

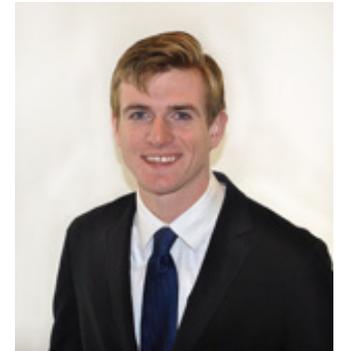


LAMBDA CHAPTER TAU KAPPA EPSILON SUMMER 2020 NEWSLETTER

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WELCOME from Ken



Fraters,

It is with great joy that I address you as the current Prytanis of the Lambda Chapter. I am proud to say that the chapter continues to thrive! Throughout the 2019-2020 academic year, we have accomplished so much due to the support and direction of our dedicated alumni, board of advisors, and chapter advisor, James Easter. I am extremely grateful for my fellow members of the executive board, as they have been pivotal in our continued success. Being able to bounce new ideas and ask for assistance from them, as well as the alumni, has undeniably moved the chapter forward.

As Prytanis, I have been fortunate enough to lead our men in achieving past goals, and creating new ones. Every day presents a new opportunity to grow and due to your support, we are able to fulfill our objectives. From all the members of our chapter, we extend our deepest appreciation for all that you have done. Your continued wisdom, donations, and expertise allows each frater to grow and achieve more every single year.

Yours in the Bond,
Kenneth Meehan Chwatek
Lambda – 1305

MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE PAST YEAR

- 46 new members initiated, including 27 this spring
- Chapter membership exceeds 100!
- Raised over \$12,000 for St. Jude Children’s Hospital
- Brought on a new chapter advisor, James Easter
- Raised over \$15,000 for Humorology with Delta Delta Delta
- Sent 20 members to (RLC) Regional Leadership Conference in Chicago



CORONAVIRUS IMPACTS THE CHAPTER

As we all know, the Coronavirus has changed our lives tremendously. Having the spring semester cut in half due to this pandemic has certainly challenged us in ways we never saw coming. However, through the support of our fellow fraters, we have successfully continued to pursue the mission of aiding men in their mental, moral and social development.

In the months preceding the lockdown, we were able to accomplish much of what we envisioned for this semester. Firstly, the chapter gained 27 men with the new pledge class. I am extremely proud of our rush chair, his committee, and the rest of the chapter for showing so many new members how transformative being part of TKE will be. We are all extremely optimistic about the future of the chapter with the introduction of so many eager and ambitious young men. Next, the chapter has done a great job of promoting academic and personal success. We have continued to raise the chapter GPA, with many fraters achieving a 4.0 GPA this past semester. The chapter also sent 20 members to this year's

Regional Leadership Conference in Chicago. The members brought back a plethora of newfound knowledge which will be used to improve various aspects from leadership to brotherhood, and everything in between. Next, our service and philanthropy committees worked to create a new yearly fundraiser titled, Softball for St. Jude. This event will occur every February and consists of a homerun derby, prizes, and much more. I am proud of their ambition and am excited to see what other service events they organize in the future. While this year was sadly cut short, I am proud of what we were able to get done and look forward to cultivating even more ways to improve the chapter.

During this quarantine, we have been able to host chapter every Monday via zoom. The executive board has continued to find creative ways to maintain the momentum set forth at the start of this semester. Staying in touch with each other for support, laughs, and good conversation has been key in dealing with our current situation. With a chapter of 100 men, preserving brotherhood and being there for one another is crucial. We have enjoyed speaking with and connecting to Alumni recently, and are truly appreciative of the time many of you have taken in supporting us. As we plan for the semester ahead, the future continues to brighten thanks to all of your help.

CAREER NETWORK

LAMBDA IS BUILDING A CAREER NETWORK

Lambda Chapter looks to build a lifetime career network for our alumni and undergraduates. We hope to see alumni join us back at the Chapter House for a career panel and networking event each year along with we our looking for alumni willing to take the time to talk to an undergraduate about his career. Finally, we have started a LinkedIn site in hopes that we can create an opportunity for career networking for all of our alumni and undergrdaute members.

