



# INTERFRATERNITY COUNCIL ON THE HILL

IFC ON THE HILL - SPRING 2023 NEWSLETTER



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# THE IFC ON THE HILL

SPRING NEWSLETTER

**FELLOW GREEKS AND GREATER BOULDER COMMUNITY MEMBERS,**

I am pleased to introduce the newest, Spring 2023, issue of our IFC on the Hill Newsletter!

The IFC on the Hill is an independent and autonomous group of 21 fraternities and over 2,500 undergraduate men with a mission to improve our community through education, service, and involvement. Despite a brief hold on publication this last year, we have been working harder than ever and think it's time to share what we've done!

This newsletter is intended to update the community on our ongoing initiatives among each fraternity and the group as a whole. We also plan to use this to highlight the success of our members and to celebrate their individual accomplishments.

Since our IFC Executive & President's Retreat in January, we have been excited to show the fruition of our 2023 goals and their impact in the community. These goals can be found on Pg.4 or at <https://coloradoifc.org/about-us>,

We hope that this newsletter will provide an avenue for not only our members but the greater Boulder community to stay informed and connected with our work. We look forward to providing more updates in the future and working consistently to improve quality of life for all stakeholders.

Sincerely,

*Matt McCullough*

*President, IFC on the Hill*

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# SUICIDE & CRISIS LIFELINE

## 988 LIFELINE

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Improving mental health and the conversations around such, especially in young men, has been a constant focal point of our IFC. This February, we introduced the “Call 988” campaign, in efforts to advertise the new suicide & crisis lifeline and spread awareness of this prevalent issue affecting our student community. In July 2020, the Federal Communications Commission established “988” as the new, nationwide, 3-digit phone number for Americans in crisis to connect with suicide prevention and mental health crisis counselors. This new phone number is aimed to raise awareness, and to ensure that everyone can access the help they need easily. While the implementation of the 988 number is primarily a federal effort, colleges and universities can play a crucial role in raising awareness of this new

resource on their campuses. Each of our chapters participated by submitting various poster designs. After voting on a favorite, over 2,000 copies of the winning poster design were printed and distributed to all of our chapters and individual members to display in dorm rooms, chapter houses, and heavily trafficked areas. The winning design was made by the Theta Chi fraternity and was posted on our social media, and at various hotspots around Boulder. IFC on the Hill has historically put great efforts into the “Call 911” campaign, emphasizing the protection ensured under the Good Samaritan Law. We’ve sustained this campaign in conjunction with “Call 988” as we continue to encourage our members to always utilize emergency services in times of need.

## NEW MEMBER EDUCATION

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Greek 101 is a comprehensive safety education course required for all of our new undergraduate members immediately following Bid Day. Presented by our President and Greek Advocate, Greek 101 covers important topics such as hazing prevention, drug & alcohol awareness, sexual assault awareness, bystander intervention and most importantly, the Good Samaritan Law which “Protects citizens from criminal charges if they call the police during emergencies, even if the situation involves broken laws such as the possession or consumption of illicit drugs.” We pride ourselves in prioritizing safety and responsibility in all aspects of Greek life and function. This presentation also covers our annual IFC goals and the conduct we expect from individual members.

Greek 101 is followed by open discussions on sexual assault awareness and mental health. Our wonderful guests from the University, Teresa Wroe and Kat Dailey, spoke to IFC’s newest members about navigating the various difficulties of a college environment and how to be a positive community member. We dedicate these discussions to prevalent issues that we feel need more exposure in the Greek community, and we hope to continue these conversations in our chapters and across the Hill. These presentations emphasize the resources available to all students through the University, Boulder Police Department, and our IFC on the Hill as we strive to provide easy access to crisis support and emergency aid.

# IFC 2023 GOALS

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# 2023 GOALS

## 0.1

Strengthen a positive Greek image in Boulder that demonstrates a proud, unified, and independent fraternity community striving towards constantly improving relationships and communication with the University of Colorado, the City of Boulder, Boulder Police and Fire Departments, University Hill community, and all other stakeholders.

## 0.2

Create positive interactions among IFC fraternities and their brothers to build better interfraternal relationships especially through joint philanthropic, social, and community service activities. Strengthen our “cousins” mentality by treating all IFC members as one would a “brother” is his respective chapter. Strengthen the relationship between the IFC fraternities and their brothers, and with the Panhellenic Council, their individual sororities, and their sisters, through planned programming.

## 0.3

Build upon the Safe Chapter initiative begun in 2012: Positively impact the drug and alcohol culture at the University of Colorado at Boulder through the leadership of the IFC and fraternity chapters. Provide formal and consistent educational programming for individual chapters and their brothers regarding hazing prevention, proper address of drug & alcohol culture, and sexual assault awareness.

## 0.4

Strengthen consideration of and dedication towards our role as productive members of the Hill community, the University of Colorado, and the City of Boulder. Actively communicate with community stakeholders and our individual chapters to reduce negative externalities correlating with college towns and areas with high student populations (including but not limited to fireworks/fire hazards, trash/weeds and general property upkeep, excessive noise/nuisances) while acknowledging concerns of all involved and affected.

## 0.5

Continue our commitment to the academic success of both potential new members and initiated brothers with the consideration of our primary role as students at the University of Colorado, Boulder. Encourage educational dedication and improvement as an IFC and at all organizational levels within. Surpass the all-men’s average for University of Colorado, Boulder students.

## 0.6

Grow our IFC organization in size and involvement through a focus on values-based recruitment beginning at the individual chapter level, consequently allowing for more young men to grow as positive members of our community through a fraternal structure. Strengthen the unity of our IFC organization beginning at the individual chapter level.

