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Last Chance to Donate to *Tradition of Excellence* Campaign Campaign Ending December 31, 2014

Since November of 2010, Gamma-Rho Zeta has worked tirelessly to create a new home for Lambda Chi Alpha at the University of Oklahoma. Now, nearly four years later, we have seen our vision become a reality as the doors to our renovated Chapter House were opened last October, and the undergraduates have been enjoying their well-deserved, new and improved home.

After many volunteer man hours and calls for support, the campaign board has decided to officially end the *Building a Tradition of Excellence* campaign on December 31, 2014. We would like to thank everyone who has contributed to this worthy cause; we could not have achieved this milestone in Gamma-Rho's history without your generous support.

To the 1,541 brothers who have not made a donation to the campaign, now is the time to come on board. With only four short months to secure your name on our esteemed donor list, we encourage you to use the enclosed pledge card to submit a gift today. Any amount you can contribute is appreciated and welcome.

With \$1,512,484 raised to date, we need every remaining dollar to pay down our bank loan to ensure Gamma-Rho Zeta is in a secure financial position moving forward. You can help by contributing to the Carol Roberts Society (minimum gift of \$1,000), submitting a five-year pledge, or returning a one-time contribution. Gifts can also be made securely online at our website, www.oulambda.com.



Don't miss this opportunity to make a lasting impact on Gamma-Rho Zeta. We don't want you to someday revisit the Chapter House and look back with regret on not having contributed toward the betterment of the Chapter you once called home. When we took our oaths as Lambda Chi Alphas we committed to our membership not only during our undergraduate years, but for life. Please fulfill your promise and give back in any capacity you are able to Gamma-Rho Zeta.

Thank you to all who have pledged. Thank you to all who have increased their pledges. Thanks to those who are continuing to pay on their pledges. And thank you to those who intend to. To those who have voiced a desire to give and those we have not heard from, remember, it is never too late!

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

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FALL 2014

Ensuring Your Investment of 904 College

The remodel and transformation of 904 College has created a new sense of pride in the home of Lambda Chi Alpha at the University of Oklahoma shared among all of our alumni and collegiate brothers. With this new sense of pride comes a new responsibility to ensure that our home maintains its newness as long as possible. Our house corporation, SP Holding, began new operating procedures this past year and was very successful in our transition from the first year back in the house to this year.

The Chapter, too, has made changes in order to keep the house looking new and fresh. We are working together as stewards of the home.

Here are some of the ways we are ensuring the future of your investment of 904 College.

- The Chapter itself has pledged (and is paying) a large amount toward the renovation, which gives them ownership in the remodel.
- The Chapter maintains a line item in their budget for repairs and upkeep of the house.
- A \$500 damage/security deposit is required of each member living in the house.
- End-of-year cleanup and damage repairs come from the deposits accordingly.
- A representative from SP Holding inspects the house at the beginning and end of each year. He will make recommendations for each room, as well as common areas.
- SP has reviewed and increased our property coverage to \$3.3 million and will monitor and review the insurance on an annual basis.

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BUILDING ON OUR TRADITION OF EXCELLENCE

THANK YOU, LOYAL BROTHERS AND FRIENDS, FOR COMMITTING \$1,512,484 TO GAMMA-RHO ZETA

We are deeply grateful to the 325 donors listed below for committing \$1,512,484 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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ΛΧΑ Prepared Brother for Career in Leadership and Development

It was the strong bonds of brotherhood between Gamma-Rho Zeta members during recruitment that attracted **Courtlyn Shoate, GP 2260**, to Lambda Chi Alpha and helped him garner a sense of pride throughout his time as a member.

"On the OU campus, ΛΧΑ has a strong history, which you automatically become a part of and is a very impactful story to your brotherhood. As I grew up past being a freshman I began to take pride in what our class and brothers were able to accomplish, and we were able to make some great impressions to add on to the history of Lambda Chi."

Serving as high kappa and high theta gave Courtlyn meaningful leadership experience. "A lot of the things we learned about leadership and development helped me see that I am passionate about developing individuals and had strength in working with people. I got to put into practice a lot of the things I ultimately wanted to do in a career." Courtlyn earned a bachelor's degree in public affairs and administration and his master's in adult and higher education. After graduation he put his leadership and development training



to work as a graduate assistant for the Student Life Office at OU and for the last two years has worked as director of student programs for the OU Alumni Association.