Please contact Matt Noble at matt.noble@fmgtucson.com or 520-990-3250 if you are interested in joining a career panel and/or taking a phone call. Also, joining our LinkedIn site listed on the last page.





▶ **THE
SPRING
2020
PLEDGE
CLASS
OF 27 MEN**



Four of the nineteen fraters who attended the Rose Bowl in Pasadena, CA this past January.



Moments from our Softball on Ice Fundraiser for St. Jude



Ken Chwatek receiving their prize during the St. Jude No More Cancer Rally at RLC.

GRADUATING SENIORS

LAMBDA CHAPTER

CLASS OF
2020

TAU KAPPA EPSILON



Jack Lemkuil

Jack is a senior who joined TKE during the spring of his freshman year. Soon after graduation, Jack will be taking the LSAT and applying to law school, which he plans to take a year off before attending in the fall of 2021. Jack will be remembered around the chapter for his happy-go-lucky aura

and his easy-going personality, as well as giving advice on how one can change their major, as he did so several times.



Matt Duffy

Matt is a senior who joined TKE the fall of his sophomore year, after transferring to UW Madison from UW Eau Claire. Known well for making jokes and hanging out in the front room of the house, Matt will be remembered for being a reason to laugh for everyone hanging around him. Matt is

an economics major who interned last summer with US Bank in Milwaukee, and he will be returning this summer upon graduation to begin his full-time job.



Sebastian Atwood

Sebastian is a senior who joined TKE during the fall of his freshman year. Having served three executive board positions as well as House Manager, attended Conclave twice, and graduated from Leadership Academy, Sebastian has effectively “hit for the cycle” in TKE Fraternity terms.

Sebastian will be remembered for his forward visions for the chapter and his willingness to lead and make decisions that could be controversial in order to make the organization better as a whole. An economics major, Sebastian has accepted a job as an Account Manager for Oxford Global Resources in Middleton. Seb will be staying involved with the chapter post-graduation, as he plans to serve on the board of the TKE Educational Foundation.



Michael Linehan

Michael is a senior who joined TKE during the fall of his sophomore year. After originally planning to attend medical school for most of his undergraduate studies, Michael now plans to attend graduate school in Ireland to obtain his Masters degree in Biotechnology, where he will then decide whether he still desires to attend medical school, or continue down the path of technology in the medical field. Mike will be best remembered for his genuine demeanor and his commitment to his studies



Austin Muschott

Austin is a senior who joined TKE during the spring of his freshman year. An electrical engineering major, Austin hopes to find a job that involves signal and sensor processing and computing upon his graduation, which he should have little problem with, considering he

comes from the Greater San Francisco area. “Moose” will be remembered for his professional mannerisms and his dedication to academia, when his unwavering support of Badger sports was not taking the front seat.



Josh Sepic

Josh is a senior who joined TKE during the fall of his freshman year. Currently serving as the Health and Wellness Chair, Josh will be sticking around campus and completing a fifth year of studies to complete his Rehabilitation Psychology degree.

Josh is well-known by both old and young around the chapter, and he will continue to be known as a man who sacrifices his own opportunities to do the right things, as he has done for four years now.

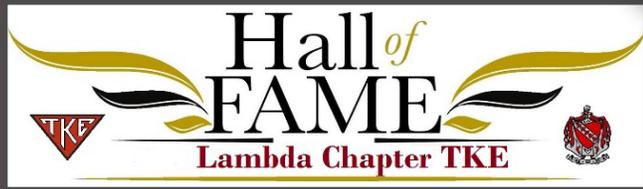


Trenton LeDocq

Trenton is a senior who joined TKE during the fall of his freshman year. A pre-med senior, Trenton will be taking a gap year before medical school to continue working in a nursing home and accruing a base fund for his tuition.