## 0.7

Constantly review, update, and implement new community standards, expectations, rules and bylaws regarding the safety, prosperity, and accountability of our fraternities, our brothers, and all stakeholders.

# THE IFC ON THE HILL

## INTRODUCTION

### CREATING THE LEADERS OF TOMORROW, TODAY

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The IFC on the Hill has been a positive example of student leaders enacting change in the community since its founding in 2005. With 21 chapters and 2500 total members, the IFC on the Hill is the largest student organization at the University of Colorado. We work to instill values of academic excellence, community engagement, philanthropy, and leadership. Acting as a bridge between off campus student housing and residents of Boulder, the IFC on the Hill has a strict conduct code within our bylaws. Within our bylaws, we prohibit the use of fireworks and have requirements for trash removal as well as chapters maintaining their properties. Apart from these requirements, our members have active voices in community groups such as the Hill Revitalization Working Group as well as Boulder Chamber of Commerce. Our executives have voiced concerns on two prevalent municipal issues; the homelessness crisis and occupancy limits.

Apart from these requirements, members of the IFC have academic requirements to ensure that students are succeeding while participating in Greek life. Our organization ensures the development of community leaders who are passionate about Boulder issues while taking advantage of all this great city has to offer. The IFC on the Hill is confident in the process we have developed to create the next generation of changemakers and community leaders. We are grateful for the ambition and dedication our chapters show to better their members as well as our community. Below is a list of awards from the previous year highlighting chapter achievements.

### FALL 2022 GREEK AWARDS

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**OUTSTANDING RISK REDUCTION AWARD: THETA XI**

**OUTSTANDING AND INNOVATIVE RECRUITMENT AWARD: THETA CHI**

**OUTSTANDING AND INNOVATIVE RECRUITMENT AWARD: CHI PSI**

**OUTSTANDING PHILANTHROPIC EFFORT AWARD: SIGMA NU**

**MOST IMPROVED CHAPTER OF THE YEAR: KAPPA ALPHA**

**CHAPTER OF THE YEAR: THETA XI**

The Interfraternity Council and participating members are committed to positively impacting the world around us, and our dedication to philanthropy and community service is unwavering. Our organization is grateful to be a part of a diverse community, one that we are eager to give back to. Some of our recent events can exemplify how a large community of young men can make change. Apart from IFC wide philanthropy events, we are proud of each chapter's individual ambition for philanthropy. As an organization, we are proud of the effort and contribution that our members have so kindly provided throughout these past few terms.



Our food and clothing drive was a huge success, with our participating chapters collecting approximately 500 pounds of clothing to give to the local Salvation Army. In addition, we gave away 50 bags filled with winter time essentials for people in need all over our Boulder community. This event served as a powerful illustration of our members' kindness and compassion for our community and its members.



More recently, we hosted a 3v3 basketball tournament, which saw 16 of our 21 chapters take part. The tournament was not only a fun and exciting event, but it also helped us raise over \$1000 for the Susan B Komen foundation by the winning squad, Phi Gamma Delta. This event was a great example of how our members can come together to support a common cause while also having a good time.



We are always looking for new and innovative ways to give back to our community and support causes that matter to us. We believe that our commitment to philanthropy and community service is not only a reflection of our values as an organization but also an opportunity to make a positive impact on our community.

The Undergraduate Interfraternity Council prides itself on the community that it is a part of. We hold the obligation to take care of our community and the environment that surrounds us. Our members are upstanding men of Boulder who appreciate the land this campus rests upon. Apart from the land, we care deeply about all members of this community that make it so unique.





**RUSH**[HTTPS://COLORADOIFC.ORG/](https://coloradoifc.org/)

The IFC on the Hill has continued to have sustained growth and the 2022-2023 is no exception! We are proud as a community to grow year after year and help our chapters be the best organizations they can be. This past fall we received 964 rush registrations in the Fall and another 376 registrations in the Spring, making this one of the largest rush classes in IFC on the Hill history. Post Bid Day, we are proud to report that 574 and 237 men accepted bids to this great community in the Fall and Spring respectively.



Before rush began, our community came together at our convocation event to showcase the strength and size of the IFC on the Hill. Members of each chapter gathered and mingled on Farrand Field while potential new members talked about rush to groups of intermixed active members from across the greek system.



This Convocation event is equally as beneficial for active members, as it gives them networking opportunities across our fraternal system. This community wide event brings together good people with good food and is a tradition that members and prospective members alike look forward to each year!

Another rush priority is to celebrate Bid Day at the University Memorial Center each semester. Bid Day is truly one of the most memorable days for each member of the IFC on the Hill where members get to be surrounded by all your new brothers and cousins! Hosting this event at the UMC is a testament to the great collegiate experience that the University of Colorado provides and ties new members to their school and community above chapter affiliation. This tradition also keeps our purpose at the forefront of our celebration which is our dedication to our education and the furtherance of member knowledge of their respective academic fields.



**RUSH**

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Lastly, our community has initiated the spotlight chapter growth initiative each semester. Rush can be quite the expense for any chapter which only grows with size. To help with this, during the fall and the spring semesters the IFC on the Hill has overfeded \$300 to each chapter with below, or just over, 100 members. This fund has helped our small-medium sized chapters run digital advertisements and best promote themselves. This fund also alleviates the financial burden of rush so that rush chairmen can focus solely on the quality of their prospective members. The IFC on the Hill is proud of the rush efforts of each chapter this past year and acknowledges the work done to develop students into men of character, far after rush is finished.



