



LAMBDA CHAPTER TAU KAPPA EPSILON

SPRING 2023 NEWSLETTER

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN - MADISON

WELCOME from Lucas Meyer



Hello Fraters,

After one semester of being Prytanis of the Lambda Chapter, I could not be more excited with the state of the chapter and what the future has in store. The culture of striving for success that was built by previous Executive Councils led by Frater Noah Brown and Frater Gavin Bowman gave my Executive Council the tools needed to continue strengthening the Lambda Chapter. This past year, we have maintained our status as one of the premier chapters of Tau Kappa Epsilon!

Chapter Membership

Our Spring Rush concluded earlier this year, and I am excited to share that we initiated 14 new Fraters into our Bond! This could not have been accomplished without the hard work of our Rush chair, Frater Max Schuman, and the rest of the Rush Committee. We were ecstatic to have 38 initiates join our brotherhood during the 2022-2023 academic year who share our values and desire to continue Lambda's success! However, we are equally saddened to witness the departure of 29 seniors who were instrumental parts of our Fraternity during their time at UW-Madison. We wish them all the best in their future endeavors following graduation! At the conclusion of the semester, Lambda Chapter stands at 138 members, the fourth largest chapter in the country!

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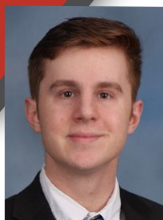
Philanthropy and Brotherhood

This year, we once again smashed our philanthropy fundraising goal. With an initial goal of \$20,000, we raised over \$31,000 for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital! We accomplished this through fundraising events such as TKE Week and our Paws for a Cause event, donations from friends and family, and generous donations from our phenomenal Lambda alumni network. We also raised more than \$42,000 to support Humorology, a philanthropy run by Fraternities and Sororities that supports local charities, and came in 3rd place in the final show competition! Our Philanthropy Chairs, Frater Clayton Atkinson and Frater Harry LeSage, have been hard at work this semester to ensure that we maintain our successful fundraising. Frater Cole Hansen, our Brotherhood Chair, did an exceptional job organizing events throughout the semester such as an Essen Haus Dinner and Presentation Night which contribute to our one of a kind brotherhood.

Top TKE 4-peat?

At the end of this semester, we completed our Key Result Areas (KRA's) and achieved a 110.75% completion rate. Achieving this level of completion on our KRA's could not have been accomplished without the hard work of the chapter membership and Executive Council. This distinguishes us as one of the top chapters in the country and puts Lambda in a very strong position to achieve an unprecedented fourth consecutive Top TKE award! Lambda Chapter is made up of an outstanding group of men who all play an important role in the accomplishments we have made. I could not be more proud of the strides made during my short time as Prytanis so far. To our incredible Lambda alumni, we are so grateful for your continued support. Without your help, much of what we have accomplished this past year would not have been possible. Thank you for your guidance and support! As I look ahead to my second semester as Prytanis, myself and the Executive Council are thrilled at what we have already planned for the fall. Our goal is to leave Lambda better than we started with, a very difficult task considering how successful our chapter has been in recent years. Being Prytanis has been a great privilege, and I can't wait to continue seeing the development of our brotherhood and the continuation of Lambda's status as a top Fraternity on campus!

Yours in the Bond,
Lucas Nelson Meyer
Lambda - 1429



Noal Basil

Noal, a member of our Spring 2020 pledge class, will be moving to DC after graduation. There, he will work for Deloitte as a Marketing Associate in their SHINE rotational program.



Aiden Bramwit

Aiden, a member of our Fall 2019 pledge class, will be working as a software engineer for ASML in their Connecticut office after graduation. Aiden previously held the Chief Justice and Steward positions for our chapter.



Noah Brown

Noah, a member of our Spring 2020 pledge class, will be working as an analyst for IEQ Capital in San Francisco. He previously served as Prytanis in 2021.



Connor Cheever

Connor, a member of our Fall 2020 pledge class, will be graduating with a degree in Global Health and Psychology. He is currently in the process of applying to Physician Assistant programs throughout the country.



Chip Dunn

Chip, a member of our Fall 2019 pledge class, will be working as a bio-process engineer at Scarab Genomics for a year or two before returning to school to pursue an MD-PhD. Chip was also a former Grammateus for our chapter.



Ryan Ellis

Ryan, a member of our Fall 2018 pledge class, will complete a graduate year in Madison this upcoming year. Then, he will join the Deloitte Audit Team in their Milwaukee office.



