

100 YEARS OF BROTHERHOOD



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Never a Dull Moment

The Gamma-Rho Chapter of Kappa Sigma is ecstatic to be able to host the 100th Anniversary of Greek Life at the University of Arizona during Homecoming Weekend. Founded at UA in the year 1915, Gamma-Rho has a vast history and many successes on this campus. Gamma-Rho encourages all alumni to come celebrate with us for the 100th Homecoming.

Not only does the Gamma-Rho Chapter have the 100th Anniversary and Homecoming to look forward to this year, but we have also added 36 new pledges this Fall. With over 1,100 participants in our formal rush process, these 36 hand selected pledges are on their way to start their new journey to the brotherhood. We were considered the #1 chapter that rushees wanted to join.

Now, some of the accomplishments for the chapter this past year:

- One of the things that the men at Gamma-Rho cherish is being able to have brotherhood events. Beyond our great social events the chapter went paintballing together this last spring semester as well as 25 members went to Conclave this summer.
- Gamma-Rho continues to provide thousands of volunteer hours annually, including Tucson Clean and Beautiful where we adopt a local street by picking up and properly disposing of garbage. The Mayors Office recognized us for our service.
- This last spring semester, Gamma-Rho raised over \$11,000 for the Military Heroes Campaign through our Military Boot Camp for sororities on campus.

Whether you were in the chapter in the 1950's or in the 2000's, we look forward to seeing you at Homecoming.

AEKDB, Gamma-Rho Undergraduates





Greetings Brothers,



Mark McLear '88

Time sure does fly by. I can recall a beautiful late October Arizona Homecoming pre-game tailgate on the UofA Mall, also my last semester and many wearing Gamma-Rho's 75th Anniversary blue commemorative shirt. I still have that shirt by the way. There was a renaissance-like buzz about Gamma-Rho. The mere number of alumnus and undergraduates in comparison to what we thought were the leading fraternities on campus, coupled with the gregarious ice carving displayed in our reunion double-tent, pretty much spoke volumes of our heritage. We had competitively emerged within the intra-fraternal community in just about every aspect with the exception of an ad-

equate facility. The Chapter had re-chartered in 1981 renting a location at Cherry and 6th Street, just a 9 iron or so to the football stadium (approximated distance). Although this location was suitable, as was the subsequent Park Street 'El Capitan Court', our strong group of alumni on the Mall 25 years ago had coalesced with purposeful intent to place our Chapter on Greek-Row. A glance at our 1990 Gamma-Rho Homecoming inductions speaks to how our Brotherhood goes well beyond our times as an undergraduate: Man of the Year - Pat Murphy '65. The A. L. Slonaker Hall of Fame: Lincoln Raymond Wilson '17, Carl W. Cooper '40, Donald Eugene Fickas '60, Robert Alan Fickas '64. It could be a near endless list of contributors, but tiresome efforts by Brothers Matt Noble '84, Tom Keating '62. Don Harris '58, George Jenson '82 and Mike Cagalj '58 helped form a housing corporation, negotiated with the University and raised capital. In the fall semester of 1998 Greek-Row became a reality for Gamma-Rho at 1423 E 1st Street.

We are now celebrating 100 Years as a Chapter. It is yet another milestone in time that will bring many Gamma-Rho's to Tucson. I hope that if you are reading this, you've already made plans to experience this weekend. Serving as the Alumna Advisor for the Chapter has been a learning endeavor for myself, but in end - it is about young men developing skills in leadership and personal growth through the Kappa Sigma experience. Entering this fall, the Chapter is commencing their third academic year (forth since recolonization). I have many of the same positive renewed feelings about this group of young men entrusted with the Chapter as I did in 1990. Despite challenging societal changes and limitations put on your Chapter membership, they are on the cusp of great accomplishments - establishing standards that will represent the best on campus, and becoming a model Chapter nationally.

This October, I look forward to seeing many former faces, and many new ones for the first time. A time of sharing old stories, and living a new story of our centennial history.

AEKDB.

Mark McLear '88

Alumna Advisor, Gamma-Rho

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Vice President
Tom Keating '62
Secretary
Ryan Seidel '04
Treasurer
Scott Polston '85
Property Manager
Taylor Heidenheim '70

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Vice President
Matt Noble '84
Secretary
Eric Vorrie '94
Treasurer
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Sean Litsky '99, Andy McDowney '83,
Pat Moran '92, Scott Polston '85,
Adam Roth '93

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Grand Procurator
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Grand Master of Ceremonies
Kevin McClellan '14
Grand Scribe
Matthew Abbate '14
Grand Treasurer
Ryan Henry '13
Alumna Advisor
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Faculty Advisor
Peter Corrigan

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GAMMA-RHO CHAPTER... A 100-YEAR TRADITION



When the local Delta Phi fraternity affiliated with Kappa Sigma in 1915 as Gamma-Rho Chapter of Kappa Sigma, its members established a tradition of excellence and brotherhood, which has been cherished and nurtured by each succeeding generation of members.

There have been 2,149 members initiated into Gamma-Rho Chapter of which 966 alumni and 122 undergraduates are still active. Our members have watched the campus grow from 463 students when we started in 1915 to over 40,000 students as of 2015.

