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## Alumni Raise More Than \$1,000,000 for Gamma-Rho Zeta Campaign

### SUPPORT OF EVERY BROTHER NEEDED TO REACH \$1.5 MILLION GOAL

As Lambda Chi Alpha brothers, you are no doubt extremely proud of Gamma-Rho Zeta for its outstanding accomplishments and recognize our need to ensure the future of our great Chapter. We want to thank our 190 brothers who have generously contributed \$1,027,055 to the *Building on Our Tradition of Excellence* campaign. It is great to see so many wholeheartedly believe in and support this vital project.

However, we need the support of every brother if we are to raise the remaining \$472,945 and reach our \$1.5 million goal. Remember what Lambda Chi Alpha has done for you and give a much-needed contribution. Please get on board, accept your role as a brother, and take part in Gamma-Rho Zeta's strong tradition.



*Your gift is an investment in the future of Gamma-Rho Zeta.*

Consider your own AXA experience—the lifelong friendships, the leadership and social skills you gained, and the values upon which

we were founded. Money can't buy the many great memories we acquired as Gamma-Rho Zeta brothers, but our financial resources can make the difference in keeping our traditions alive for future undergraduates. By investing in these outstanding young men, we are fostering the leaders of the 21st century. Your contributions will also help AXA remain competitive on the University of Oklahoma campus. We need your pledge today!

about the campaign, please contact our campaign coordinator at (785) 843-1661. We are all part of a very special bond, and on behalf of all Gamma-Rho Zeta men—past, present, and future, thank you for your interest in and support of AXA!

In Z.A.X.,  
**Don N. Sherman, GP 374**  
Campaign Co-Chairman

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Campaign Co-Chairman

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In appreciation, all donors will be listed on a prominently displayed plaque in the Chapter House. Please fill out the enclosed pledge card to ensure you are included on the donor list. If you would like more information

### Campaign Status At-a-Glance

Goal  
**\$1.5 Million**

Total Raised as of  
February 15, 2012  
**\$1,027,055**

Number of Contributors  
**190**

## Fraternity Experience Had Significant, Positive Influence on Dave Magstadt, GP 1612

### Dave Magstadt, GP 1612

Enrolled at the University of Oklahoma with the intent of doing well academically and being active in campus and community organizations, similar to his high school experience. Dave and a few of his best friends from high school looked at a number of the fraternities at OU during 1994 fall recruitment and, throughout the process, they kept coming back to Lambda Chi. Between knowing men from Ponca City High School who were already members of Gamma-Rho Zeta and seeing that there was a unique mix of academic, intramural, social and philanthropic excellence within the Chapter, Dave and his group of high school friends joined Lambda Chi Alpha.



“Lambda Chi was the best of the best on campus and had a reputation within the Greek community and on campus of being the most outstanding, well-rounded fraternity. They gave me everything I was looking for in my college experience, and the friends I have from the fraternity are still among my closest friends,” said Dave.

Reflecting on his time as an undergraduate, Dave recalls many great experiences and memories. From OU-Texas weekend to the annual Destination Unknown party to spring break trips with guys from the Chapter, the Lambda Chi experience had a very strong social component. However, one of Dave’s most memorable moments from his time in Lambda Chi didn’t come in the form of a party or a tailgate.

Rather, it came in the form of a trophy—the 1996-97 President’s Trophy, awarded to the top fraternity on campus by David Boren. The award was the culmination of a year of hard work by everyone in the Chapter and represented the excellence that existed at 904 College. In the spring of 1997, Dave had just finished his first term as Chapter president. “We had been through some volatile times, but to win the award that recognized our accomplishments in academics, intramurals, and philanthropy... It was great for the fraternity to be honored that way.”

The pride Dave felt for Lambda Chi hasn’t

faded, even after graduation. “When I think about going to OU, I think about Lambda Chi. The fraternity provided me with opportunities to be involved and develop as a leader within the Chapter, as well as within the broader OU community. I attribute much of my success to my experiences in the fraternity and the many lessons learned there.” When Dave heard about the campaign for Gamma-Rho Zeta, he knew he had to give back to the Chapter. “There are so many great things about the house. But, even when I was there, the Chapter House was not comparable to other fraternity houses on campus.” Despite that fact, Dave recognizes the success the Chapter had prior to, during and since his tenure there, even without an updated Chapter House. “That just speaks to the quality of the guys that have walked through the doors of 904 College—to try to provide significant improvements to the house will only help Lambda Chi be even better.”

