



Alumni Newsletter



Phi Sigma Kappa
Kappa Deuteron

Welcome

Alumni,
I hope you are as excited as we are for a great season of Yellow Jacket football! Should you be in Atlanta or near campus, please feel free to stop by the house and connect with the brothers.



Brad Farnham
KD 1140

During the last year we have continued our growth as an organization in all aspects of our operations. In the Spring, we initiated 7 men, far above the Spring campus average, and now have 15 Fall pledges. Our membership has increased to 65 active members, including pledges. With this member growth we have been able to drive more impact to the community. Last semester we raised over \$2500 to sponsor an athlete at the Special

Olympic World Games, completed over 450 hours of community service, maintained a 3.16 chapter GPA, and completed another semester incident free with IFC. These superb accomplishments were recognized at General Convention this summer where we won 6 awards! This semester we hope to reorganize our service efforts by focusing on driving longstanding impact to select charitable organizations in our community. We want the chapter to get deeply involved with these organizations so we can see the benefits we are creating firsthand. We are also excited to challenge our 6th place finish in Homecoming

last year! We hope you can be a part of the weekend festivities. The game time has not been released yet, but Homecoming weekend is 10/23-10/25, with the game against FSU on 10/24. Keep an eye on the Phi Sig Alumni Association website for hotel and event information. I, and the rest of the chapter, hope to see you in the near future.

Damn Glad,
Brad Farnham

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Kappa Deuteron by the Numbers

Chapter Overview

What makes the Kappa Deuteron Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa so extraordinary? Here's the Kappa Deuteron Chapter by the numbers:

1186 Brothers Inducted

1000 Hours of Philanthropy

92 Years on Campus

50 Brothers

17 Different States

15 Pledges

14 Majors

6 Countries

3 Cardinal Principles

1 Brotherhood

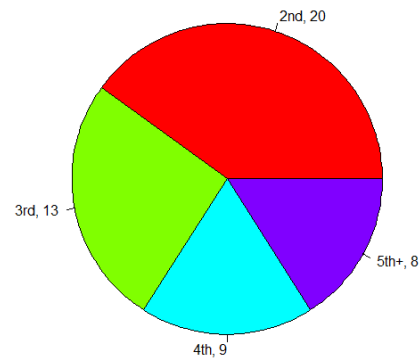
Philanthropy

Pass Success and Future Goals

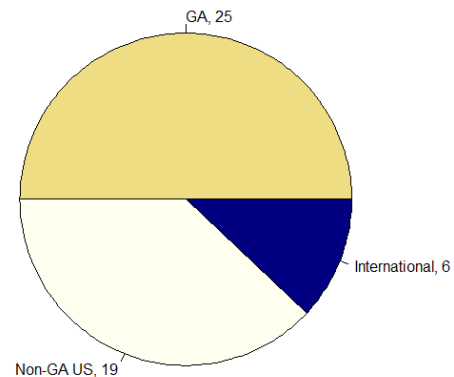
Last year our chapter set the goal of raising \$2500 raising to sponsor a Special Olympics Athlete. We are pleased to announce that not only did we meet that goal, - we actually exceeded it by \$400 raising a total of \$2900 for the Special Olympics and \$4200 overall. Beyond that brothers contributed just over 1000 hours combined for various philanthropic causes over the last year. Looking beyond the past year the

Kappa Deuteron chapter has set several ambitious goals for the next year. In addition to sponsoring another athlete for the Special Olympics we are currently in contact with four charities, The Boy's and Girls Club, The Atlanta Mission, The Atlanta Humane Society, and Trees Atlanta, with the objective

Active Brothers by Year



Active Brothers by Hometown



"Over the last Academic Year the Kappa Deuteron Chapter raised over \$4,200 for volunteer causes, including \$2,900 for the Special Olympics"

of forming volunteer partnerships. These volunteer partnerships would consist of Phi Sig sending at least 5 brothers a week to the organization to work on projects where they can make a lasting impact on the organization. We hope to select two organizations over the next coming weeks to partner with.

New Associates

Welcome the Fall 2015 Pledge Class

The Kappa Deuteron chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa is very pleased to announce the 15 new members of the Fall 2015 pledge class! Our pledge class is comprised of 11 freshman and 4 sophomores representing 8 different states and 9 different majors. The members of the Fall 2015 pledge class are: Andrew Ye (EE), a 1st year from Bangor, ME; Alexander White (CS), a 2nd year from Powder Springs, GA; Christian Sewell (BME), a 1st year from Marietta, GA; Sam Burke (AE), a 1st year from Monroe, WA; Daniel Charanis (Bio), a 1st year from Atlanta, GA; William Mitchell (CS), a 2nd year from Prattville, AL; David Yap

(BME), a 1st year from Marietta, GA; Alexander Yankee (AE), a 1st year from Roswell, GA; Richard Lee (ChemE), a 2nd year from Duluth, GA; Alexander Gibson (ME), a 1st year from Roswell, GA; Rohan Manathkar (IE), a 1st year from Cary, NC; Vaishak Lalsangi (CS), from Cary, NC; William Courrèges-Clerc (BA), a 2nd year from Tallahassee, FL; Prakhyath Muppidi (BME), a 1st year from Hoffman Estates, IL; and Thomas Malchodi (ME), a 1st year from Acton, MA.

