
2006



GAMMA-OMICRON
HALL OF FAME



The University of Kansas

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7TH, 2006 3:00 P.M.
CREST ROOM, THE CHAPTER HOUSE



Welcome.....

TO THE 15TH ANNUAL HALL OF FAME INDUCTION CEREMONY

The 15th Annual Gamma-Omicron Hall of Fame Awards are presented by the Gamma-Omicron Chapter of Kappa Sigma Fraternity at the University of Kansas. Conceived as a means of honoring our alumni for outstanding achievements and service, this award has become an integral part of our tradition here at Gamma-O.

Kappa Sigma is a national fraternity with great pride and a tradition of excellence that our many distinguished alumni have served to enhance throughout the years. Since its beginning on May 18, 1912, the Gamma-Omicron Chapter has seen many brothers rise to positions of prominence.

Congratulations to those who have been awarded this honor!

This year's Hall of Fame Inductees are:

**Tom Gee '56, Don Foster '59, and Fred Frailey '63
Special Recognition for House Mother Helen Lierz, Emeritus**



PROGRAM

Welcoming Remarks

Fred Green '61

Greetings from the Grand Master

Grand Master Cory Sims '04

Chapter Man of the Year Presentation

Nicholas Lombardi '03

Academic Achievement Awards

2006 Hall of Fame Induction

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Fred Frailey '63

Special Recognition

Helen Lierz

House Mother, Emeritus

Closing Remarks

Fred Green '61



J. Tom Gee '56

Brother Tom Gee's involvement with Kappa Sigma has not just been limited to serving Gamma-Omicron. Tom was initiated into Gamma-Omicron in 1956 and had many wonderful times, including pouring 10 pounds of soap suds into the air ducts in the School of Education building. While he never held an Executive Committee position as an undergraduate, he did represent Kappa Sigma in a number of campus activities and organizations, including student government and Greek Affairs.

Upon graduating in 1959, Tom joined the United States Army, where he spent 30 years before retiring at the rank of Colonel in 1988. He then went to work as a retirement relocation consultant for Prudential/Carruthers, Inc.

As an alumnus, Tom has continued to be involved with Kappa Sigma, serving as the Alumnus Advisor for Kappa-Phi Chapter (George Mason) from 1999-2002, the Assistant District Grand Master for Central Virginia from 2002 through present, and as the acting District Grand Master for Washington, D.C. from 2003-2004. He was named the Outstanding Alumnus Advisor of the Year in 1996, as well as Outstanding Assistant District Grand Master of the year in 2003 and again in 2005. He was also presented with the Stephen Alonzo Jackson 10 Year Award by Kappa Phi in 2000.

Even with all the time devoted to family and fraternity, Tom is still active within his community, serving as the president of his community's Homeowner's Association, as a church vestry member, lay minister, and lay ministry director. He is also a 32nd degree Mason and Sojourner.

"Gamma-Omicron provided the basic training in teamwork and leadership that has stood the test of time and served me well in my



professional and social endeavors. I have found the shared experience of Kappa Sigma to be a universal bond of fellowship and trust among brothers I have met all over the world and in all walks of life. Kappa Sigma represents brotherhood at its best. My most important and memorable experience was serving as the Grand Master of Ceremonies for the initiation of my son at Kappa-Phi in 1988.”

E. Donald Foster '59

Brother Don Foster has had a long and successful career in the field of justice that has seen him grow from trying cases in Wichita to traveling the world.

Don was born in August of 1940. As a young man, he decided to enroll at the University of Kansas. He pledged Gamma-Omicron in 1959, and graduated with a Bachelor of Art's in Political Science in 1962. He continued with his education earning a Juris Doctorate from Washburn University in 1965.

Brother Foster's career saw him start in the Office of the District Attorney in Wichita, where he was an Assistant District Attorney between 1965 and 1969. He tried over 1,500 bench cases and 120 jury trials, of which 30 were major homicides.

Don then spent several years with the Legal Aid Office in Wichita where he was able to have certain Kansas pre-judgment property practices declared to be unconstitutional.

Next, Don spent four years with the National Consumer Law Center in Boston, including serving as Deputy Director from 1972-1974. He moved on to work with the National District Attorney's Association Economic Crime Project in Washington, D.C., where he served as a Senior Counsel.



In February of 1977, Brother Foster started a 13 year employment with the United States Department of Justice. He worked in Fraud and Economic Crime enforcement, serving as Deputy Chief for Policy and Management, Fraud Section, from 1982 until 2000.

Finally, Don served as an advisor for the United States Treasury Department in the Office of Technical Assistance, Law Enforcement, from 2001 through 2004. As an advisor to this international anti-money laundering program, Don found himself traveling on a part-time basis to all corners of the globe. Some of his destinations included Albania, Soviet Georgia, Bulgaria, Macedonia, Zambia, and Kazakhstan.

