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2020



John
Fung '84



Eric
Manese '87



Robert
Huberty '00

2021



Dr. Isaac
Martinez '91



Ward
Andrews '94



Peter
Wand '01



**2020 Mike Cagalj Man of
the Year Award Recipient:**
Paul Clapp '02



**2021 Mike Cagalj Man of the Year
Award Recipient: *Pete Parker '88***

Pete has spent his entire career in non-profit management both as a consultant and working directly for charitable organizations. After residing in Reno, Nevada for 26 years, he relocated to Ventura, California, where he's the Executive Director of the Oxnard College Foundation. He remains very involved with Pathways to Aviation, Fraternity Management Group, and the F C Cancer Foundation (aka Fxck Cancer). He also serves on various non-profit boards, including My Hometown Heroes (President), Sierra Military Hospitality Services (Vice President) and the Circle of Change Leadership Foundation (Vice President).

Pete's professional and community leadership has been recognized with a Reno-Tahoe Young Professionals Network Twenty Under 40 Award, the University of Nevada Alumnus Advisor of the Year Award (twice, thanks to Tau-Gamma!), and the Nevada Governor's Point of Light Award.

Perhaps Pete's greatest accomplishment has been co-parenting his two children. His son, Caden, graduated from Weber State University with a Computer Sciences degree in 2020. In addition to his web development work, Cade is busy publishing his first video game. And, his daughter Tessa is a senior here at the U of A, where she's graduating with a Communications degree in May. She's an active leader with Chi Omega and Arizona Ambassadors, and is past president of Links (formerly Chain Gang). Pete spends his free time running, cycling, and hiking with Heidi, whom he married at a Reno-Tahoe Odyssey relay race exchange point in Virginia City. He and his father belong to a horse racing syndicate, where they co-own a small group of thoroughbreds.

When asked about receiving the Man of the Year Award, Pete wrote: "I am deeply honored by this recognition. I admired Brother Cagalj and looked up to him as an outstanding leader. Receiving an award in his name is an incredible honor. I made the most of my college experience by getting actively involved with Gamma-Rho and the campus and worked my ass off to earn that Race Track Management degree. I've maintained the same approach to my career, which has led to many accomplishments and, of course, a fair number of failures. The relationships I've developed with fellow alumni continue to help me thrive as an individual today. I appreciate this amazing chapter and am grateful for my being a part of such an incredible collection of leaders."



**Advisory
Educational Foundation
& House Corporation
Boards
2021-2022**

**GAMMA-RHO
ADVISORY BOARD**

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Lindsey Sprehn '17, and Jeff Uhrig '94
AAA/GMC and Committees: Sean Litsky '99
AAA/GS and Committees: Austin Noble '13
AAA/GT and Committees: Eli Asunolo '98
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AAA/Faculty Advisor: Pete Corrigan '16
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Christensen '88 and Dr. Isaac Martinez '91
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Will Lewis '93, Sean Litsky '99,
Steve Maslowski '05, Richard Paris '00,
Lindsey Sprehn '17, & Eric Vorrie '94

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Nick Maccarone '13	Aaron Young '96

Alumnus Advisor REPORT

Happy 2022! I hope everyone had a great holiday and is excited for the coming semester. I would like to introduce myself as several of you may not know me. My name is Steve Maslowski '05 (Rho) and I will be the Alumnus Advisor (AA) as we get the Chapter stood back up and moving forward. I am not alone in this endeavor and have the help and support of several other Assistant Alumnus Advisors. They are: Eli Asunolo '98, Dr. Randy Christensen '88, Pete Corrigan '16, Will Lewis '93, Sean Litsky '99, Dr. Isaac Martinez '91, Austin Noble '13, Richard Paris '00, Steve Perri '85, Lindsey Sprehn '17, Jeff Uhrig '94, & Eric Vorrie '94. If you are interested in helping out, please reach out to me (smaslowski123@gmail.com). Now on to a quick update on where we are at.

Fall 2021 progressed according to plan in that we were able to start an interest group of ~15 undergraduates. The undergraduates were able to partake in three alumni events: 1) Hike on Mt. Lemmon, 2) Homecoming Dinner and Tailgate, & 3) Night out at Top Golf. The plan moving into the Spring is to go from 15 to 30 undergraduates interested in Kappa Sigma and then to start the Colonization Process in the Fall. There will be several events planned in the Spring, so that you can come and meet the new undergraduates that are interested - I hope to see you at one. Details are still in work, but please keep an eye out for future Alumni communication.



