Phi Kappa Tau’s commitment to service and philanthropy is one that speaks to our desire to make our campuses, communities and world better. There are few ways where our commitment has a greater impact than through our collaboration with the SeriousFun Children’s Network, a partnership that celebrates its 20th anniversary this year.

Pictured: Devon Lehman and Foundation Trustee Cliff Unger, Arizona ’98.
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Passion is contagious. Phi Kappa Tau men have found passion in countless areas that better themselves and their communities. One universal passion evident today is our commitment to service. This issue of The Laurel focuses on this ongoing commitment and celebrates a wonderful 20-year partnership with the SeriousFun Children’s Network.

Paul Newman, Ohio ’43, was committed to service. He founded a network of camps that are still changing lives. He was a successful actor, but he defined himself as a philanthropist. That is why Phi Kappa Tau is proud to have Paul in our ranks.

Paul’s legacy is alive throughout all aspects of our Fraternity. His example continues to guide us, and the next generation of Phi Kappa Tau brothers are distinguishing themselves through their desire to serve others.

Chad Warrix, Eastern Kentucky ’12, is committed to service. He—along with bandmate David Tolliver—raised more than $1 million for Kentucky based charities, providing instruments to struggling music programs in eastern Kentucky schools and participates in countless charity events each year. He is one-half of Halfway to Hazard, an Academy of Country Music nominated duo, but he is defining himself as a philanthropist. That is why Phi Kappa Tau is proud to have Chad in our ranks.

Paul’s legacy of service and Chad’s continued commitment to service are prime examples for Phi Tau men. Across this country, brothers—young and old—share their passion for service. This year Phi Kappa Tau undergraduates raised more than $100,000 for SeriousFun.

I venture to guess that Paul Newman would be proud—proud of Chad, proud of our chapters and proud of Phi Kappa Tau’s commitment to service.

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News & Noteworthy

ELEVEN MONTHS AND SEVEN CHARTERINGs

During the past 11 months, Phi Kappa Tau celebrated as brothers worked to return their dormant chapters to the fold or to charter newly-formed colonies. In late 2014, Alabama chartered as the Zeta Eta chapter with 49 men. North Texas started 2015 strong by becoming the Zeta Theta chapter with 36 men.

April was a busy month, as three groups chartered in less than 20 days: Zeta Iota at Indiana-Kokomo kicked off the celebrations by chartering with 28 men. Staff then traveled to Kenyon to charter the Zeta Kappa chapter with 24 members. Five days later, brothers gathered at Mississippi State to recharter Alpha Chi with 37 men.

In May, Beta Gamma rechartered at Idaho with 31 new brothers, and Middle Tennessee State became the Zeta Lambda chapter with 34 men over the summer break. Congratulations to all of these groups and the hard-working volunteers who helped them on their path to the Fraternity experience.

Palm Award Presented to John Johnson

John Johnson, Mississippi State ’64, has served the Phi Kappa Tau Fraternity in the spirit of the Creed and has taken his oath of brotherhood seriously for the past 50 years. During the Alpha Chi Rechartering in April, National President Rick Keltner, Sacramento State ’76, presented Johnson with the Palm Award.

Future Leaders Attend Academy

Phi Kappa Tau hosted another successful three sessions of Leadership Academy—the premier and individualized leadership-development program for rising Phi Kappa Tau leaders.

The 2015 sessions of Leadership Academy were held in Oregonia, Ohio; Mentone, Calif.; and Eatonton, Ga. More than 130 brothers attended these sessions, representing 71 chapters. Participants created connections with other rising Phi Kappa Tau leaders, identified their own leadership style and learned how to effectively use their core values working with others.
70TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

In 1945, years of planning led by Honorary Founding Father Ewing T. Boles, Centre ’14, culminated in the establishment of the Educational Endowment Fund—known today as the Phi Kappa Tau Foundation. For more than 70 years, the Foundation has transformed Phi Kappa Tau, its members and its potential.

Today, the Foundation grants more than $300,000 a year to support Men of Character programs, Foundation scholarships and local chapter initiatives. Learn more about the Foundation’s history by reading the last issue of The Laurel online at phitau.co/FoundationAnnualReport.

TRUSTEE ROSSER INDUCTED INTO HERITAGE SOCIETY

At this year’s Conclave in July, Foundation Chairman Dick Michael, Michigan Tech ’70, presented a Heritage Society Plate to recently elected Foundation Trustee Mike Rosser, Colorado State ’61, in recognition of a planned gift he made to the Phi Kappa Tau Foundation. The Heritage Society allows brothers and friends to leave a lasting legacy within Phi Kappa Tau through their estates or other types of planned gifts.

TOP DONORS RECOGNIZED AT FOURTH ANNUAL EWING T. BOLES DINNER

Also during Conclave in Oxford, Ohio, members of the Foundation’s Boles Society—an honor reserved for donors who contribute at least $1,000 to the Foundation each year—gathered at the White Garden Inn for an evening celebrating the Foundation’s history and recognizing the impact these donors have on Phi Kappa Tau. This year, 24 members of the Boles Society were in attendance, including a number of National Counselors and Foundation Trustees.

JOHN M. GREEN CLASSIC HONORS A PHI TAU GREAT

Conclave concluded with more than 30 golfers participating in the John M. Green Classic, which invites brothers and guests to take to the links for a golf scramble honoring Foundation Secretary John Green, Nebraska Wesleyan ’60, who served as national president (1981–83), Fraternity executive director (1987–98) and Foundation executive director (2001–07). This year’s event raised more than $4,000 to support the Foundation.
This year’s “Founders Four” chapters, finalists for the coveted Roland Maxwell Trophy, traveled to Oxford, Ohio, for Conclave in July to present their cases to be chosen as the most outstanding chapter in Phi Kappa Tau. Evaluations are based on the chapter’s previous calendar year’s Borradaile Challenge results. The award is named in honor of Roland Maxwell, Southern California ’22.

At the conclusion of the weekend—during the Brotherhood Banquet—National President Rick Keltner, Sacramento State ’76, presented the 2015 Roland Maxwell Trophy to the Upsilon chapter at Nebraska Wesleyan.

“We are proud of all that the Upsilon chapter has accomplished in such a short amount of time,” said CEO Tim Hudson, Truman State ’97. “The chapter gave a strong presentation outlining how they have internalized the values of our Fraternity and developed a deep understanding of the ‘why’ of their chapter.”

The awards committee selected the chapter whose philosophy and performance most closely aligned with the set criteria. This year’s presentations addressed Simon Sinek’s golden circle theory, a component of many Phi Kappa Tau educational programs that explains why some people and organizations are able to achieve certain goals or a level of success that others cannot.

“To see a chapter that rechartered only a few years ago take home the Maxwell Trophy is a testament to the impact our educational programs and strong alumni support can have on building a chapter in which members truly understand the power of Fraternity,” said Hudson. “Phi Kappa Tau is excited to see what is in store for our chapter at Nebraska Wesleyan in the years to come.”
Below is a timeline chronicling key events in the partnership with SeriousFun Children’s Network and Phi Kappa Tau. Milestones for SeriousFun, Phi Kappa Tau and Paul Newman are denoted in blue, red, and gold, respectively.