Courtlyn is still thankful for the brothers who have helped him develop over the years. "Our Chapter advisor, **Rodger Lalli, GP 1894**, exemplified what it meant to sacrifice for the greater good and what commitment truly looked like. I know he made a huge impression on not just me, but many other members of the fraternity."

Since graduation, Courtlyn has stayed very involved with his brothers and the Chapter. He works with the housing board, was on the committee for the renovation, and advises a couple of the Zeta members. His pledge class stays well connected through yearly trips, game days and most recently, weddings.

Courtlyn lives in Oklahoma City and enjoys reading, spending time with his friends, and working out. Catch up with Courtlyn by e-mailing him at courtlyns@gmail.com.

Undergraduates Excited to Welcome Alumni to New House Chapter Continues to Excel

Lambda Chi Alpha at the University of Oklahoma maintains a tradition of excellence in all we do. From intramurals to community outreach, Lambda Chi is setting the standard by which other organizations measure success.

G.P.A. Stays Strong

This past year Lambda members had a G.P.A. of 3.129, which was once again higher than both the all-campus G.P.A. and the fourth highest fraternity G.P.A. Our associate class once again ranked as the highest new member G.P.A., furthering the great tradition of academic success Lambda Chi has established over the years.

80% of Members Hold Leadership Positions

Our members continue to strive for development of not only themselves, but also the campus and community. Lambda Chi members hold some of the highest leadership positions on campus, including OU IFC president (the fourth Lambda Chi in the past five terms to hold this position), Relay for Life chair, and a member of CAC General Council. In fact, over 80 percent of our members held

campus leadership positions in addition to the ones mentioned above, once again showing our commitment to the values of Lambda Chi Alpha.

Philanthropy Setting Records

We are also proud to say that we have once again set a new record for donations in our main philanthropy. The White Rose Pageant raised over \$10,000 for the benefit of the Big Brothers



Members of the sophomore class Luke Olinger, GP 2553, Reid Simpson, GP 2579, Sam Melman, GP 2569, Lucas Peterson, GP 2576, Patrick Bass, GP 2536, Hunter Martin, GP 2567, and Danny Gutmann, GP 2556, at the Lambda Chi Bow Tie Max Cameron memorial date party.

Big Sisters program in Cleveland County. We also collected 18,000 pounds of food for Lambda Chi's national philanthropy, Feeding America.

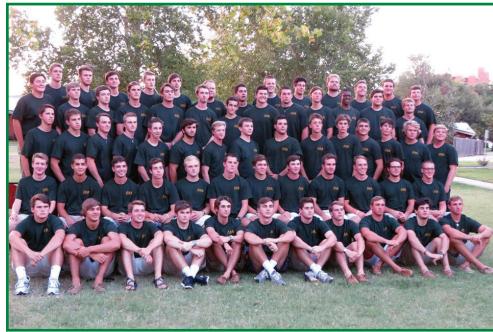
ΛΧΑ Dominates Intramural Championship

Continuing in the footsteps of the brothers who have come before us, we are proud to say that we won our 21st intramural championship this past year by a margin larger than the second, third and fourth place fraternity points combined.

Lambda Chi Alpha continues to shine as the light of the fraternity world as this fall semester begins. We are very appreciative to all the alumni and families that have donated, and we are confident that this will put us even farther above other fraternities on campus. We encourage alumni to tour the completed house and hope this will create excitement in reconnecting alumni with Gamma-Rho Zeta.



In Z.A.X.,
Jimmy Kaczmarek, GP 2430
High Alpha
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Gamma-Rho Zeta Welcomes 64 New Associate Members

Gamma-Rho Zeta had a solid recruiting season this year. High Delta **Danny Price, GP 2574**, our recruitment team, and Chapter did an outstanding job of putting together a great associate member class for 2014.

Our recruiting is ongoing throughout the year and our first contact with many of our recruits begins when they are high school juniors. One of the events put on by the University is the High School Leadership Conference (HSLC) weekend in February. During this annual weekend-long conference, OU hosts high school juniors who are in leadership roles in their respective schools. The weekend is designed to help them learn and grow as leaders. Our collegiate brothers make up a large contingency of the HSLC staff and get to know the high school students. By doing this, they are able to begin building relationships and learning about future students and possible future brothers.