Dylan Erdei

Dylan, a member of our Fall 2019 pledge class, will be working as an analyst for the J.P. Morgan Private Bank in Phoenix after graduation. Dylan was previously the recruitment chair for our chapter.



Tommy Galateo

Tommy, a member of our Fall 2019 pledge class, is graduating with a degree in Biology. He is staying on campus in Madison to work as a biochemistry research technician and plans on applying to Ph.D. programs in the fall.



Gage Garrison

Gage, a member of our Spring 2020 pledge class, will be working as a dental assistant after graduation and plans on applying to dental school.



Lukas Hoertdoerfer

Lukas, a member of our Spring 2020 pledge class, will be working as an investment banking analyst at TD Securities in their NYC office. He was previously our Treasurer and Professional Development Chair.



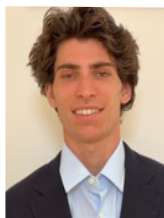
Dylan Holtsford

Dylan, a member of our Spring 2020 pledge class, is graduating with a degree in Biological Systems Engineering and plans on returning to Chicago for employment.



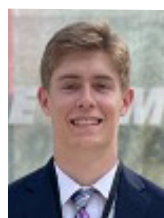
Steven Jacobson

Steven, previous Histor and president of the Spring 2020 pledge class, is graduating with a degree in Mechanical Engineering. He will work for Deloitte Consulting as a software engineering analyst in the Chicago office.



Brad Kaiserman

Brian, a member of our Fall 2019 pledge class, will be working in Austin, Texas as a sales representative at the end of this summer. He previously held the position of Hypophetes, founded the sport of froomball, and is the first player in history to reach 3 championship finals.



Carson Miller

Carson, a member of our Fall 2019 pledge class, will be graduating with a double major in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science. He plans to work for Northrop Grumman as a software engineer in Chicago, IL following graduation and previously served as the chapter's FBL Commissioner.



Zach Linhart

Zach, a member of our Fall 2019 pledge class, is moving to Chicago and working for Insight2Profit inside the loop following graduation. There, he will work as a business analyst for their consulting division.



Andrew Mitty

Andrew, a member of our Spring 2020 pledge class, is graduating with a dual degree in Information Systems and Computer Science. He will be working for PricewaterhouseCoopers as a technology consultant in Boston, MA.



Jack Lipstone

Jack, a member of our Fall 2019 pledge Class, is working in venture capital as an investment partner at Chapter One.



Mike Rouse

Mike, a member of our Fall 2020 pledge class, will be working as a supply chain rotational with The Clorox Company in their Atlanta office after graduation.



Max Lubinski

Max, a member of our Fall 2019 pledge class, will be working as a research engineer for Veolia Water Technologies in Illinois. Max is also a former VP of Philanthropy.



Colm Seigne

Colm, a member of our Fall 2020 pledge class, is graduating with a degree in Biology. He served on various committees during his time in the chapter and plans on pursuing a career in medical device sales.



Max Maahs

Max, a member of our Spring 2020 pledge class, will be graduating with a degree in Marketing and Finance as well as a certificate in Sports Communication. He plans on moving to Minneapolis to pursue sales.



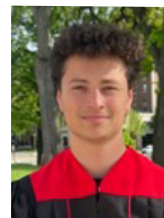
Ethan Youseffi

Ethan, a member of our Fall 2020 pledge class, will be graduating with a degree in Finance, Accounting, and Economics. He will then work as an analyst for Blackstone in their New York office.



Zach McClain

Zach, a member of our Fall 2019 pledge class, will be graduating with a bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering. He will then work at Milhouse Engineering and Construction in the natural gas field. Zach previously held the Hegemon position in 2021.



Daniel Zuckerman

Daniel, a member of our Fall 2020 pledge class, plans to pursue a Master of Science in Environmental Policy from the University of Minnesota Twin Cities.



FROM NATE JOHNSON

Dear Fraters,

It looks to be a strong start to 2023 for Lambda! By all accounts, they appear to be firing on all cylinders and

the Executive Council is pressing for more growth. I am excited about what is bound to happen at 216 Langdon through the remainder of the year. I said this in the fall, but I feel even more confident that we have a group of young men we all can, and should, be proud of!

Supporting Leadership Growth and Academic Success

We are continuing to support chapter leader attendance for Regional Leadership Conferences, Leadership Academy, and other development opportunities such as the Career and Mentoring Program (which is available to current members AND alumni). Additionally, The TKE Lambda Chapter Foundation is very proud to have granted two merit-based scholarships for the 4th consecutive year. Our award winners were Lucas Meyer and Cobi Rifkin, please join me in congratulating these deserving fraters.

