



Kappa-Sigma  
University of Kentucky

# Beta-Nu Newsletter

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## Don't Miss These Events!

### Beta-Nu Hall of Fame Banquet October 16, 2020

We will be inducting Thomas McCarty '68, David Dye '74, Gregory Lombardo '91 and Michael Cayse '01 into the 6th Annual Beta-Nu Hall of Fame. The event will be held at 6:00 PM at the Copper Roux. We will start sending invitations in late June/early July.

Here is a brief snapshot of our inductees (full biographies will be provided following the ceremony):

#### Thomas McCarty '68



Tom served 28 years in leadership positions with Motorola as well as the Managing Director of Jones Lang LaSalle. . He has authored six books on the topic of Six Sigma Leadership and Business Process.

*Read more, pg 8*

#### Gregory Lombardo '91



Greg is the Vice President, Global Brand Marketing & Strategy for Hasbro where he has worked for the last two decades. *Read more, pg 8*

#### David Dye '74



David served as CFO for several hospitals with his last being HCA. He has served the community with the American Heart Association and American Cancer Society in Panama City, Florida. *Read more, pg 8*

#### Michael Cayse '01



Michael is a State Farm agency owner and has been honored as a Top 100 Agent. He has volunteered with Junior Achievement and the Covington Catholic High School Scholarship Committee.

*Read more, pg 8*



### Kappa Sigma 2019 Man of the Year Banquet October 24, 2020 6:00pm University Ballroom

Beta-Nu alumnus, Jim Stuckert '56, will be the Kappa Sigma 2019 Man of the Year. The banquet will be held on October 24, 2020 at 6:00 PM at the University Ballroom on campus. Invitations will go out in July/August. A full bio on Jim will be available in the print program at the Man of the Year Banquet as well as we will post on the website and send out an email following the event. In the meantime, continue to page 8 for just a little about why Beta-Nu alumnus Jim Stuckert '56 is being honored.

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2021**

## **Key Chapter Leaders & Active Volunteers**



### **Executive Committee:**

#### **Grand Master**

Chase Sanders '19

#### **Grand Procurator**

TBD

#### **Grand Treasurer**

Charlie Peretich '18

#### **Grand Scribe**

Seth Cowan '18

#### **Grand Master of Ceremonies**

Judd McElroy '18

#### **Pledge Instructors**

Skyler Smith '19 & Ryan Geoghegan '19

#### **Social Chairs**

Gabe Rivera '18 & Jacob Sarno '19

#### **Rush Chairs**

Alex Malachowski '18, Austin Piunno '17,  
and Jack Alemi '19

#### **Scholarship Chair**

Bryce Connolly '18 & Cole Ginnan '19

#### **Public Relations**

Michael Bessette '18

#### **Intramural Chair**

Travis Simpson '18

#### **Formal Chair**

Nathan Karam '18 & Ray Smoot 'XX

#### **T-Shirt Chair**

Kevin Jones '19 & Chase Berkemeier '19

#### **Alumnus Advisor**

Joey Otcasek '17

### **Housing Board Corporation:**

#### **President**

Bob Droste '76

#### **Vice President**

Michael Gray '77

#### **Treasurer**

Russell F. Tucker '71

#### **Secretary**

Jim Malone '80

#### **At Large Directors**

Jeremy Bates '90, Kenny Coleman '03,  
Travis Frick '95, Jeremy Nalli '95  
& Mike Stacy '92

# GM Report

Brothers,

It is an honor and privilege to write to you as the newest Grand Master of the Beta-Nu chapter of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity at the University of Kentucky. While the conclusion of the Spring 2020 semester certainly didn't end the way anyone had in mind, our brothers have proven throughout the entirety of the year that we are all striving toward the common goal to improve our chapter, the Lexington community, and each other on a daily basis. As many of you may know, this past year we were able to move into an unoccupied fraternity house in the middle of Greek Row, perfectly situated in the middle of campus and only a short walk to the William T. Young Library and Whitehall. Having lived in the new house this past year, I can speak first hand as to how incredible this addition has been to our chapter as a whole, and I am excited to say that even more improvements are being made within the house to continue to help foster fellowship within the walls of 441 Pennsylvania Ave. With approximately 85 active undergraduate members, we were able to add 39 new members over the course of two semesters, and we are looking forward to the fall rush season to continue to add quality young men to our numbers. The chapter has been involved in numerous philanthropic events throughout the year, especially within DanceBlue, a 24-hour dance marathon to benefit the Pediatric Oncology Department at Kentucky Children's Hospital, where our brothers raised over \$8,000!