This is just one of the things we are doing to create good, solid classes and providing hope for the future of Lambda Chi Alpha at the University of Oklahoma. We signed 64 new associates, including nine President's Leadership Class members, three President's Community Scholars members, and a large number of National Merit Scholars.

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Matt Kaufmann, GP 2547, Nick Mrasek, GP 2499, Jake Pasdach, GP 2473, Sam Painter, GP 2557, Tanner Tiedeman, GP 2416, Colton Kincy, GP 2539, Ryan Shoemaker, GP 2552, Kevin Brandon, GP 2496, Keegan Nees, GP 2538, and Kyle Ferguson, GP 2495, were University of Oklahoma Camp Crimson small group leaders and orientation guides.



Chris Osborn, GP 2594, Sam Painter, GP 2557, Nick Mrasek, GP 2499, and Ernest Ezuego, GP 2442, get some food at the Mont after Big Bro night.



Lambdas with their Miracle Family at Soonerthon philanthropy.

The Loyd Harris Alumni Golf Tournament



The Loyd Harris Alumni Golf Tournament was held **May 17** at Jimmie Austin Golf Course. Nearly 100 Gamma-Rho alumni attended. The tournament was chaired by **Craig Parrish, GP 1541**, **Todd Kahoe, GP 1619**, and **Colby Korsun, GP 2061**, and continues to be the most well attended alumni event of the year for the Chapter.

The winners of the A flight were once again **Chad Kennard, GP 2236**, **Stephen Isernhagen, GP 2221**, **Nate Fuller, GP 2242**, and **Kyler Dawson, GP 2220**. The group claimed their third victory in a row.

“Playing in the Lambda Chi golf tournament is one of my favorite events to participate in each year. There is nothing better than getting to spend an entire afternoon fraternizing with former Lambdas. The people that put the tourney together do a great job and I look forward to playing in it for many years to come,” said Stephen Isernhagen. Chad Kennard followed up, “We enjoy playing in the Loyd Harris Alumni Golf Tournament every year and look forward to going after our fourth title in five years next spring. We plan on raising the bar once again.”

Please save the date, **April 18, 2015**, at the Jimmie Austin Golf Course. Details to follow.

Sponsorships are needed for the continued success of the tournament. If you have any questions, or would like to commit to a sponsorship, please contact Todd Kahoe at tkahoe99@yahoo.com, Craig Parrish at reparrish@mac.com, or Colby Korsun at ckorsun@gmail.com.

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- The Chapter has contracted with Legacy Financial for dues collection. They also have been meeting budget requirements for the past two years and have created an emergency fund that exceeds the Lambda Chi Alpha constitutional requirements.
- There has been a change in a number of our contracts for maintenance and upkeep of the house.

These are a few of the practices that have taken place over the past two years, and we want you to know that we are committed to keeping our historic home in the best condition possible.

In Z.A.X.,
Rodger Lalli, GP 1894

CHAPTER ETERNAL

Richard R. Allred, GP 517, entered Chapter Eternal on November 2, 2013, at age 75 in Oklahoma City. Richard graduated from Odessa High School and went on to earn a degree in petroleum engineering at OU. Richard met his wife, Mary, in college and they married in August 1961. He was a member of the Civil Air Patrol, ROTC, Toastmasters International, Jeans and Queens Square Dance Club and Tulsa Rock and Mineral Society. He was an avid rockhound and enjoyed hunting, collecting, cutting and polishing rocks. Richard was preceded in death by his parents and is survived by Mary; his daughter, Deanna, and husband Curt, son, Steve and his wife, Amy, and grandsons, Tams and Taylor.

Harry J. Benson, GP 573, entered Chapter Eternal on June 5, 2013. Harry continued his education at Oklahoma University on a ROTC Naval Scholarship. Harry was awarded the Vietnam Service Medal, National Defense Service Medal and The Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal. He practiced law in McAlester before being hired by Halliburton Oil Company in Duncan as a general counsel attorney for more than 23 years, where he and his ex-wife, Vicky, raised three sons. He married Katy Stephens on August 21, 1998. Harry loved reading, music and was a fanatical OU and Thunder fan. He is preceded in death by his son, **Jim Benson, GP 1464**, and survived by Katy, his daughter, Merica, his sons, **Andy, GP 1366**, and wife, Katie, and **John, GP 1630**, and wife, Lexie; many grandchildren; and numerous nephews, nieces, and cousins.