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The Frater shares updates about the Fraternity and showcases the amazing ways our Brothers are making a difference and how others can help. It is a result and a culmination of the Brotherhood and teamwork all of us experienced as undergraduates.

In addition to the Frater, please check the pilambdaphi.org website and the Pi Lambda Phi Facebook page for regular updates. Please share your experiences and thoughts, as we want to share your experiences with our entire Brotherhood.

FROM the IEC PRESIDENT

Dear Brothers:

Stronger than ever. I believe that is the best phrase that I can use to describe the current state of Pi Lambda Phi. While operating an undergraduate fraternity spread through the United States and Canada is not without some difficulty, we continue to thrive at campuses throughout the country. Recently we started a colony at the University of California, Merced and re-colonized at Drexel and Rutgers, with several groups in between. Unlike in the past when we had just a handful of chapters west of the Mississippi, we are spreading out all over the country.

The reason for our success is the quality staff that work tirelessly to make these groups



successful. Over the past three years our staff, under the leadership and tireless efforts of Ian Lowe, Executive Director, Patrick Spanner, Director of Operations & Development, and Orrin Webb, Senior Expansion Coordinator have developed and implemented a very successful expansion program. As a result we are reaping the benefits of this not only with successful expansions, but also with the hiring of new staff members who were part of expansions at their schools. The obvious benefit is that these staff members have essentially been trained while being recruited, and were able to practice our recruitment techniques as students. Dan Debard recently joined staff after leading one of our most successful expansions at Indiana University. Welcome Dan!

I am also pleased to introduce Billy Bernard, an Ohio Beta Tau member, who comes to us with great experience in the higher education field, having worked as the Associate Director of Fraternity and Sorority Life at Monmouth College. I would be remiss if I did not extend a big thank you to Mike Zantelli for the time and effort he gave to Pi Lambda Phi. We wish you the best of luck in all your future endeavors.

Changing gears, I want to introduce you to the Elimination of Prejudice Foundation (EOP). The EOP is a philanthropy started by Pi Lambda Phi to take the message espoused by our Creed beyond the Pilam world. It is no small feat to start a charitable

organization, but led by Shawn Upchurch, C.K. and Jack Marsh, Big Pi, we intend to take the message of acceptance and equality to people everywhere. With the assistance of our undergraduates, lead by Juan Lopez, from our University of Florida chapter and current Undergraduate IEC Councilman, we will provide funds to groups that further the goal of eliminating prejudice. The hope is that one day EOP will be THE philanthropy leading the cause of eliminating prejudice.

I hope that 2017 is a successful and prosperous year for you and your family.

Fraternally,

Dan Scott, C.K., President

International Executive Council

Have Pilam News?

If you have Pilam news, we want to hear about it! Email any personal, chapter, or in-memorium updates to the Foundation at foundation@pilamdaphi.org.

FROM the EF PRESIDENT

BUILDING the FOUNDATION for OUR FUTURE

Happy New Year Brothers! 2016 brought many wonderful accomplishments by the Educational Foundation, thanks to our generous donors. The Educational Foundation held its inaugural Day of Giving as part of #Giving Tuesday on November 29th. We are excited for the potential Pilam's Day of Giving has. The second annual Pilam Day of Giving will be held in November or December of 2017.

In June of 2016, the Board of Trustees undertook the task of developing new



governance documents for the Educational Foundation. Led by Trustee Jack Marsh, Big Pi, in consultation with Michael Wyland, owner/partner in Sumption & Wyland, an industry leader in non-profit consulting, the Board created a new Constitution and Bylaws, which honored the spirit of the old governance documents, while being in alignment with current non-profit regulations and best practices. The new documents were unanimously approved by the Board of Trustees at their meeting on December 3, 2016. If you wish to receive a copy of the new Constitution and Bylaws, email foundation@pilambdaphi.org.

The Board of Trustees and International Executive Council continue to make positive strides in developing a new strategic plan for Pilam. During our December meeting, we considered our recent accomplishments, analyzed our challenges, and discussed where we would like to see Pilam in the next five to ten years. More information about the plan will become available in the months leading up to our Convention in August.

Finally, I want to share how Pilam and its generous alumni brought joy to one of our undergrad Brothers this past fall. Brendan Player '14, of our VA Alpha Psi Colony at Christopher Newport University, was one of seventeen scholarship recipients this year.

He recently sent this [thank you video](#) to the Educational Foundation.

We are over half way to our 2016-2017 annual fundraising goal of \$100,000. Our goal for this year is aggressive, but the needs of our undergraduate brothers like Brendan are significant. We can and must do more to support our brothers. Achieving our annual fundraising goal will enable the Educational Foundation to do more for them through scholarships and educational training. Give today at www.pilambdaphi.org/donation.

I want to echo Brendan's thanks to those who have already donated to this year's Annual Fund. I wish all brothers a happy and prosperous new year!

