



LAMBDA CHAPTER

TKE

6th Annual  
Alumni Hall *of* Fame  
Awards Ceremony



WISCONSIN

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON

SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 2024

# ALUMNI HALL *of* FAME Award Ceremony



## WELCOME TO THE 6th Annual Alumni Hall of Fame Award Ceremony

The awards are being presented by Lambda Chapter of Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity on Saturday, April 6, 2024 to Lambda Chapter alumni for their outstanding achievements. Inductees are among a select group of alumni who have excelled in their career, their service to the community and/or to the fraternity.

### 2024 Alumni Hall of Fame Inductees

Donald Bielski '77      Paul Hanson '78  
David Nelson '77      James Easter '07

### 3rd Annual Fritz Jacobi Alumni of the Year

Kam Weeden '88      Eric Lanning '92

### Past Inductees

#### 2023

Joseph E. Wimmer '52  
Edward Lump '60  
G. Stewart Mathison '74  
Dean Kanelos '76  
Eric Schmidling '93

William Vande Castle '75  
Nate Johnson '90  
Jonathan Yaffe '99

#### 2021

Paul Miller '75  
Tom Hille '76

Todd Stollberg '76

Bob Yeoman '76

Michael Brink '98

#### 2020

Michael Radoff '72  
Steve Wimmer '76  
Kam Weeden '88  
Andy Simon '97  
Michael Goeldi '08

#### 2019

John Weingandt '53  
Paul Aspinwall '61

Fritz Jacobi '72  
Edmund Moy '76  
Robert Holtz '81  
Eric Lanning '92  
Jeff Hertz '00  
Jack Concannon '08

Robert Weigend '72

# TONIGHT We Celebrate!



## OUR PROGRAM

<b>Welcome &amp; Introduction</b>	Eric Schmidling '93
<b>Invocation</b>	Eric Schmidling '93
<b>Dinner</b>	
<b>State of the Chapter</b>	Dylan Leahy, Chapter Prytanis
<b>Presentation of the 2024 Lambda Chapter Champions</b>	Dylan Leahy, Chapter Prytanis
Owen Meier '23	
Fletcher Barr '22	
Jasper Lindsey '21	
<b>House Corporation Update</b>	Eric Lanning '92, Housing Board President
<b>Foundation Update</b>	Nathan D. Johnson '90, Foundation Board President
<b>Presentation of 2023 Hall of Fame Inductees</b>	
Donald Bielski '77 - Introduction by Kam Weeden '88	
David Nelson '77 - Introduction by Chris Davis '75	
Paul Hanson '78 - Introduction by Tom Hille '76	
James Easter '07 - Introduction by Eric Schmidling '93	
<b>Presentation of the 2024 Alumni of the Year</b>	Fritz Jacobi '72
Kam Weeden '88	
Eric Lanning '92	



# 2024 HALL of FAME

## Inductees



### Donald J. Bielski '77

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Don received his undergraduate degree in 1981, and then attended the University of Wisconsin Law School, graduating cum Laude in 1984. He was a staff attorney for the Kenosha Public Defender's Office from 1984 to 1997. In 1997, he opened his own practice in Kenosha, where he remains to this day. In addition to criminal and misdemeanor cases, Don is also involved in child welfare cases where he is also an instructor for the State Bar. In 2008-2009, he served as president of our local bar association. In the community, he has served on the board of Women's Horizons and also served on the board of the Hope Council, a alcohol and drug treatment referral service. Don has served on the Lambda Chapter Building Corporation board since 2008, serving as secretary since 2009 until the present day, and occasionally providing legal advice.



# 2024 HALL of FAME

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## Inductees



### David Nelson '77

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David received his BA from the University of Wisconsin in 1978, majoring in economics and international relations. While a Senior, he passed the Foreign Service exam, and joined the US Department of State in 1979. As a Diplomat, David represented the United States in 7 overseas assignments, including as US Ambassador to Uruguay. He also served in several senior positions domestically, including at the National Security Council and in leadership functions in the Economic and Business Bureau of the Department of State. After retiring from the Foreign Service in 2011, David continued to work in the public policy arena. In 2018, he founded a consulting firm — Global Business Policy-DC, helping US firms such as Cargill succeed in the global economy.





# 2024 HALL of FAME

## Inductees



### Paul Hanson '78

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Paul started working for Miller Brewing Co in 1980 in college marketing. A highly successful career with many promotions eventually brought him to his last position, Vice President of Sales. He retired in 2018, and in August 2020 launched Iron Joc Performance Gear. <https://ironjoc.com/> which competes with other brands such as Under Armor, Nike, and Adidas. Iron Joc has a proprietary fabric that provides wicking, cooling, 4 way stretch, anti-static, water repellency, and stain blocking. As a result, when you sweat the silver ions kill 99.9 of the bacteria. His awards include being named employee of the year for Sales and Marketing in 1992, 1999, and 2010, and Leader for Women's Development and Mentoring at Miller Coors.



# 2024 HALL of FAME

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## Inductees



### James Easter '07

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James currently works for Cardinal Health as the Executive Sales Director for the Midwest market selling pharmaceutical distribution services and pharmacy solutions. He was selected to join Cardinal Health's Leadership Development program in 2017; only 2 years after joining company. Awards include being named Top Core Account Manager in 2020, and winning region of the year for past 3 years. James has been a board member of the Lambda Chapter Building Corp, and is currently a member of the Lambda Foundation Board and the Alumni Board of Advisors. James also served at the Chapter Advisor (2020 – 2022)





# 204 Fritz Jacobi Alumni of the Year



## Kameron Glenn Weeden '88

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Kameron (Glenn) Weeden attended the University of Wisconsin Madison in 1987 and completed his four year bachelors degree by winter break 1992. Kam rushed TKE the fall semester 1987 but did not initiate as the chapter left campus for a couple years. During Kam's junior year, he and some friends, among others, formed a colony and started Teke back on the UW Campus. Kam became one of the new chartering members in 1989. The following year TKE took back the house, which had been leased to the ZBT local chapter during Teke's absence. While a member, Kam served as Chapter Histor and Judicial Board Chairman.