Year after year, individuals and as a group, the men of Gamma-Rho have distinguished themselves for high academic standards, community service, excellence in varsity and intramural sports, campus leadership, and of course for having a good time. Yes, we surrendered our charter and left campus from 1974-79 and 2009-12 but we have stood proud for 92 of our 100 years.

Our chapter has produced hundreds of successful and influential professionals in architecture, criminal justice, education, entertainment, finance, government, law, medicine, professional sports, public service, technology, and other fields. Many have owned or managed thriving manufacturing, retail and service businesses.

The dimension of brotherhood has always been the chapter's greatest strength. Many close ties, which began at one or more of the Gamma-Rho Chapter houses, have flourished for entire lifetimes. Some of these bonds of brotherhood extend across an entire class; others have continued in small groups; and some even across many decades of alumni. Our alumni live in almost every state in the U.S. and in many countries. The common interests of Gamma-Rho brothers have changed in many cases, but the beginnings of friendship will always go back to our association in the fraternity.

This special issue of the Gamma-Rho Gazette is dedicated to 100 years of Kappa Sigma on the University of Arizona campus. Read on and you will see stories and photos you recognize, and of course, some you never knew about. There is no way in this issue for us to record it all, but know that we are developing a written history and we will have a history time line mounted to the walls in Lobby and Living Room of the Chapter House. Make sure you come back to our 100th Anniversary October 22-25 to see your friends and honor our 100 years on campus.

**Please continue to share your stories with us as we will be adding
a new "Gamma-Rho History" section to the website. Send your stories to
Matt Noble at matt.noble@fmgtucson.com.**



1900-09

THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS ON CAMPUS
TO START THE DECADE**Foundation of Delta Phi:** May, 1900 at Hotel Orndoff**Colors:** Blue and Gold

"Again we shall turn and see the revelers. A cosmopolitan gathering, yet a representative one, and one in which the University might well be proud."

"They met primarily to eat and to rejoice and exult over the past trials but they also were there as representative men of the student body to discuss phases of college life that should be developed, ways and means whereby the lives of the young men attending the University could be made more pleasant. Among those called upon to voice his opinion was Ross M. Russell, of Phoenix, and in a few well-chosen words he advised the organization of a fraternity. The speaker's remarks were attentively followed and his suggestion was cordially received and when the last toast was drunk and the sixteen had arisen from the table in the minds of most if not all of them there lingered the hope that in the following fall an organization such as suggested by Russell would be a reality."

G. M. Parker, W. T. Olney, J. N. Robinson, N. J. Roberts, R. M. Russell, C. F. Day, M. Blumenkranz, H. E. Castaneda, E. J. Hollingshead and W. D. Whipple, the latter being elected president.

The student body soon began to regard a membership in Delta Phi as one of highest honor and that opinion has never wavered.

We leave them a band of young men organized for mutual pleasure and benefit, and bound together by ties of mutual confidence and fraternal regard. Stronger than ever before the Delta Phi Fraternity of the University of Arizona looks back on its past history proudly, yet unassumingly, and awaits the pages that future shall write confidently and serenely.

In 1903 Professor George E.P. Smith begins communications with Kappa Sigma Supreme Executive Committee to ask them to consider affiliating Delta Phi with Kappa Sigma at the University of Arizona but the enrollment at UA was still too small (only 204 students). This process continues for more than a decade.

1910-19

UA STUDENT ENROLLMENT TO START
THE DECADE IN 1910 WAS 195.

Delta Phi's first Student Body President & Editor in Chief of the Newspaper: Leon Henri Strong (Gamma-Rho initiate in '15)

"Of the moon that was quietly sleeping On the hill, when the time came to go; To the Delta Phi house that was waiting, Here, all the Delta Phi's go; Oh, the dance, that to me was the rarest, Of any I've been to this year; Yes, dear, the girls were the fairest, Of any that may yet appear."

Gamma-Rho's first Captain of the Track Team: Normal Hayhurst '15

Gamma-Rho's first Freeman Medal award winners: Albert Crawford '15 and Richard Lindsley '15

November 28th: Delta Phi Dance: "The large living room was decorated in the fraternity colors, blue and gold, and the punch table had as its decoration bunches of narcissus, the fraternity flower. The lights were prettily covered with shades containing a design of the fraternity pin. The special moonlight dance was lighted by the glow from the large fireplace, and the Delta Phi orchestra furnished the music."

Gamma-Rho Chapter of Kappa Sigma Charter Granted: May 29, 1915.

Normal Hayhurst '15 is the first initiate into Gamma-Rho Chapter of Kappa Sigma.

Louis "A.L." Slonaker becomes a member in 1917. He later becomes Dean of Men and the Gamma-Rho/A.L. Slonaker Hall of Fame gets named after him.

Proud to show off their new home, The Gamma-Rho chapter of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity proved their genial hospitality when they welcomed the University community to their new house on Sunday afternoon, October 1, 1917.



1911 MAP UofA

1920-29

UA STUDENT ENROLLMENT TO START
THE DECADE IN 1920 WAS 1,171.

