



Beta-Nu 9th Annual Hall of Fame Ceremony and Banquet

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY

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BETA-NU

The 9th Annual Beta-Nu Chapter Hall of Fame Award is presented by the Beta-Nu Chapter of Kappa Sigma Fraternity on Friday October 27, 2023. Conceived as a way of honoring Kappa Sigma and Beta-Nu alumni for outstanding achievements in their life and career, this award has become an integral part of our tradition at Beta-Nu. Inductees are among a very select group of alumni. Recognition is given to those who have excelled in their career, service to their community or fellow man, and the fraternity.



HALL OF FAME AWARDS BANQUET



**WELCOME
MASTER OF CEREMONIES**

Hank Robinson '77, HoF '16

INVOCATION & MOMENT OF SILENCE

Roger Baird '72, HoF '16

DINNER

**STATE OF THE CHAPTER
PRESENTATION & UNDERGRAD AWARDS**

Alex Palmer '21, Grand Master

HALL OF FAME PRESENTATION

Hank Robinson '77, HoF '16

RECOGNITION OF THE MITCHELL B. "MIC" WILSON AWARD

Mike Gray '77, HoF '16

GOOD OF THE ORDER

2023 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES



Bryan Jones '76

Bryan Jones '76 graduated from the University of Kentucky in 1979 with a degree in Political Science before attending law school at his alma mater, earning his J.D. in 1982. Today, he serves as Division Manager for the Kentucky Legislative Research Commission in Frankfort, Kentucky.

Bryan began his legal career journey as an Assistant Commonwealth Attorney in Daviess County, soon moving up the ranks to become Assistant Attorney General (Special Prosecutions and Criminal Appeals), and finally to his current role as Division Manager. Outside of Bryan's busy schedule, he enjoys reading, jogging, and traveling, and recounts the following memory, "I once rode the train from Venice to Naples, with a stop in Bologna, but I was unable to get off of the train!"

Bryan was a remarkably active member of Kappa Sigma during his undergraduate years. Holding the positions of Grand Master, Grand Scribe, Grand Master of Ceremonies, Pledge Class President, and Vice President at Large for the Interfraternity Council, while also being a committed member of Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society, he left a positive impact on the chapter and the University of Kentucky campus.



Travis Clinton Frick '95

Ever since his graduation from the University of Kentucky with an Accounting degree in 1998, Travis Clinton Frick '95 has been an active member of the Beta-Nu chapter. He is now a highly accomplished professional in the field of accounting, serving as a Partner at Jones, Nale & Mattingly PLC— a prestigious accounting firm in Louisville, Kentucky.

Travis' expertise and dedication have earned him recognition as one of the Top 20 Accountants in Louisville by Business First Magazine. Beyond his professional accomplishments, he is actively involved in his community. He serves as the President of the Louisville Metro Government Revenue Commission as well as the Treasurer for the City of Riverwood, Kentucky.

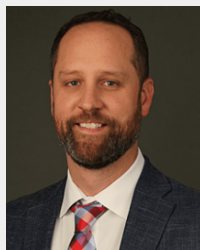
Travis is truly family-oriented. He and his fiancée, Brittany Cook, have three children: Lucy, Ford,

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and Lauren. In his spare time, he is involved in various community organizations, such as the Holy Trinity Parish School Board and the Finance Committee at the Big Spring Country Club.

Travis' journey in Kappa Sigma holds great significance to him. As an undergraduate, he held the position of Chapter Treasurer; even as an alumnus, Travis continues to contribute as the Treasurer of the Beta Nu of Kappa Sigma Alumni Association. To current undergraduate members, Travis imparts the following advice: "Stay connected as life gets busy after graduation. Use your network of Kappa Sigmas— so much in life is what you do, but it also matters who you know. You can use this network to get your foot in the door."



Dale Berry, Jr. '02

Dale Berry Jr. '02 graduated from the University of Kentucky in 2005 with a degree in Construction Management. Today, he lives in La Grange, Kentucky working as the President and COO for Wehr Constructors Inc., where he and his brother are third-generation owners and operators.