Fraternally Yours,
Shawn Upchurch, C.K., President
Educational Foundation

FROM the EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Greetings brothers. As 2017 begins we reflect on a strong finish to 2016, and look toward a bright and optimistic year to come. Did you happen to catch the [Top Stories from 2016](#)? In addition to those stories, we finished the year in an exciting manner by hiring Billy Bernard '07, OH Beta Tau, to become our Senior Coordinator of Chapter Services and by having John Palasits '12, MD Kappa Delta, transition from the Expansion Team to the Chapter Services Team. We made these moves to really boost support for our current chapters and colonies as they work on achieving their goals. Billy brings a wealth of professional knowledge to our team after working five years as the Associate Director of Fraternity and Sorority Life for Monmouth University. His picture and biography, along

with the rest of the headquarters staff can be found [online](#).

As 2017 takes shape, I hope that you will consider joining us for either our 122nd Anniversary Founders Day Celebration or our Annual Leadership Convention – both to be celebrated in Pennsylvania. Founders Day will be celebrated on Saturday March 18 in Philadelphia, and Convention will be August 3-6 in Pittsburgh. More information can be acquired by emailing headquarters@pilambdaphi.org.

Two additional ways you can support are to either volunteer your time or to recommend an undergraduate leader as a potential future staff candidate. You can show your volunteer interest in a Chapter Advisor position by filling out this [form](#). If you would like to volunteer in a different capacity, please email headquarters@pilambdaphi.org. If you know of a top undergraduate Pilam brother, consider having him check out our [Headquarters Staff Interest Video](#) or have him fill out the [interest form](#) to learn more about the possibilities of working for staff.

Finally, if you want to track our current expansion effort at Purdue University, “like” or follow the [Facebook Fanpage](#) dedicated to that initiative. It is a great time to be bringing Pi Lambda Phi to Purdue, and it is a great time to be a Pilam!

Fraternally,
Ian Lowe, Executive Director
International Headquarters

Your Donations

Your first taste of significant responsibility may have come from Pi Lambda Phi. Your life has probably been shaped by this experience. You grew and matured because of it. You formed friendships that have lasted a lifetime. Please give today to assure that another generation of undergraduate Brothers will have the same opportunities.

Through the years, all of us have seen deserving undergraduate Brothers be a part of this Fraternity but also struggle because of merely not having enough money to cope with ever rising tuition costs.

There are two ways to give; either online via credit card, or by mail with a check. Your generous donation can make an impact today!

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We are asking you to join us in funding educational projects. Your gifts can send Brothers to receive leadership training at the Annual Convention, or provide incentive scholarship grants to deserving Brothers.

BIG PI SPOTLIGHT

ELI HOFFMAN '57, PA ALPHA DELTA

The Big Pi Award is presented to alumni Brothers who are held in high esteem by virtue of outstanding accomplishment which brings honor to the Brother and Pi Lambda Phi. It is the lifetime achievement award of Pilam. The Big Pi Chapter has become a who's who of well-regarded and famous Pilam Alumni.

Since its establishment in 1950, the Big Pi has been given to only 161 Pilam Brothers. Five of them have come from PA Alpha Delta Chapter at Temple University. Brother Eli Hoffman '56, successful accountant, philanthropist and lifetime friend and benefactor PA Alpha Delta, was awarded the Big Pi in 2001.

After graduating from Weequahic High School in Newark, New Jersey, Eli entered Temple University, located in North Philadelphia, in the Spring of 1956, majoring in accounting. At the time, tuition was \$375 a semester, which Eli's father helped him pay on the condition that Eli would put his studies first. During his first semester, Eli was befriended by Brother Joe Lazerwitz '54, who introduced him to PA Alpha Delta. Impressed with its welcoming and diverse Brotherhood, Eli pledged Pilam that spring. However, similar to many Brothers who have struggled adjusting to college life, Eli's academic performance was below his expectations the first semester.

He returned to Temple the next fall and significantly improve his academics. Prioritizing his studies over social opportunities, and with the support of

his Brothers, Eli received only A's for his remaining three years at Temple.

Eli gained valuable leadership and career experience through Pilam. First, he served as House Steward, working closely with the Chapter Cook, Ed Little, buying provisions and arranging meals for the Brotherhood. During his final two years at Temple, Eli interned for Winderman Caplan & Company, a small accounting firm located in Center City. The job, which was passed down to him by an older Pilam Brother, was Eli's first in accounting. Prior to graduating, Eli continued the tradition and passed the internship on to a younger Brother who majored in accounting.

Upon graduating, Eli joined J.H Cohn & Company. After only nine years and at age 30, Eli, became the youngest partner in the firm's history and was named managing partner at age 35. After thirty years he joined EisnerAmper LLP, one of the nation's largest accounting firms, as managing partner of their New Jersey office.

When asked what advice he would give younger Pilams, he shared that it is important to "enjoy your job and enjoy what you do. You cannot lie to the person in the mirror every morning, for he knows how you truly feel about the day ahead."

Even though he officially retired three years ago, today, at the age of 78, Eli still maintains regular office hours. He still enjoys the work he does.

In addition to his successful accounting career, Eli is a passionate philanthropist,

serving on multiple foundation boards. Currently, he is Vice Chairman and Treasurer of the Animal Medical Center in New York, which was founded in 1910 and has been a national leader in animal care by "providing compassionate and collaborative care to animals and to leading the advancement of veterinary medicine through innovative clinical research and education."