The chapter has a monkey for a mascot in 1920. Ok, guys, don't get any ideas now.

A.L. Slonaker '18 named Graduate Manager of Athletics & Executive Secretary of Alumni in 1922 and Ernest Barnes named Gamma-Rho's first Bobcat in 1922-23. He was joined by Louis Slonaker '17 in 1923-24.

1925 saw Edward Timothy Cusick '21 becomes Gamma-Rho's first President of the UA Alumni Association.

Ted Monro '16 and his wife Dorthy compose the words to All Hail Arizona in 1926.



ALL HAIL ARIZONA - 1926

Harvey A. Hastain '26 and Ralph Deal '26 become Gamma-Rho's first Chain Gang members.

The 1928-29 Yearbook was dedicated to Slonaker (him again?) "Because he so strongly exemplifies hat spirit; As he was once one of us, and has not forgotten it; Has fought for Arizona, and is proud of it; Is slaving for us, helping us make A better "Arizona", we dedicate this volume of The Desert to A. Louis Slonaker.

Gamma-Rho won more than a fistful of intramural sport and overall titles during the decade, including baseball and basketball.

OLD MAIN 1904



LOUIS SLONAKER
B. S. Commerce
Tucson, Arizona
Football, '17-'19; All-Southwestern Quarterback, '17-'19; Captain Elect, '20; Basketball, '17-'20; Captain, '19-'20; All-Southwestern Forward, '17-'19, '19-'20; Baseball, '18-'20; "A" Club; House of Representatives, '19-'20; Merely Mary Ann; Elected "Greatest Wildcat," '19-'20; Commerce Club; Sigma Delta Psi; "Greatest Wildcat," '20.

A.L. SLONAKER '17 NOTED
GREATEST WILDCAT IN 1919-201925 ARIAL VIEW
OF CAMPUS

KAPPA SIG BASEBALL TEAM 1924-25

HOUSE RENDERING
1926-271927-28 KAPPA SIG
TENNIS TEAM

1930-39

UA STUDENT ENROLLMENT TO START THE DECADE IN 1930 WAS 2,164.



KAPPA SIGMA HOUSE 1930-1931

Gamma-Rho's first Blue Key member (Men's Service Organization): Brehem Robinson '32.

1934 Yearbooks says this about Kappa Sigma: "All in all, a funny looking bunch, but they're all just a happy crew of playboy pirates, cruisers on the Sea of Beer." Some things don't change, do they?

Gamma-Rho's first President of the University Band: Lawrence Campbell '35 and saw a Gamma-Rho as IFC President, Brother Robert Palm '33.

Student Body President: John McPherson '36.

The Chapter continued to rack up intramural awards left and right, with more than a dozen first place finishes in the decade.



ARIAL VIEW CAMPUS - 1930



ARIZONA STADIUM 1931



HOMECOMING HOUSE DECORATION 1938-39



ARIZONA STADIUM HOMECOMING 1941



JAMES MACIA (LEFT) ON DOOLITTLE RAID 1946



FRATERNITY MASCOT 1946



KAPPA SIGS HANGING OUT 1947



1940-49

UA STUDENT ENROLLMENT TO START THE DECADE IN 1940 WAS 2,922, THOUGH WORLD WAR II FROM 1939-45 HAD A DRAMATIC IMPACT ON THE CAMPUS AND IN THE NUMBERS IN OUR CHAPTER.

Mike O'Haco '40 named a Bobcat in 1941-42 and receives Purple Heart and Silver Star.

Sid Woods '35 has UA Alumni Association award named in his honor called the Sid Woods Award started in 1941 honoring an alumnus for five or more years of service who has been out of school for 15 years or more.

James H. Macia '35 named Kappa Sigma Man of the Year in 1942 after he received Distinguished Flying Cross as part of the WWII Doolittle's Raid.

Cal Snoddy '39 receives two Bronze Stars in WWII.

In 1943-44 Kappa Sigma has a burro named "Pinhead". Again, as with the monkey, actives, don't get any ideas.

The chapter house sold in 1944 for \$22,000 because of low numbers with the War. Cleared \$4,309 and started trying to raise money to build a new house. The money was turned into War Bonds.

"To each, we send the traditional fighting words of the Wildcats, "Bear Down." We'll bear down too, and keep hoping all the time that they may hurry back. This is our university and theirs. This is our year and theirs for, though absent, they are not forgotten. On that they have our word, as we dedicate this Desert to them."

Frank Luis Culin Jr. '15 is Major General for US Army 87th Infantry.

Following the war, Gamma-Rho moved into a new Chapter House at 639 N. Park Avenue. We wouldn't remain there long.

A.L. Slonaker '18 named Acting Alumni Director of the UA Alumni Association in 1948.

In '49 Kappa Sigma moves into the former Glen Cove Lodge on third street (now University).

Bob White '48 drew the first human drawing of a male and female Wildcat mascot in cartoon form for the cover of Kitty Kat Humor magazine.

1950-59

UA STUDENT ENROLLMENT TO START THE DECADE IN 1950 WAS 6,227.

Klondike parties throughout the 1950's.