Even with a very busy professional life, Don and his wife Trevella, have raised six children: Lisa Shriver, Kevin Foster, Sharon Chaney, Nancy McDonald, Hunter Shriver, and Karen Foster.

He has also remained very active within the local community, as the current Finance Team Chair for the Faithpoint United Methodist Church, where he is also a certified lay speaker.

Brother Foster credits Kappa Sigma with helping to teach him “better study discipline that certainly assisted me in making my way through college, law school, and later in life. It also enabled me to form some lifetime friendships.”

Fred W. Frailey, Jr. '63

Brother Frailey has spent his life fascinated with, and informing others about, the worlds of investing and economics.

Fred enrolled in KU and pledged Gamma-Omicron in 1962, graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree in journalism in 1966.



Fred worked for the *Chicago Sun-Times*, the *Kansas City Star*, and the *Sulphur Springs Daily News Telegram* in Texas before spending 16 years at *U.S. News and World Report*. He started at *U.S. News* as Chicago bureau chief at age 26, then was a labor writer and transportation writer before becoming an assistant managing editor, ultimately directing its business coverage.

In 1987, Fred joined the staff of *Kiplinger's Personal Finance* magazine as deputy editor, the number-two position, where he oversaw investment coverage. In 1994, he created an annual newsstand publication, *Kiplinger's Mutual Funds*, published each January. Since 2000, Brother Frailey has been editor of *Kiplinger's Personal Finance*. *KPF's* goal is to help people manage their finances, invest for their future, and spend their money smartly.

There's more: Brother Frailey has led a dual life as perhaps the nation's best-known writer about railroads. He has written dozens of cover stories for *Trains* magazine (most recently its current issue), and authored five railroad-related books, including *Twilight of the Great Trains*, about the collapse of passenger-train service before the advent of Amtrak.

Fred came to KU not knowing a soul. He credits Gamma-Omicron with giving him the stability and friendships that helped him mature both at the University and in the years that followed. He is also proud to be a Gamma-Omicron legacy; his dad, Bill Frailey, a Texas newspaper editor, was a Kappa Sig who graduated from KU in 1932.



**“Diligence should be your watchword.
Whatever you do, do well, and may success
attend your efforts.”**



The Gamma-Omicron Chapter of Kappa Sigma Fraternity was established at the University of Kansas on May 18, 1912. We have over 1,000 living alumni and have an undergraduate membership that normally averages about 100 on the Lawrence campus. The stately English Tudor Chapter House at 1045 Emery Road in beautiful “West Hills” was originally built in the 1920’s and came into our possession in 1934. Fully renovated, modernized, and refurnished in 1998 at a cost of approximately \$3,000,000, our home comfortably accommodates 76 men and easily ranks among the top living facilities on campus.



“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.”



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2005

Tony Witt '50
Rick Sarmiento '65
Larry Walter '69
Cliff Rovelto '75

2004

Robert Guthrie '55
Kenneth Payne '55
John Davis '62
Charles Squire '62

2003

Richard Guthrie '59
Roy Knapp '59
William Textor '59

2002

Walter Cole '50
Richard Mai '50
Bill McEachen '52
Cecil Edward Witt '52
Edgar B. Grass III '77

2001

U.S. Armed Forces Memorial

Fred C. Campbell '12
Marion L. Carter '15
Don B. Fullmer '32
Charles F. Pierson '36
John D. Keeling '39
Earl G. Lowe, Jr. '40
William H. McCrum '40
Francis B. Smith, Jr. '41



Herbert S. Finney '42
William H. Fountain '42
John E. Strand '42
John E. Sorem '48
Samuel W. Simpson '57
Larry E. Martin '58
Lloyd M. Willson '59
Jack C. Connell '62

2000

Richard Nelson '44
Jay Markley '51
Jerry Palmer '59
Richard Davis '60
David Mackenzie '61

1999

Reed Hoffman '41
Harry Callahan '42
Frank Darden '45
Warren Andreas '49
Noel Rooney '53

1998

Robert Gould '63
David Evans '64

1997

Raymond Calene '20
Thomas Bertelsen '59
Danforth Austin '65

1996

Frank Godding '40
Harry Hutchens '45
Jerald Pullins '61
Alan Mulally '64

1995

Lawrence Ochs '42
Harlan Ochs '47
Kenneth Ochs '49
Donald Ochs '50
Lloyd Hanahan '56

1994

Kenneth Rankin '28
Elis Cave '29
Harry West '29
Rich Lyon '34
John Heisler '41
Roger James '42
Wallace Foster '46
Henry Buck '53
Fred Green '61

1993

Robert Ferris '34
George Godding '39
Paul Bartsch '55

1992

Col. August E. Schanze '18
John F. Redmond '31
James Hitt '32
C. H. Cowell '34
Albert Speath '34
Howard Engleman '38
Frederick Murfin '38
Louis Ward '38
Robert J. Dole '42
J. Richard Smith '52
Robert J. Eaton '59



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

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