1943
Paul Newman was initiated into Phi Kappa Tau at the Beta chapter at Ohio University.

1979
Paul Newman was honored for his professional achievements with the Taylor A. Borradaile Alumnus Award.

1988
Paul Newman opened the Hole in the Wall Gang Camp for children with serious illnesses in Ashford, Conn.

1995
During the 52nd National Convention in Washington, D.C., the Association of Hole in the Wall Camps was named the official national philanthropy of Phi Kappa Tau.

1999
The Phi Kappa Tau Foundation began offering 25 stipends to members who serve an entire summer as a Hole in the Wall Gang camp counselor.

2006
Paul Newman was inducted into the Phi Kappa Tau Hall of Fame during the Centennial Celebration.

2006
Delta Zeta Sorority announced a partnership with The Painted Turtle, a camp for children with chronic and life threatening illnesses.

2006
The Joshua Berman Memorial Stipend, in memory of the son of Sarah and Shelley Berman, Southern California ’05, was endowed by Bob Plumleigh, Southern California ’47, and his late wife, Betty. Joshua died of cancer in 1977 at the age of 13. This scholarship is awarded to an undergraduate brother who has volunteered at the Association of Hole in the Wall Camp and plans to volunteer again for more than five days.
The history of SeriousFun Children’s Network begins with salad dressing. In 1982, Paul Newman, Ohio ’43, and his friend, author A.E. Hotchner, created Newman’s Own to market Paul’s personal recipe, and earmarked the profits for charity. The salad dressing was a huge success, and “Newman’s Own” soon added spaghetti sauce, popcorn, salsa and lemonade to its lineup. Before long, company profits were in the millions. During this time, Newman’s Own brand received scores of letters from parents of kids with serious illnesses asking for support, planting the seed for what would become a lifelong passion of Paul’s: to provide joy in the lives of kids coping with illnesses.

In 1986, Paul had a brilliant idea: why not build special camps for children living with serious illnesses to have fun with their peers? He wanted to create a place for kids to experience the life-changing adventures and meaningful friendships that go hand-in-hand with summer camp, regardless of their medical condition, to provide an opportunity for kids to escape the fear, pain and isolation of their illness and simply enjoy their childhood.

His inspiring vision became reality when the Hole in the Wall Gang Camp, named for the ragtag bandits from his film, “Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid,” opened in 1988 in Connecticut. The camp offered kids facing serious illnesses opportunities to kick back and, in Paul’s own words, “raise a little hell.” When asked why he founded the first camp, Paul explained, “I wanted, I think, to acknowledge luck; the chance of it, the benevolence of it in my life, and the brutality of it in the lives of others, made especially savage for children because they may not be allowed the good fortune of a lifetime to correct it.”

SeriousFun Children’s Network camps surpassed 337,000 children served at its 30 camps.

The Association of Hole in the Wall Camps changed its name to SeriousFun Children’s Network. The new name and identity embodies the root of their work—highlighting Paul Newman’s belief that taking fun seriously can make a real difference in the lives of children who need it most.
The idea, once local, quickly took on a life of its own, inspiring independent action from a host of other believers—and SeriousFun Children’s Network was born. Paul Newman might not have seen it coming, but here it was: a parade of big-hearted, caring adults taking his idea global. They created programs from California to Africa, pushing the affirming force of fun to deliver a serious and lasting impact, one kid at a time. The experience of camp transforms children and families using a proven methodology that includes non-competition, challenge by choice, and time for reflection. Fun? Yes. Serious? Indeed.

SeriousFun camps and programs bring the power of intentional play to children with serious illnesses across the globe. Residential camps are located in the United States, Europe, and Israel, with locations being developed in South Africa. Through SeriousFun’s Global Partnership Program, a camp experience is delivered in resource-limited locations around the world, including Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean. Currently, some 30 camps and programs on five continents annually serve more than 86,000 children and their family members. More than 637,000 children and families have been served since SeriousFun’s inception.

SeriousFun camps feature a diverse range of adaptive activities, high and low ropes courses, archery and equestrian programs as well as traditional camp activities like swimming, boating, arts and crafts, and campfires. Residential camp sessions are conducted for children during summer, as well as weekends for families throughout the spring, autumn and winter. These special weekends offer campers the chance to reunite after camp and provide families with opportunities to spend quality time together, bonding and enjoying the fun and laughter of camp. The experience also offers families a respite from the daily challenges that accompany illness and helps to foster connections with other camp families.

During the Fraternity’s 52nd Convention in Washington, D.C., Phi Kappa Tau members adopted SeriousFun Children’s Network (at the time called the Association of Hole in the Wall Camps) as the national philanthropy. Since the adoption in 1995, Phi Kappa Tau members’ support and involvement with the camps has been on a steady incline. Delta Lambda, early in the partnership, relayed a football from their home at Muskingum to Marietta, Ohio. The 60-mile relay started at about 2 a.m. with each brother caring the game ball a few miles. The event raised $1,000 for the camps. Over the years, the philanthropic spirit of members has continued to grow. To date, chapters have donated $1.4 million and tens of thousands of hours to SeriousFun Children’s Network.

Over the years, Phi Kappa Tau has continued to grow and enhance the partnership. Beginning in 1999 the Phi Kappa Tau Foundation offered 25 stipends to members who serve as a camp counselor. It was important to make volunteering at the camps a viable opportunity for members. Since the initial announcement 16 years ago, 245 individual stipends have been awarded for men to volunteer at camp.

In 2015, Phi Tau and SeriousFun announced a new way to raise funds for children to attend camp
completely free. SeriousFun-a-Thons are a new fundraising program designed to elevate awareness of SeriousFun Children’s Network. The event is a scalable, endurance-based, peer-to-peer fundraising event that invites chapter members and students on their campus to get immersed in the camp experience and raise money for a great cause. SeriousFun-a-Thons were designed to give college campuses and communities an opportunity to unite as one in the pursuit of SeriousFun for all. Throughout the day, participants are reminded of the good fortune that they have had in life. As a result, this amazing cause can become a part of them forever.

In September, the Upsilon chapter at Nebraska Wesleyan held the first SeriousFun-a-Thon, an eight-hour long event involving campus community members. Each hour featured a different event—sand volleyball, yoga and water balloon wars. Months of planning paid off. By the time the event had concluded, the chapter had raised $10,000.

Early in the planning process, the chapter decided to donate every dollar raised to the Roundup River Ranch, a SeriousFun camp in Colo. Three chapter members had volunteered there previously as cabin counselors. One brother shared, “You go to camp thinking that you’re going to change these kids’ lives, but you leave camp with the kids having changed your life.”

Paul Newman’s incredible legacy of SeriousFun camps has a vibrant future. Thanks to the generous financial and volunteer support from Phi Kappa Tau during the past 20 years, this vital and inspiring community of camps and programs can and will continue to grow and reach more kids that can benefit from SeriousFun.
Chase Riddle, Louisville ’10, was named the recipient of the 2015 William H. Shideler Award—the Fraternity’s highest undergraduate honor. Riddle served the Beta Beta chapter in a number of roles. His initial responsibilities as community service chairman placed the groundwork for later successes as vice president of housing, standards board member and chapter president.

