
Kent Hall '68
Edmund J. Winfield '71
David J. Besser '72
Thomas J. Krob '72
Joseph F. Sobota '73
Stand in the Gap for
Dick Concannon '68
Gregory L. Albert '74

Gerald L. Dostal '74
Joseph G. Bertogli '76
Michael J. Maloney '76
Stand in the Gap for
Steve Maloney '68 and
Steve Polito '76
Robert J. Peterson '76
Stand in the Gap for
Steve Polito '76
Keith A. Springer '77
Stand in the Gap for
Steve Polito '76
Brian J. Biegger '78
Stand in the Gap for
Steve Polito '76
Neil Dierks '79

In memory of
Mike Brown '70
Lawrence J.
Rettenmaier '80
Dave Biegger '81
Stand in the Gap
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Gary A. Culp '84
Daniel K. Duffy '84
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Kerry T. Lawless '87
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Bryan J. Crock '88
Christopher R. Ladner '88
Christopher J. Mote '88
Thomas G. Mercer '89
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Leon D. Brink '91
Eric J. Fahning '92
Kendall A. Griffith '92
Thomas TenHoeve '92
Timothy S. Davidson '93
Tal. D. Kovarna '93
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Robert L. Carter '95
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In memory of
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Campaign Status At-a-Glance

As of November 4, 2015

\$600,000 Goal

\$643,505 Total Commitments

203 Contributors

32% Participation

David T. Feely '08
Jeffrey M. Trende '10
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Mitch T. Kennedy '12
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Talon X. Larson '14
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James M. Doyle '56
John C. Kurt '56
Dr. Cletus R. Mercier '57
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Tom Forburger '58 and
Mel DeBlauw '59
David A. Kleveter '59
Joseph T. Houska '61
Ronald A. Klocke '61
David E. Schmeiser '61
James H. Weber '61
Richard E. Champion '62
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Jerome C. Peltier '62
Keith B. Downey '64
Jerome E. Kuennen '64
Charles W. Dobra '67
Gregory G. Gamble '69
Thomas R. Havey '69
In memory of
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Robert J. Reinhardt '73
A. William Fleischacker '75
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David J. Nichols '85
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Matthew J. McCoy '92
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Alice DeBlauw
In memory of
Mel DeBlauw '59 and
David Kleveter '59
Charlie A. Peterson '04
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In honor of
Greg Stein '85
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Dobbelaere '52
Robert J. Fitzgerald '52
William J. Shaw Sr. '52
Arthur J. Groff '53
Gerald E. Wilson '53
James E. Kent '54

GIVE, EXPECTING NOTHING THEREOF

Mike Fahning '86 Reflects on Parkinson's Disease Advocacy and Lifelong Friendships with Brothers

"Give, expecting nothing thereof." This phrase could not ring more true for **Mike Fahning '86**, and it is one that he strives to live by each and every day. When Mike joined Phi Kappa Theta, he did not know at the time that he would become part of something so big, and be surrounded by individuals who would challenge him to become the best version of himself. "The men of Iowa Xi exemplified everything that I wished to be part of—servant leadership, paying it forward through acts of philanthropy, and a genuine, powerful brotherhood. **Rick Ball '86**, **Mike Biegger '87**, and **Ed Maginn '87** in particular were selfless, inspirational leaders in the chapter," he says.



Having upperclassmen in the chapter to look up to encouraged Mike to pursue leadership, professional, and personal interests. Mike expanded on his undergraduate experience with serving as social chairman for Iowa Xi by becoming the organizer for the annual alumni golf event, which started in 1987. "The alumni

golf event has been a great time to reconnect not only with other alumni but also with undergraduate members. As alumni, we have as much or more to learn from our undergraduates as they have to learn from us. The more we feel connected to our chapter, the more willing we are to give our time and finances to help our chapter flourish. Taking the time to give back to the chapter that gave you so much is a critical driving force in the success of Iowa Xi."