Eli also serves Chairman of the Jaqua Foundation, named for George Jaqua, a longtime friend and client, who passed away in 1982. Over the years, through the



Eli Hoffman (right) receiving his Big Pi Award from Jeff Buhler, C.K. (left) during the annual PA Alpha Delta Kovner Banquet in 2008

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Jaqua Foundation, Eli has given millions to engineering and accounting scholarships and other educational pursuits, supporting veterinary and medical research, animal welfare, and the performing arts.

Included in the financial awards was Eli's alma mater and Pi Lambda Phi. In the late 90's, the Jaqua Foundation sponsored a multi-day Pilam Leadership School. Additionally, Eli has generously given back to his Chapter by funding house improvements and awarding scholarships to undergraduate Brothers who majored in engineering and were known as Jaqua Scholars.

Ryan Overturf '03, current International Executive Council Secretary, remembers

that when he was Chapter Rex, "Eli would call every semester and ask me 'who are the engineering students in the Chapter.' I would compile a list and he would award \$2500 scholarships to each Brother through the Jaqua Foundation. Simply awarding the scholarships would have been impressive enough. Eli though, went above and beyond by seeking out eligible Pilams, including those not aware of the scholarship opportunity, so he could give back to PA Alpha Delta as much as possible."

Financial contributions were not the only way Eli supported PA Alpha Delta. In 2006, following multiple risk management issues the Chapter was closed. Due to the circumstances surrounding its



departure, many believed the Chapter would not return to campus for a long time. However, Eli and other alumni lobbied the University and its president for permission to return. Eli's hard work and persistence paid off. PA Alpha Delta was re-colonized in Fall of 2010, and chartered in the Spring of 2012 becoming one of the fastest charterings in recent Pilam history. Eli shared that the return of PA Alpha Delta, as a result of his and other alumni work, was one of his proudest Pilam moments.

"The Fraternity, its values and Creed, are as valuable and relevant today as when I was a student," shared Eli as he reflected on his more than fifty years of membership in Pi Lambda Phi.

PA Alpha Delta and all of Pi Lambda Phi are honored to call Eli Hoffman a Brother. On behalf of all Pilam Nation, the Educational Foundation would like to give a big round of snaps to Brother Hoffman for his accomplishments and thank him for his continued selfless contributions to Pi Lambda Phi.



Eli Hoffman (right) enjoying old Fraternity stories with Brother Richard Levy '58 (left) during the annual PA Alpha Delta Kovner Banquet in 2008.

ELIMINATION OF PREJUDICE

PILAM FOUNDS NEW 501(C)(3) NON-PROFIT

The fall semester brought a record number of events held by Pilam chapters and colonies in support of the Elimination of Prejudice Foundation (EOP), Pi Lambda Phi's philanthropy of choice. Twenty-three EOP events were held, which was a 21% increase from last fall!

VA Alpha Psi at Christopher Newport University hosted two events during the fall. For their first event they hosted a screening of the movie American History X and then facilitated a discussion on the prejudices presented in the movie, how those prejudices are still pervasive today, and how to work to eliminate them. Their second event, named The Pilam Unity Project, brought together over 300 students, faculty, and staff from across campus. The event's purpose was to raise the awareness of the commonalities each individual shares with others. Through this project, people would see with their own eyes an exhibit of connectivity, commonality, and unity. The brothers enjoyed witnessing the CNU community bond as participants shared what they identified with; the intertwined yarn showing that although all of us are different, our diversity brings us closer together and that is what creates a strong, vibrant, and engaged community.

Another highly successful event was the Wall of Prejudice hosted by NJ Alpha Lambda at Rutgers University. The Wall of Prejudice, a popular event held by many chapters, focuses on identifying the prejudices present within a campus or local community by having participants write the hateful words

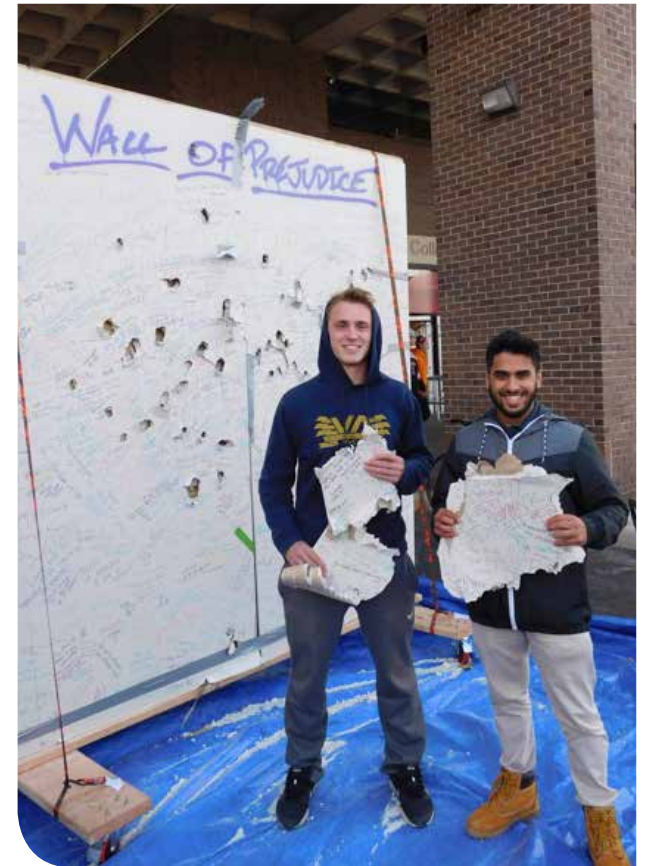
on a wall built by the host chapter. At the end of the event, participants tear down the Wall as symbolism of the community working to tear down (eliminate) those prejudices. Rutgers Wall of Prejudice, highlighted by this [video](#) created by the school newspaper, had hundreds of students, staff, and faculty participants, and raised \$1,300 in donations for the Elimination of Prejudice Foundation.