Riddle regularly gave his time in service to others, including participation in nearly two dozen different organizations. He served as a cabin counselor at Camp Boggy Creek, a SeriousFun camp.

Riddle graduated cum laude from Louisville, where he was a double major in Latin American and Latino Studies and Political Science. He is a two-time recipient of the Foundation’s Ewing T. Boles Scholarship and just began law school at George Washington University in Washington, D.C.
The Phi Kappa Tau Constitution mandates that, every two years, the Fraternity assemble in National Convention to elect brothers to the National Council. The National Council serves as Phi Kappa Tau's legislative body when Convention is not in session.

Past National President and Nominating Committee Chairman Steve Nelson, *Southern Mississippi '73*, anticipates that Phi Kappa Tau will elect a national vice president and two national councilors at the 62nd National Convention, in Sacramento, Calif. from July 6-10, 2016

The national vice president will hold office for two years and, at the 63rd National Convention (2018), will succeed to the office of national president for a two-year term, following a vote of confidence by the National Council.

The national councilors will hold office for six years.

Any alumni member in good standing may be nominated for election. The nominating committee will receive and review nominations during the next several months.

Alumni interested in serving on the National Council should send a resume to nomination@phikappatau.org. Members wishing to submit names for consideration or receive information about the duties and expectations of national councilors should use the same address.

Information about the candidacy process will be made available on Phi Kappa Tau's website at phikappatau.org.

Undergraduate Advisory Board positions will be addressed in upcoming communication.
Francisco Cordero, Southern Illinois ’14, recipient of the Joshua Berman Memorial SeriousFun Stipend, is no stranger to SeriousFun camps. Since becoming involved with Phi Kappa Tau in 2014, Cordero has served at Camp Korey, Camp Boggy Creek and The Painted Turtle.

“It is impossible to think about Phi Kappa Tau and not think about SeriousFun. SeriousFun provides the opportunity for all of us to go and live our values with kindness and compassion.”

In the unique camp setting where the seriously-ill children must have constant and sophisticated medical monitoring, this aspiring pediatric surgeon not only helps campers create lasting memories but also gains valuable life experience working alongside children’s healthcare specialists.

Currently serving as philanthropy chairman for his chapter, Cordero looks forward to sharing, “the magic of camp” with his chapter brothers through the 2016 National Community Service Event at North Star Reach in Ann Arbor, Mich. and chapter work days.
Each year the Phi Kappa Tau Foundation awards SeriousFun Stipends to undergraduate members who serve a SeriousFun Children’s Network Camp. To date, 245 men have used the stipends to experience the “serious fun” that is camp. These recent stipend recipients have shared their stories.

Travis Hoefler, Cincinnati ’10

Received stipends in March 2013 and 2014

Many of my brothers told me about the wonderful experiences they had volunteering as cabin counselors. They talked about the campers, how powerful it was to see them succeed at camp, and how camp was the most supportive, uplifting and happy environment they had ever been a part of. The next year I decided to apply to camp and be a cabin counselor at Flying Horse Farms. Campers arrived, and I realized how truly special the SeriousFun Children’s Network is. Campers are with peers who have similar lives while staff and volunteers strive to ensure campers feel like they can kick back and relax, just like any other child. Kids get to focus on being kids—making friends, getting messy and playing games—rather than on their illnesses. I went from being nervous to being covered in shaving cream and paint, laughing harder than I ever have in my life. Camp is truly a magical place, and I wish everyone could experience it.

Derick Schwedt, Mount Union ’11

Received stipend in March 2015

The past two summers working at Flying Horse Farms in Mt. Gilead, Ohio has shown me the true magic of what camp does for the children with serious illnesses. Seeing the campers shoot archery, conquer the high ropes course or canoe across the pond makes the magic come alive. While at camp, nothing is going to hold them back from having the time of their life.

The impact volunteering at Victory Junction has had on me cannot be adequately described in words. It must be felt to be understood. For many of these children, camp is a place where they can forget about their illnesses and just have fun. We, as men committed to serving our community, are in a position where we can act as role models for these kids by volunteering at camp. Seeing normally reserved children gain the courage to be themselves over the course of a few days really puts things into perspective.

Tyler France, Lynchburg ’14

Received stipend in April 2014

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DELTA CHAPTER at Centre had its president Dexter Horne ’13 named homecoming king. He is the second member of the chapter to be so honored in the past three years. [1]

KAPPA CHAPTER at Kentucky participated in the annual fundraising event, Dance Blue, which raises money for the local Children’s Hospital in Lexington, Ky. During a 24-hour period, participants joined in many different events. Donations are made throughout the year for the individual teams. This year, the fundraiser raised 1.6 million dollars.

RHO CHAPTER at Rensselaer received two honors in the spring: the Barker Cup (intermural champion) and a “Five Star” rating as a chapter— the highest rating for a fraternity on campus.

UPSILON CHAPTER at Nebraska Wesleyan held a SeriousFun-a-Thon. The day was filled with new activities at the top of each hour, such as sand volleyball and water balloon wars. The chapter was able to raise more than $10,000 from the event.

ALPHA ETA CHAPTER at Florida had two members travel to Moscow, Russia. Brian Spychalski ’14 and Kevin Kling ’12 paused for a minute in front of St. Basil’s Cathedral in the Red Square to show their Phi Tau pride. [2]

ALPHA LAMBDA CHAPTER at Auburn partnered with Kappa Sigma Fraternity to host an event benefitting the Lee County Humane Society. Students were allowed to play with puppies from the Humane Society. The service provided by this organization cares for community animals and raises advocacy for proper animal care and treatment. [3]

ALPHA TAU CHAPTER at Cornell was named an outstanding chapter for the sixth consecutive year by the University. Chapter members also received two additional awards: Javi Ortiz ’12 was named outstanding chapter officer and Christopher Cox ’15 was named outstanding new member.

ALPHA PHI CHAPTER at Akron held a golf scramble which raised $10,000 for SeriousFun Children’s Network.
ALPHA OMEGA CHAPTER at Baldwin Wallace served hot dogs and nachos alongside the USO for the Cleveland National Air Show on Labor Day weekend. Despite the weather, brothers grouped together, manned the grill, reeled in customers and sent out food with a smile, working alongside servicemen and longtime USO volunteers. [4]

BETA LAMBDA CHAPTER at Indiana completed recruitment and associated its largest class in three years with 14 members. Chapter officers and alumni also created a housing corporation and started fundraising for a house.

