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OF PI KAPPA ALPHA FRATERNITY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE

SPRING 2012

A.B. Culvahouse '67 Inspires at Founders Day 2012



Alumni gather for Founders Day 2012.

This past spring, Zeta Chapter celebrated Pi Kappa Alpha's founding at *The Foundry* in Knoxville, TN, with an evening of dinner, dancing and fun. The event was well attended by actives and alumni, as well as their dates. Guests enjoyed a great meal while learning about the history of the Fraternity.

Guest speaker **A.B. Culvahouse '67** reflected on his time as a Zeta and his unprecedented work in Washington D.C. as White House Counsel to President Ronald

Reagan. As stated by **Isaac Summers '10**, "His words were powerful, and his presence and leadership has had a long lasting impact on the chapter."

Following Culvahouse's remarks, alumni and actives, and their dates, danced the night away to tunes performed by the band *Super Dave*.

Founders Day 2013 will be held March 3 in Knoxville. We hope to see you there!

"Pike's Presents" and Tutoring Continues at Lonsdale



Matthew Edwards '11 (left) and Andrew Hale '11 (right) with a group of students from Lonsdale Elementary School during Pike's Presents.

For the third consecutive year, Zeta Chapter did their part to bring Christmas cheer to the children at Lonsdale Elementary. Fraternity members raised money to purchase a toy for each child to ensure that no student had to spend the holiday season without a gift.

In addition to the gifts, Zeta Chapter volunteers spent four days a week at the after-school tutoring program, and the Fraternity has been recognized as an official partner of Lonsdale Elementary. The chapter is currently raising money to purchase bilingual software for the school. According to philanthropy and community service chair **David Bartley '10**, "It has been an absolute pleasure working with Lonsdale over the past three years, and we look forward to what we can accomplish together in the future."

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Pike Dominates in Athletics



Danny Pritchett '11 and his grandfather after his second boxing championship.

Zeta Chapter continues to excel in athletics. During the Fall, the chapter's two soccer teams placed first and second in Intramurals and went undefeated during Flag Football season. In addition, the Intramural Basketball team finished in second place after a very close championship game. This Spring, the Intramural Softball team is currently undefeated and a serious contender to win the title.

Danny Pritchett '11 once again dominated at the SAE Boxing Tournament bringing home another belt to the trophy room after a convincing win in the finals. **Nick Powell '11** joined the UT Baseball team as a walk-on and has become a contributing player for the Vols.

Chapter Surpasses 150 Men

Alumni and actives should be proud of another great recruitment year by the chapter's leadership. The ability to consistently recruit men of character who are dedicated to academics, community and fraternity shows the strength of Pikes at UT.

Forty men were recruited during the Fall semester and five men during the Spring. With these additions, the Zeta Chapter exceeds 150 active members!

Fall 2011 Initiates

Andre Agassi <i>Nashville, TN</i>	David Hernandez <i>Memphis, TN</i>	Daniel McLaughlin <i>Brentwood, TN</i>	Tyler Wehr <i>Memphis, TN</i>
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Blake Burgett <i>Nashville, TN</i>	Trey Kotara <i>Germantown, TN</i>	Bill Silva <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Shahram Zarshenas <i>Memphis, TN</i>
Luke Christopher <i>Brentwood, TN</i>	Nathan Llanes <i>Memphis, TN</i>	Jason Springer <i>Brentwood, TN</i>	Spring 2012 Initiates
Barrett Crawford <i>Germantown, TN</i>	Wilson Luttrell <i>Memphis, TN</i>	Michael Steepleton <i>Memphis, TN</i>	Logan Dukes <i>Brentwood, TN</i>
James Dail <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Tanner Mariencheck <i>Memphis, TN</i>	Alex Strong <i>Germantown, TN</i>	Isaiah Flannigan <i>Hartsville, TN</i>
Robert Forster <i>Nashville, TN</i>	Carson Mayhall <i>Brentwood, TN</i>	Gage Struckmeyer <i>Clarksville, TN</i>	Christian Francis <i>Knoxville, TN</i>
Jacob Graham <i>Memphis, TN</i>	Matt McCoy <i>Fishers, IN</i>	Jacob Tucci <i>Memphis, TN</i>	Kyle Latimer <i>Brentwood, TN</i>
Blake Hennessy <i>Memphis, TN</i>	Dee McGaw <i>Brentwood, TN</i>	Joseph Walden <i>Germantown, TN</i>	Ashton Long <i>Brentwood, TN</i>
	Trip McLaren <i>Memphis, TN</i>	John Walker <i>Memphis, TN</i>	

Brothers Volunteer for Fall and Spring Break Mission Trips



Brothers gather on a Bell County, KY fire truck while helping the community rebuild after devastating floods.

up a new basketball court, built a wheelchair ramp, installed a new roof and painted the walls at the Boys and Girls Club.