We are proud of the work our chapters and brothers are doing to eliminate prejudice! Headquarters is already working with chapter leadership to host even more wonderful events this spring!

History of the EOP and EOP Foundation Update

The history of EOP traces its humble beginnings back to 1895 and the founding of Pi Lambda Phi. For over 121 years, the mission to eliminate prejudice has been foundational to Pilam's Creed and has inspired over 40,000 Pilams to engage within their communities to create a better understanding between people. In 1996, Brother Jules Lennard, H.B. formally launched the EOP. The original EOP program was an essay contest for non-members to think deeply about prejudice and challenge themselves by responding to one statement, "What eliminating prejudice means to me." Following Lennard's passing in 2002, the program went dormant.

As part Pilam's 2010 Strategic Plan, the Fraternity re-launched the EOP as a program operated by Pi Lambda Phi's Educational Foundation (EF). The re-launched program



Brothers Austin Ciccarino '15 (left) and Saad Mughal '15 of the NJ Alpha Lambda Colony at Rutgers University participate in the tear down during the colony's Wall of Prejudice event in fall of 2016.

sought to give Pilam chapters a tangible way to live the Creed and share it with their campus communities. Since 2010, 96% of Pilam chapters have held educational and fundraising events supporting the EOP.

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During the 2015-2016 academic year alone, 64 EOP events were held on campuses across North America.

In an attempt to share EOP's mission outside of Pilam nation, from 2011-2013 the EOP hosted an annual international video contest that obtained submissions from five countries across three continents with people sharing their inspiring stories related to eliminating prejudice. In 2014, a fourth annual video contest was intended, but was later cancelled due to technology challenges.

While it is clear the purpose behind EOP was resonating with many across the globe, the re-launch of EOP experienced expected and unexpected challenges. Due to Pilam's single-gender membership restriction, EOP was ineligible to receive major funding through grants. Consequently, funding was limited to small individual donations and chapter donations. Without significant funding sources, the EOP was operated solely by volunteers and assisted by an IHQ staff resource paid out of IHQ funds, restricting the impact of the programs offered to Pilams and non-Pilams.

Acknowledging the ever increasing desire and need for such a program that could extend well beyond Pilam, the International Executive Council (IEC) and EF made a strategic decision and unanimously approved a resolution to establish the EOP as a separate non-profit corporation in August 2014 and entered into the licensing arrangement described above. Supported by a non-Pilam non-profit advisor, the EOP Foundation Founding Directors, a collection of Pilams that included IEC Councilmen, Foundation Trustees, and Big

Pis, was created as a short term Board and charged with determining EOP's mission, legal structure, governance, intellectual property transfer, autonomy and relations to, initial operational structure and seating the inaugural EOP Board of Directors. After months of intense discussion and work, the EOP Foundation was approved by the IRS to operate as a recognized 501(c)3 non-profit organization in December 2015. Based on this achievement, the EOP was officially adopted by Pi Lambda Phi as its philanthropy of choice in December of 2015. Evidence of another important achievement, "Elimination of Prejudice" achieved registration status as a protected trademark in November 2016.

While the EOP Foundation's primary focus is securing sufficient fundraising dollars to retain inaugural staff members to focus on necessary sustainability activities such as grant writing, fundraising efforts and EOP programming initiatives, because of the unique relationship between the EOP Foundation and Pi Lambda Phi, the EOP Foundation has agreed to use a portion of its initial funds for EOP training to be provided to Pilam Brothers at our next Convention.

The EOP Foundation's Impact on Pilam

As the resources of the EOP Foundation grow, Pilam and its members will be directly and indirectly impacted. Pilam will directly benefit from increased EOP funding by requesting grants from the EOP Foundation for programs directed toward Pilams and their host institutions. One such program already being developed is an institute focused on educating Pilams on topics related to forms of prejudice, social justice, and how to be leaders within their communities advocating

for equality.

Indirectly, as the EOP Foundation and its movement grows, Pilam will be further sought after by universities and colleges to help bring the EOP to their institutions. Since 2010 when Pilam re-launched the EOP, the Fraternity has seen noticeable growth in the number of expansions awarded, which is significantly related to Pilam's EOP work and its perception among higher education administrators. More specifically, within the past two academic years IHQ has secured 13 expansion opportunities (Rutgers, Indiana State, VCU, Pace, Hofstra, UC Merced, Drexel, Pittsburgh, Northern Iowa, Purdue, Northern Illinois, UC Davis and Grand Valley State) with many explicitly stating the desire to have Pilam join their campus community due in part to EOP.