We hope you will join us in congratulating these men in taking the first steps in joining Phi Sig!



The Fall 2015 Pledge Class before the Annual Run of the Roses

Brotherhood

Success inside and outside the classroom

For the first time since the Chapter House was constructed in 2010 we are pleased to have a full house of brothers! With multiple brothers in leadership roles on the Inter-Fraternity Council and in over a dozen on-campus organizations we have a stronger presence than ever on campus.



Brothers at the Alcorn State Football Game

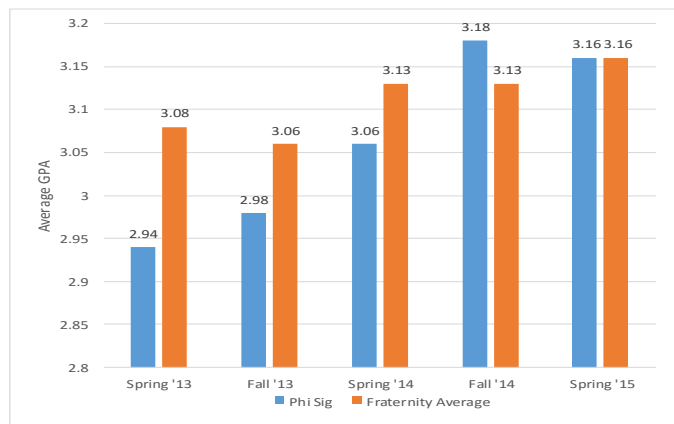


Brothers at the Tug Greek Week event last Spring

Scholarship

A Trend of Excellence

This past semester we were pleased to continue our academic success with an average GPA equal to or greater than the campus fraternity average (and significantly higher than the non-Greek average). We credit this success to our policy of actively helping our fellow brothers to succeed academically by providing them mentorship and the resources to succeed, rather than simply reacting. The Vice President of Scholarship, Adam Jackson (KD 1181) has been actively meeting with pledges and establishing



Phi Sig Average GPA vs Fraternity Average

individualized study plans catered to their course load and major. With this continued focus on academic success we look forward to another semester of stellar grades!

Character

Kappa Deuteron takes General Convention by Storm

This past August four of our brothers traveled up to Minneapolis to represent the Kappa Deuteron chapter at the Phi Sigma Kappa General Convention. We had high hopes of receiving honors from the Grand Chapter to recognize all of the fantastic work our brothers have accomplished over the last year, but when we arrived at the awards ceremony. We received the President's Special Achievement Awards for: Scholarship, Recruitment, Philanthropy Sponsorship, Risk

Management, and Service on Campus. Additionally, we received special commendation for our sponsorship of a Special Olympics Athlete from the Grand Chapter. Beyond our commendations the representatives participated in leadership development exercises at the Al Shonk Leadership School, and additionally President Brad Farnham participated in the Zilligitt Leadership Institute, the Fraternity's premier leadership development program with a select few undergraduates.



**Kappa Deuteron Delegates to the General Convention. From left to right:
Nicholas Laconico (KD 1148), James Bonifield (KD 1145), Brad Farnham (KD
1140), & Patrick Wu (KD 1150)**

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Phi Sigma Kappa, Kappa Deuteron has been a presence on the Georgia Tech campus since 1923. With a rich 91 year old history, this chapter has solidified itself in the Georgia Tech community. We have currently initiated 1,158 men into our brotherhood and look to continue this success in years to come.

As always, please contact us with things you would like to see in future newsletters or updates about yourself that you would like to share with the recipients of this letter. The next issue of the Fall newsletter will be out mid-late November, and we hope to see you around the house some time!

Damn Glad,

James Bonifield

Secretary, KD 1145

2015 Homecoming Information

We are very excited to welcome everyone for the 2015 Homecoming. As details become available from the Alumni Association they will be posted on:

www.gtpsisigmakappa.com

Matthew Thompson (KD 1077) will be organizing the golf tournament this year. If you are interested in participating please contact him at by email:
psk.kd.thompson@gmail.com

This years Homecoming set to be an exciting game against the defending ACC Champions Florida State. We look forward to seeing all of you there!



**Brothers and Alumni at the 2014
Homecoming**