Steve Maslowski '05
Alumnus Advisor
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Homecoming 2022

OCTOBER 28-30

Friday

Golf at Arizona National
8:00 AM

Hall of Fame Dinner
Dunlap Room, AZ Football Stadium
5:30 PM

Saturday

Board Meeting
10:30 AM

Tailgater on the UA Mall
(3 Hours Prior to Game Time)

UA vs. USC Football Game

**Note: we are planning block seating
for the football game.
Email matt.noble@fmgtucson.com
if you will want seats.**

Gamma-Rho's Housing & Scholarship Vision

The dawn of a new generation is upon us at Gamma-Rho. The new year brings excitement of a new beginning for the oldest fraternity in the State of Arizona and we couldn't be more prepared.

We're employing a triangle offense to develop a strong undergraduate chapter, created, and supported by active alumni leadership. The Advisory team is an incredible group of committed advisors, each serving a designated role to guide and mentor the undergraduate mentors. The House Corporation is keenly focused on buildings and grounds, security access, rental agreements, policies, and other important details to operate a welcoming and productive living and learning environment. The Educational Foundation provides financial resources to advancing the chapter's educational and leadership programs for the chapter and its individual members.

All three groups of alumni represent the entire body of Gamma-Rho alumni, who believe in the chapter and its role as a catalyst for personal, social, and academic growth, and the success of each undergraduate member.

Success of the triangle offense will be generated as we progress through the "colony" phase of Gamma-Rho's return. If the current members of the interest group are any indication, Gamma-Rho has a very bright future. The students have access to the insight, mentorship, and support of dedicated alumni to overcome all obstacles and celebrate its accomplishments.

As news of the recolonization is being spread, we regularly field calls from alumni asking how they can best contribute to the effort. Each alum has his preferred area of support, so here's a condensed listing.

Housing Related

If money grew on trees, we could easily spend upwards of \$500,000-\$600,000 on improvements to the Chapter House. The House Corporation has determined the following areas as priorities to improve and is currently pinpointing projected expenses.

- Courtyard/Parking Augmentation
- Concrete and Deck Resurfacing
- Kitchen/Dining Room Expansion
- Library and Chapter Room Improvements
- Career, Gaming, & Virtual Meeting Room
- Suite Upgrades
- Security Installation
- Shade Structure In The Front SW Patio
- Elevator Replacement
- Facility Painting

Student Related

In addition to providing our undergraduate members with a suitable and attractive living environment, it's important to focus on its learning capacities, as well. As such, the Educational Foundation believes awarding scholarships to deserving students is a driving force behind the culture we're seeking to create and sustain. We currently administer over 20 scholarship funds, with the three below our newest:

- Freshman Recruitment/Leadership Scholarship
- Life Leadership Scholarship
- Kevin Barleycorn Scholarship

The other scholarships either provide tuition and housing assistance to undergraduate members. A full list of our scholarships can be found here: <https://www.uakappasigma.org/gamma-rho-scholarship-program>.

Here Is How You Can Support Gamma-Rho

- Send us your recruitment recommendations here: <https://www.uakappasigma.org/recruitment-recommendation>. We have 15 members who are planning to grow our chapter to around 30 by the end of the spring and 60 by the end of next year.
- If you have not updated/confirmed your contact/career information with us in the last year, please do so here: <https://www.uakappasigma.org/alumni-info-and-interest-survey>.
- If you are willing to join the 73 Brothers already signed up to sit on a virtual career panel and/or hold a 1 on 1 call with an undergraduate interested in your career field, please email Matt Noble at matt.noble@fmgtucson.com.
- Help us award scholarships to members. Our goal is to award \$40,000-\$50,000 per year in scholarships. You can donate a one-time gift to the Kappa Sigma Educational Foundation of Arizona here: <https://www.uakappasigma.org/make-a-one-time-donation> or recurring monthly donation here: <https://www.uakappasigma.org/make-a-recurring-donation>. Gifts are tax-deductible. Contact Pete Parker at pete.parker@fmgtucson.com or 775-745-1325 with questions.
- You can also send a check made out to the Kappa Sigma Educational Foundation of Arizona to Gamma-Rho Chapter, c/o FMG, P.O. Box 12010, Tucson, AZ 85732. Note: for those of you at the stage of life where you have Required Minimum Distribution's from your IRA's, know that you can make a qualifying donation to our Foundation.
- Consider leaving a legacy gift to Gamma-Rho. See more information here: <https://www.uakappasigma.org/leave-a-legacy>.