Gamma-Rho moves into the former La Fonda Hotel at 1325 E. Speedway for its Chapter House in 1950. The house cost \$80,000. Harold Schwalen '15 led the efforts as President of Gamma Rho Alumni, Inc. Herb Macia '35 also helped provide leadership.

Nils Johansson '50 leads the UA baseball team in hitting at .393 while Brad Tolson '48 was the #1 pitcher for UA baseball. Needless to say the chapter also won Intramural baseball.

In 1951 Carl Cooper '40 was named UA Track & Field Coach and A.L. Slonaker '17 is Dean of Men.

Bill Jordan '52 was secretary-treasurer of the Traditions Committee and in 1952-53 they established the first Pom Pom team and integrated the cheerleading squad with the first black male cheerleader.

In 1954 the chapter buys the infamous fire truck.

F. W. Boyd Allen '26 was named executive secretary of the Alumni Association and director of the newly created University of Arizona Foundation.

Corbett Elementary School here in Tucson named after Knox Corbett '30 in 1955.

Chapter stole Chi Omega's front door. Enough said.

In 1957 Ray Hiscok '59 sets school record for shot-put 55'2.

John E. "Jack" Thompson '33 (UCLA initiate and Gamma-Rho transfer affiliate) serves as Worthy Grand Scribe from 1958-65.

Brother Paul Fannin '26 named State of Arizona Governor in 1959.

Ray Hiscok '59 sets school record in the Shot Put in 1959. Again.

ARIAL VIEW CAMPUS 1954



HOUSE 1956



BILL CROWE 1954

1960-69

UA STUDENT ENROLLMENT TO START THE
DECADE IN 1960 WAS 12,518.

Steve Lawrence '60 was a Yell Leader/Cheer Leader in 1960-61 as well as Kappa Kappa Gamma Man. In 1961-62 he was named a Bobcat and won the Pat Shelly Memorial Award in 1962.

Duane Bloemke '59 helps found the Gamma-Rho Alumni Chapter.

In 1961 the pledges took Bud Dominic John Salvatore Alessio '61 to the desert and left him there...of course there is much more to this story. Fuhgeddaboutit.

Also, in 1961 several members were at St. Mary's ER and a lady was crying. Bud Alessio '61 asked what was wrong and she said she could not pay the hospital deposit so her husband could be treated for a heart problem. Bud paid the \$400 bill.

In 1961 when the mafia was trying to put a hit on Bonano, Don McGrath '59, who lived behind Bonano's saw guys going over the wall to Bonano's house and called police. Bonano was not there as he was in New York.

A.L. Slonaker has the UA Alumni Association name an award in his honor called the Slonaker Award started in 1961 honoring an alumnus for five years of service or more who has been out school less than 15 years.

Karl Johnstone '60 named an All-American in Track & Field after setting a collegiate freshman record holder at 179 1/2 feet in the discus event....Karl went on to become an attorney and Superior Court Judge in Alaska... he was one of the judges in the EXXON Valdez oil spill case.

Kappa Sigma Stardusters (Little Sisters) program begins in 1961. Membership was comprised of all girls who are pinned or engaged to Kappa Sigs. Original members are: Neale Burggraaf, Phoebe Conn, Sue Desbrow, Mary Edwards, Judy Loper, Judy Matsri, Marilyn Musick, Nancy Owen, Mary Pardee, Charlene Pierce, Rhea Rogers, Sarry Quimby, and Carol Rohde.

Carl Cooper '40 adds title of Head Cross Country Coach to his duties as Head Track & Field Coach.

Burt Hatcher '36 named Alumnus Advisor and noted as great AA.

Paul Fannin named Kappa Sigma Man of the Year in 1962 following his years of service as Arizona Governor and U.S. Senator. Our second Kappa Sigma Man of the Year.

Don McGrath '59 wins ASUA President position. The election had 3,559 students vote (the most in school history) and Brother McGrath won by three votes, the narrowest margin since students first began electing officers in 1886.

Several Kappa Sigma undergraduates pull off one of the biggest stunts in University history by stealing a giant cake about to be awarded to President Harvill in the Auditorium. The then campus police chief had to suffer a ton of jokes about it. Needless to say there is much more to this story if you would ever like to hear it. (Note: you current members of the chapter do not get any ideas as this will lead to individual and chapter sanctions. See also the Chi Omega door).

**Visit the Chapter House to see
the new 100-Year Timeline installed
the Living/TV Room.**

In 1963 Dick Stull '64 was the House Manager and he said they had steaks every Monday for dinner. Eventually they got low on money, so Georgia (cook) and Dick started ordering horse meat filets for their steaks. They got caught when they could not pick them up and the Tucson Dog Food truck was in the ally delivering the steaks.

Paul Fannin '26 named U.S. Senator in 1965.

May 15, 1965 the chapter holds its 50th Anniversary Banquet.

Phil Carrott '66 was Wilbur the Wildcat in 1965-66.

Pat Murphy '66 (pilot), Bob Fickas '64, Doug Millet '64 and Rich Carter '65 took off from Tucson International Airport in their rented Super Mooney 21 on October 7, 1966, landing in Lordsburg, NM about 1.5 hours later on their way to El Paso to secure financing for the renovation of the house. They took a bus to El Paso and returned the next day to Tucson by train, compliments of WGM Richard Miller.

