

# Teke Talk

January & February 2017

Issue 1

Teke a Look at what the  
brothers of Tau Kappa  
Epsilon's **Alpha Zeta**  
Chapter at Purdue University  
have been up to!

Inside:

Meet our newest initiated brothers!

See how well all our different rush  
events have gone!

And more!

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# Who We Are



Establishing ourselves on Purdue University's campus on December 20, 1928, we, Tau Kappa Epsilon Alpha-Zeta chapter, are the oldest fraternity on campus. We have a long history of tradition and prestige, and so we continue to hold these virtues up today with our current 11 brothers. Being a smaller fraternity, we certainly emphasize diversity and quality over quantity. We are continuing to learn and grow everyday by doing various social events which help strengthen our family and create a warm invitation for those wanting to join. We are proud to share our journey and hope you enjoying seeing it too, because everything we do is founded on our core three principles of

## Love, Charity, and Esteem.





# Welcome to the Family!

Alpha-Zeta Initiates  
three new brothers into  
their growing chapter.

“I am so happy to be  
officially in this  
brotherhood!”

- Archit  
Kulkarni

While the end of the 2016 spring semester finishing on a high note for TKE-AZ with the six new brothers, the start of the 2016 fall semester at Purdue was welcomed by our new house on 175 Littleton St. Having this house made social gatherings much more efficient, quickly turning from just a house to a home. Fall also brought in three new prospective new members: freshman Ryan Spear, sophomore Archit Kulkarni, and senior Andrew Crow. These three men quickly stood out to us in their commitment

to honor and to the betterment of our fraternity. By clearly proving themselves as worthy fraters of Tau Kappa Epsilon, we were able to initiate them at our own house. It was a joyous ceremony and afterwards, they were quick to take on leadership roles in our chapter. As spring 2017 starts, we hope to get the same, if not more, potential new members and hope everyone gets the most out of their experience as a brother of our chapter. Congratulations men!



# Social Event Success

At Teke, it's more than just a rush event.

From bowling nights to family dinners at dining courts, January and February were packed with all kinds of activities to promote our name and attract the attention of those who would be interested in participating in our events. By also calling our activities not as "rush events," but as "social gatherings" we truly aspire to stand out from other fraternities by presenting ourselves as more personal and individualized. "There's definitely a stigma and a pressure to impress fraternities at their rush events, and we really did not want to perpetuate that," Frater Stephen Van Ostenbridge claims. By being a smaller fraternity, we exude a more relaxed and intimate atmosphere free of judgment and favoritism. "Diversity is something we are proud of here at TKE," president Andrew Deeter states. With over four languages and five countries represented in our chapter, we truly wanted to highlight that, and so we introduced our Friday movie night "Embracing Diversity" Film Series, where we show different films of different genres and country origins, starting with Frater Tyler Wilson's Japanese pick, "Spirited Away." Other event this month included a spaghetti cookout night by Frater Ian Bradley, Rack n' Roll Bowling and Billiards, a superbowl viewing party, and a hot dog/kebabs grill out and IU v. Purdue Basketball viewing party. All which were attended by various potential new members, leading to new accepted bids. It is because of everyone's collaborative effort that we are able to sustain these events as well as just have a blast being ourselves at them. Stay tuned to what we plan to do in the future!

Photos (Top to bottom) Frater Andrew Deeter enjoys a home-cooked bowl of spaghetti; Frater Ryan Spear congratulates a potential new member on his perfect strike; Frater R concentrates on his pool; TKE is spotted eating together at Ford!; Two of our promotional posters for our events made by Frater Kyrie Sismaet.



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**FREE SCREENING:**  
HOSTED BY:  
**TAU KAPPA EPSILON**

AS PART OF OUR  
**"EMBRACING DIVERSITY"  
FILM SERIES**

WHEN: **FRIDAY 2.24.17 @8pm**  
WHERE: **175 LITTLETON ST.**

LOVE. CHARITY. ESTEEM.



**Tau Kappa Epsilon**  
Meet & Greet Events for 2.27.17 - 3.3.17

**Tuesday (2.28)**  
What: Grill Out @ the House: Hot Dogs & Kebobs  
Where: 175 Littleton St.  
When: 6pm

**Thursday (3.2)**  
What: Free Bowling Night  
Where: PMU Rack n' Roll  
When: 9pm

**Friday (3.3)**  
What: "Tix @ Teke" Movie Night: "The Arrival"  
Where: 175 Littleton St.  
When: 8pm

Interested in a diverse and friendly brotherhood?  
Consider TKE. We abide by the principles of  
**Love, Charity, and Esteem.**  
To contact us, visit our FB Page: Tau Kappa Epsilon at Purdue





Taking the time to table and meet new people comes with some great results

*"It's important to appear friendly, casual, and inviting."*

There is no better way to promote our name than to reach out and introduce ourselves firsthand, and by setting up tables in Stewart and the Union, we are humbly showing passerbys all we got. Through handing out pens and promoting our social events, we were able to catch the attention of potential new members who might have been too busy or shy to approach us otherwise. "It's important to appear friendly, casual, and inviting, and not intimidating or forceful," Frater Grant Bowyer describes. So if you see us out there, don't hesitate to say hi!

Andrew Deeter

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Come check out  
tke in the union!





“I love TKE  
because I feel like  
I can really  
be myself around  
these guys.”

-Andrew Deeter  
TKE A-Z President 2017

# Stay Tuned For More!

As we continue to grow, we will constantly be creating memories we will be proud to share in the following months. Hope you enjoyed reading!

## TKE A-Z BY THE NUMBERS

**1928, DEC 20TH**

The date our chapter was founded on Purdue University.

**175 LITTLETON ST.**

Our current house address, easily located a few blocks off of Panda Express and XXX.

**11 CURRENT BROTHERS**

With 3 current seniors, 1 junior, 6 sophomores, and 1 freshman.

**10+ LEADERSHIP POSITIONS**

We offer many chair and committee positions which ensure everyone is involved and their opinion is valued.

**5+ COUNTRIES REPRESENTED**

We have brothers with ethnic heritages from Dubai, Japan, Philippines, Netherlands, India, Germany, and more!

**4+ LANGUAGES SPOKEN**

With brothers from all over the world, we get into some interesting conversations!

**3 BASIC PRINCIPLES**

Love, Charity, Esteem. Learn it, remember it, let it guide you.

**2+ SPORTS & CHARITIES INVOLVED**

We are partnered with St. Jude's Children's hospital, have been involved with Winterization, and are in shape with sports activities like soccer and volleyball!

**1 COLLECTIVE COMMITMENT**

we are as committed to improving our chapter as much it improves us, and so TKE promotes Better Men For a Better World.

### Letter from the Editor

Hi everyone, my name is Kyrie Sismaet, and I am the Historian for our fraternity. It's a true honor being able to do what I love while also positively promoting the fraternity I love. I never thought I would join a fraternity, yet here I am now, and I don't regret it one bit. Boiler up! Go Teke!