**UMC BID DAY**



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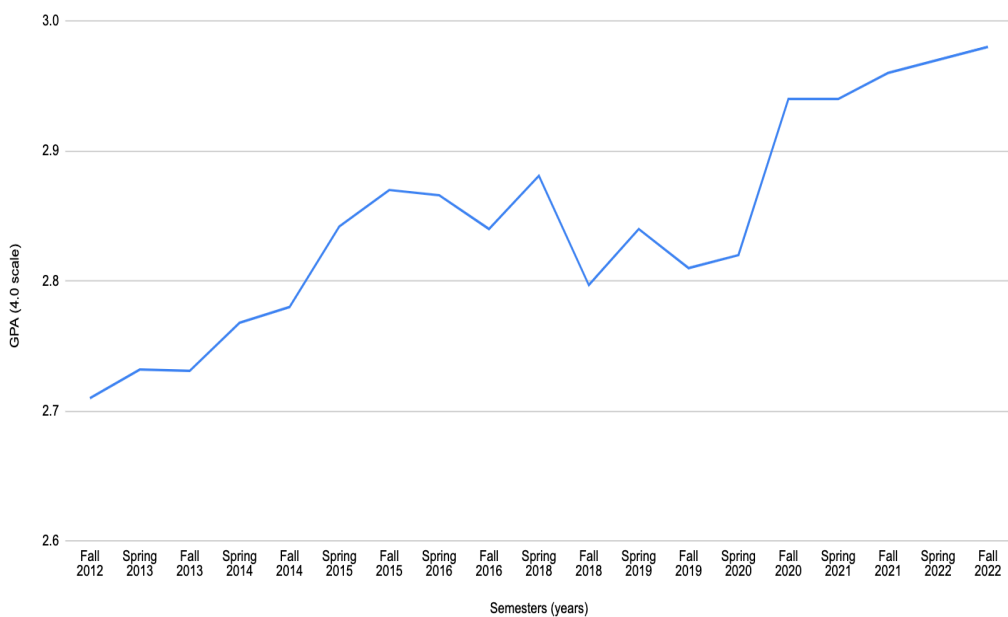
The IFC on the Hill has maintained consistent improvement of our overall GPA since we started reporting overall grade rankings. We understand that fraternities offer many benefits from philanthropy, brotherhood, leadership opportunities, and much more but most of all we understand that academics is priority number one.

to improving academic performance. As an organization, we ensure that chapters who underperform are assisted. As part of this, an academic roster and plan is required from each fraternity. This is to ensure that each chapter has its priorities straight as well as have structure for academic success.

Being in a fraternity that is a part of the IFC offers unique benefits to helping create academic success among our members. Every chapter receives grade reports which include members term and cumulative GPA. This allows the chapter's executive board to recognize striving students as well as create academic plans for struggling students. The IFC also allows a sharing of practices and strategies individual chapters have found beneficial

The academic success of our chapters is one of our top priorities. This past Fall semester we acknowledged Theta Xi, Phi Gamma Delta, Delta Kappa Epsilon, and Pi Kappa Alpha as the chapters with the strongest academic standings. One of our main goals as an IFC is to bring our cumulative average above the universities all-men's average.

**IFC Cumulative GPA (2012-2022)**



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# CHAPTER SPOTLIGHTS

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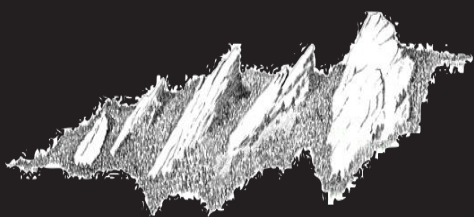
## CHAPTER SPOTLIGHTS

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This section contains each chapter's year in review.

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**ALPHA DELTA PHI**

This year at the Delta Chi Chapter of Alpha Phi Delta has been flying by! We started 2023 with an exciting few weeks! We had a Ski Tailgate Rush Event at Arapahoe Basin where current brothers were able to connect with potential new members and alumni over a perfect day of skiing.

Our preference night was catered by Raising Cane's Chicken Fingers thanks to our rush chair Kyle Stiebling 24' and his assistant Ken Takahashi 26' who also manned the grill for our other rush events. Rush events also included a Top Golf trip planned by Chaplin, Arjun Ghuman 24' and Dye in the Snow.

Spring rush was very successful with 8 young men accepting bids. Other positive initiatives this semester include Academic Chair

Ken Takahashi 26' running drop-in study hours every day in the Norlin Library and Philanthropy Chair Nick Harsch 24' setting up a head-shaving event for Saint Baldricks Children with Cancer. The brothers have been extremely active this spring. We have both basketball and dodgeball philanthropy teams. As well as, intramural Football and Soccer teams on top of skiing every single weekend!

**ALPHA EPSILON PI**

Our chapter, Chi Upsilon, at CU Boulder has grown and changed in ways that we could have only dreamed of. At the end of this year, we welcomed 41 new brothers. This has truly strengthened our presence at Boulder and shined a light on the Jewish community. Throughout rush, we made efforts to individually build meaningful connections with each prospective member, which demonstrates the extra mile Chi Upsilon has gone this year. As a chapter, we prioritized giving our brothers the tools and knowledge to be upstanding Jewish leaders in the community. This past semester, we've hosted a speaker on sexual assault awareness and healthy relationship habits. In today's day and age, it is more important than ever that our brothers

ever that our brothers know how to treat their partners respectfully and be mensches. Lastly, in accordance with the capstone of our identity, it was crucial that in a year of huge growth we emphasized the importance of our Judaism.