GAMMA-RHO CAREER NETWORK



Gamma-Rho Launches Career Network

Alumni Who Have Agreed To Join a Virtual Career Panel and/or To Hold 1 on 1 or Small Group Video Calls With Undergrads

Gamma-Rho has recently established a unique career network and speaker series to connect alumni, parents, and undergraduates. Created as a way for alumni, parents, undergraduates to grow their career network, it's also a great way to reconnect, share stories of success, and provide invaluable advice. The plan is for us to have 4-6 virtual virtual career panels per year, some in-person career panels with alumni and employers recruiting at UA, and for alumni, parents, and undergrads to connect 1 on 1 or in small groups in a video call.

Check out

<https://www.uakappasigma.org/career>

to see career resources, join our mentoring platform, and post jobs.

Career Panels

If you can serve on any of the virtual career panel dates below, please let us know by emailing pete.parker@fmgutucson.com.

- Wednesday, February 16 at 5:30pm
- Tuesday, March 15 at 5:30pm
- Thursday, April 21 at 5:30pm

John Turner '70	Kirk Vidinghoff '95
Brian Bednar '79	Bryan Lifshitz '96
Jim Murphy '80	Mark Speidel '96
George Jenson '82	Aaron Young '96
Eliot Kaplan '82	Mike Lafleur '97
Eric Stevenson '82	Mike Lees '97
Andy McEldowney '83	Tyler Lein '97
Bill Polston '83	Ryan Mahlstede '97
David Shefter '83	Elie Asunsolo '98
Matt Noble '84	Chad Foust '98
David Rockwell '84	Chris Gladney '98
Steve Perri '85	Jeff Way '98
Eric Manese '87	Sam Chang '00
Pete Parker '88	Ricky Paris '00
Scott Roeber '88	Josh Surridge '00
Jim Baldwin '89	Maxx Wolfson '00
Scott Gimple '89	David Gosselin '01
Jay Freedman '90	Charlie Hall '01
Greg Mammana '90	Branden Lombardi '01
Jeff Ross '90	Brett Strauss '01
Rick Scranton '90	Peter Wand '01
Todd Shipman '90	Paul Clapp '02
Carter Crow '91	Connor Abrari '03
Mike Honigstein '91	Scott Revey '04
Isaac Martinez '91	Ricky Tribble '04
Jay Altschuler '92	Andrew Cohn '05
Pat Moran '92	Steve Maslowski '05
Eric Wein '92	Matt Mayberry '05
Alex Alcantara '93	Nate Bahill '06
Will Lewis '93	Marc Joiner '06
Adam Roth '93	Mark Fitzgerald '12
Ryan Schneider '93	Stephen Crim '13
Ryan Anderson '94	Kori Hazel '13
Jeff Klinger '94	Austin Noble '13
Mike Shelstad '94	Jake Shepp '14
Jeffrey Uhrig '94	Peter Corrigan '16
Eric Vorrie '94	Lindsey Sprehn '17
Michael McCoy '95	



UNDERGRAD PROFILES



Luke Horne

My name is Luke Horne, I'm from Portland, Oregon and I'm pursuing marketing and advertising in the Eller business school. Through High school I ran Cross Country and Track and Field, being a part of the Varsity team all 4 years. I was a member of our

state championship winning team during my Sophomore year as well as team captain my Senior year. I was on the student council my Senior year as well as a Eucharistic Minister in the Catholic church all 4 years. I won an award at graduation for my efforts in service and leadership in my class, which I was very devoted to along with keeping a 3.92 unweighted GPA. I enjoy playing soccer and hanging out with friends. I applied for a scholarship through Kappa Sigma over the summer and was chosen as one of the recipients. I'm very grateful for this blessing as it has allowed me to take on a leadership role which I'm very excited about. I've also been able to meet many other great men that want to be a part of what Kappa Sigma has to offer. I can't wait to make a change in this community in the future.