Often prevalent when it comes to house cleaning days, Trenton will be remembered well for his high demands of cleanliness for the foundation of our chapter at 216 Langdon Street. Trenton’s girlfriend Alexis was named the Chapter Sweetheart for the Lambda chapter this year.

2020



INDUCTEES

The following alumni have been selected to be enrolled into the TKE Lambda Alumni Hall of Fame. They have been selected by past inductees of the Alumni Hall of Fame. The induction ceremony will take place during a banquet, Friday night, October 30, 2020. Wisconsin will play Illinois in football the following day at Camp Randall.



Michael Radoff (Alpha Sigma 1972)

Director of Customer Care at City of Tulsa since 2012. Prior to that, Mike served for many years with the Gannett Company in various circulation manager capacities.

TKE Experience – one of the principles for re-chartering in 1974. Served as chapter Prytanis. Served over 15 years on the Lambda Building Corporation, including a role as accounts payable. He was the Master of Ceremonies for the 100th Celebration.



Steve Wimmer (Lambda 1976)

Serves as a municipal judge in Waukesha County since his election in 2018. He also served as a Waukesha County Board Supervisor for 6 years, and has been an Attorney for 34 years.

TKE Experience - Steve has participated at a number of alumni events including the 100th Anniversary celebration.



Kameron Glenn Weeden (Lambda 1990)

He has served as a Dane County Sheriff's Deputy for nearly 30 years and will be retiring in the next couple of years.

TKE Experience - Nobody has done more for that House and its members over the years than Kam. He has been instrumental in the various house clean up projects over the past couple of years. He currently serves on the Lambda Chapter Building Corporation. Kam has participated at a number of alumni events including the 100th Anniversary celebration.



Andy Simon (Lambda 1997)

Product Marketing Manager at Sun Nuclear Corporation since 2017. Prior to that was the Marketing Manager- Americas for Accuray for two years, and was the Marketing Manager for Standard Imaging, Inc. for 14 years.

TKE Experience – Frater Andy Simon served in various leadership roles as an undergraduate student including chapter prytanis in 1998. Frater Simon provided pivotal leadership to the house renovation project in 2007 and helped guide the Chapter through declining membership in the late 2000's as Chapter Advisor.



Michael Goeldi (Lambda 2008)

Sales and Marketing Technical Specialist at Agri-King, Inc. since 2013.

TKE Experience- served as chapter Prytanis 2010. Michael is a member of the Lambda Housing Building Corporation and served as treasurer. Michael has participated at a number of alumni events including the 100th Anniversary celebration.



I'm looking forward to seeing you at the 2020 Hall of Fame. Please contact any of those in the 2020 class or Tom Hille (tom.hille0922@gmail.com) with your suggestions of fellow fraters who you feel meet the criteria as future honorees.

LAMBDA CHAPTER FOUNDATION UPDATE

The TKE Lambda Chapter Foundation represents an opportunity to drive the future of Lambda chapter toward academic excellence and leadership inside the chapter and across the University of Wisconsin – Madison campus. We have received financial support for these efforts from many fraters and I want to say Thank You for your contributions!

The foundation is proud to have been in the position to sponsor 20 frater's registration to attend the TKE Regional Leadership Conference which was held the weekend of February 29th in Rosemont, IL. This conference gave our fraters an opportunity to network with other active fraters from around the region as well as TKE leaders including Grand Council Officers. It is notable that chapters that send a sizable contingent see stronger chapter operations, higher initiates and a notable impact on philanthropy. The attendees found significant value and are using what they learned to drive improvements and new initiatives.

We were very fortunate to be able to offer \$2,250 in scholarships to the active members. With 2 basic criteria to apply (2.8 GPA and a signed TKE house lease for 2020/2021 school year), we received 11 applications from 28 possible rooms. The number of distinguished applicants qualifying for consideration this year challenged the committee to arrive at a sole winning candidate. Through the generosity of our alumni, we were able to name a second scholarship recipient. We congratulate those individuals receiving the 2020 TKE Lambda Chapter Foundation honors appearing below:

YITB,
Nathan Johnson
Chair/President -
608-512-3619 nathanjohnson@gmail.com

2020 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS



Eric Weycker

Eric Weycker- is a sophomore and currently serves as Epiprytanis at Lambda.