Our culture has been threatened with extinction for thousands of years and our chapter is a symbol of Judaism's perseverance in the 20th century.

We chose to bring in a speaker from Jewish, Colorado to discuss situational awareness. This talk helped educate our brothers on the reality of antisemitism and what to do if we have to face it firsthand. Next, from a community service perspective, Chi Upsilon has been extremely active.

## ALPHA EPSILON PI

Living in Boulder, an environmentally conscientious city, we took it upon ourselves to organize several community clean-ups. Brothers met at the house and then ventured around town picking up any trash they could find. Each week we provide both Chabad and Hillel with the manpower needed to set up Shabbat dinners and other holiday celebrations. This also included Sukkah building, seder set up, and preparing these places for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. In addition, this year, our sentinel took it upon himself to re-establish The Friendship Circle, an organization that strives to create an inclusive community for kids, teens, and young adults with special needs while incorporating Jewish values. Our brothers have been a part of a few different philanthropies this year. We partnered with ZBT to host a Gift Of Live swabbing drive to find

find potential matches for those who need bone marrow transplants. We also did fundraising for isabled Americans Veterans, Raise the Future, and Amnesty International for Ukrainian refugees. Additionally, we also hosted an event called Pie a Pi, where students had the opportunity to playfully throw pies in our faces with money donated to Israel Cancer Research. Lastly, our chapter participated in Mensch Madness coming in fourth place and raising \$1,197. We are excited to continue to grow while serving our community!



## ALPHA GAMMA OMEGA

In the 2022-2023 academic year, Alpha Gamma Omega has not only upheld the tradition of Christ-centered Greek life at CU, but has done so with style. Below is a quick rundown of AGO's social, philanthropic, and spiritual endeavors as the semester comes to an end.

A few short months ago, AGO's Xi chapter celebrated its 25th anniversary! Alumni from all across the nation reunited in a night full of incredible stories, unforgettable memories, and a display of unbreakable bonds. We're beyond grateful for the fraternity's spectacular alumni presence and the outstanding men that continue to invest in this organization, and we look forward to the next 25 years of Christian fellowship like no other.

One of AGO's proudest traditions is a recurring event called Hot Chocolate On The Hill. On Thursdays, the men of AGO set up a table with snacks, water, and, most importantly, hot chocolate in an effort to give back to the community of Boulder. This year especially has resulted in great success, as hundreds of people have stopped by each HCOTH to replenish their systems with the sweet nectar of hot chocolate. If you ever find yourself in need of a warm pick-me-up on a Thursday night, look no further than AGO's Hot Chocolate On The Hill.



## ALPHA TAU OMEGA

The 2022–2023 school year was a watershed period for the Gamma Lambda chapter of ATO. A year that saw a notable expansion of brotherhood, increased community participation, and national recognition for our chapter, this year-end review serves as a brief catalog of events that made up some of the most important events for the Gamma Lambda chapter during this past year. Beginning with our recruitment efforts, we introduced another promising generation of Alpha Tau Omega men into our brotherhood. Interestingly, the Fall and Spring semesters were separated by a ceremony known as “chartering” in which our nexus colony was officially recognized as an official chapter of the national fraternity. Due to this, the Fall initiate class was the last class of “founding fathers,” while the Spring class was the first

Alpha pledge class of the Gamma Lambda chapter. Both classes held their minor philanthropies, participated in brotherhood development programs provided by the national fraternity, and participated in other Greek events including Alpha Chi Omega’s “Alpha House” and Kappa Alpha Theta’s “Katwalk,” with our Fall class notably coming home with the first place prize at the former.



This past year saw a marked increase in emphasis on philanthropy opportunities for our chapter. In the Fall, while we knew we would only be holding our signature philanthropy event in the Spring, we elected instead to shift our focus to smaller volunteer opportunities that brothers participated in. While new members participated in the previously mentioned sorority philanthropies Alpha House and Katwalk, our brothers lent their time to Habitat for Humanity, which provides furniture for low-income communities at far discounted rates. As far as more official events go, in the Fall we were fortunate enough to be included as one of the organizations participating in the 12th STt Carnival, a collective philanthropy event benefitting Safehouse Denver, a resource center for female survivors of domestic abuse. For our part, we held the “Pie a Tau” event in which guests could throw pies, eggs, and other things at members.

For the Spring, we participated in Theta Chi’s Chili cook-off philanthropy, an event that aimed to raise money for The United Service Organization, a non-profit that provides comedians and other forms of entertainment for the brave men serving the American military overseas. Just around the corner is our signature event in which we’re going to hold a petting zoo to raise money for the World Wildlife Fund, a charity devoted to protecting endangered species.

This brief snapshot of events from this past school year highlights the development and notable activities of the Gamma Lambda chapter of Alpha Tau Omega. We are excited for more to come!

**ALPHA GAMMA OMEGA**

As we close out the school year, we look forward to finishing on a strong note. We'll continue to host weekly Lighthouse Bible Studies on Wednesdays at 4:47 at the UMC, and we have an awesome philanthropy event on April 22 in an effort to support suicide prevention. Be sure to check out @agoxichapter on Instagram for more info and other AGO shenanigans. Strong the Ties!



**ALPHA SIGMA PHI**

The Pi Chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi continues to be a place where young men grow and excel throughout their college experience at the University of Colorado. By following the five central values – silence, charity, purity, honor, and patriotism – members of Alpha Sig grows into men beyond what they would otherwise accomplish in classes alone.