Golf Outing

We anticipate the return of the Lambda Chapter Golf Outing in 2023. This proved to be a solid fundraiser in 2022, and we'd like to grow this event to support more scholarships and development programs. We are in the planning stages and currently have it slated for August 25th. If you did not attend, talk to your fraters who did to learn what you missed. Note that you do not need to be a golfer to participate; we need volunteers! In 2022, this event was not exclusive to Lambda TKEs and alumni. We'd like to fill our entire outing with alumni and active members this year—so register when you get the detail. Contact Eric

Schmidling schmidlingeric@yahoo.com or me if you would like to volunteer. We need an overall project chair, committee members, and a day-of project lead to make it a success for 2023!

Legacy Fund

In the fall, I announced we were pursuing building a library. While this remains a priority in our vision, the foundation has decided to pivot our attention to instead build a legacy fund and grow the scholarship dollars we can award. If you wish to donate, please contact Eric Schmidling or me OR visit the Omella site (see link below) and note the Legacy Fund. We will revisit the library once this fund nears maturity and we are confident in our ability to award scholarships in perpetuity.

Volunteer Opportunities - We Want You!

The foundation board has approved changes to the bylaws that will allow for more voting trustees. These opportunities afford more fraters to steer the direction of the foundation and actively take on committee leadership that will drive our future success. It is a great opportunity to get involved. If you are interested in learning more, contact any current board member.

Fraters, we cannot do it without your financial support. The foundation is completely funded through your donations and fundraising activities. You can donate directly to the foundation at <https://omella.com/wZsqJ>, by contacting the foundation at tkelambdafoundation@gmail.com, or by calling me at 608-512-3619.

In closing, I want to thank the foundation board members: Jeff Hertz (Vice President), Eric Schmidling (Treasurer), Ken Chwatek (Secretary), Fritz Jacobi, Michael Brink, and Bob Yeoman for all their continued energy and dedication to a great cause. Again, if you are interested in joining this dedicated team please contact me or any board member.

Yours In The Bond,

Nate Johnson '90
TKE Lambda Foundation President

If you would like to contribute to the success of Lambda Chapter, please contact me at tkelambdafoundation@gmail.com or by phone at 608-512-3619.

You can also visit www.wistke.org/donate, go directly to <https://omella.com/wZsqJ> or scan the QR code.



BANQUET & MEMBER INDUCTION

48 fraters and guests, including 18 current undergraduate members, attended the 2023 TKE Lambda Chapter Alumni Hall of Fame Awards Ceremony. The fifth annual event took place on April 22 at the Gordon Dining and Conference Center on the University of Wisconsin Campus.

Following a cocktail reception and dinner, we heard updates from our Housing Board President, Eric Lanning '92, and our Foundation Board President, Nate Johnson '90.

Lucas Meyer '21, our current Prytanis, discussed the current state of Lambda Chapter, as well as announcing our three 2023 Chapter Champions: **Dylan Leahy '22**, **Alec Delfino '21**, and **Noah Brown '20** were awarded the title for their exemplary service to the chapter over the past year.

Five Lambda alumni were inducted into our Hall of Fame— an honor bestowed upon those who have excelled in their career, their service to the community, and/or their service to the fraternity. The 2023 inductees are: **Joseph Wimmer '52**, nominated by Ed Moy '76; **Edward Lump '60**,

nominated by Jeff Slater '64; **G. Stewart Mathison '74**, nominated by Pat Lenon '74; **Dean Kanelos '76**, nominated by Bob Yoeman '76; and **Eric Schmidling '93**, nominated by Jeff Hertz '00. Our 2023 class included two firsts: **Edward Lump '60** was inducted posthumously, as he passed away in October of 2021 at the age of 79, and with the induction of **Joseph Wimmer '52**, we now have our first father/son Hall of Fame members. His son, Steve Wimmer '76, was inducted in 2020.

Fritz Jacobi '72 surprised **Kam Weeden '88**, naming him the 2023 Fritz Jacobi Alumnus of the Year for his continued work and dedication to the chapter despite having retired and moved to Texas.

You can see more detailed information about this and past years' inductees at <https://wistke.org/honored-alumni>. Video recordings of the inductions can be found at <https://wistke.org/videos>.

If you would like to nominate a Lambda Chapter alumnus for membership in the Hall of Fame, please contact Tom Hille '76 at tom.hille0922@gmail.com or (262) 389-4973. You can also make a nomination online at <https://wistke.org/hall-of-fame-nomination>.



