



AEPKS ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

August 2021

From the Upsilon

Dear Brothers of the Alpha Epsilon Chapter of Phi Kappa Sigma,

Happy Labor Day! I hope you were able to enjoy the long weekend.

The month of August was a tremendously busy and exciting period for the chapter we embarked on our semesterly retreat, spent a week deep cleaning the house for the new semester, and had a very successful Rush Week.

This semester, our chapter has 32 active members, 29 of which live in the house. We are also proud to say that we have 11 New Members who are on the path to becoming Skulls.

This issue contains articles about the retreat and a message from Iota, Bryant Schultz, and Lambda, Zach Walberg, regarding this semester's New Member class.

I would also like to highlight the efforts of Brothers Nate Scott (AE 2023) and Ethan Hawn (AE 2023) for organizing a two-day blood drive to kickoff Alpha Epsilon's community service projects for the new academic year. The second date for the blood drive is Thursday, September 9, 2021. The poster included below contains more information.



Fraternally,
Kevin Berner (Brother Stress Test, AE 2024)

Fall Retreat 2021

From Friday, August 13, 2021, to Sunday, August 15, 2021, the chapter carried out its semesterly Brotherhood Retreat, which this time was a camping trip to Kickapoo State Recreational Area in Oakwood, IL. Throughout the weekend, brothers enjoyed pleasant, sunny weather in the 70s and long-awaited in-person activities with active members, old and new.

After setting up the campsite on Friday evening, the chapter gathered together for a nighttime movie viewing of Marvel's *Spider-Man: Far From Home* (2019).

On Saturday, brothers participated in various team-building activities and later went canoeing and swimming. To end the busy day, brothers gathered around the campfire for the traditional Gavel Pass as a brilliant night sky watched over the group.

It was a spectacular weekend as laughter constantly filled the air and was a satisfying end to the summer break!



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A Message From the Iota and Lambda



Zach Walberg and I had the pleasure of getting to know this semester's new member class after the pinning ceremony. This semester we have 11 new members, and it is probably the most diverse class in terms of age and hometown that the chapter has seen in a while. Over the next nine weeks, Walberg and I will be running them through new member education and our new revamped pledge class officer system. This class is already extremely

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welcoming this class into the chapter!

Fraternally,
Bryant Schultz (Brother Zabe, AE 2022) and Zach Walberg
(Brother Rambo, AE 2023)

Blood Drive Information

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Thursdays
**September
2 & 9**

**12:00 AM - 4:00 PM
10:00AM - 2:00PM**

Helpful tip:
Make sure to eat a healthy meal and drink plenty of water before donating.



<800-XXX-XXXX>

Illinois Institute of Technology - Office of Campus Life Blood Drive

Hosted by Phi Kappa Sigma, Alpha Epsilon Chapter
MTCC, 3201 South State St., Chicago, IL 60616

To schedule your appointment, call 1-800-7TO-GIVE,
or visit www.versiti.org

If you've traveled outside of the U.S. or Canada within the past years, please call 1-800-7TO-GIVE.
You may donate blood 48 hours after receiving the Covid-19 vaccination.

Presenting donors will receive a \$15 e-Gift Card

Shine a light on sickle cell. All attempting donors will receive a limited-edition sickle cell awareness t-shirt as a thank you, while supplies last.



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