Our chapter fundraises each semester for charitable causes such as RAINN, the countries largest anti-sexual violence organization, and Homes For Our Troops, a non-profit focused on providing specially adapted housing to injured post-9/11 veterans.

Each month, brothers participate in brotherhood development events, which range from paintball battles to massive ski sessions and everything in between. In addition, we host the Annual Colorado Cup, in which the Alpha Sigma Phi chapters from Colorado State University and the University of Colorado at Colorado Springs come to Boulder to participate in a variety of games.





## ALPHA SIGMA PHI

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This event allows for an even greater connection between all members of the Alpha Sig fraternity as well as opportunities for alumni networking and involvement.

We emphasize leadership development, health and wellness, and scholarly support for each one of our 115+ active undergraduate members.

Our focus on the five values of Alpha Sigma Phi fosters a unique and rare brotherhood experience that will follow brothers their whole lives. Alpha Sigma Phi at the University of Colorado continually upholds our fraternity motto – To Better the Man.



## DELTA KAPPA EPSILON

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This year, the Alpha Omicron chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon at the University of Colorado Boulder has taken many steps to continue building our presence in the IFC on the Hill and greek community at large.

First, we have taken major strides with our academic performance. Given that our fraternity was founded upon the principles of being men who are “Gentlemen, Scholars, and Jolly Good Fellows”, this is something that we take great pride in. In the Fall ‘22 semester, we posted all time highs for both our term chapter GPA as well as our cumulative chapter GPA; with a 3.14 and 3.07 respectively.

We have also begun the process of a planned growth initiative, the scale of which our young chapter has never seen before. Since being established as a colony in Boulder in 2015, and receiving our permanent charter in 2021, we have been focused on recruiting only the highest quality young men at the University of Colorado. While we remain dedicated to that principle, we recognize the importance of growth and want to establish ourselves with the likes of other chapters that have been in Boulder for decades.

## DELTA KAPPA EPSILON

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The most important aspect of growing as a chapter is having a solid house to work with, and thanks to our housing chairman, brother Tyler Delacey, we have been able to secure ourselves a new house at 972 14th St. in a prime location on the Hill for next year. Another crucial aspect of growth as a chapter is brand recognition, and brother Chris McLaughlin's work as President and social media chairman has allowed our chapter to make massive strides to that end.

Last but not least, all of our chapter is infinitely grateful and permanently indebted to our alumni founder Darren Kelly. Darren has been instrumental in helping organize everything we have stated above, and the countless hours he has invested in providing advice, guidance and support to our chapter will be the driving force behind our continued

As the 2022–2023 academic year draws to a close, we will continue to work towards building Delta Kappa Epsilon into something special in Boulder, and we believe that this will be abundantly clear come the fall semester. In the immortal words of Coach Prime: "We coming".



## KAPPA ALPHA ORDER

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The Zeta Alpha Chapter of Kappa Alpha Order was reinstated at CU Boulder in the Fall of 2021. Since then, the chapter has grown to over 100 quality brothers. Our Brothers are driven by strong moral values including brotherhood, leadership, gentility, excellence, reverence, and knowledge. Academics are of the utmost importance, KA has the fifth highest cumulative GPA of all chapters at 3.06. In 2021, KA received the Outstanding and Innovative Recruitment Award for our strong and consistent growth. In 2022, the chapter was awarded Most Improved Chapter of the year.

The 2022–23 academic school year was the first year back with a new chapter house, allowing KA to have a central location.

With the house, KA was able to strengthen its reputation around the hill with a variety of events such as tailgates, larger brotherhood events, and philanthropy fundraisers. In their last fundraiser this semester, we were able to raise over \$5,000 for the Muscular Dystrophy Association during their philanthropy week. As the chapter continues to grow, KA will maintain their core values and morals to provide a community and safe space for quality young men at the University of Colorado.



**PHI GAMMA DELTA**

Over the past year, the brothers of Fiji have organized and participated in a number of philanthropy and service events!

On November 4th of last year, Fiji hosted a Carnival philanthropy event with other Greek organizations on their block including Theta Xi, Alpha Chi Omega, Delta Gamma, Alpha Tau Omega. The carnival consisted of games, live music, and food in front of the fraternity and sorority houses on 12th Street. We are proud to have helped raise approximately \$7,000 for SafeHouse Denver, a non-profit organization dedicated to serving survivors of domestic violence and their children through both emergency shelters and non-residential Counseling and Advocacy.



The brothers of Fiji also hosted “Dunk-A-Fiji” at their chapter house, as well as “Pie-A-Fiji” on the hill, in support of Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. Participants had a chance to choose a brother to dunk in the tank or pie in the face in exchange for a small donation for charity. On January 29th, Fiji brothers volunteered for Ronald McDonald House Charities. They bought, cooked, and served breakfast for children in need.

This was the second event that Fiji has coordinated with Ronald McDonald this school year. On March 14th and 17th, Fiji organized a donut sale philanthropy event. The proceeds go towards funding the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer foundation. Fiji organizes frequent cleanups on the Hill. During the most recent cleanup on March 12th, brothers collected, packed, and disposed of trash near their annex on University Avenue.



There was also an amazing opportunity to get together with most of the brotherhood to watch the superbowl this year at the Fox Theater. This was also a great event in which a lot of alumni joined in and the brothers got an opportunity to meet and network with a lot of amazing men.

The members of Phi Gamma Delta are extremely thankful and proud of the achievements of the past year and are looking forward to being able to help the community even more as well as having amazing events.