According to Pat, "adverse weather conditions forced an emergency landing that resulted in some damage to the

plane and surrounding desert, but thanks to the skill of the pilot all passengers were able to walk away from the wreckage. Some consider me the Capt. Sully of my day."

Jim N. Corbett '46 named Tucson Mayor in 1967.

George E.P. Smith at 93 years old writes a long letter to the SEC about our chapter founding. In it he says "it was delayed for many years because a member of the SEC envisioned Arizona as a land of Indians and rattlesnakes and desert, and he blocked our efforts for many years."

Texas Senator John Tower and Arizona Senator Paul Fannin re-dedicated the house at 1325 E. Speedway after expansion on November 10, 1967.

In 1968 Carl Cooper '40 becomes President of the U.S. Track Coaches Association and a member of the U.S. Olympic Committee, and then is later named Executive Director of the U.S. Track & Field Federation.

David Murray '93 (a special initiate who was a pledge in the 1960's) becomes the UA Cross Country Coach in 1968.

Jim "J.J." Janoviak '65 won the Gold Medal in Horseshoe's for the 4th straight year.

Since 1915 grades have never dropped below all men's scholastic average. Ok, guys, unlike "taking the cake", feel free to get ideas from this achievement.

Starting in 1969, and continuing through 1973, Friday all afternoon volleyball games took place with brothers and every volleyball fanatic in other fraternities and sororities. Kappa Sigma was the volleyball center of the campus.

In 1969-70 the house TV was turned to Ozzie and Harriet every day around lunch time - the Nelson boys were Kappa Sigma's at USC and lot of episodes were about their fraternity brothers.

From the 1968-69 Yearbook: Kappa Sigma what other house would cause some Dean to miss church Sunday morning to drop in for a visit at the Housemother's request or play peanut butter football or those nights when dinner is spaghetti and as Flood says don't drink the punch at our parties cause you never know what's in it; the Powder Puff; Gordy's trick dog mad pooling pledges add to one straight Tear for man one great trip for Kappa Sig.

ARIZONA STADIUM 1960



GOVERNOR'S
ENDORSEMENT 1963



CO-ED VOLLEYBALL
WITH DG 1961



GAMMA-RHO
MAN OF THE YEAR 1962
AND MISS ARIZONA



STARDUSTERS

RUSH BOOKLET
1963



LUAU 1961



KAPPA SIG & FIJI
CHAMPIONSHIP
GAME 1961



1970-79

UA STUDENT ENROLLMENT TO START THE
DECADE IN 1970 WAS 26,021.

Kappa Sigma begins Luau party in 1970-71 that later morphs into FUBAR Party. The 1980's, 1990's and 2000's brothers thank you.

Stardusters hijinks – one Saturday night they put green jello in all of the urinals and commodes – what a vision on Sunday morning.

Danny Esposito '70 finances his education in the early 1970's by playing craps in Las Vegas for a few days each semester.

Pearl Harbor Day in the early 70's and we will leave it at that.

Everyone loved the care packages that Bob Levine '71 mom would send in the early 70's...cookies and gefilte fish.

In 1971 Charles Durazo '53 receives Distinguished Flying Cross.

Charlie Sullivan '61 is the President of Gamma Rho Alumni while John Henkel '49 is Alumnus Advisor.

1972 saw Pat Murphy '65 as DGM.

Gamma-Rho surrenders its charter on April 7, 1973. It was an unusual time in our country, not just at Gamma-Rho. In general, fraternities at the UA were not that strong. Finding new pledges was difficult. The world was changing and much personal exploration was occurring on many fronts.

In 1976 S. Thomas Chandler '41 was named a State of Arizona Regent in 1976 and Fred R. Stofft '26 named UA Alumni Association Distinguished Citizen Award.

A.L. Slonaker '18 inducted in 1976 into the UA Athletic Hall of Fame for his success in Baseball, Basketball & Football.

David Murray '93 (a special initiate who was a pledge in the 1960's) becomes the Women's Cross Country Coach along with the UA Men's Cross Country Coach in 1978.

Lovatt Burges, DGM, holds a meeting on March 21, 1978 to find the support to organize an Alumni Chapter and get the undergraduate chapter re-chartered on campus.

Charles Sullivan '61 holds a meeting later in the year to re-organize the Alumni Chapter.

Sid Woods '35 inducted in 1978 into the UA Athletic Hall of Fame for his success in Football.

Gamma-Rho re-colonizes on campus on September 4, 1979. Early officers were Phil Harvey, Tom Burke, Dave Cohen, Todd Smith and John Hollinrake. Colonized with 36 members which is the largest ever at the UA as of that time.

Carl Cooper '40 inducted in 1979 into the UA Athletic Hall of Fame for his success as a Football & Track & Field Coach at UA.

1980-89

UA STUDENT ENROLLMENT TO START
THE DECADE IN 1980 WAS 30,796.

The first official meeting room for the chapter was at 627 N. Euclid.

FUBAR tradition begins again and continues for more than 30 years.

Gamma-Rho receives its charter in 1980.

In the Fall of 1981 the Gamma-Rho Chapter moved into house at 430 N. Cherry Avenue.

