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Greetings!

Acacia Fraternity is excited to announce the naming of Darold W. Larson, *Washington State '81*, as the first full-time Executive Director for the Acacia Fraternity Foundation and Keith M. Bushey, *Indiana '86*, as Executive Director for the Fraternity.

As Executive Director of the AFF, Darold will oversee the financial management, fund development, public relations, organizational records, and implementation of board policies to advance the educational mission of Acacia Fraternity. He will report directly to the Foundation's President, William M. Riley, Jr., of Manhattan, Kansas and member of the Kansas State Chapter of Acacia Fraternity.

Brother Larson brings to the AFF a wealth of experience from his nearly 25 years as Executive Director of the Fraternity. Darold's accomplishments include establishment of Acacia's chapter standards program, Spirit of Excellence; assisting with the creation of the Acacia Fraternity Foundation in 1989 upon the dissolution of the Acacia Educational Foundation; and the creation the Acacia Leadership Academy in 1995, recently named in his honor.



"When the Board of Directors decided it was necessary to hire a full-time professional to lead the daily operations and development efforts of the Foundation, it was unquestionable that the best person for the job was Darold," said Brother Riley, AFF President. "We are fortunate to have someone lead the Foundation with his dedication to the Fraternity and institutional knowledge."



Brother Bushey has been promoted to Executive Director by the International Council of Acacia Fraternity. Keith will oversee all daily operations of the Fraternity's International Headquarters -- chapter operations and expansions, membership records, Leadership Consultants and office staff. He will report directly to the International Council President, Robert Roberson, of Richview, Illinois, and member of the Illinois Wesleyan Chapter of Acacia.

In his previous role as Assistant Executive Director, Keith was responsible for direct oversight of all Acacia undergraduate chapters and assisted in the establishment of nine colonies. He has trained more than 20 recent alumni who have joined the Fraternity's staff since 2001 as Leadership Consultants to assist in overseeing chapter operations and expansions. Keith has also coordinated biennial Conclaves and the Acacia

Leadership Academy for nearly a decade.

"Over the past decade Keith has played a major roll in ensuring the Fraternity's operations were strengthened through increased communications with our undergraduate chapters and oversight of the traveling Leadership Consultants," said Brother Roberson, Council President. "He was the logical choice to assume the responsibilities of Executive Director, and the Fraternity has much confidence in his abilities and looks forward to giving him our full support in leading our daily operations."

Keith and Darold each assume their new roles this month, October 2011. Please email your congratulatory messages to Brother Bushey at [kbushey@acacia.org](mailto:kbushey@acacia.org) and Brother Larson at [dlarson@acacia.org](mailto:dlarson@acacia.org).

**[Read the full press release on the Acacia blog.](#)**

Fraternally,

Robert E. Roberson  
International President  
Acacia Fraternity

William M. Riley, Jr.  
President  
Acacia Fraternity Foundation

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