## PHI KAPPA PSI

We here at the Colorado Alpha chapter have had a very successful year. This semester we had our Honor Connor Distracted Driving Campaign sponsored by Hunter's Pledge. Connor Thompson is one of our brothers who unfortunately passed away in a distracted driving accident. The goal of the Honor Connor campaign is to end distracted driving in memory of Connor Thompson. We contacted Hunter's Pledge, and they sent us all the materials we needed to set up booths all over Boulder. At the booths, we had pledge cards that people signed, pledging that they would not look at their phones while driving, and that they would try to prevent other people from doing the same. Around 1,500 people signed the safe driving pledges.



We also shattered our initial goal of raising \$2,000, and ended up raising over \$4,000. Half of the money we raised goes to Hunter's Pledge to fund other Phi Psi chapters to raise awareness about distracted driving, and the other half goes to our Honor Connor Scholarship Fund. The Honor Connor scholarship is an academic scholarship in which one of our Phi Psi brothers is celebrated for their academic and philanthropic achievements.

We have also had many other successful philanthropy events this year. In the spring we had a joint philanthropy event with Chi Omega at BJ's Brewhouse. Twenty percent of the money we spent at BJ's was donated to the Make-a-Wish Foundation. Many brothers of Phi Psi and sisters of Chi Omega participated in this event, and together raised over \$600. We also promoted a "Blue Out Day" in which all the brothers wore blue in honor of President Josh Fein's aunt Jori passing away. The goal was to spread awareness about mental health and wellbeing.



Many other fraternities also participated by wearing blue and posting on social media. We also accepted donations that went to the Counseling and Psychiatric Services here at CU Boulder. In the fall we had many brothers sign up for the lunch buddies program. This program allows for CU students to meet with Boulder school students with mental disabilities. We are looking forward to next year!



## PI KAPPA ALPHA

Pi Kappa Alpha has had a very successful year. Two areas we focused on were philanthropy, and community service. Pi Kappa Alpha hosted a successful event called the Fireman's Challenge in support of the Boulder Fire Department. Members of the community were invited to participate in the challenge, where they could try on fireman gear and converse with firefighters. In addition, food was available for purchase, and all proceeds went towards supporting the fire department. The event was well-received by the community, and it served as an excellent opportunity for Pi Kappa Alpha to show their support for the local fire department while also promoting community engagement.



Pi Kappa Alpha, in partnership with the University of Colorado Boulder's Off-Campus Community Relations Department, organized a community event called "Fire Pit Friday" at Beach Park. The fraternity sponsored the event, providing all the necessary supplies for making s'mores and staying to engage with community members. The primary goal of the event was to raise awareness for Pi Kappa Alpha's hill cleanup program, which takes place weekly.

The event was a success, and community members enjoyed making s'mores while learning more about the fraternity's community service efforts. The partnership with the university's community relations department allowed Pi Kappa Alpha to strengthen its ties with the local community and promote its commitment to making a positive impact.



**PI KAPPA PHI**

We at the Pi Kappa Phi fraternity have made immense progress in many areas this year. One area in particular is our philanthropy. Pi Kappa Phi is the only fraternity nationally to own and operate our philanthropy, The Ability Experience. The Ability Experience is an organization that specializes in helping kids with disabilities. It is a unique organization because we, as a chapter, get to interact with these kids weekly and impact their lives hands-on. Events like bowling or an easter egg hunt with the students at Fairview High School are a highlight of their week and ours. Whether we go bowling, play basketball or just hang around and play board games, it is really powerful to get to work with people in person and see the effect that putting a smile on their faces has.

While friendship visits are a huge part of what we do, we also put time towards fundraising and the Journey of Hope. Throughout the year, we do various fundraising events such as “Pi-a-Pi-Kapp,” where we set up tables on campus and get pie’d by students throughout the day. The event raises money but also does an excellent job of spreading the word about the ability experience throughout the school in a fun and positive way. The last part of our philanthropy is the Journey of Hope. The Journey of Hope is a nine-week bike ride across the continental United States where riders stop at camps and community centers to work with kids with disabilities.

The Eta Gamma chapter proudly says we annually send a group of riders to go on this journey. With an eventful spring ahead highlighted by friendship visits and the beginning of the Journey of Hope, there is much to be excited about!



**SIGMA ALPHA EPSILON**

This April SAE we will be partnering, as always, with Arrive in Kenya for our 2023 Paddy Murphy Philanthropy event. Arrive was founded by Brian Ash, a former Colorado Chi brother. “Arrive generates positive action and sustainable advancement to empower children in impoverished regions of the world by providing shelter, promoting good health, offering access to education and giving at-risk children tools and opportunities for a successful, independent, and fulfilling life.” Our executive board has worked hard to promote our philanthropy through partnering with restaurants and selling merchandise



SAE has also been giving back to the community this spring. Through our community service chair, he has organized events to help contribute to the local area. Members of the fraternity have participated in trash clean ups around the hill as well as donating clothes/sleeping bags to homeless shelters. One of our biggest accomplishments was placing top ten in a Be The Match race nationally to see how many registrations we could obtain.



**SIGMA NU**

Sigma Nu is a military-inspired fraternity dedicated to the values of love, truth, and honor. Founded in 1902, our Gamma Kappa chapter is the oldest fraternity at the University of Colorado, Boulder. This Spring, Sigma Nu had an incredibly successful semester with philanthropy, academics, health & wellness, and more!

We used our property to host various philanthropy events, including a sorority dodgeball tournament and the annual IFC on the Hill March Madness Tournament. In addition to fundraising, our brothers spent time cleaning up the Hill neighborhood on Sunday mornings, participating in local charity 5k races, and hosting a Hill Car Wash.