Besides acting on the Executive Board, he was also a HUMO Director this past year.

Eric is known to be extremely kind and generous, and certainly goes out of his way for others. Whether it's cooking late night meals for dozens of people or helping to watch the house during this quarantine, Eric is certainly a guy you can count on.

Anyone who knows him can speak on his charismatic persona and good will.



Joe Burich

Joe Burich- is also a sophomore and currently serves as Hegemon. Besides

caring about the growth and development of the younger members, Joe continuously helps fraters, reach their academic, social, and moral goals.

He is always a positive presence in the house and is a great example of how a leader should be. Joe is certainly someone you can go to with any sort of issue, and has given members great advice in the past. We are proud of his dedication to the Fraternity now, and always.

ANNUAL CAMPAIGN

Donations to the Lambda Foundation go to a scholarships to be given to our undergraduates. In addition we send undergraduates to various leadership and development conferences. All donations to this cause will be tax deductible.

To date we have raised \$750.

Donations can be made, and more information can be found at: <https://mp.gg/6iaff>

HOUSING CORPORATION NEWS



The membership at TKE-Madison is as strong as it has ever been. The alumni board is very active and working with the chapter leadership. Current fraters and alumni have made visual updates to the house. The house looks better than it has in two decades. We would like to continue this success by making yearly modifications to the structure at 216 Langdon street all while keeping our eye on the future of the Lambda Chapter. Last year alumni added a water fountain in the dining room. Chapter members said the addition was transformational.

This year we are looking to fund the removal and replacement of the foyer and bathroom hallway tile. Please consider making a donation. The new tile will change the look for years to come.

YITB
Frater Weeden
#867

ANNUAL CAMPAIGN

Donations to the Housing Corporation annual fund will go to install a new water fountain and removal and replacement of the foyer and bathroom hallway tiles.

To date we have raised \$3,500.

Donations can be made, and more information can be found at: <https://mp.gg/s5mqe>



New water fountain



Tile to be removal and replaced in the foyer and bathroom hallway

BUILDING CAMPAIGN

Our building campaign has raised almost \$350,000.

Details for the Building Capital Campaign can be found at <https://wistke.org/campaign>



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KEY CONTACTS

Lambda Chapter Building Corp., TKE, is the organization that manages the property at 216 Langdon Street. It is a 501(c)(7) organization which is exempt from income taxes and files an IRS Form 990 each year.

Chair/President - Eric Lanning
(608) 206-4031
ericlanning1@gmail.com

The **Lambda Chapter Board of Advisors ("BOA")** serves to provide guidance to the undergraduate chapter members regarding all facets of chapter management. The BOA has a conference call with the chapter officers on a bimonthly basis.

Chair/President - David Zeitlin '15
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David.j.zeitlin@gmail.com

TKE Lambda Chapter Foundation, Inc. is a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit corporation registered with the State of Wisconsin. It has obtained an EIN for the corporation from the IRS, and is now in the application review process by the IRS for recognition by the IRS as a tax exempt entity.

Chair/President - Nathan Johnson
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TKE Lambda Chapter Capital Campaign is the fundraising initiative to fund the Lambda chapter house restoration.

Chair/President - Fritz Jacobi '76
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Lambda Chapter Prytanis
Ken Meehan Chwatek
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https://www.instagram.com/tke_uw/

HELP WANTED

We need an alumnus to help coordinate alumni communication with our capital consultant Fraternity Management Group. Regular duties would be to update social media as well as assist in the semi-annual newsletter.

Please contact **Matt Noble, President, FMG**
(520) 990-3250 or matt.noble@fmgtucson.com

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