With positive momentum pushing Beta-Nu forward, we are exceptionally excited for the 2020-2021 school year and, with the help of our newly elected executive committee, officers, and all of our brothers, we look forward to continuing to prove that the Beta-Nu chapter of Kappa Sigma is one that will be content with nothing less than excellence. A-B!

Best,

AEKΔB,

Chase Sanders '19

Grand Master

# Stay involved with Beta-Nu

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## Beta-Nu To Start New Career Network

Beta-Nu is developing a new career network for alumni and undergraduates to participate in. Here is how you can help:

- 1 Join Beta Nu of Kappa Sigma on LinkedIn where we can provide career opportunities and advice.
- 2 Complete this Virtual Career Network survey if you are an alumnus or parent: <https://www.kappasigmauk.com/alumni-parent-career-information-profile>.
- 3 Complete this survey if you are a student: <https://kappasigmauk.com/undergrad-career-information-profile>.

Contact Matt Noble at [matt.noble@fmgtucson.com](mailto:matt.noble@fmgtucson.com) or 520-990-3250 if you are interested.

## Beta-Nu Volunteering

Volunteers are the key to Beta-Nu's success. We are looking for alumni willing to join our team in these areas:

**Advisory Team:** help provide advice to undergraduate officers & chairs in the running of the chapter.

**Alumni Association:** help in coordinating the fall Beta-Nu Hall of Fame & Football Game Weekend and the spring Keeneland Alumni & Parent Weekend.

**House Corporation:** help in serving on one of our committees (Finances, Fundraising, Legal, Property Management & University Relations).

Contact Michael Gray at [graybear57@gmail.com](mailto:graybear57@gmail.com) or 919-624-4945.

## Beta-Nu Speakers Series

Beta-Nu has begun a new Zoom Meeting call speaker series. We are looking for speakers in all fields to provide a 30 to 45-minute presentation. These might be presentations to all alumni, parents and undergraduates or just to undergraduates. Looking for these areas plus more:

- COVID-19 Impact on Healthcare and Other Areas
- How to Network for a Job in this Economy
- How To Start and Operate a Business in this Economy
- Alumni Just Talking About Their Careers
- Career Workshops for Undergraduates in All Areas

Contact Matt Noble at [matt.noble@fmgtucson.com](mailto:matt.noble@fmgtucson.com) or 520-990-3250 if you are interested.

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Beta-Nu Chapter  
Through Our:



**Website:** <http://kappasigmauk.com>

**Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/groups/740748935978266> (Beta Nu of Kappa Sigma)

**Instagram:** <https://www.instagram.com/kappasiguk/> (Beta Nu of Kappa Sigma)

**LinkedIn:** <https://www.linkedin.com/groups/?home=&gid=2386160> (Beta Nu of Kappa Sigma)

**Twitter:** <https://twitter.com/kappasigmauk> (Kappa Sigma UK)

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Brothers, with us pushing towards e-news and other web-based communications, we'd appreciate it if you would take a moment to visit our website at [kappasigmauk.com](http://kappasigmauk.com) and update your contact and career information. <https://fmgtucson.wufoo.com/forms/betanu-of-kappa-sigma-alumni-update/>





# Past & Present







# UNDERGRAD PROFILES



## Austin Howell '20

"I have just completed my sophomore year here at the University of Kentucky as a Marketing major. I am from Bowling Green, Kentucky. Under Beta-Nu, I have served as a Pledge Class President and the Alumni Chairman - my current position in the chapter. Some things I have done with being Kappa Sigma at UK are participating in the DanceBlue 5k (2019), the DanceBlueMarathon (2020), and served as the Alumni Chairman (2019 & 2020). Beta-Nu is about the establishment of lifelong connections, the brothers you can count on through any situation, the network of opportunities, and most importantly the representation of Kappa Sigma's values and standards anywhere you go. I am glad to see the Beta-Nu chapter of Kappa Sigma grow and hope that with my two years left we can accomplish many more endeavors here at the University of Kentucky.