This term, Sigma Nu raised its GPA to 3.1, ranking in the top quarter of IFC on the Hill chapters. The fraternity has a strong commitment to supporting the academic excellence of all brothers through tutoring, mentorship, and scholarships. Several of our upperclassmen brothers were successfully placed in their various fields of interest through our Alumni Mentorship Program.



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Sigma Nu also continued its successful Mental Health Program through weekly discussions with the chapter, presentations on relevant wellness-related topics, and therapeutic brotherhood activities. The chapter engages in difficult conversations about prevalent issues and how to combat them as a community. And on the physical side, we actively participate with competitive teams in every intramural sport.

This semester has truly captured Sigma Nu's commitment to bettering the community through the exemplification of our values in each and every brother. We are proud to be a part of the IFC on the Hill and look forward to the continued success of our Greek community.

**TAU KAPPA EPSILON**

This semester the Gamma Iota brothers have been working to improve the chapter and continue the excellence of our fine brotherhood. Our newest initiated class, the Tau class, consists of 20 great men. Along with the recent initiation of our new class, the brothers have been keeping busy with academics and extracurricular activities. This includes but is not limited to skiing, fishing, camping, and much more. Regarding academics, many brothers have been working together to keep steady on our academic improvement and finish the year out strong. Whether it be the books or the slopes, the Gamma Iota brothers are working to exceed expectations moving into the spring semester. Feats within their own individual lives and through the name of TKE.

One example of a brother who has seen great achievements this fall is Logan Schottland, a junior from Lakewood CO. Logan is a computer science major who has recently been offered a paid internship at NASA due to his academic excellence. We're enthusiastic to share some of the wonderful accomplishments that our brothers have earned, and we hope to see greatness in the future of these young gentlemen's careers. The chapter has set its sights on exceeding philanthropy goals in the coming spring through collaborations with local establishments and Saint Jukes Children's Hospital. Overall, we are incredibly proud to foster an environment in which great men can become even better, and we can't wait to see this progress continue!



## THETA XI

Dear community members of Boulder, Our Alpha Eta chapter, the largest Theta Xi chapter in the nation, has had an extremely successful year. Our organization is dedicated to fostering personal growth and excellence within our members, while actively contributing to the betterment of our local community. We uphold our values of Balance, an acronym for Brotherhood, Academics, Leadership, Adventure Nobility, Community, and Excellence/Extreme Sports in every aspect of our lives. This guides us in our pursuit of success in philanthropy, academics, sports, mental health initiatives, and community outreach.



Furthermore, our chapter has demonstrated unwavering dedication to philanthropic endeavors. During the 2022-2023 academic year, we raised over \$10,000, making us the highest-contributing chapter at CU Boulder. This was achieved through a series of innovative events, including our signature “Theta Zoo” initiative, where we hosted a petting zoo on campus, and the “12th Street Carnival”, a collaborative event where we teamed up with two other sororities and fraternities to host a street-wide carnival featuring food, games, and live music. All proceeds from these events were donated to Habitat For Humanity, the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, and other deserving causes.



Our chapter’s achievements have been widely recognized. In the past six years, we have been honored with four IFC Chapter of the Year awards as well as two back to back Outstanding Risk Reduction awards. We maintain the highest GPA among fraternities at the university with an average of 3.18, which is well above the men’s overall average of 3.06. These achievements reflect our members’ commitment to excellence both academically and socially. We pride ourselves on our intellectual curiosity and sense of responsibility towards our chapter, college, and community.

Theta Xi’s Alpha Eta chapter is proud to be composed of ambitious and dedicated young men who strive to make a positive impact on each other, our community, and our university. We are grateful for the opportunities provided by the IFC on the Hill and continuously endeavor to become the best versions of ourselves through our successes in philanthropy, academics, sports, and brotherhood events.



**ZETA BETA TAU**

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The Beta Alpha Theta chapter of the Zeta Beta Tau Fraternity at the University of Colorado at Boulder is a thriving fraternity. With a rich history, a strong commitment to brotherhood, leadership, academics, and philanthropy. ZBT has fostered a tight-knit community of dedicated members who exemplify the fraternity's values and contribute positively to campus life.

At the heart of ZBT is its commitment to brotherhood. The fraternity provides an all inclusive community for its members, fostering lifelong friendships that extend beyond the college years. Through various social and brotherhood events, such as chapter meetings, intramural sports, retreats, and formals, ZBT creates opportunities for members to bond, forge lasting friendships, and create lasting memories.

speaking, and teamwork, which help members develop leadership skills that are transferable to their future careers and personal lives. ZBT encourages its members to take initiative, be proactive, and make a positive impact on the chapter, campus, and community. Academics are a top priority for ZBT. The fraternity recognizes the importance of academic success and provides resources and support to help members excel in their studies. ZBT offers study groups, tutoring programs, and academic incentives to motivate members to achieve their academic goals. The fraternity also recognizes and celebrates academic achievements through awards and scholarships, further encouraging members to strive for excellence in their academic pursuits.

The close-knit brotherhood allows members to develop strong interpersonal skills, leadership abilities, and a sense of belonging that positively impacts their personal growth and furthers their development.



ZBT also places a high emphasis on leadership development. The fraternity provides numerous leadership opportunities, including executive board positions, committee chair positions, and involvement in various campus organizations. These roles offer valuable experiences in organizational management, event planning, public



Philanthropy is a core value of ZBT, and the chapter is committed to giving back to the community. Through various philanthropic events and initiatives, ZBT raises funds and awareness for charitable causes, such as Children's Miracle Network Hospitals, Gift of Life, and Jewish Women International. The fraternity also participates in community service projects and volunteers for various organizations, making a positive impact on the local community and beyond.