BETA EPSILON CHAPTER at Southern Mississippi decorated the “little rock” on campus to show support for the Golden Eagles football team. [5]

BETA OMEGA CHAPTER at Chico hosted an alumni reunion at the newly renovated Beta Omega house. [6]

GAMMA ALPHA CHAPTER at Michigan Tech hosted a winter carnival with the theme of “Hawaiian lava flow out of Michigan artic snow.” The chapter also ranked first in academics on campus. [7]

GAMMA TAU CHAPTER at Old Dominion created a Phi Tau inspired chariot for the campus homecoming parade. [8]
EPSILON GAMMA CHAPTER at College of New Jersey recently volunteered at the Trenton Area Soup Kitchen. [9]

EPSILON THETA CHAPTER at San Francisco State celebrated their 25th anniversary. This weekend long celebration welcomed more than 40 alumni. The culminating activity was the initiation of the spring ’15 associate member class.

ZETA GAMMA CHAPTER at San Jose introduced the Serious Fun Club to campus. The goal of this club is to raise awareness and funds for the SeriousFun Children’s Network. Club members also volunteer at a SeriousFun camp. The club and chapter have set a goal to raise $2,000 and send a member to every domestic camp before the end of 2016.

ZETA EPSILON CHAPTER at Lynchburg was named the 2014-15 campus fraternity of the year. This award is quite the distinction and is given to the fraternity that best embodies the values of Lynchburg’s campus.

ZETA THETA CHAPTER at North Texas partnered with alumnus Matt Parker, Evansville ’93, and his foundation the Parker Foundation for Health and Happiness. Together more than $10,000 was raised for SeriousFun Children’s Network. The North Texas community honored the chapter with the True Gentlemen Award and their chartering president Kannon Callis ’15, was honored with the Standards of Excellence Award.

ZETA KAPPA CHAPTER at Kenyon held its first SeriousFun-a-Thon event. The chapter formatted SeriousFun-a-Thon as an unstructured afternoon of camp activities, including cabbageball, capture the flag and slime time. During slime time, the dean of students and campus sorority presidents were slimed. Surpassing their goal, Zeta Kappa was able to donate $2,361 to SeriousFun.

ZETA LAMBDA CHAPTER at Middle Tennessee State recently chartered. With recruitment in the books, it is proud to welcome 21 new associates. The Zeta Lambda chapter is now working rigorously to build long term relationships with other student organizations on campus. [10]
In August 2015, the Middle Tennessee State colony became Zeta Lambda chapter of Phi Kappa Tau.

GOT AN HOUR?

In as little as one hour a week, you could change a young man’s life.

Phi Kappa Tau is searching for volunteers. Volunteering is simple and typically takes about one hour a week of your time.

To learn more, start a conversation with COO Travis Robinson, Eastern Kentucky ’98, at trobinson@phikappatau.org.
The Phi Kappa Tau Awards Committee announced the recipients of the 2014 awards during the 2015 Conclave in Oxford, Ohio. Chairman Cro Skender, Case Western ’00, oversaw the presentation ceremonies.

**WILLIAM H. SHIDELER AWARD**  
Chase Riddle, Louisville ’10

**THOMAS L. STENNIS II AWARD**  
Derrick Wildes, Southern Illinois ’08

**GREG HOLLEN COLONY PRESIDENT AWARD**  
Keaton Smith, Alabama ’14 and Andrew Freeman, North Texas ’15

**DWIGHT I. DOUGLASS PRESIDENT’S AWARD**  
Grant McKenzie, Louisville ’12

**RICHARD MASSOCK AWARD**  
Old Dominion

**SONNY STRANGE RECRUITMENT AWARD**  
Florida and Georgia

**PAUL NEWMAN AWARD**  
Louisville

**MONROE MOOSNICK SCHOLARSHIP TROPHY**  
Cornell

**FREDERICK R. FLETEMeyer PRIZE**  
Middle Tennessee State

**JACK JAREO AWARD**  
Nebraska Wesleyan

**JASON CRAWFORD AWARD**  
Louisville

**DR. EDGAR EWING BRANDON AWARD**  
Gary Proud, RIT ’66

**OUTSTANDING COLONY ADVISOR AWARD**  
Dennis Daniels, Mississippi State ’90 and Michael Tulley

**OUTSTANDING GREEK ADVISOR AWARD**  
Melinda Dilley

**ROLAND MAXWELL TROPHY**  
Nebraska Wesleyan

**ROLAND MAXWELL FOUNDERS FOUR PLAQUES**  
Nebraska Wesleyan, Belmont, Louisville, Central Michigan

**ROLAND MAXWELL SCROLLS**  
Nebraska Wesleyan, Louisville, Central Michigan, Belmont, Ohio State, Mount Union, Washington, RIT

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**COMMUNITY SERVICE SCROLL**


**PHILANTHROPY**

Penn State ($63,269), Florida ($29,961), Louisville ($17,694), Georgia ($17,261), Centre ($10,746), Kentucky ($10,339), Washington ($7,480), Belmont ($7,237), Baldwin Wallace ($6,508), St. Cloud ($6,042), Rutgers ($5,930), Nebraska Wesleyan ($5,894), Mount Union ($5,877), Rochester ($5,238), Ohio State ($4,911), Cornell ($4,005), Cal Poly-Pomona ($3,700), Chapman ($2,900), Akron ($2,757), Lynchburg ($2,753), Bradley ($2,693), Wright State ($2,552), Ohio ($2,550), Cal State-Chico ($2,550), Purdue ($2,150).

**ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE**


**PACESETTER AWARD**

Mount Union, Transylvania, Kentucky, Purdue, Penn State, Florida, Auburn, Cornell, Colgate, Baldwin Wallace, Oklahoma State, Georgia, Maryland, Central Michigan, Bradley, Old Dominion, Texas State, Cal Poly-Pomona, William Paterson, Clemson, Virginia Tech, Belmont.

**ORDER OF THE STAR**

Centre, Kentucky, Purdue, Bethany, Case Western, Florida, Akron, Baldwin Wallace, Georgia, Cal State-Chico, Cincinnati, Wright State, Virginia Wesleyan, Rutgers, Saginaw Valley State, Lynchburg.

**TO LEARN MORE, VISIT PHIKAPPATAU.ORG/AWARDS**
John S. Boles, Kentucky '37, nephew of Ewing T. Boles, Centre '14, died Dec. 22, 2010, at the age of 91. He received his law degree from the University of Kentucky College of Law and was admitted to the Texas Bar in 1947. He was also a member of the Kentucky Bar. In the late 1940s, he was counsel to the Gulf Oil Company. In the early 1950s, he joined Butler, Binion, Rice, Cook & Knapp, L.L.P., eventually becoming managing partner and senior partner emeritus. He retired from the firm in 1993. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps.

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MICHIGAN
Carl V. Burns '88
Robert L. Granacher '49
George Hopper '52
Richard S. Knape '51
William C. Krause '60
James A. Lange '55
Robert O. Lewis '49
Alexander MacGregor '24
Theodore N. Noel '48
Joel R. Rojas '91
Alison Shumsky '51
Troy R. Hight '41
Lemuel C. Robertson '50
Steve W. Smith '77
Frank H. Thompson '56
Rodney D. Von Cannon '83

Phi Kappa Tau Hall of Fame member and former UNC-Chapel Hill Chancellor William Brantley Aycock, North Carolina State '34, entered Chapter Eternal on June 20, 2015. He was 99 years old.