Tim Amankwah

Hi, my name is Tim Amankwah and I am from the Bronx, New York. I am currently a pre-business freshman with plans on pursuing Business Marketing. All through highschool I played football and lacrosse, I was

also in the business society club which helped me gain a love for business marketing. While in highschool I launched my first trademarked clothing company which I am currently still running now from Tucson. I also work 2 part time jobs on campus which helped me also meet a lot of great people. I can say my experience in Tucson has been wonderful and I am so grateful for all the great people I met so far through Kappa Sigma and I can not wait to see what the future holds.

Founding Members:

Left to right, Top Row to Bottom Row:
Jesus Dominguez, Griffin Roberts,
Axel Tasong, Luke Horne, Jeremy Collins,
Aaron Brown, Zander Burnes, Tim Amankwah,
Adin Averett, Nigel Karulewa, Nassir Reed
(not pictured Muzi Carroll, Abreham Desta,
& Trayevon Toler)



Abreham Desta

Hey, my name is Abreham Desta and I'm from Portland, OR. I am a freshman in the pre-business track at the University of Arizona where I plan on studying Supply Chain Management and Spanish. Throughout high school, I aimed to

become a vital role in each sport, club, and community I became a part of. I spent my time in high school as the Vice President of my school's Black Student Union, a peer tutor, and a varsity athlete in soccer, cross country, and track. As I acclimate to Tucson, I find significance in volunteering for religious service and education to contribute to the Ethiopian community. My experience in Tucson has revealed a multitude of realities to me, one of which being, surround yourself with people who are better than you, that way you will work and grow to become a better version of yourself. I am humbled to work and grow alongside the great people I have met through Kappa Sigma and am ecstatic to cultivate an everlasting brotherhood.



Jesus Dominguez

Hey! My name is Jesus (Chuy) Dominguez and I am from a small town in Colorado named Kremmling. Currently, I am a pre-business student with plans of applying to the upper division next fall as a Finance major,

in pursuit of a career in wealth management. In high school I was involved in a plethora of extracurriculars including serving as the student body Co-Leader, Class President, FBLA President, coaching PeeWee basketball, along with competing in basketball, football, and track. While in Tucson I have gotten involved with DECA, Eller ELITE, Camp

Wildcat, and PRELUDES a freshman honorary. While those extracurriculars have brought me a wonderful sense of community, I am more than excited to be involved with Kappa Sigma and build a brotherhood that will last forever. Joining Kappa Sigma is meaningful to me because it has and will provide me with a network of individuals to call family and home away from home.





ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT



Jay Altshuler '92

Jay and Erica currently live in Westchester New York with their two girls, Gabby and Juliette. After graduating with a degree in Business Administration, Jay moved to New York where he started a career in Advertising. He worked at a few agencies both "traditional" and "digital" focusing primarily on big packaged goods companies: P&G, Coca Cola and Kraft. He now works as VP of Media Transformation at Petco, leading their digital and data transformation in order to make their marketing investments more efficient and more accountable.

In his time at the U of A, Jay was very involved in the fraternity holding many leadership roles including Pledge Class President; Pledge Educator, and eventually Vice President (GP). He also loved to be outdoors, playing volleyball and hiking, and camping in the Tucson mountain ranges. Even though he came to UA on a scholarship, he worked waiting tables at various restaurants around town. When asked what Gamma-Rho Kappa Sigma meant to him, he stated that: "it was a seminal part of my transition into young adulthood. I met friends who truly are like brothers to him and we are as close now 30 years later. Holding roles at Kappa Sigma taught me leadership and management skills I call upon in my work life. It also forced me out of my comfort zone on a daily basis, which helped me grow as an individual, as a friend and as a business leader."

Lastly, his best advice for undergrads is to "push yourself to take on leadership roles; seek out uncomfortable experiences that put you in the spotlight; spend as much time as you can outside and enjoy all Tucson has to offer; stay present in this moment it goes quick but these years will serve as the foundation for the rest of your life."



Joshua Surridge '00

As an undergraduate at the U of A, Joshua served as Grand Procurator of the Gamma-Rho chapter, president of the Interfraternity Council, Vice President of Arizona Allegiance (Traditions), and as an Arizona Ambassador. He is also honored to be a past Matthew Whaley Scholarship winner and Eagle Scout.