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Furthermore, ZBT has a strong alumni network that provides ongoing support and mentorship to its members. Alumni engagement is an essential aspect of the fraternity's success, as alumni offer guidance, networking opportunities, and career advice to help members succeed beyond their college years. ZBT maintains a strong relationship with its alumni, hosting alumni events, and fostering a lifelong connection between current and former members.

In conclusion, the Beta Alpha Theta chapter of the Zeta Beta Tau Fraternity at the University of Colorado at Boulder is a distinguished and exemplary fraternity that embodies the values of brotherhood, leadership, academics, and social responsibility. Furthermore it pushes at the values of becoming a well rounded, respectful adult that has the tools to succeed in the real world.

**CHI PSI**

At Alpha Psi Delta, we recognize philanthropy as one of the most important aspects of our fraternity. Every year, we seek to make a difference in both our community and in a cause we believe in, by putting on events, helping around Boulder, and raising money for the National MS Society. This year, we contributed to our community in several ways. We took part in a variety of community service work, including cleanups of the Hill and snow shoveling for residents of Boulder. We also had brothers individually contribute, including Davis Evans, who put on a 24 miles in 24 hours run around the Boulder area to raise money. We continue to look for opportunities to improve our community, and contribute positively

to the place and people around us. Within Alpha Psi Delta, our academic chairs have increased our dedication to the academic success of our members. With strict study hall systems based on GPA that is tracked through the Artemis Study Hall Tracking System, we are able to make sure our members maintain a standard of excellence. We have also promoted the academic services, such as free tutoring, to our members. With these initiatives, we have boosted our chapters GPA from 19th to 4th on the hill in one year.

# IFC ON THE HILL BELIEF STATEMENT

0.1 WE, THE BROTHERS, ALUMNI, AND LEADERS OF THE INDEPENDENT AND AUTONOMOUS UNDERGRADUATE INTERFRATERNITY COUNCIL AT THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO, INC., COME TOGETHER TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS ABOUT THE COMMON, CORE BELIEFS OF OUR FRATERNITY COMMUNITY:

- We are currently one united, independent community, comprised of twenty-one national fraternities, with over twenty-three hundred individual brothers who are undergraduate students at the University of Colorado, Boulder.
- Fraternity men and their chapters have been an integral part of the CU community for well over one hundred-twenty years, with many tens of thousands of alumni brothers in Colorado and throughout the world.
- As individual students, we are members of our fraternities as well as other student-based CU organizations of every type. We are first and foremost serious, degree-seeking students at the University of Colorado, Boulder and we will always be loyal "Buffs" for life. We know that the primary reason to be a brother in a fraternity in Boulder is to add value to our undergraduate educations and to our baccalaureate degrees through our current life experiences.
- In accordance with our commonly held fraternal values, we strive to the best of our ability to be good and contributing citizens of our country, state, and local communities, as well as good, productive members of our fraternities, our colleges and university, and our families.
- Since the spring of 2005, our fraternity community, the Interfraternity Council, and its member chapters have not been registered as campus student organizations at the University of Colorado. Fraternities in Boulder have not been "affiliated" with CU since the 1960s.
- As a community, we collectively and unanimously chose not to sign the University's "Registered Fraternal Organization Agreement" in the spring of 2005. This decision was unanimously supported by our IFC leaders, our chapter presidents, our local alumni advisors, our International Fraternity organizations, our International Executive Directors, and the leadership of the North American Interfraternity Conference.
- We fully understood, both then and since, the impact of that decision. Both the Interfraternity Council and its member chapters take full responsibility for the consequences of that decision.

- Since making that decision, we have grown into a genuine, thriving community in Boulder. Working as a community, along with the Alumni Interfraternity Council, we have come together, formed new and better relationships with one another, established higher standards and expectations of ourselves and each other, and learned how to hold ourselves and each other accountable to those standards.
- We know that, individually and communally, we are an asset to our University, the City of Boulder, the State of Colorado, and the United States of America. We have developed outstanding, collegial relationships with many Boulder entities including many University Divisions and Departments, the University and Boulder Police Departments, Boulder Fire Department, the Boulder Valley School District, the University Hill community, and the Boulder Chamber of Commerce, to name a few. We also provide ongoing support and service to many local and national non-profit organizations as well as University organizations, departments, and resource centers.
- We are continually striving for the improvement of our community, our chapters, and our brothers. However, while perfection in everything we do is an ideal goal, it is not an appropriate standard for the evaluation of our performance. It is the Interfraternity Council's and its member chapters' constant and consistent performance standard to meet and exceed the performance of "all undergraduate men" by any objective measure. That includes, but is not limited to, scholarship, academic accomplishment, good citizenship, campus and community leadership, athletics, social activities and behaviors, philanthropy, and community service.
- Therefore, we jointly resolve that at this time we are not actively seeking reaffiliation with the University of Colorado, Boulder Administration. Rather, we will invest all our time, energies, fiscal resources, manpower, and organizational endeavors in the improvement of our fraternal community. It is our goal to be the best fraternity community in the nation. This can only happen by the growth and development of even better fraternity chapters than we have today. Such chapters can only grow and develop by the recruitment and "building" of even better fraternity brothers than those of the present or the past. This is our primary goal and our main reason for existing at the University of Colorado.
- In conclusion, we firmly believe that if we maintain these beliefs, our value as members of the University family will become increasingly apparent to all stakeholders across the Boulder community.

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