Aycock was induced into the Phi Kappa Tau Hall of Fame in 2006 during the Centennial Celebration. He was bestowed this honor because of his successes in higher education and his leadership as the chancellor of UNC-Chapel Hill.

As a member of Chi chapter at North Carolina State, Aycock received his bachelor's degree in education in 1936 and a master's degree in history from UNC-Chapel Hill the following year. He earned a Silver Star, Bronze Star and the Legion of Merit while serving in the Army during World War II. After the war, he earned his law degree from UNC in 1948.

Aycock began his career as a high school history teacher and became a professor and chancellor of UNC-Chapel Hill during a period of tremendous growth and social and political upheaval.

Serving as chancellor from 1957 to 1964, Aycock served as a strategic guardian and often fiery champion of freedom and integrity. It came at a time when threats to those underpinnings abounded. He struck back with fervor, and not without political risk, at the Speaker Ban Law, which was enacted covertly and without debate by the North Carolina General Assembly in 1963 to prevent Communist speakers on campus.

During a scandal involving the basketball team, he promoted legendary basketball coach Dean Smith from assistant to head coach.

“Aycock walked outside his door and met the face of duty on the other side, where it requested his singular intellect and matchless industry,” UNC-Chapel Hill wrote.

Aycock served 36 years at the University, 29 of them in the law school, where he won the McCall Teaching Award five times. UNC’s William B. Aycock Family Medicine Center is named in his honor, as well as the school of medicine’s William B. Aycock Distinguished Professor of Family Medicine position.
OREGON STATE
Donald A. Corlett '58
Arthur H. Dahl '48
Wilber E. Dehne '39
Wayne B. Gentry '48
Jon M. Skovlin '50
Warren L. Webb '54
George B. Webb '50

FLORIDA
Avon G. Clark '45
Martin J. Cooper '54
E.H. Foster '55
Ronald C. Howze '49
Thomas R. Hurley '57
Richard W. Jones '49
Ralph A. Kinney '57
Ronald L. Lauter '51
John W. Lockhart '65
William T. McFatter '53
Morris L. Roy '64
Byron G. Royals '49
Carlos M. Royo '64
Lucious D. Smith '54
John I. Stewart '35
Charles D. Stidham '53
George M. Talbott '40

WILLIAM & MARY
Thomas J. Brennan '39
Jack T. Christie '57
Stephen P. Clark '81
Harold S. Glenden '47
Robert K. Griffin '49
Tucker H. Hill '63
Alfred B. Hurt '46
Irving E. Jenkins '56
Archie B. Price '47
Frederick E. Rambacher '47
Edward B. Vandewert '43

OHIO WESLEYAN
Jackson L. Hammitt '56
Charles E. Horine '29
James O. Richardson '30
Donald C. Snyder '30

IOWA STATE
Frank J. Crouse '52
Roy A. Gilman '31
Ronald D. Howard '71
Michael C. Jasman '62
Robert P. Koeppe '53
Herbert C. Loschen '49
Henry F. Miller '33
Alfred D. Pullin '53
William H. Shonrock '67
Darlow G. Siddall '51
Noel I. Smith '50
Thomas L. Tyler '80
Kermit L. Wagner '53
Thomas E. Warren '54
Calvin M. Winey '47

WEST VIRGINIA
Paul E. Shutts '42

WASHINGTON
David J. Bauman '46
William N. Blakeley '62
Stanley K. Davis '39
Carl B. Erickson '36
Arthur E. Gardner '39
Arnold C. Hansen '46
Merle T. Proulx '57
Robert W. Thompson '58

AKRON
Thomas R. Baclawski '62
George H. Benson '38
Jeffrey A. Bible '76
William R. Bond '38
Paul L. Buzzi '38
Robert L. Fulton '64
Wesley B. Hargraves '38
William C. Harry '38
Robert J. Harry '45
Ralph W. Harz '38
Donald R. Harwood '51
Robert L. Hively '48
Thomas R. Holmes '42
Orval R. Hoover '50
John H. Howser '38
Charles A. Jahan '38
Lester N. Jenkins '42
Arthur D. Kaniasty '38
James W. Kinney '57
Clark A. Kucheman '50
James M. Landis '47
Scott M. McEwen '82
William R. Metzler '38
James K. Morgan '38
Herbert Murray '42
Dean R. Stagle '58
Robert E. Smith '42
Gilbert N. Somers '43
Kenneth L. Sweeney '43
Robert J. Taylor '46
John E. Ward '46
William C. Weirath '60
Terry E. Wilkinson '70
James E. Winiter '42
Edward Wolf '38

MISSISSIPPI STATE
Josef L. Adams '68
Joseph M. Baria '42
Andrew N. Bishop '55
Charles M. Buchanan '43
Richard F. Burt '70
Murray H. Caldwell '65
Thomas H. Calhoun '68
Aubrey J. Carter '41
Aubrey A. Cox '47
George E. Cox '46
William T. Dalton '43
Robert L. Daniels '47
Roy M. Donehoo '41
Paul E. Fitzgerald '50
Milburn Gardner '68
John A. Greco '49
Baxter K. Griffen '67
Tom Hans '67
James G. Hearon '38
Malcolm E. Herring '51
William J. Huskey '56
Anthony M. Juniper '68
Luther W. Kea '41
Dan Keath '83
Ernest J. Lansing '48
Edward H. Leggett '73

NEW YORK
Arthur M. Fleming '24

DELAWARE
Weston H. Beale '48
William A. Cicone '70
William R. Conaway '47
Brian H. Fink '80
John C. Geist '34
Gale G. Grove '47
David F. Hazel '57
Thomas A. Mason '61
Charles M. Orth '28
Charles W. Patterson '54
Eugene J. Patterson '54
Charles L. Poehlmann '50
Lee A. Porter '59
Robert A. Rosengren '59
John A. Salin '33
Carl M. Saughter '49
Ronald J. Smith '57
Robert A. Stearns '69
Hervey B. Unangst '49
J.R. Wood '54
John J. Woodward '58

CASE WESTERN
David R. Bashaw '42
David P. Bauer '50
Robert W. Beckwith '38
Hugh W. Black '40
William E. Bopp '41
Fredrick R. Eplett '63
Bob J. Gridley '50
Ralph R. Huston '45
Frederic W. Jacobs '36
Eugene L. Naegle '44
Edward M. Oswald '45
Melvin W. Shaffer '46

KANSAS STATE
James F. Cavene '50
J.D. Davison '38
Lorraine H. Johnson '33
John W. Kroenlein '64
John M. Little '40
John M. Park '56
Otto R. Roesler '50
Jim L. Shannon '50

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LEARNING. LEADING. SERVING.
On June 3, Phi Kappa Tau Hall of Fame member and treasured Louisville businessman and philanthropist Mike Power, Louisville ‘62, entered Chapter Eternal. He was 71 years old.

Power was inducted into the Phi Kappa Tau Hall of Fame during the 60th National Convention in Nashville, Tenn. He was bestowed this honor because of his success as an entrepreneur and business owner.