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NC OMEGA BETA - "TRADING TO VICTORY"

Written By: Grady Hale '16, NC Omega Beta

Four brothers at the North Carolina Omega Beta Chapter of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill won a national stock trading competition hosted by T.D. Ameritrade Bank.

The challenge, "ThinkOrSwim," consisted of 2,500 players spread across 726 teams. To achieve first place, the Pilam team turned \$500,000 in virtual money into over \$1.3 million in only a month's time.

For the team's victory, T.D. Ameritrade and an anonymous matching donor gave a total of \$60,000 to the University to be used for scholarships, and each brother was also given a personal iPad and a cash prize of \$3,000.

The Pilam team, "All for Tony, Tony for All," named after the Chapter's longtime chef Tony Salvador, members included senior Economics and Portuguese double major Alex Bryan '15, senior Health Policy Management and Chemistry double major Grahme Taylor '14, sophomore Pre-Business major Nyatefe Mortoo '16, and sophomore Pre-Business and Computer Science double major Dhru Patel '16.

The last moments of the trading competition were spent in the study room on the third floor at the NC Omega Beta chapter house at 110 W Cameron Ave. As the team discussed their choices, a crowd of brothers looked on and marveled at the achievement they were witnessing.

They traded for a gold mining stock. The price jumped, and the team received the



(pictured left to right) Brothers Grahme Taylor '14, Nyatefe Mortoo '16, Alex Bryan '15, and Dhru Patel '16 with Steve Farmer, UNC Vice Provost for Enrollment and Undergraduate Admissions, receive a \$30,000 to UNC for winning the T.D. Ameritrade "ThinkOrSwim" Challenge. Photo courtesy of UNC-Chapel Hill

congratulatory phone call from T.D. Ameritrade shortly after the stock exchange closed.

"It was really, really exciting," Nyatefe Mortoo said. "It didn't hit me until a while afterwards that we had won out of so many teams."

Mortoo recruited the team's members after receiving a flyer from UNC's Undergraduate Finance Society, of which he is a member. Mortoo is waiting to hear back from his

application to UNC's Kenan-Flagler Business School, where he hopes to major in Business Administration with a concentration in Finance.

"I've always been interested in stocks, and I want to use what I learn at Carolina to do sales and trading professionally when I graduate," Mortoo said.

Mortoo serves as one of the Chapter's Junior

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Rush Chairmen in Spring 2017, and he hopes the exposure from winning the competition will attract potential members who will want to form teams for future trade competitions.

"I'd love to make this competition a yearly thing that will be passed down from year to year," he said.

Dhru Patel joined Pilam in the Fall of 2016. He was excited to be offered a spot on the team and to have the opportunity to learn from the senior brothers.

"I am so thankful of the experience I got from working with my brothers through this competition," Patel said. "Being able to show our brotherhood, university, and community what Pilam is able to accomplish really made me proud."

Patel hopes to use his background in both business and technology to capture the immense amount of data that surrounds stocks and create algorithms that can better analyze financial markets and trends.

Patel serves as the Chapter's Intramural Sports Chair and will help to coordinate brotherhood teams for sports such as football and soccer during the semester.

Alex Bryan served as Keeper of the Exchequer of the Omega Beta chapter during 2016 and did an internship in sales and trading for Citi Bank in Manhattan during the summer. He found his love for stock trading through the UNC organization Tarheel Alpha.

"Tarheel Alpha is all about trading virtual stocks and analyzing decisions, and it has

allowed me to apply what I have learned as an Economics major," Bryan said. "Being KOE also gave me experience and confidence in managing and allocating a large amount of money."

Bryan's plan after graduation is to continue in trading and macroeconomic investing. He is starting an investment fund with teammate Grahme Taylor, and he hopes that the fund will become successful enough that he can turn managing it into a full time career.

The fund already has nearly \$200,000 committed, and the pair hopes it will grow into the seven figures by the end of the year.

Grahme Taylor is a member of UNC's Honors College and will be interning for Wildcat Venture Partners next summer, after spending previous summers working in both venture capital and for the U.S. House of Representatives. He aspires to work in venture capital when he graduates.

"Succeeding in the world of VC requires significantly more work than almost any job imaginable, but it's worth the commitment to me," Taylor said. "I love the challenge of differentiating good investments from bad investments and placing funds accordingly."

Taylor is looking forward to managing the investment fund with Bryan. All of the team's members decided to invest their prize money in the fund, rather than spending it.

The duo of Bryan and Taylor named the fund "Cameron Capital Partners," after the street of their chapter's fraternity house.

"If it wasn't for Pilam, none of this would've ever happened," Taylor said.



The NC Omega Beta Chapter House at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

A FRIENDLY WAGER

IEC & EF PRESIDENTS' BET ON WORLD SERIES

Tim Davey '06, OH Beta Tau

The Fall of 2016 was indeed a historical one, but not for the political reasons. The fates of two historically unlucky teams were forever affected. The Chicago Cubs and the Cleveland Indians, two great baseball teams, faced off in what some say was the best World Series ever. However, this World Series had an especially personal aspect to it for two Fraternity brothers, IEC President, Dan Scott, C.K., and Educational Foundation President, Shawn Upchurch, C.K.