Michael Corwin '81 named ASUA Concerts Director in 1981.

The Green Dolphin after chapter was a tradition in the chapter starting in 1982 and continuing for most of the decade.

David Murray '93 (a special initiate who was a pledge in the 1960's) becomes the Men's Track & Field Coach in 1982.

Karl Johnston '60 inducted in 1983 for his success in Track & Field and Andy Tolson '22 named into Pima County Sports Hall of Fame in 1984.

A very memorable pledge class road trip to Las Vegas in the spring of 1984. No further notes.

Eric Stevenson '82 serves as ASUA President in 1984-85. He served a major role in the new Rec Center as well as starting December graduations. He was named the UA Greek Man of the Year.

From Andy McEldowney '83 per a humorous story from 1985. "I was on my front porch pool one summer I stayed in our Cherry Street house. I had lined the walled area of my front porch with yard plastic and filled it with water to make a nice little pool. Since it really couldn't be cleaned, I would just empty it and refill it when it started to get a bit green. I was sitting in an inner tube in my sweet little set up with a beer in my hand one afternoon when our landlord, Andy Romo, showed up with the water bill to find out why it was so high. Really wasn't much I could say."

Kappa Sigma ends the National Little Sisters/Starduster Program in 1986; Matt Noble '84 was the last Little Sister Chairman.

The chapter takes an interest in spelunking with trips into the UA Tunnels made by brothers and friends that led to late night visits to dorms, sorority houses, the Science Library, and more.

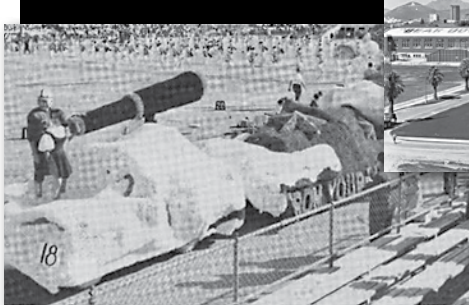
Scott Stern '81 Alumnus Advisor in 1985-86.

Burrell Hatcher '32 inducted in 1986 for his success in Baseball, Basketball, Football, Tennis and Track & Field.

George Jenson '82, ASUA Concerts Director in 1986-87, made the news for using concert funds to buy director's concert jackets or something like that. As always, there is more to that story.

A few Gamma-Rho members gather most of the campus newspapers in the spring of 1987 and pile them on the lawn of the house thinking that was better than admitting to the mistaken congratulations note they put in the newspaper for a sorority...there is certainly more to this story. David Shefter '83 was the Daily Wildcat Sports Editor at the time, an embarrassing moment for him, but he said it was funny as well. The members involved had to pay fines and serve suspensions.

1961 HOMECOMING FLOAT



Uofa MALL 1968

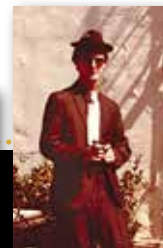


BOWRY DANCE
1960



GAMMA-RHO
MAN OF THE YEAR
1962

GANGSTA TODD -
THE ODDFATHER
MOVIE AT SPRING
FLING 1981



FUBAR 1981

COMPOSITE 1982

Gamma-Rho Holds 1st Annual A.L. Slonaker Hall of Fame Banquet In 1987.

John E. "Jack" Thompson '33 (UCLA initiate and Gamma-Rho transfer affiliate) serves as Worthy Grand Master of Ceremonies in 1985; Worthy Grand Procurator from 1985-87; and as Worthy Grand Master in 1987-89.

Matt Noble '84 becomes Alumnus Advisor in 1987.

Gamma-Rho re-established its House Corporation in 1989 with the goal of building a new house.

The University of Arizona in 1989 recognizes five Gamma-Rho alumni with the Centennial Medallion Award: Robert Dole '42, U.S. Senator from Kansas; Paul Fannin '26, past Arizona Governor and U.S. Senator; Lt. Gen John McPherson '36, Air Force Lt. General and CIA Review Panel; George Noon '54, Heart Surgeon at Baylor Medical School; and Sid Woods '35, Farmer and past Arizona Regent.

1990-99

UA STUDENT ENROLLMENT TO START THE DECADE IN 1990 WAS 35,735.

Lt. Barleycorn of UAPD lost his life in a friendly fire accident in August 1990 after being called to the house after armed uninvited guests got past the security at a bid night party. Later that year brother's bicycle from UA to ASU with a basketball game ball to raise funds in memory of a fallen UAPD officer.

Gamma-Rho officially moves into house at 326 N. Park (El Capitan Court) in the spring of 1991 thanks to generosity of Mike Cagali '58, Gary Foster '62, Don Harris '59 and Tom Keating '62.



George Jenson '82 was the Resident Advisor for the entire term we lived at El Capitan Court (191-95) and then was the Resident Advisor from 1995-97 at our current house at 1423 E. 1st Street.

F.W. Boyd Allen '26 named into Pima Country Sports Hall of Fame in 1990.

University of Arizona Dean Svob Award for Outstanding Fraternity for 1990-91.

George Jenson '82 becomes Alumnus Advisor in 1991 while Matt Noble becomes DGM in 1991-92.