As the founder of Power Creative, an advertising and design firm in Louisville, Ky., Power led what began as a small design shop and grew in to one of the region’s largest, most progressive marketing firms with world’s leading companies as his clients such as Churchill Downs, GE Appliances, GE Aviation, Lennox International, Trinity High School and the University of Louisville.

“Mike Power was a leader in Louisville’s advertising and public relations community. He was real believer in giving back to his Fraternity, his university and his community,” said National Councilor Bill Brasch, Louisville ‘67. “He will surely be missed by the brothers from his era at Beta Beta chapter.”

In 2011, Phi Kappa Tau worked with Power Creative to refresh all aspects of its current brand. This included everything from general branding (“Learning.Leading.Serving.”) to programmatic branding and the look and feel of the Phi Kappa Tau Foundation brand. Working with Powers and his son, the current Power Creative CEO, David Power, Louisville ‘90, Phi Kappa Tau was able to provide a consistent look and coherent communication for all constituents.

In addition to a celebrated business career, Mike was also a devoted benefactor. His personal awards include the Jericho Award from Cedar Lake Lodge, the Silver Medal Award for Lifetime Achievement from the Louisville Advertising Federation, Arthritis Foundation Man of the Year and the 2010 Frederick Law Olmsted Leadership Award. He was also a member of the Hall of Fame at DuPont Manual High School.

Power was a lifelong supporter of Phi Kappa Tau and a loyal donor to the Foundation.

Claude I. Lloyd ‘47
Van T. Loftin ‘85
Laville C. Luke ‘40
Robert K. Mahaffy ‘40
Gene B. Martin ‘52
Baird L. McAlexander ‘74
Billy McCann ‘44
H E. McInnis ‘38
William D. Montgomery ‘71
Fay R. Moore ‘38
Don H. Morris ‘60
Johnny D. Myers ‘49
Edward B. Newsome ‘40
Buddy Pierce ‘38
James E. Porter ‘50
John S. Roan ‘43
Fred D. Rogers ‘47
James H. Rutherford ‘50
Lawrence M. Schmidt ‘42
Lawrence M. Schmidt ‘72
John C. Segrest ‘41
George J. Senter ‘57
Derrell A. Smith ‘49
Richard A. Smithhart ‘53
Roger W. Strickland ‘74
James L. Temple ‘40

William C. Thomas ‘47
Paul D. Thompson ‘39
William G. Thompson ‘85
Robert D. Wade ‘79
Charles F. Williams ‘69
Joe D. Willingham ‘72
Charles W. Woods ‘71
Philip T. Young ‘38

TEXAS-EL PASO
John C. Bridges ‘64
William R. Castillo ‘56
Raymond O. Collier ‘43
Wilmer J. Crews ‘64
Weldon D. Donaldson ‘55
Julian M. Kessel ‘45
David M. Lawrence ‘60
Nick O. Martinez ‘77
Jack E. Prather ‘56
Harvey L. Stahl ‘57
Coles S. Tinkler ‘42
James J. Young ‘45

BALDWIN WALLACE
Rex Ankrom ‘42

Texas
Thomas D. Conger ‘46
Ivan C. Davis ‘49
Samuel C. Fryant ‘45
Ernest W. Lentschke ‘54
Kenneth A. Truitt ‘68

LOUISVILLE
John A. Bryan ‘60
Robert D. Dooley ‘61
Donald E. Godby ‘57

David W. Higgins ‘54
Richard D. Lindow ‘47
Ewell E. McCallum ‘50
Theodore L. Merhoff ‘57
William H. Phelan ‘50
Michael L. Power ‘62
James P. Reed ‘53
Charles C. Rodgers ‘51
Gregory M. Schutte ‘96
Andrew M. Vittoe ‘01
Daniel U. White ‘61

IDAHO
Phillip A. Battaglia ‘50
John C. Hohnhorst ‘72
Douglas H. Skinner ‘66
Terry P. Smith ‘62
Wayne F. Stewart ‘47
Max G. Wilde ‘60

U OF MIAMI
Charles E. Albin ‘61
Edward K. Gike ‘50
Paul J. Herfi ‘54
Michael E. Hudock ‘54
Alfred J. Lauer ‘49

SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI
William E. Corley ‘49
Lewis L. Green ‘55
Willie R. Pugh ‘48
Robert E. Woodall ‘49

NEW MEXICO STATE
Kenneth R. Burns ‘56
Louis H. Cabot ‘68
James A. Candelaria ‘77
John S. Gianardi ‘53
Robert L. Posey ‘48
Kermit F. Shott ‘68
James B. Tuttle ‘48

NEW MEXICO
Robert Swanson ‘48

KANSAS
Donald L. Babin ‘54
Ormand R. Gillen ‘48
Charles F. Moss ‘48

FLORIDA STATE
Frank C. Burgin ‘50
William H. Byrom ‘47
Neil G. Carn ‘58
Gary D. Cooper ‘62
Brian A. DeSouza ‘87
Jerry M. Fleming ‘54
Lloyd H. Helms ‘64
George R. Holloway ‘57
Philip J. Kendall ‘56
Charles E. Van ‘52

OKLAHOMA STATE
Donald P. Bennett ‘61
Eric A. Braham ‘09
James Burton ‘51
Charles C. Dirickson ‘66
Howard E. Gamble ‘63
Jimmie J. Kendrick ‘55
George A. McBride ‘50
Jimmie R. Mote ‘60
William R. Niles ‘55
Paul B. Redding ‘49
Gordon W. Richardson ‘52
Gary L. Snyder ‘59
Doyle O. Yarbrough ‘64

INDIANA
Henry R. Billeter ‘52
Karl D. Coyner ‘61
Charles D. Egner ‘54
Robert F. Frankowski ‘68
Robert F. Freeman ‘48
Robert C. Hedman ‘64
Arthur C. Kern ‘48
Ralph E. Sheets ‘52
Ernest J. Strack ‘65

KENT STATE
Bruce B. Anderson ‘66
James O. Basford ‘55
Peter P. Bosomworth ‘50
Paul A. Broer ‘61
James R. Duncan ‘59
Gerald E. Feszel ‘49
John P. Milliken ‘49
Richard C. Shaffert ‘66
Jon J. Stephenson ‘58
Robert L. Wissler ‘49

SAN DIEGO STATE
Douglas H. McColl ‘50

GEORGIA
William T. Crane ‘66
John B. Fricks ‘58
William H. Gooding ‘78
Richard E. Hadaway ‘52
Wenseslye Hobby ‘53
Burton S. Middlebrooks ‘49
Francis G. Moscardelli ‘62
Burl J. Word ‘49

MARYLAND
Lewis A. Dalburg ‘49
Paul J. Double ‘54
Roman P. Hamilton ‘58
Gerald V. Meyers ‘53
James F. Parton ‘64
David M. Rankin ‘80
Cornelius P. Wilder ‘50

MIDDLETOWN
Timothy J. Linehan ‘51
Robert E. O’Connell ‘54
Robert H. Studley ‘52
James S. Turner ‘56

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Gerald E. Feezel, Kent State ’49, served in the U.S. Navy during World War II and retired in 1988 from First Federal Savings & Loan with 26 years of service. Feezel loved to travel with his wife Cathy, covering much of the Americas via land and sea. He also loved anything that flew. Having flown in everything from antique bi-planes to the Goodyear Blimp—just six months ago he took a ride in a restored World War II TBM—the same kind of plane he trained in as a tail gunner for the Navy.