Dale has spent his entire career working with Wehr Constructors. Starting as a laborer in high school, he fulfilled this role throughout college. He began working in the office as an Assistant Project Manager following his graduation, propelling the rest of his 24-year-long journey. "I have been fortunate to have built some of the most recognizable buildings in the city of Louisville and the state of Kentucky," says Dale of his illustrious experience.

Dale is dedicated to giving back to his community. "Recently we had over 40 Wehr Constructors' volunteers travel to eastern Kentucky to help the community rebuild houses, churches, and schools after the tragic floods last year. I personally helped rebuild 2 churches as well as a single-family home. Seeing the direct impact of giving back is something that I will never take for granted." He is also a loyal alumnus of his alma mater, overseeing several construction projects for the school.

During his undergraduate years, Dale fulfilled the roles of Intramural Chair, Social Chair, and Philanthropy Chair for Kappa Sigma. "Nearly 22 years later, some of my closest and best friends are my pledge brothers. We have been through marriages, kids, careers, deaths, and more together and are closer now than ever. They have always been there for me and I for them— they have had an unexplainable impact on my life and have made me the man I am today."

OUR NEWEST AWARD

In honor of Mic's decades of service to Kappa Sigma Fraternity Beta-Nu has named an Alumnus of the Year award after him. Our first award winner is Mike Gray '77.



Brother Mic Wilson '78 was initiated into Kappa Sigma at the University of Kentucky on January 15, 1978. He is a 1980 graduate of the College of Arts and Science and upon his graduation he was employed by the Kappa Sigma Fraternity as a Chapter Consultant at the International Headquarters in Charlottesville, Virginia.

Mic has held the positions of Executive Assistant, Director of Chapter Operations, Director of Public Relations, served two terms as Acting Executive Director, eleven years as Editor of the Caduceus Magazine of Kappa Sigma Fraternity, and served as Executive Director from 1987-2023. Mic was appointed as Executive Director at the 56th Grand Conclave in July of 1987. He served in this position for 36 years, now wearing Jackson's Men Pin #5 at the Diamond Level.

He has been married to his college sweetheart Joan for 38 years and their son Teddy is a Kappa Sigma legacy. Together, they have three grandchildren.

Mic has been inducted into the University of Kentucky Fraternity and Sorority Life Hall of Fame, the Beta-Nu Chapter of Kappa Sigma Hall of Fame, and was inducted into the Kappa Sigma Hall of Honor in 2013 as the 18th member. He was made Executive Director Emeritus in May of 2023.

"Almost surely without precedent among fraternities in America, Mic's nearly half-century of service has propelled the ascension of Kappa Sigma to become the largest and strongest of all across our nation's campuses," says brother Hank Robinson, "His exemplary leadership has touched the lives and shaped the futures of countless brothers. Throughout his career, he has set the standard for leadership and accomplishment and always exemplified the attributes embodied in the Star and Crescent as a Man of Kappa Sigma."

2023 ALUMNUS OF THE YEAR

R. Michael Gray '77



Mike Gray was initiated into Beta-Nu in January 1977 and graduated from the University of Kentucky in 1981 with multiple Business Administration degrees in Accounting and Finance. Following college, he practiced with KPMG and rose to the position of Tax Partner, where he was responsible for the North Carolina region of Raleigh-Durham before leaving the firm in 2000. He held roles of increasing responsibility with NCR Financial Services Corp from 2000 to 2006, when he left to join CAPTRUST. He now serves as Principal and Financial Advisor, assisting clients with wealth management and retirement advisory services.

Mike's wife Susan is also a UK graduate as are his two children— Addison and Roth— with Roth as a legacy at Beta-Nu.

His service to Kappa Sigma, the University of Kentucky, and his community have been extensive. He has long-held positions with the Beta-Nu of Kappa Sigma House Corporation, the UK Alumni Association, and the Gatton School of Business and Economics. He serves as a director with the WakeMed Foundation, Band Together, and CAPTRUST'S foundation.