The Chapter converts El Capitan garage in summer 1993 to chapter room meaning the pledge class and chapter meetings could be held at the house versus the student union during the '93 fall term.

Ralph Deal '26 named into Pima Country Sports Hall of Fame in 1993.

David Murray '93, former UA Cross Country and Track & Field Coach is specially initiated in 1993 (he had been a pledge in the early 1960's).

El Capitan Chapter House used for October '93 issue of Playboy.

Ryan Anderson '94, Tom Keating '62, Pat Murphy '65, Matt Noble '84 and the architects made the final decision to move forward with the construction of the Greek Row House. With some value engineering and a gamble that we could reach 100+ members by the time we moved into the house we moved forward. That gamble that our small quirky chapter could grow into an organization we needed to be is the reason Gamma-Rho is where it is today.

Also at FUBAR '94 the Pirate Ship collapsed during the party. A few girls were injured and the firemen and paramedics arrived to treat victims. Arrrrr!

James N. Corbett '46 named into Pima Country Sports Hall of Fame in 1994.

Gamma-Rho moves into our new and current chapter house at 1423 E. 1st Street in 1995.

The chapter has an award winning Homecoming float in 1996-97 but it also is burned down by what we believe was some jealous neighbors.

Senator Robert Dole visits the chapter in his run for president in 1996.



SENATOR BOB DOLE VISITS THE CHAPTER

Kappa Sigma wins the Founders Award of Chapter Excellence Award in 1996-97.

The first "Run to the Border" party where Gamma-Rho invited Kappa Sigma chapters from the West Coast to a party at the Chapter House. As Ryan Anderson '94 quotes: "It was an insane weekend. My recollection is that many, many Kappa Sigma's showed up, including some that would never leave. Yeah...that's you Scott Jensen '94."

Pat Murphy '65 wins Kappa Sigma John Tower Distinguished Alumnus Award for 1997-98.

Arizona wins the National Title in basketball. Members of the fraternity streak and are featured dancing, naked, in the fountain by Old Main, on the UA official website in a link titled "Drunk naked fans celebrate". Fortunately images are grainy.

Gen John B. McPherson '36 who served on CIA Advisory Board has scholarship named in his honor in 1997.

Dave Suiter '96 IFC President and Ben Graff '98 elected ASUA Student Body Senator for 1998-99.

The BBIG pledge of the Fall of 1999 holds the record as the largest pledge class in Gamma-Rho history at 72 pledged men. At the time, that also set a National record, which has since been broken, but still retains the Gamma-Rho record.



GAMMA-RHO BED RACE WINNERS 1990



100 CLUB PARTY



FUBAR



DATE DASH 1996



DON HARRIS '59 BIRTHDAY PARTY



DIRTBAG'S SPRING 1998

GAMMA-RHO BROTHERS WITH AWARDS 1995

2000-09

UA STUDENT ENROLLMENT TO START THE DECADE IN 2000 WAS 34,448.

Ben Graff '98 ASUA President in 2000-01 and received the Outstanding Graduating Senior Award from the UA.

Branden Lombardi '01 founds the Branden Lombardi Foundation in 2001 while he battled cancer as a pledge. Notably, Branden and Curt Schilling of the Arizona Diamondbacks developed "Rally Caps," a program designed to provide cancer patients with Major League Baseball Caps to cover up their bald heads and protect them from the sun while they undergo treatments. It allows patients to regain that sense of normalcy and self-confidence that cancer so often strips away.

In 2002, Peter Wand '01 ran for the Associated Students of the University of Arizona Senate and won on a platform of creating a student section or spirit organization. The ZonaZoo started as shirts for student men's basketball season-ticket holders.

"Our initial goal and what I adopted as my campaign for senate was the adoption of a student spirit T-shirt," said Wand, now a Phoenix attorney. "We were obviously starting small with this idea." Maxx Wolfson '00, was on the committee along with Jason Gardner, Lute Olson, and others that picked the name 'Zona Zoo' and helped create the values of the section.

Sam Chang '00 named Greek Man of the Year and receives the Outstanding Graduating Senior Award from the UA in 2003.

Robert Hogan '02 named Kappa Sigma Grand Scribe of the Year and Garrick Keatts '02 named Kappa Sigma Grand Treasurer of the Year in 2002-03.

Peter Wand '01 was Executive Director of Zona Zoo and named a Wildcat in 2003-04.

Max Wolfson '00 was the Sports Editor for the Arizona Daily Wildcat in 2003-04. Note: Maxx covered UA football for three seasons, and basketball for two seasons, as well as baseball, gymnastics, lacrosse, and rugby. He wrote a daily column called the "The Maxx Factor".

Gamma-Rho lost University recognition in 2003 for the year but still won Kappa Sigma Academic Excellence Award for 2003-04 and Kappa Sigma Recruitment Champion Award for 2003-04.

Tom Keating '62 has Alumni Plaza Keating Family Fountains dedicated October 29, 2004.

Ben Graff '98, while attending the James E. Rogers Law School was appointed by Governor Napolitano to serve a two-year term as the Student Regent on the Arizona Board of Regents. He served from 2004-06.