## Connor Hogan, Fall '18

My name is Connor Hogan and I am on my way to junior year at Kentucky. I was initiated in the fall of 2018. I am studying Special education with hopes to go to graduate school to become an Occupational Therapist. I have served as the chapters social chair for the last two semesters and I have greatly enjoyed my time doing that. Being a Beta-Nu means a lot to me, it has given me some of the best friends I can ask for and some of the best memories. Being an out-of-state student, I was very nervous about coming to Kentucky, but finding my niche within Kappa Sigma has made me a better friend and person. My advice for new members is be yourself. Beta Nu has a wide range of individuals and everybody is very friendly which makes finding a good group of brothers really easy to do.



# ALUMNI UPDATES

## WHAT THEY ARE DOING NOW



### Michael Deitsch '67

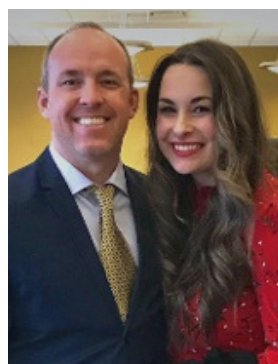
Michael Deitsch '67 has been married to Rosmary for 55 years. They currently live in Mount Pleasant (Charleston), South Carolina. Michael would love to hear from brothers from his era. Find him at <https://www.linkedin.com/in/medeitsch/>.



### Dr. William "Michael" Bewley '72

Dr. William "Michael" Bewley '72 has advanced degrees from the University of Kentucky and the University of Louisville. He also attended the American University in Washington D.C. He is currently the President and CEO of Enalysis Economic Research Services located in Louisville Kentucky. The firm specializes in economic development research and sport economics.

Dr. Bewley began his teaching career as a visiting Professor of Economics at the University of Kentucky, Asbury College and the University of Louisville. He is currently a Professor at Purdue University-Columbus, Indiana and an Adjunct Professor of Economics at Midway University. He along with a colleague recently published an article in the Handbook of Research Methods and Applications in Heterodox Economics.



### Alton "Lee" Webb '94

Alton "Lee" Webb '94 is the Owner/Broker for Alton Webb Commercial Real Estate. He and his wife Rachel have three children. They live in Nicholasville, Kentucky.



### Joey Otcasek '17

Joey Otcasek '17 is Beta-Nu's new Alumnus Advisor. He is from Strongsville, Ohio, and went to school at the University of Cincinnati where he graduated in 2019. He is an Engineer working for L3Harris. His hobbies include Browns Football, technology, and he is currently trying to learn the piano. Joey was a founding father of his chapter; is the ADGM of Southern Ohio & Greater Kentucky Districts; is on the BIA Commission; and was Area 3 Undergraduate Brother of the Year for 2018-19.

# *Thank You to our Donors*

We would like to thank all alumni who made a contribution from January 1, 2019 through June 18, 2020.

We know these are difficult times for many but if you are interested in providing a gift to our House Corporation or University Building Fund, want to learn about how to provide scholarships through the Kappa Sigma Endowment Fund or the University, or want to learn more about how to Leave A Legacy with your estate, please contact Michael Gray at [graybear57@gmail.com](mailto:graybear57@gmail.com) or 919-624-4945 or Matt Noble at [matt.noble@fmgtucson.com](mailto:matt.noble@fmgtucson.com) or 520-990-3250.