Formerly a NCAA baseball umpire and multi-million dollar producing real estate agent, his diverse interests led him to be an early marketing hire for Red Bull Energy Drink during their North America expansion, the first digital marketing leader for iconic wellness brand Canyon Ranch, and the co-creator of Champagne, Caviar, & Content: Approaching Content Marketing for Luxury Brands, a syndicated webinar series and featured talk at national marketing conferences. He also served on the international board of directors for Camp To Belong, a non-profit organization reuniting siblings separated in foster care through summer camp in 13 states across the United States and Australia.

Today, Josh is the global web manager for NCX, a climate tech startup that is democratizing access to natural capital markets by using science, technology, and economics to precisely measure and value forests beyond timber production, including carbon sequestration, biodiversity offsets, wildfire mitigation offsets, and more. He lives in Marana with his wife and three sons enjoy hiking, traveling, cooking Latin-inspired vegan food, reading, volunteering for Friends of the Santa Cruz River and closely following the Cats.



Marc Joiner '06

After graduating in 2010 with a Marketing and Economics degree, Marc started his career at Brown & Brown Insurance as a corporate auditor, focusing on financial and operational audits of their offices across the country. He quickly learned that he did not want to pursue a career in corporate finance and in 2012 joined Top Line Strategies, a small CRM software company in Scottsdale, Arizona, where he was a lead generation sales rep. As a lead generator, he was responsible for 80+ cold calls a day to bring prospective organizations to the table for customizable CRM solutions.

In 2014, he was recruited by one of his customers and accepted a position as Regional Account Manager for Universal Tranware, a web-based fleet dispatching software. A year into that position, Universal Tranware pivoted as an organization and released the entire outside sales staff. He knew he wanted to stay in a sales role but did not want to stay in the software industry, so he took on an Outside Sales Rep position at Medisca Pharmaceuticals. From 2014 to 2016 he quickly stood out as one of the top Outside Sales Reps, routinely exceeding monthly sales quotas. Towards the end of 2016, Medisca Pharmaceuticals created a Product Manager role to sell a patented Medical Device within the Independent Pharmaceutical industry. This role best suited Marc's abilities and he was soon promoted.

In 2019, he and some colleagues he met in the industry, helped found Drugstore2door. A company whose goal is to build a network via e-commerce technology to serve the more than 21,000 independent pharmacies in the U.S. With 600 locations and growing, Drugstore2door enables the independent pharmacy to present like a major retailer, online. By virtualizing all the inventory, patients can send prescriptions to and shop OTC products from their nearest local pharmacy with an option of both delivery and pickup.

Kappa Sigma shaped Marc's entire college experience by pushing him out of his comfort zone, helping him build relationships, and teaching him valuable life lessons that he carries with him to this day.

Marc's advice to undergraduates is "be willing to do what the others are not willing to do, out work everyone else in the room, and all the opportunities you have been looking for will appear. I do not necessarily believe you need to find your passion to be successful, take every opportunity that presents itself and you will soon realize that your passion found you."



Kori Hazel '13

Kori Hazel graduated in 2016 with a double major in Marketing and Entrepreneurship. His involvement on campus included the Daily Wildcat, intramurals, entrepreneurship, and working with the Rialto Theater. In his time in Kappa Sig he was the Philanthropy Chair, incharge of planning and executing events.

Today, the Denver Colorado native is heavily involved in the music industry. He has grown from writing editorials and photographing the local Denver music scene, to talent buying and festival organization. Putting his Entrepreneurial skills to use, Kori is currently managing several Denver artists and is involved in starting up a management and booking agency in Denver. His goal is to put Denver's amazing music scene on the map in the same way other major music hubs' have excelled through the years.

Kori's favorite things to do outside of work are photography (fashion, food, and music), catching local musicians, interacting with the city, sports, hanging with friends, Djing, and trying the best food that Denver has to offer. He is passionate about meeting and learning about the people who have built and thrived in the culture of the city.

He believes that Kappa Sig is "a brotherhood that stays with you long after you leave campus" and his best advice for undergraduates is "do what you love, stay true to it, and the rest will follow."



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Don't Miss It!

Alumni & Parent Weekend

March 25-27, 2022

Friday:

UCLA baseball game at 6 PM

Saturday morning:

golf or hike

Saturday night:

UCLA baseball game at 6:00 PM

(maybe game watching of UA
basketball)

RSVP here: <https://www.uakappasigma.org/events/gamma-rho-alumni-parent-weekend-march-25-27-2022>