Dave lives in New York and works for Citigroup’s Investment Bank focused on healthcare mergers and acquisitions. He tries to get back to the OU campus for at least one football game a year and does his best to get friends to visit him in New York. E-mail Dave at [davemagstadt@yahoo.com](mailto:davemagstadt@yahoo.com).

## YOUR ERA LEADERS

The men below have committed to assisting you with your decision to support the *Building on Our Tradition of Excellence* capital campaign. Please contact them with your questions and thoughts regarding this project, as we value your input. If your class does not have an era leader and you are interested in assisting the era leaders with your class, please contact our campaign coordinator at (785) 843-1661.

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## THANK YOU, LOYAL DONORS

We are deeply grateful to the 190 donors listed below for committing \$1,027,055 to the *Building on Our Tradition of Excellence* capital campaign. This generosity demonstrates that these individuals recognize the importance of ensuring the future of the Gamma-Rho Zeta. Commitments are still needed from our alumni to achieve our goal and complete this major project. If an error has been made in recording your gift, we sincerely apologize. Please notify our campaign coordinator at (785) 843-1661.

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## Gamma-Rho Zeta Undergraduates Continue on Their Path of Success

- *Fall Semester Yields Impressive GPA, Philanthropy Work*
- *AXA Welcomes 68 New Members*

The fall semester was another success for the men of Lambda Chi. We continued our high marks in the classroom, dominance on the intramural field, and are thoroughly excited about a renovated house in our near future. The membership believes this renovation is critical and a great help to the continuation of the dynasty at 904 College.

### Actives Put Grades First

The members finished with an overall GPA of 3.16, which was well above the IFC average last year of 3.059. Our new members also did well their first semester with an average of 3.09. We are expecting another top-three finish in both member and new member overall grade rankings. Another example of our academic success is the 27 members who received a 4.0 GPA.

### Undergraduates Lend a Helping Hand Throughout Community

During the fall, Lambda Chi was involved in some great philanthropic work. We hosted our annual Pumpkin Carve with the women of Kappa Alpha Theta. This event benefits the Big Brothers Big Sisters organization. The members of Lambda Chi also paired with many local organizations this semester to accumulate over 2,400 hours of community service.

### Eight Legacies Among Gamma-Rho Zeta's New Members

This fall we signed a class with 68 new members, including eight Lambda Chi legacies, six of whom are Gamma-Rho legacies, and initiated 57 on January 20.

### Chapter Stays Involved on Campus

Lambda Chi has continued our tradition of excellence on campus by winning multiple campus awards. We paired with the women of Tri Delta and finished first in the Homecoming competition for the second straight year. We paired with the women of Kappa Alpha Theta in University Sing, finishing second overall. Freshman **Kevin Brandon, GP 2496** was named Best Male Lead. We also received four of the Fraternity and Sorority Student Life Awards for the entire year of 2011. In addition, **Rennie Cook, GP 1547** was named IFC's Outstanding Alumnus.

Lambda Chi has built upon the achievements of our alumni and is proud to say that the future is in good hands. We are looking forward to this semester and continuing our fantastic accomplishments. We would like to extend an



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*We hope to see you there!*



*AXA undergraduates perform their Homecoming dance for the public. Gamma-Rho Zeta placed first overall in the competition.*

open invitation to all alumni and your families to visit Gamma-Rho and meet our youngest brothers.

In Z.A.X.,  
**Chris Housley, GP 2398**  
High Alpha  
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## LXA Represented in Campus Leadership

The men below were selected to lead notable positions on the OU campus. AXA has a history of turning out leaders, and it's great to see that we are keeping that tradition of excellence alive.

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IFC Community Engagement Chairman  
**Seth Carter, GP 2413**

IFC President  
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