Frank Martin '56

James Stuckert '56

William Kaufman '59

Bill Corum '63

Bill Richardson '67

Tom McCarty '68

Glenn Galecki '69

Ron Owen '69

Michael Foley '70

Bradford Marston '71

Russell Tucker '71

Choya Oliver '73

Johnny Skaggs '73

Joe Bryant '74

Jay Jones '74

Mark Joyce '74

David Dye '74

Steven Shockey '74

Bo Bollinger '75

Michael Bowling '75

Robert Cleveland '75

Bill Baustien '76

Jorge Pages '76

John Augspurger '77

Hank Robinson '77

Dave Bergmann '78

Mic Wilson '78

Thomas Caywood '79

Todd Burk '80

Jim Malone '80

John Ransler '80

Brent Bruner '81

Kent Mills '81

Todd Sander '81

Oliver Spencer '81

Mark Jordan '81

Carl Bisig '82

Michael Haunert '84

Shawn O'Conner '85

Scott Shirley '85

Michael Bowling '86

Jon Armstrong '86

Chenalt Morton '86

David Carroll '87

Thomas Meyer '87

Daniel Bowling '88

Daniel Heck '88

Matthew Owens '88

John Tucker '88

Jeremy Bates '90

Bill Erwin '90

Jim Wade '90

Brian Heck '91

Gregory Lombardo '92

Michael Stacy '92

David Wolfford '92

Troy Coulter '92

Matt Mauller '93

Jonathan Nalli '93

Eric Fulcher '94

Andy Hess '95

Jeremy Nalli '95

Jonathan Vinson '00

DJ Berry '02

Seth Brooks '02

Mike Bash '03

Derrick Augspurger '04

Timothy Burnett '07

Daniel Friedman '07

Stephen Hill '07

Zachary Lathram '07

Taylor Pierce '07



### Thomas McCarty '68

He has served as President of the United Way of South Suburbia and on the Board of Directors for the Crisis Center of South Suburbia. He served the chapter as a Pledge Trainer, Rush Chairman and Social Chairman. He also is a Past President of UK Alumni Association for Greater Chicago. He says: "When I joined Kappa Sigma Fraternity as a Freshman in 1968, I was looking for a good place to party and a place where I could get hot meals cooked for me. What I found was so much more. Now at age 69, I reflect on my life and I can honestly say that much of my personality, basic make up and lifetime success have been foundations in the brothers and experiences in the Beta-Nu Chapter of Kappa Sigma. It was here that I developed social skills and relationship building skills, often through mentorship of older brothers. I learned and developed my leadership and team building skills and the joys of community service. Those four years are at the foundation of the friendship and success in my life."

### David Dye '74

For Beta-Nu he served as Grand Scribe, Pledge Trainer, Rush Chairman and Social Chairman. David said:

"The Beta-Nu Chapter of Kappa Sigma is where I developed the closest friendships of my life. But my fraternity experience went beyond close friends and good times. The Beta-Nu Chapter helped me develop leadership and organizational skills that carried into my work life. Whether it was serving as Rush Chairman, Social Chairman, Pledge Trainer or Officer, the skillsets associated with these roles helped in my development and played a major role in my career success."

### Gregory Lombardo '91

Greg focuses his community service on those kids who live on the margins to ensure they are given the experience of enjoying toys as part of growing up. He served Beta-Nu as Grand Scribe, Pledge Trainer, Social Chairman, Brotherhood Development Team Member, and House Band Member. Greg says: "Outside of

my parents, Beta-Nu had the biggest impact on who I am as a person and who I have become professionally. Not only did I learn so much about myself and my abilities to be a leader, I also met the best friends I have had in my life. The brotherhood lasts a lifetime."

### Michael Cayse '01

For Beta-Nu he has served as Pledge Class President, Rush Chairman and as the immediate past Alumnus Advisor where he served for six years. He says that Beta-Nu gave him a family after the tragic loss of his best friend and fellow Beta-Nu at the end of their Freshman year at UK. He stated "he wouldn't be the man he is today without his lifelong brothers at Beta-Nu and hopes that current Brothers know the opportunity they have to give back and help their fellow Brother and community."

## Man of the Year

### Jim Stuckert Biography, continued from page 1.

As an undergraduate he served Kappa Sigma as Grand Procurator, Grand Master, and delegate to the 1959 Grand Conclave. He also was a member of Omicron Delta Kappa and Phi Tau Sigma Chemical Engineering Honorary, as well as Business Manager for the Kentucky Engineering Magazine, and he was a Student Government Association Representative from the College of Engineering.

As an alumnus he has served as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Hilliard Lyons; President of the University of Kentucky Alumni Association; Chairman of the \$1 Billion campaign for the University of Kentucky; Vice Chairman for the University of Kentucky Board of Trustees; and Chair of the University of Kentucky Presidential Search Committee resulting in the hiring of President Eli Capilouto. Jim was involved in the founding of Kappa Sigma Chapters at Western Kentucky University and the University of Louisville. The James W. Stuckert Career Center at the University of Kentucky is named in his honor for the generous resources he and his wife, Diane, a former sweetheart of Beta-Nu Chapter and loyal member of Chi Omega. They have both been inducted into the University of Kentucky Fraternity and Sorority Hall of Fame.