He graduated from Buchtel High School and attended Kent State where he was a founding member of the Beta Mu chapter. Once a month he had a standing date with his “lunch bunch” friends for nearly 70 years. He was a long time member of First Congregational Church of Tallmadge. Jerry was a lifelong music fan of big band, classical, dixieland, and bluegrass. He regularly attended live performances. He was an avid automobile racing fan with special interest in NASCAR and sprint car dirt track events.

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• 1950 •

BILL JENKINS, Bowling Green ’57, presented Mark Bauer, CEO & president of the Lambda Chi Alpha Educational Foundation, the William D. Jenkins Outstanding Foundation Professional Award during the North-American Interfraternity Conference Foundation’s annual meeting.

BILL JENKINS

• 1960 •

MITCH MCCONNELL, Louisville ’61, was featured in the University of Louisville magazine for friends and alumni. McConnell currently is the U.S. Senate majority leader.

MITCH MCCONNELL

JIM RUTLEDGE, Louisville ’62, retired after five decades as the Four Roses master distiller. Under Rutledge’s leadership, Four Roses single barrel and small batch lines won numerous awards from magazines and competitions around the world. Four Roses was named “Whisky Distiller of the Year—America” for the fourth time in five years by Whisky Magazine. Rutledge plans to remain active with the bourbon industry after retirement.

JIM RUTLEDGE

JOHN BLACKBURN, Westminster ’64, was elected to the Georgetown College Board of Trustees. Dr. Blackburn is a retired professor of Chemistry and a former, longtime chapter adviser to the Delta Theta chapter at Georgetown.

JOHN BLACKBURN

TOM BROOKS, Baldwin Wallace ’65, refurbished the letters and Coat of Arms at the Alpha Omega house along with Tom Konkoly, Baldwin Wallace ’65.

TOM BROOKS

JEFF RIVARD, Central Michigan ’65, will retire at the end of this season as the executive director of the Western Pennsylvania Golf Association (WPGA). He will continue on a part-time basis lending his expertise to championships and special projects. In his 22-years as executive director, the WPGA has more than doubled both member clubs to nearly 130 and individual members to more than 27,000. The association’s financial assets have increased nearly seven fold.

JEFF RIVARD

RICK GUNDLACH, Michigan Tech ’65, was awarded the Joseph S. Seaman Gold Medal by the American Foundry Society (AFS). The gold medal is the highest and most prestigious award given by AFS. He received the award for influential research on the structure—property relationships in gray iron, ductile iron and white cast irons, as well as Al-Si alloys, and the transfer of the resulting technical information to the metal casting industry.

RICK GUNDLACH

JAMES HOMOLA, Cal State-Long Beach ’66, was elected President of the American Board of Criminal Lawyers (ABCL) for 2015. ABCL is a national organization of highly respected criminal defense lawyers.

JAMES HOMOLA
DANIEL DAUER, *Old Dominion* ’67, gave his last lecture on April 28, 2015 at Old Dominion University. Dauer received many accolades during his forty years in the college of sciences. Some of which include: Eminent Scholar, the SCHEV Outstanding Faculty Award winner and receipt of ODU’s Outstanding Researcher Award.

• 1970 •


JAMES JURY, *Georgetown* ’74, was named principal at the Louisville Male High School.

RICHARD FREDLUND, *Georgia Tech* ’74, was named associate principal at Cooper Carry, a national firm offering architecture, environmental graphic design, interior design, landscape architecture, planning and sustainability consulting services.

LEROY CHIAO, *Berkeley* ’79, received the 2015 Blue Cloud Award for outstanding leadership at the China Institute’s Blue Cloud Gala at Gotham Hall in New York City. Chiao, an astronaut and entrepreneur, also serves as a special advisor to the Space Foundation.

• 1980 •

GERALD E. MCGLYNN III, *Michigan Tech* ’81, was named to the 2015 Michigan Super Lawyers by Howard & Howard Attorneys PLLC.

PHIL FORD, *Webber* ’81, after working with seven Phi Tau chapters for more than 20 years as a live-in advisor has retired. Before working with Phi Tau chapters, Ford joined the Navy. He saw duty in the Atlantic, Pacific, Caribbean, Straits of Magellan and Panama Canal, and with the navies of seven countries. Today Ford spends his days at the Armed Forces Retirement Home in Washington, D.C.

DENNIS CHaney, *Georgetown* ’82, public health director for the Barren River District Health Department, received a Smoke-Free Award from Smoke-Free Kentucky.

PAUL ARCHEY, *Georgetown* ’83, has been named president of JMI Sports’ newly established UK Sports and Campus Marketing.

NEIL COHEN, *College of New Jersey* ’86, author of *Exit Zero*, recently entered into an agreement for the film rights to his book. Released in March 2015, *Exit Zero* blends the genres of horror, comedy and political conspiracy as it follows a group of characters fighting their way down New Jersey’s Garden State Parkway during the initial outbreak of the zombie apocalypse.

TRENT KELLY, *Ole Miss* ’87, won a victory in Mississippi’s first district race. He now serves as a member of the U.S. House of Representatives.

MICHAEL FRENCH, *Kent State* ’88 (Michele); Dale Holland, *Kent State* ’87 (Michelle); Jason Reckard, *Kent State* ’87 (Kerry) and Dave Britt, *Kent State* ’87 (Melanie) all celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary. These Beta Mu brothers got married on the same weekend in 1990. All are still married.

JERRY JASON, *Michigan Tech* ’88, was named the vice president of spacecraft operations and engineering at EchoStar Satellite Services LLC. Prior to his appointment, he was a flight director at NASA.

• 1990 •

JOSEPH LICCIARDI, *Florida State* ’90, was named the vice president of business development for National Motor Club Partner Solutions. He has more than 20 years of experience in sales, business development and management within the motor club, automotive and insurance sectors.
Kevin Roberts, Georgetown '90, founder of Roberts CPA Group PSC, joined a select group of business leaders from around the world to write a book titled, Get in the Game: The World’s Leading Entrepreneurs and Professionals Reveal How YOU Can Get Off the Sideline and Start Improving Your Health, Wealth and Lifestyle.

Danny Wilcox, East Central Oklahoma '91, was named Kennedale High School’s 2015 Educator of the Year. Wilcox served as a football coach before he started the outdoor education class to connect to high school kids.

Mike Dovilla, Baldwin Wallace '94, recently hosted alumni brothers from Maryland at Ohio Stadium, where the reigning national champion Buckeyes took on the Terrapins. The three Beta Omicron chapter graduate members were among Dovilla’s undergraduate advisees during his stints as Beta Omicron’s chapter advisor and Chesapeake Domain Director in the early 2000s. Pictured (left to right) are Steven Klein, Maryland '03, David Fromberg, Maryland '02, Dovilla, and Patrick O’Connor, Maryland ’02.