Dan grew up a lifelong Cubs fan, which means every year of his life, he has suffered in agony each new baseball season. Shawn mirrored these feelings for his beloved Cleveland Indians. Now, from the start Shawn should have known that any bet on Cleveland was going to end poorly. The good luck of Cleveland is reserved to one team at a time, and the Cavaliers had already used it all up. Regardless, at the friendly urging of fellow a Councilman and Trustee, Gary Sanders, following the clinching of the League titles by both teams, a bet was dreamed up.

Dan, ever the practical man, and possibly hedging his bets a little at potential embarrassment, suggested that the loser between he and Shawn simply make a donation to the Pi Lambda Phi Foundation. Shawn, however, had grander thoughts in mind. While he agreed with the concept of a donation, in his case to the Elimination of Prejudice Foundation, his stipulation was that the donation be made in the name of the winning chapter in the amount of

\$250. Then, Shawn got creative. Seizing on the opportunity for public shame and embarrassment, he suggested that the loser wear a full uniform of the winning team to three key events. The first was the Strategic Planning Meeting, where the public shame would be largely contained to the attendees. Next, the loser would attend a reception for Greek Life Advisors in Boston wearing the full uniform garb. Finally, for the delight of the whole International Fraternity, the loser will attend the first day of the 2017 Pi Lambda Phi Convention in the uniform.

Dan accepted, although he didn't describe any hesitation, one wonders if he felt it all the same. As the games rolled on, Shawn's win seemed all but clenched. The Indian's had a 3-1 lead. As any good friend will do, Shawn kept the heat on Dan. The texts came every day discussing just how great Dan would look in that Indian's uniform. Shawn should have learned, though, from the Cavs earlier in the year. A 3-1 lead is never guaranteed, and the reversal of fortunes can happen quickly. As the tide began to turn, Shawn hunkered down and texted less, while Dan began to dream and hope. As Cleveland's pitching game began to tire and the bats went silent, Shawn saw his win evaporate.

Their first meeting kicked off well, with Shawn sporting the full garb of a proud Cubs player. During the reception, Shawn continued to take his defeat in good stride, surrounded by Greek Life Advisors who were Cubs fans, he led the room singing of



IEC President, Dan Scott, C.K., (left) and Educational Foundation President, Shawn Upchurch, C.K. (right) at the Pilam hosted Fraternity & Sorority Advisor appreciation reception in December of 2016.

"Take Me Out to the Ball Game." Both Shawn and Dan agreed, it was a fun experience, and Dan secretly thinks Shawn liked the attention at the meeting each time he spoke. Don't worry, Shawn, as the motto for Cleveland always goes; "There's always next year!"

FALL 2016 CHARTERINGS

IN ALPHA THETA & PA ALPHA GAMMA CHARTER

Written By: Jonathan Finnerty '15, NJ Alpha Lambda

PA Alpha Gamma of Bloomsburg University and IN Alpha Theta of Indiana University both successfully chartered on November 12th and 13th in 2016, respectively. After several years of completing the chartering process and complying with university standards, both chapters have met the requirements to become full-fledged chapters.

PA Alpha Gamma was colonized in the Fall of 2012 with a founding class of 14 men, following a request to start from an interest group, including Pilam legacy Chris Brown. Founding President William O'Donnell '12 said of the founding process, "We all underestimated the complexity of the chartering checklist and how much we actually had to accomplish before being able to call ourselves a legitimate chapter of Pi Lambda Phi."

With an initial underestimation, O'Donnell said the reward of chartering, "...once we were able to get over that initial hump of getting to know each other while getting this chapter started, the unanimous feeling was the sky is the limit for our chapter." After four years, PA Alpha Gamma completed the chartering process under President Trevor Ahouse '14, with guidance from Chapter Advisor Patrick Lincoln '85, PA Beta Upsilon. Ahouse says of chartering that his chapter is still, "...determined to continue to have one of the highest GPA's, membership, and community service hours on campus. We hope to change the stereotype on campus and spreading EOP mission across campus and in our community." PA Alpha Gamma



Brothers of the PA Alpha Gamma Chapter at Bloomsburg University celebrate receiving their charter on November 12, 2016.

is no stranger to success, on February 28, 2015 they received the prestigious "Student Organization of the Year" award from Bloomsburg University and on April 26, 2016 Bloomsburg University bestowed to them the "Most Improved Chapter of the Year" award.

In chartering, IHQ staff posted on the Pi Lambda Phi Facebook page that, "This Chapter set out to be an exemplar [sic] fraternity that stands as counter to the negative fraternity stigma. The brothers of PA Alpha Gamma triumphed and we commend them for this great achievement..."

Indiana University's Alpha Theta chapter was re-colonized in the Fall of 2014 after closing in 1959. The Founding class was composed of 42 brothers and started from an interest group. After achieving the goals set forth by Pi Lambda Phi and Indiana University, Alpha Theta successfully chartered on November 13, 2016.

Founding President and current IHQ staff member Dan DeBard '14 said of the chartering process, "We were lucky to have a group of guys committed to obtaining the charter in the minimum amount of time." Currently, IN

FALL 2016 CHARTERINGS



Brothers of the IN Alpha Theta Chapter at Indiana University and special guests celebrate re-chartering of the Chapter on November 13, 2016.

Alpha Theta holds the record for achieving the fastest charter from a re-founded colony.