Kappa Sigma Academic Excellence Award for 2004-05.

In 2005 ASUA honors Ben Graff '98 and Sam Chang '00 by creating the "Ben Graff and Sam Chang Excellence in Public Service Award", which is an annual award and scholarship given to a current student that has demonstrated his/her commitment to the UA through leadership and public service.

Tom Keating '62 Bio5 Building dedicated December 1, 2006

Brandon Cohen '03 Homecoming King in 2006.

In 2008, the Arizona Wildcats' athletic department dedicated a memorial that was built to honor William "Bill" Lowell (Gamma-Rho/Kappa Sigma '41) and fellow teammates from the 1942 football team who served in World War II. Lowell and teammates Rue Mattice and Stanley Petropolis played on the 1942 Arizona football team, served in World War II and were killed while in battle.

One last FUBAR as we all know it in 2009.

Gamma-Rho loses its charter in 2009. A dozen or so disheartened younger alumni meet at Dirtbags to commiserate upon hearing the news. The waitress sees our forlorn faces and immediately identified us. "You must be Kappa Sigmas."



THOMAS W. KEATING

2010-15

UA STUDENT ENROLLMENT TO START THE DECADE IN 2010 WAS APPROXIMATELY 38,000

Thomas W. Keating Bioresearch Building named in honor of Tom Keating '62 in 2010.

Kappa Sigma appeals to UA for reinstatement and is approved for 2012-13 and Gamma-Rho re-colonizes in 2012. Greg Mammana '90 named Alumnus Advisor.

Greg Mammana '90 becomes the Alumnus Advisor for the Gamma-Rho Colony.

Gamma-Rho receives its charter in 2013.

Gamma-Rho moves back into the Chapter House and Sigma Chi moves out and into their new house. Total Frat Moves names Kappa Sigma house one of the Top 10 in the Pac-12

Mark McClear '88 named Alumnus Advisor in 2014-15.

Joel Rapp '88 begins the "Long Walk Home" from India to California that will take him two years.

Michael Honigstein '91 wins the State Department 2014 Human Rights Award

Matt Noble '84 wins the AFLV (Association of Fraternal Leadership & Values) Betty Gilmore Outstanding Alumnus Volunteer Achievement Award in 2014 as well as the Eller School of Management Bear Down Award.

Gamma-Rho Recognizes In-Person By Mayors Office for Tucson Clean & Beautiful for 2015.



ANCHORMAN



1990'S BROTHERS IN FRONT OF THE CHAPTER HOUSE



BRUNCH AFTER HOMECOMING AT GEORGE JENSON'S HOUSE



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GEORGE JENSON '82, JENNIFER CASTIEX, TINA & AARON YOUNG '96 AT THE PLAYGROUND.




GEORGE JENSON '82, ERIC STEVENSON '82 & ELIOT KAPLAN '82 AT CHAPTER HOUSE

Winners of the 2014 Human Rights Awards

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The U.S. Department of State is pleased to announce the winners of the 2014 Human Rights Awards. Michael Honigstein and Michael Ervin are the recipients of the Human Rights and Democracy Achievement Award, while Azimjon Askarov of Kyrgyzstan and Foro Penal, a Venezuelan non-governmental organization, are the recipients of the Human Rights Defender Award.

The Human Rights and Democracy Achievement Award honors U.S. Department of State employees who have implemented creative strategies to support human rights and democracy.

While serving at Embassy Colombo, Michael Honigstein and Michael Ervin combined advocacy and protection in the face of government threats with thoughtful bilateral and multilateral policy consideration. Their work was critical in defending human rights activists, opening space for dialogue for civil society, and identifying areas for constructive U.S. engagement.

The Human Rights Defender Award is given to individuals or non-governmental organizations that have shown exceptional valor and leadership in advocating for the protection of human rights and democracy.

Azimjon Askarov founded an organization to monitor police brutality in Kyrgyzstan and led several high profile investigations against law enforcement, uncovering abuse that resulted in prosecutions of officials. Askarov documented acts of death and destruction during the interethnic violence in June 2010, before being himself arrested on charges connected to those events. He was sentenced to life imprisonment following a trial and appeals process that was marred by serious procedural irregularities and allegations of mistreatment during detention and coerced testimony. From prison, Mr. Askarov continues to unite people of all backgrounds and urge the government of Kyrgyzstan to work towards fostering ethnic reconciliation and creating an open society for all minorities.

Foro Penal, with its nationwide pro-bono network of over 200 lawyers and 1,000 human rights defenders, became an important source for independent information about the 2014 protests in Venezuela and those detained for their alleged involvement. Without Foro Penal's timely work, the Venezuelan people, as well as local and international organizations and foreign governments, would have remained unaware of the extent and circumstances of the human rights abuses occurring during those protests. The organization continues to work towards improving the human rights situation in Venezuela despite high risk of government suppression and attacks on individual staff and volunteers.

The U.S. Department of State commends the winners for their vital efforts, and for their sustained commitment to advancing universal human rights.

Note: Michael Honigstein '91 is a past Grand Master of Gamma-Rho Chapter.



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October 24 - Board Meeting; Tailgater; and Post-Game Reception