After graduating, Kam served a year as the Resident Advisor for the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity on N. Lake Street before becoming the Chapter Advisor for TKE. Kam served as chapter advisor for several years before joining the Lambda Chapter Building Corporation as an At Large member. Kam has served with the board for many on-and-off years. Kam currently co-chairs the Facility Management of the Chapter House with Frater Jon Jensen. Kam retired as a deputy sheriff from the Dane County Sheriffs Office after 28 years of service and currently lives in San Antonio, TX. Kam received the honor of being inducted into the TKE Hall of Fame, via zoom, during the 2020 Covid ceremony.

This spring (2023) Kam received the Fritz Jacobi Alumnus of the Year award. Kam would like to thank all the current and former chapter members/board members for their work in making TKE-Lambda Chapter a success.







# 204 Fritz Jacobi Alumni of the Year



## Eric Lanning '92

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Lanning joined TKE in Fall of 1992 during his Freshman year at the University of Washington. He was Athletic Chairman and Prytanis during his time a UW. He has served as Vice President and Treasurer of Lambda Chapter Building Corporation TKE over the past 12 years. (and has served as President the past five years)

Lanning graduated from UW in 1997 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Economics-Mathematical Emphasis. He started as a Financial Advisor at Morgan Stanley in September of 1997 in Madison.

In 2013, he transitioned his practice from Morgan Stanley to Wells Fargo Advisors. He is both a Certified Financial Planner (CFP) and Certified Investment Management Analyst (CIMA). Lanning lives in Madison with my wife, Lynn, and daughter, Sarah (age 11). (now age 16)

The most impactful aspect of his time at TKE was the diverse group of men that he met, worked with, and befriended. This diverse group of ethnic, religious, economic and cultural backgrounds added to his UW experience in immeasurable ways. These were men that I would not have the opportunity to meet had he not joined Lambda Chapter. Learning about his fellow Fraters allowed me to develop into a better communicator and leader.

Advice for Undergrads? Recognize that you are in "sales". Whatever your major, background or goals, you will have to influence others during the course of your life. This might be your boss, co-workers, team members, potential client(s), vendor(s) or even your future life partner. TKE is a unique, real-life forum to build your communication and influence skills.





# Chapter Awards

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**Top TKE Chapter for 2023**  
*which is our 4th time in a row!*

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Lambda -  
University of Wisconsin-Madison

**100% KRA Award**

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University of Wisconsin-Madison

**Top TKE Chapter Awards  
also received:**

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6/1/2021 - 5/31/2022

6/1/2020 - 5/31/2021

6/1/2019 - 5/31/2020

5/31/2011

1/1/1981

1/1/1980

1/1/1975





# Thank You Volunteers

## **Advisory Board**

*Prytanis (President)*

Sebastian Atwood '16

*Epiptytanis (Vice President)*

Sebastian Atwood '16

*Grammateus (Secretary)*

Patrick Gehl '11

*Crysopeheles (Treasurer)*

Mike Goeldi '08

*Histor (Historian)*

Ken Chwatek '18

*Hypophetes (Chaplin)*

Bobby O'Neil '17

*Pylortes (Sargent at Arms)*

Sebastian Atwood '16

*Hegemon (Pledge Trainor)*

Kevin Wolf '08

*Recruitment/Rush Officer*

Joe Burich '18

*Social Chairman*

James Easter '07

## **Educational Foundation Board**

*President*

Nathan Johnson '90

*Treasurer*

Eric Schmidling '93

*Secretary*

Ken Chwatek '18

*Hall of Fame Chairman*

Tom Hille '76

*Volunteer Recruitment*

*Committee Chairman*

James Easter '07

*Fundraising Committee Chairman*

Bob Yeoman '76

*Alumni Events Committee Chairman*

Fritz Jacobi '72

*Directors:*

Fritz Jacobi '72

Bob Yeoman '76

Michael Brink '98

Sebastian Atwood '16

## **House Corporation Board**

*President* - Eric Lanning '92

*Vice President* - Bob Yeoman '76

*Secretary* - Don Bielski '77

*Treasurer* - Bob Holtz '81

*Directors:*

Fritz Jacobi '72

Bill Vande Castle '75

Tom Hille '76

Kam Weeden '88

Nate Johnson '90

Charles Radtke '99

Jon Yaffe '99

Jack Concannon '08

David Zeitlin '12

Sebastian Atwood '16 (*Chapter Advisor*)

Please reach out to Matt Noble at [matt.noble@fmgtucson.com](mailto:matt.noble@fmgtucson.com) or 520-990-3250 if you would like to learn more about serving one of these boards.

## **Thank You To Our 2024 Hall of Fame Sponsors**

Bob Yeoman '76 - \$1,000

Fritz Jacobi '72 - \$350

Paul Aspiwall '61 - \$850

Pat Lenon '74 - \$110

Michael Brink '98 - \$100

Kam Weeden '88 - \$50

Tom Hille '76 - \$500

Chris Davis '75 - \$250

Jon Jensen '70 - \$300





# TKE

**Better Men *for a* Better World**

**Lambda Chapter  
Tau Kappa Epsilon  
University of Wisconsin  
Spring 2024**