Jeffrey Coats, Auburn '95, was named associate provost for student affairs and dean of students at Enterprise State Community College in Enterprise, Ala.

Jason Schooley, Oklahoma State '97, a Oklahoma Wildlife Department biologist, recently met with several other biologists at Zink Dam, Okla. to record health conditions, take measurements and collect DNA samples.

Anthony Spano, Youngstown ’99, was named a Hometown Hero by WYTV Channel 33 Youngstown. Spano is founder and executive director of the Hope Foundation of the Mahoning Valley.

Les Fugate, Centre ’99, was promoted to executive vice president at RunSwitch.

Wes Fugate, Centre ’99, authored a chapter in The Provost’s Handbook: The Role of the Chief Academic Officer. Fugate also was named to the inaugural 20 under 40 by Lynchburg Business magazine. He now serves as chair of the board of directors of Lynchburg Beacon of Hope, president of the board of directors of Endstation Theatre Company and as member of the board of the National Association of Presidential Assistants in Higher Education.

Gordon Daily, Case Western ’00, president of BoxCast, an internet video streaming company, was named one of Cleveland’s 40 Under 40.

Scott Conroe, Cornell ’01, spent a week in Germany with his father, Bruce, in May. The pair visited places in Regensburg where Scott and his parents lived after he was born.

Ben Williams, Bethany ’01, and his wife, Jessica, recently adopted a baby girl, Emery Violet.

John Bunch, Georgia Tech ’01, was recently named one of the top ten professionals 35 and under in human resources by LinkedIn. Bunch works at Zappos as the advisor to CEO and holacracy implementation lead.
VINNY SANDY, Ohio '02, was named academic advisor at the University of Kentucky.

JAMES CANFIELD, Florida State '03, a professor at the University of Cincinnati, recently published his first book, School-based Practice with Children and Youth Experiencing Homelessness.

J.J. LEWIS, Central Michigan '04, was named the interim CEO for the Academy of Arts & Sciences, a California public charter school system.

JOHN KACZYNSKI, Central Michigan '04, was recently named one of the 10 Over The Next Ten by the Lansing Regional Chamber of Commerce and Grand River Connection. Kaczynski has worked on various policy projects for the state of Michigan and for local governments. Kaczynski is also a member of the leadership teams for the Michigan Political Science Association, Ransom E. Olds Transportation Museum and the Sycamore Park Neighborhood Association.

MIKE WYNE, Akron '03, was named account executive at N2 Publishing.

SCOTT DILLEY, Eastern Kentucky '04, and his wife Courtney recently welcomed their baby (and future Phi Tau) Liam to the world.

JARED BLACK, Belmont '06, was named faculty associate at Arizona State University.

JOE DICKMAN, Case Western '06, married Roshni Rao.

DAN SMALLEY, Case Western '08, married Sherry Nigel.

GUILLERMO FLORES, Southern Illinois '08, joined the University of Houston’s Center for Fraternity & Sorority Life as fraternity/sorority housing coordinator. Flores recently graduated with a Masters of Arts from Ball State University where his assistantship was in fraternity and sorority life.

CHANCE PEARCE, Oklahoma State '09, coached his first high school varsity football game as his madill wildcats visited the Tishomingo Indians. The Wildcats won 35-28. Several chapter brothers were in attendance for his first game. Pearce started his teaching and coach for the football team this semester as math teacher for Madill High School and coach for the football team.

JUSTIN JOHNSON, Kentucky '09, married Brianna Hamilton.

MIKE BROWN, Eastern Kentucky '04, was promoted to associate dean of students at Georgetown College.

SASHA KANEVSKY, Rutgers '05, married Beverly Frieder.

CHAD CORBITT, Florida State '06, married Heather Milton.

EFREM BYCER, Cornell '06, was named director of economic development at Code for America.

TREY PIPPIN, Louisville '09, married Madeline Neel.
From The Archives

CHARLES T. BALL, MIAMI ’82

Founding Father Taylor Borradaile collected postage stamps in his later years, many clipped from cards and letters sent to him from Phi Taus across the country. The collection, now housed in the Fraternity Library, includes the usual array of birds, flowers, commemorations of historical events and notable faces. But what he could have never collected was a stamp depicting a fellow member of Phi Kappa Tau—until now.

On Sept. 18, 2015 the United States Postal Service released a stamp honoring the actor, philanthropist and Phi Tau, Paul Newman, Ohio ’43, in all likelihood the first stamp to depict a member of the fraternity.

This icon’s undergraduate Phi Kappa Tau experience was fleeting—and might never have been. Paul L. Newman from the Cleveland suburb of Shaker Heights enrolled at Ohio University in Jan. 1943 while waiting to be called into military service. Known to fellow students as “Gus”, Newman’s Fraternity brothers remembered him as a pianist who played dance music for parties in the Beta chapter house on State Street, where the chapter still lives today. But the fact is that Newman almost didn’t get a bid. At that time, Phi Tau, like most fraternities had racial restrictions and many chapters also excluded non-Christians. The fact Newman’s father was Jewish prompted a letter to the Central Office in Oxford asking whether this would be a problem. The reply from Founding Father William Shideler, who was acting national secretary during World War II, told Beta chapter that if they liked this prospect and thought he would be an asset to the chapter, they ought to pledge him, no matter what his religion. Thank goodness for Shideler’s sage advice.

Newman finished only one semester before being called into the Navy and later graduated from Kenyon College after the war. Newman lost touch with the Fraternity, and as his fame increased it was rumored that the famous actor was the same man initiated at Beta chapter. The rumor was not confirmed until 1972 when he replied to an inquiry by a Beta undergraduate that he was indeed the now-famous Paul Newman. At the top of his acting career, he was featured in The Laurel, and by the mid-1980s, he was becoming a significant supporter of the Fraternity and its educational programs.

Paul Newman has come to be an iconic part of Phi Kappa Tau. Widely known as one of America’s greatest film actors in movies like “Cool Hand Luke”, “Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid” and “The Verdict”, he also had an important career as a race car driver and team owner.

Despite his remarkable career, Newman’s greatest legacy may be his philanthropy, and it is certainly the thing that has cemented his considerable influence in Phi Kappa Tau. You’ve read throughout this special issue about the international network of camps for seriously ill children that he started in 1988 and supported with proceeds from his successful “Newman’s Own” brand of salad dressings and food products. SeriousFun has been Phi Kappa Tau’s national philanthropy for 20 years, and fraternity members have donated more than $1.4 million and countless volunteer hours to the camps. This great man and great brother’s legacy is how the experience of volunteering has changed the lives of countless campers and Newman’s own grateful Phi Tau brothers.
We’ve hand-selected twenty of the coolest gifts Phi Tau men want this season. Visit the holiday guide at phitau.co/PhiTauHolidayGuide to see all of the gifts.