Aside from connecting with Iowa Xi brothers and contributing to the future of the chapter, Mike dedicates much of his time and energy toward his passion: raising awareness for Parkinson's disease. After being diagnosed with Parkinson's disease in 2002 at the age of 38, Mike has made a remarkable impact in the Parkinson's community through fundraising efforts, participating in clinical trials, and inspiring those with Parkinson's to live a healthy, active lifestyle. "One of my greatest blessings has been the ability to

network with people through profit and non-profit organizations and social media. I have met some very inspiring and motivated people in the Parkinson's community, and my energies have been focused on fundraising, community networking, and local awareness programs." Mike has become a strong advocate for the Pedaling for Parkinson's charity event, which involves participants bicycling across Iowa, and raises thousands of dollars toward Parkinson's exercise programs. If you would like to donate to the Pedaling for Parkinson's charity event, please go to www.pedalingforparkinsons.org/fundraising.

As an alumnus, Mike stays connected with Rick, Mike, **Mike Ball '91**, **Paul Fisher '87**, **Leo Landis '87**, **Tom Davis '86**, **Jerry Carpenter '88**, **Paul Peterson '01**, **Jason Wiener '02**, **Dave Feely '08**, **Jon Fahning '92**, **Eric Fahning '92**, and **John Patten '88** through alumni events, fishing trips, and social media. "Spending quality time with my Iowa Xi brothers is an intangible value that I will continue to cherish for the rest of my life. They are some of my biggest supporters, and for that I could not be more thankful. Pedal and Roll!" You can contact Mike at mfahning64@gmail.com.

Iowa Xi Achieves Highest New Member Class, Looks Forward to Future

This fall, brothers hit the ground running in academics, recruitment, brotherhood activities, and community involvement. Iowa Xi has been involved in many activities, including Homecoming, the Reformation Bowl, and highway cleanup.

Iowa Xi Welcomes 16 New Members

Last summer, Recruitment Chairmen **Lieb Chol '17** and **Chase Reising '18** worked hard to bring in a large new member class. Lieb and Chase exceeded their goal by signing 16 quality men. This new member class is the largest since the 1990s, and our recruitment chairmen are not done signing new members yet. We are also working toward recruiting members for the spring semester.



Iowa Xi members serenade sorority members.

Undergraduates Demonstrate Remarkable Academic Efforts

Chapter members placed an emphasis on academics last spring, and the overall chapter GPA showed it. The GPA jumped significantly from a 2.71 to a 3.01, an increase of 0.3. This placed our overall chapter GPA 15th among the 32 fraternities on campus. The change in GPA was the second-best in the Greek community, and the goal for this fall is to continue demonstrating academic excellence and place in the top 10 for fraternities.

Out with the Old, in with the New

Undergraduates have worked hard to improve the exterior look of the

house. This included adding a retaining wall next to the fire escape, cleaning up the debris next to the fence, and seeding the lawn where the bushes were located. The major improvement for the interior of the house was the entrance to "the hole" in the basement, which was made to look like a wardrobe instead of just a door.

Chapter Celebrates Homecoming Victories

For Homecoming, we paired with Pi Kappa Alpha and Kappa Kappa Gamma and we performed well in Yell like Hell and the lawn display. We played Beta Sigma Psi (the Lutheran fraternity) in the Reformation Bowl, and Iowa Xi has possessed the Reformation Bowl trophy for the last two years.

Planning for the Future

The chapter is functioning well and our membership is increasing. We have achieved the largest new member class in over 15 years, the house looks beautiful, our brotherhood is strong, and alumni involvement is on the rise. We look forward to seeing alumni throughout the rest of the semester. If you're in the area, please stop by for a visit!



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2015 Phi Kap Open



The 2015 Phi Kap Open was held at Veenker on August 15. Winners of this year's green jackets were **Greg Burgess '11** and **Cory Millmier '12**.

HOMECOMING 2015

Thanks to all alumni who stopped by the tailgate tent during Homecoming on October 31 to grab some food and enjoy the brotherhood (not to mention a Cyclone victory). The turnout was fantastic and it was exciting to see members with graduation dates spanning 50 years. We plan on securing the tent annually so if you couldn't make it this time we hope to see you next year. To see photos from the event, turn to page 1.

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS

Davis Arbogast '18 • Eagen, Minn.
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Thank you to our phenomenal campaign volunteers for providing continuous support to the Iowa Xi Chapter. We sincerely apologize if any name was unintentionally left off this list.

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If you are not receiving periodic e-mails from the alumni board with event updates, please e-mail Paul Peterson '01 at paulpeterson13@gmail.com to be added to the list.

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