In addition to participating in mission trips, the chapter continues to strengthen its spirituality through bible study. Led by **Rick Kuhlman '69**, attendance has grown tremendously over the past year. According to Chaplain **Colin Skinner '08**, "We are having record attendance, thanks to Brother Kuhlman's dedication in bringing milk and cookies, his incredible energy and passion and the presence of Pikes who delight in meeting weekly to discuss the Word and lessons on Christianity."

"The chapter really wants to thank **Scott McWilliams '78** who graciously donated over 50 bibles with the Pike seal engraved on the front," said Skinner.

Parents Day 2012 a Success



Andrew Hale '11 and chef, Hanna, hang out at Parents Day 2012.

Pike's Peak Raises over \$5,000

Each year, Zeta Chapter hosts *Pike's Peak*, a social philanthropic event involving various competitions among the sororities on campus. Competitions include: Slip N' Slide, Wiffleball, Volleyball, a Cook-off and Banner contest and Sorority Idol. A new event was added this year, the Brother Auction, where brothers were auctioned off for dates. The various events raised more than \$5,000 for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. As stated by the Pike's Peak chairman, **Ace Burch '10**, "Our goal is to raise awareness and give back to those less fortunate than us."

Instead of hitting the sand and surf during Fall and Spring breaks, several brothers spent their time giving back on Cross Mission Trips. The Cross is a nondenominational campus ministry focused on reaching the Greek community.

Twelve brothers spent their Fall break helping the residents of Bell County, KY rebuild their homes after severe flooding occurred in June. Ten brothers spent their Spring Break on a mission trip to Moultrie, GA. While there, the men put

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Last month, the active chapter invited parents to campus for Parents Day 2012.

The beautiful day began with a cook-out at the Pike house prepared by house chef, Hanna. Following lunch, a quick meeting was held during which **Matthew Edwards '11** was awarded the S.L.A.G. scholarship. The S.L.A.G. scholarship is presented to a first-year brother who exemplifies the core values that our fraternity embodies: Scholars, Leaders, Athletes and Gentlemen.

Parents and actives spent the afternoon at Lindsey Nelson Stadium cheering on the Vols Baseball team and Brother **Nick "Nicky P" Powell '11**.

Rush Recommendations

Do you know an outstanding young man who would make a great member of the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity? Alumni, parents and friends are encouraged to submit rush recommendations to **Buddy Heins '79**, House Corporation President, at bheins@charter.net. Be sure to include the rushee's name, high school, cell phone number, e-mail address and any other helpful information (Pike legacy, personal characteristics).

Brother to Brother

John D. Baddour '75 has two sons, Johnny and Zach. His oldest, Johnny, was recently initiated into the Beta Zeta Chapter of Pike at Southern Methodist University in Dallas. After his son's initiation, Baddour served as the keynote speaker to address the new actives. In addition to joining the Fraternity, Johnny was elected IFC VP of Recruitment, recently attended the Western IFC

Convention in California and was selected as the Hilltop Scholars Expedition Student Leader for the summer at the SMU campus in Taos, New Mexico. Baddour is extremely proud and stated, "Johnny studies more in a week than I did in a quarter and has a 4.0 pre-med GPA. He and his brother, Zach, are much sharper than their Dad."

60 Brothers Attend Leadership Summit

In early February, Zeta Chapter set a national record by sending 60 brothers to attend a Pike University Leadership Summit in Atlanta, GA. Leadership Summits provide chapter members with an introduction and basic overview of chapter operations and programming. The event was a great educational experience for all brothers attending and an opportunity to network and interact with other chapters. Topics covered included International History, Ritual, Rush and how to properly pledge new members.

This summer, the executive committee will travel to Denver to attend the International Convention. Zeta Chapter hopes to receive its 15th Robert Adger Smythe Award.



Alumni and actives tailgate before the UT vs. South Carolina game.

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