With a successful charter in place, IN Alpha Theta looks towards new opportunities. Current President Austin Whittington '15 said of these new opportunities, "Obtaining our charter is a huge step for our chapter. It legitimizes our place on campus, and will contribute towards helping us lay down deeper roots here at Indiana University." Besides speaking to IN Alpha Theta's continued commitment to the community,

this charter will also allow for the procurement of on-campus housing, a great step towards recognition in the Greek community.

With Pilam in a new state of growth, both PA Alpha Gamma and IN Alpha Theta lead the way as an example of exemplary brothers working hard to achieve their charter.

The FRATER of Today

The Frater, the original Pi Lambda Phi magazine, was first published in 1915. Originally, The Frater was published four times annually and was intended to be a lifetime subscription to keep all Pilam Alumni connected to the operation of their Fraternity.

Technology has increased the ability to share news in a timely manner through the Fraternity website, email, Facebook, Twitter, and plenty of other social media tools. These new methods allow the Fraternity to stay connected with the entire Brotherhood while reducing the costs to produce and mail a printed magazine. The savings from even a single printing can fund several scholarships and educational programs offered to our undergraduate Brothers. The Trustees constantly review programs for ways to increase the value of your donations.

Sharing information is vital to our Brotherhood. We want to connect with you and keep you updated. We hope you find this digital version of The Frater useful. Please stay connected with us by "Liking" the Pi Lambda Phi page on Facebook, and visiting our website frequently. Updates are posted weekly to let you know what your Brothers are accomplishing.

We hope you enjoy this issue of The Frater.

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CA Tau **University of California, Berkeley**

No submission received at the time of publication.

CA Alpha Upsilon **University of California, Merced**

Initiated 4 new brothers in the Fall of 2016, and have 12 new members this Spring.

CN Kappa Kappa **University of Windsor**

No submission received at the time of publication.

FL Delta **University of Florida**

No submission received at the time of publication.

FL Delta Upsilon **Florida Institute of Technology**

Successfully doubled the membership of the Chapter by initiating 13 new brothers in the fall. The Chapter received the Most Improved Chapter of the Year Award and Most Academic Improvement Award. Brother Al "Doc" Brown '95 received the Advisor of the Year Award, and Brother Alex Winstead '16 received the New Member of the Year Award.

Rush Week: January 9-13, 2017
Alumni Weekend: February 9-12, 2017

FL Omega Eta **University of Miami**

Brother Paul Tocker '56 received the Schenectady County Bar Association 50 Year Attorney Award on April 21, 2016.

IA Alpha Phi **University of Northern Iowa**

20 Founding Fathers were initiated on November 18, 2016.

IL Tau Delta **University of Illinois**

Re-Colonizing Spring of 2018.

IN Alpha Delta **Indiana State University**

Brought the Wall of Prejudice to the campus of Indiana State University in November. Students had a chance to write on the wall and then knock it down helping to eliminate prejudice in its many forms. The actives are also working to get to know the alumni brothers better by sending e-mails and letters to all the alumni brothers of Indiana Alpha Delta

IN Alpha Theta **Indiana University**

Re-Chartered November 13, 2016

Hosted the Wall of Prejudice as part of their Elimination of Prejudice Week in the Fall. During the week they also co-hosted a variety of EOP discussions in the evenings leading up to the tear down brought our organization's mission to the forefront of campus.

Founders' Day Feast: March 21, 2017

IN Epsilon Gamma **Vincennes University**

During Fall of 2016, the Chapter volunteered at local animal shelter and helped host a Halloween festival for local kids.

Elimination of Prejudice Week: Date TBD

IN Epsilon Iota **Purdue University**

Re-colonizing Spring of 2017.

MA Theta **Massachusetts Institute of Technology**

This year we have managed to reach out and improve relations with our school administration, our alumni association, and the International brotherhood.

Alumni Reunion: June 9, 2017, 2:30-5:30pm at the Chapter House.

MD Alpha Omicron **Frostburg State University**

No submission received at the time of publication.



FL Delta Upsilon Brothers receive multiple University awards in Fall of 2016, including the Most Improved Chapter

MD Kappa Delta **Salisbury University**

No submission received at the time of publication.

MI Alpha Omega **Siena Heights University**

No submission received at the time of publication.

MI Delta Beta **Ferris State University**

No submission received at the time of publication.

NC Epsilon Kappa **North Carolina State University**

Re-Colonizing Fall of 2021

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CA Alpha Upsilon at the University of California, Merced welcome their newest brothers in Fall of 2016.

NC Omega Beta University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

The fraternity welcomed in an additional 18 brothers this past semester as well as continued to pledge our efforts towards Habitat for Humanity. We raised over \$1000 by participating in UNC's Habitat for Humanity Racery and attend weekly Habitat builds as a brotherhood. Four brothers won TD Ameritrade's "Think or Swim" Challenge, a virtual trading competition in which students from around the nation competed to build the biggest portfolio. After winning the competition, \$30,000 was donated to the University to fund future scholarships.

Habitat for Humanity Raffle: Late January
"Elimination of Prejudice" Pancake Dinner: February
Joint Courtyard Event Concert: March
Wing Fest: April

NC Omega Zeta Western Carolina University

No submission received at the time of publication.