"Mike's leadership and stewardship over the past decade served to create and galvanize Beta-Nu Brothers for the most monumental initiative in the chapter's history," says brother Hank Robinson, "He was the driving force in the search for a new chapter home on campus for Beta-Nu undergraduates. Through his tireless efforts, a new home was found and several million dollars were raised to ensure the long-term success of the chapter. Mike's untiring work exemplifies what the Star & Crescent means to all brothers."

2023

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HALL OF FAME 2023 INDUCTEES

Bryan Jones '76

Travis Clinton Frick '95

Dale Berry Jr. '02

PAST INDUCTEES

Basil E. Hayden '20

Joseph R. Kimbrough '23

Ken Lucas '53

H. Wendell Cherry '54

Charlie English '54

Reed Hume '55

Gerald L. Nichols '55

Jack Liddle '56

Paul E. Patton '56

David Ravencraft '56

James W. Stuckert '56

Kenneth W. Towery '56

Mickey Conner '57

Alva R. Sullivan '57

George Brown '58

Brig Gen Garryl C. Sipple '58

John Fitzwater '59

William M. Cox, Sr. '61

William M. Corum '63

Warren Denny '63

David S. Jordan '63

Thomas Kron '63

Mac Zachem '63

Frank Nichols '65

Lee Hess '66

Phillip Bruce Leslie '66

Barry R. Ogilby '66

Billy Forbess '67

Daniel Thomas '67

Frank Houpt '68

Thomas McCarty '68

Larry Blair '70

Tom Stultz '70

Tom Guglielmo '71

Christopher McCleary '71

Russell F. Tucker '71

Roger Baird '72

Bill Leavell '72

David Dye '74

John Paul "Jay" Jones '74

Mark Joyce '74

Dr. Steven Shockey '74

Bo Bollinger '75

Gary Ulmer '76

John Augspurger '77

Mike Gray '77

Hank Robinson '77

Joe Bryant '78

Ashley Ward '78

Mitchell B. Wilson '78

Kent Mills '80

Mark Jordan '81

Scott Shirley '85

Michael Bowling '86

Thomas Meyer '87

Jeremy Bates '90

Joe Bowling '90

Troy Coulter '92

Greg Lombardo '92

Michael Stacy '92

Matthew Mauller '93

Jonathan Nalli '93

Jeremy Nalli '95

Michael Cayse '01

Ryan Heimke '01

Kenny Coleman '02

a special **THANK YOU**

Executive Committee:

Grand Master
Alex Palmer '21

Grand Procurator
Liam Waco '22

Grand Master of Ceremonies
Kenny Sebelski '21

Grand Scribe
Brayden Adams '21

Grand Treasurer
Blake Wetzle '22

Alumnus Advisor:

Mic Wilson '78

Assistant Alumnus Advisors:

Mark Joyce '74
Brad Marston '71
Nate Morris '97
Chase Sanders '19
Mic Wilson '78
Roger Baird '72

Alumni Association and Housing Board Corporation

President
Bob Droste '76

Vice President
Michael Gray '77

Treasurer
Russell F. Tucker '71

Secretary
Jim Malone '80

three ways to SUPPORT



Update/Confirm Your Contact Information

Please take the time to update/confirm your contact information if you've not been receiving emails or mailings from Beta-Nu.

<https://www.kappasigmauk.com/alumni-profile-update>



Volunteer

We are looking for alumni to help volunteer speaking on career panels, and/or holding 1 on 1 career discussions with undergraduates, and/or serving on the Advisory Board or House Corporation Board.

<https://kappasigmauk.com/beta-nu-volunteer-interest-form>



Donate

Please consider donating a monthly recurring gift of \$25-\$100 to help support the Alumni Association, Undergraduate Chapter, and House Corporation.

<https://kappasigmauk.com/monthly-recurring-donation>



*"The Star and Crescent shall not be
worn by every man, but only by him who
is worthy to wear it.*

*He must be a gentleman...
a man of honor and courage...
a man of zeal, yet humble...
an intelligent man...
a man of truth...*

*one who tempers action with wisdom
and, above all else, one who walks
in the light of God."*



Not for an hour...
a day... or college term
only... but for life.

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