Joe Wimmer



Ed Lump



Kam Weeden



Stew Mathison



MC Tom Hille



Eric Schmidling



Dean Kanelos

BUILDING CORPORATION

Dear Fraters,

As I come to the twilight of my fourth year as President of Lambda Chapter Building Corp, we continue to soar to new heights. Lambda remains among the top TKE chapters in the nation and one of the top fraternities at the University of Wisconsin. We are on track to receive our fourth straight Top TKE Award. This accomplishment would not have been possible without the teamwork and collective effort of our chapter leaders & members, our Lambda Chapter Building Corp Board, our chapter advisor, and our Lambda Foundation Board.

Due to our member strength and full occupancy of the house, we are continuing to invest and make improvements. This past summer we replaced the flooring in the chapter/dining room, stairs, and upstairs hallways. We replaced the exhaust fans on our roof this fall. For summer 2023, we are planning on replacing the flooring and painting the second-floor bedrooms. We are targeting future projects: continuation of the flooring replacement for the third-floor bedrooms, front foyer flooring, and an overhaul of the front lawn. We continue to work with the Lambda Foundation on bringing a Lambda Library to fruition.

**FROM
ERIC LANNING**



Financially, the LCBC and TKE continue to be very strong. We are paying for these upgrades and investments using cash flow and alumni donations. Our only debt remaining is a single commercial loan for \$425,000, which is locked at a current rate of 3% (this loan will be due in the Spring of 2026). Additionally, we've used our financial strength to loan the chapter \$20,000 each of the past two years to minimize their annual insurance costs. The loan saves the chapter about \$8,000 and is paid back to the LCBC in the spring of each year.

The future continues to look bright for the Lambda Chapter, the LCBC, and the Lambda Foundation. We are always looking for alumni engagement. Please do not hesitate to reach out if you'd like to join one of the boards, join a committee, or offer assistance.

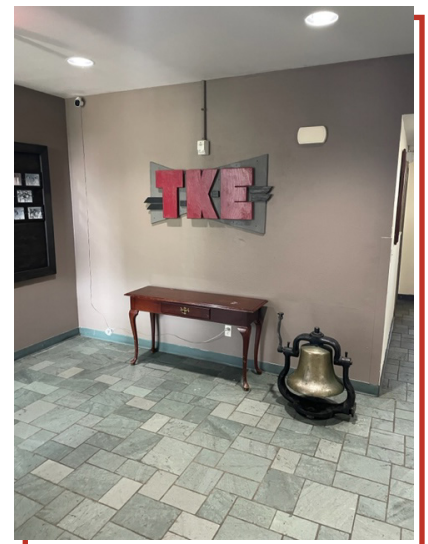
Yours In The Bond,
Eric Lanning, President
Lambda Chapter Building Corp, TKE



Photo wall in entry way



New flooring in the chapter room



Painted entry way

THE TKE GOLF OUTING IS BACK AGAIN! AUGUST 25, 2023



Gather your foursomes and book your hotel rooms! I'm looking forward to seeing many of you in Madison in late August.

START TIME: TBD

Join your fellow alumni, chapter members, and their families at Edelweiss Chalet Country Club in New Glarus on Friday, August 25th for a four-person Scramble. The cost of participating in the golf tournament is \$100 for individual or \$360 for a registered foursome. Cost includes a post round cookout at the course and afternoon to evening reception at 216 Langdon This outing will benefit our chapter foundation, helping fund scholarships and leadership programs for our undergraduate fraters.

Even if you do not participate in the golf outing we welcome you at the TKE house for the reception. There is no charge for the reception but a donation to the Foundation is welcome.

How can you help? Recruit a foursome, serve on the golf outing committee, sponsor a hole, donate an auction item, or volunteer on the day of the event. Reach out with any questions or interest—

Email Nate Johnson at tkelambdafoundation@gmail.com 608-512-3619

or Eric Schmidling at schmidlingeric@yahoo.com 414-469-4902

Thanks for your help and interest in advance.
Nate Johnson '90
Eric Schmidling '93

RSVP and Pay Online Here

<https://wistke.org/events/lambda-on-the-links-join-us-for-golf-friday-august-25th>

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.

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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 regular calls with the chapter officers.

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TKE Lambda Chapter Foundation, Inc.

A 501 (c)(3) nonprofit corporation registered with the State of Wisconsin. It has obtained tax exempt status by the IRS.

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Annual Fund Campaigns

is the fundraising initiative to raise funds for the Building Corporation and the Lambda Foundation.

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