NJ Alpha Lambda Rutgers University

Raise ~\$1,300 towards the Elimination of Prejudice Foundation with the help of our Wall of Prejudice event in the Fall semester. In addition to this, we have maintained our strong relationships with the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs, and gained new relationships with organizations under the Multi-Cultural Greek Council.

NY Alpha Pi Stony Brook University

Raised money for the Pedals for Progress non-profit organization, allowing us to donate nearly 50 bikes to impoverished countries so families can have their own source of transportation. We also worked in tandem with one of the school's blood drives to help donate and raise awareness of the blood shortage and importance of donating blood.

Wall of Prejudice: Date TBD

NY Alpha Rho Pace University Pleasantville

No submission received at the time of publication.

NY Alpha Tau Hofstra University

No submission received at the time of publication.

NY Beta Omicron St. John's University

Re-Chartering Banquet: February 11, 2017

NY Gamma New York University

Brother Dr. Elliot Brender '64 completed his sixth mission trip to Cambodia as part of the Surgeons for Cambodia, inc. For more information, including how to join next year's trip, visit www.surgeonsforcambodia.org or email Brother Brender at drbrender@roadrunner.com.

NY Kappa Tau Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

No submission received at the time of publication.

NY Omega Epsilon University of Buffalo

No submission received at the time of publication.

NY Omicron Rho Binghamton University

No submission received at the time of publication.

NY Phi Lambda Adelphi University

No submission received at the time of publication.

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OH Beta Tau Baldwin Wallace University

Over the past year the Ohio Beta Tau Alumni Association has fostered a sense of brotherhood among alumni and members of the undergraduate chapter through hosting our four annual events: Founders' Day Celebration, Summer Golf Outing, Fall Football Classic and The Winter Outing.

Founders' Day Celebration: March 25, 2017.
Summer Golf Outing: Location and Date TBD

PA Alpha Delta Temple University

Brother Jesse Monoski '12 started working for the Pennsylvania State Senate, under Senator John P. Sabatina, Jr. as his Legislative Assistant.

PA Alpha Gamma Bloomsburg University

Chartered on November 12, 2016.

PA Beta Gamma Indiana University of Pennsylvania

No submission received at the time of publication.

PA Delta Iota Drexel University

Re-Colonized Fall of 2016.

Founders' Day: March 18, 2017.

PA Epsilon Zeta University of Pennsylvania

38th Annual Human Barbecue 12-hour Concert: April 8, 2017

PA Gamma Sigma University of Pittsburgh

No submission received at the time of publication.

PA Kappa Eta Widener University

Re-Colonizing Spring 2020.

PA Omega Gamma Pennsylvania State University

No submission received at the time of publication.

PA Phi Sigma University of the Sciences in Philadelphia

We have become a more unified brotherhood and have greatly increased our involvement and relationships with our greek community. We are on track to double our numbers by next year.

EOP Dunk Tank Event: Date TBD

PA Sigma Upsilon Shippensburg University

Brother Sam Wachsmann '85 accomplished the extraordinary feat of completing a marathon all 50 states before turning 50 years old. He was featured in this [article](#).

VA Alpha Psi Christopher Newport University

Host a successful Unity Project (EOP Event) that demonstrated the diversity of our campus, with over 300 participants. We also had the largest rush class ever for the fall semester since our refounding class, with 9 new members.

Cardboard Village: January 26, 2017
Can Castle: February 23, 2017

VA Delta Chi University of Virginia's College at Wise

No submission received at the time of publication.

VA Lambda Kappa Roanoke College

No submission received at the time of publication.

VA Omega Alpha University of Virginia

No submission received at the time of publication.

VA Omega Rho Virginia Commonwealth University

Re-Colonizing Fall of 2017.

VA Omicron Zeta Virginia Polytechnic Institute

Initiated a 23 men new member class on December 3rd (our biggest one ever). We reached our 500th brother in the chapter.

VA Theta Xi Radford University

No submission received at the time of publication.

WA Epsilon Alpha Eastern Washington University

Founders' Day Weekend: March 24-26, 2017

WI Chi Upsilon Carroll University

Over the course of the fall semester we were able to host multiple EOP events with the most notable event being a presentation by Robyn Ochs about Human Sexuality and Gender.

Poker with the Pilams: Feb 24, 2017 at 8:30pm
Founder's Day Celebration March 19, 2017
Walk for Bosnia April 22, 2017 at 10am-12pm

WI Omega University of Wisconsin, Madison

No submission received at the time of publication.

Have Pilam News?

If you have Pilam news, we want to hear about it! Email any personal, chapter, or in-memorium updates to the Foundation at foundation@pilamdaphi.org.

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That all men are created free and equal.

That no society of men can flourish unless members of that society are endowed with the opportunities and privileges of freedom.

*That freedom implies the elimination of prejudice --
That the elimination of prejudice means a better understanding 'twixt men.*

That it is incumbent upon me to fight for such freedom even with my life.

*That it is incumbent upon me, in my personal life,
to be devoted to the highest standards of honesty and justice.*

*That because my country is dedicated to the highest standards
of freedom and justice for all men of all creeds,
I hereby pledge allegiance to my country, and to its national symbol.*