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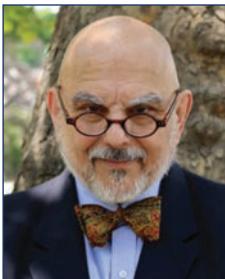
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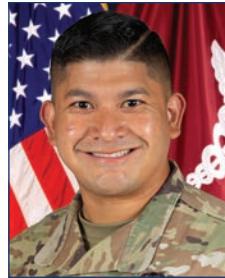
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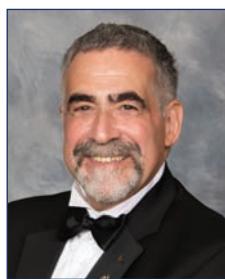
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A Call To Action

From the President's Desk



REGINALD V. DAVENPORT, ED.S.
OMEGA ALPHA '92

President, National Fraternity



Brothers,

Nearly four decades ago, I walked onto the campus of Virginia Commonwealth University as a wide-eyed, first-generation college student with a passion for physics and a heart full of ambition. I was 19, navigating the complexities of higher education, student leadership, and the quest for a sense of belonging. Amidst the whirlwind of new experiences, I made a decision that would shape the trajectory of my life: I pledged Kappa Delta Rho.

It was not a decision made lightly. Not knowing what fraternities really do on campus or anything about Greek life for that matter, I asked many questions during a student organization fair and future recruitment events. Understanding this would be a lifelong decision, I wanted to make sure I would be comfortable around a new group of individuals whom I didn't know well. I took a leap of faith and decided to give it a chance. But what drew me to KDR was the sincerity of the Brotherhood, the authenticity of the men I met, and the belief that inclusion was not just a buzzword but a value we aspired to live by. I saw an opportunity to build bridges, to challenge norms, and to help shape a Brotherhood that reflected the diversity of the world we live in.

Fast forward to today, and I am humbled to serve as the first African American President of our National Fraternity. It is a milestone that brings both pride and responsibility. While we have made progress, the journey toward true inclusion and equity is far from over.

Today, Greek life continues to stand at a crossroads. We are scrutinized, questioned, and sometimes misunderstood. But we are also uniquely positioned to lead. Fraternities are more than social organizations; they are incubators of leadership, character, and lifelong bonds. Yet, we must ask ourselves: Are we living up to that potential for all our members? Are we living up to our values?

The answer lies in our willingness to confront uncomfortable truths. Diversity is not just about representation; it's about creating spaces where every Brother feels seen, heard, and valued. It's about acknowledging that the experiences of a Black Brother, a Latino Brother, or a first-generation college student might differ and that those differences enrich our Brotherhood.

As someone who balanced academics, fraternity leadership, and student government, I know the weight of expectations. I also know the power of support. My time as Chapter President (as well as other Chapter positions), SGA Vice President, and Senate Chairman taught me that leadership is not about titles; it's about service, vision, and the courage to act.

So, this is my call to action:

- **To our undergraduate Brothers:** Be bold in your leadership. Challenge exclusionary practices. Invite dialogue. Build Chapters that reflect the world you want to lead.

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Call to Action: Time @KDRHQ



XAVIER E. ROMANO

Executive Director,
National Fraternity

Quite literally one week, seven days, cannot pass without a member of someone's Executive Committee attempting to meet and not being able to pull in a "critical mass," finding themselves unable to reach quorum. It is usually over a rather important topic. Goodness! And of course, it would have to be "time sensitive," right?

I have directly witnessed a number of our men in Chapter leadership roles fall victim to this darkness that appears in so many of our lives: STRESS. And, let me share with you all that, if there is one ailment that towers above them all, it is stress!

And when you ponder this tricky little word, S-T-R-E-S-S, it is wrought with all the challenges that speak to "time" as a commodity; a finite resource, as it were. Time as it relates to how much of ourselves we are willing to provide and to give access to. Time as it relates to "core relationships" and where Chapter progress is for all practices in "total harvest hour" to provide a different algorithm for a new day. A new way of thinking as it was for KDRHQ.

Active listening is nothing new in the halls of Ivy; quite the contrary. The key is to place ourselves into the center of the KDR Universe, place us strategically as the focal point of the conversation and ultimately make fine-tuning adjustments. The "magic" happens later providing ample opportunity for reflection.

Over the course of two highly active years, "trial by fire" would be a radical understatement. As would, "oh yeah, Xavier. Must have slipped my mind." "Must have." And just like that, the dawn of humanity at KDRHQ. Yup...that is what the dawn of humanity brought to "HQ."

In the of a blink of the eye, a profound new era has begun at KDRHQ. One rooted in accountability, thoughtfulness, intentionality, respect, and at our core, a level of kindness that permeates all that we do. Imperfect to be sure, but so very human.

It is this very humanity that is at our core. Considerable thought is being given to deployment and impact on the team that comprises KDRHQ. We are certainly not unlike a Swiss Army Knife, and I would like to think a bit more versatile and refined for use in the here and now. A tad bit refined for use in our techno/social media driven communication platform environment.

From the President's Desk continued...

- **To our Alumni:** Share your stories. Mentor with intention. Support initiatives that foster inclusion and growth.
- **To our national leadership:** Let us continue to examine our policies, our rituals, and our culture through the lens of equity and honor.

Our motto, Honor Super Omnia—Honor Before All Things—demands that we hold ourselves to the highest standard. Not just in academics or conduct, but in how we treat one another. In how we build a Brotherhood that is not only strong, but just.

I joined to be part of something greater than myself. And now, as your President, I ask each of you to join me in shaping a future where every Brother, regardless of background, can say the same.

With honor and Brotherhood,

Reginald V. Davenport

President, National Fraternity
of Kappa Delta Rho, Inc.

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The Consuls Academy Experience



BY MASON CONKLIN '26,
IOTA BETA CHAPTER CONSULS

Stepping into any leadership position is daunting. Stepping into the position of Consul is more so. No matter who you are or what steps you've taken, you can never be fully prepared for the task, but it's imperative to remember that you are not alone. I had the opportunity to attend Consuls Academy at the Kappa Delta Rho HQ this January, an event where Consuls from various Chapters can not only meet and candidly discuss the struggles and triumphs of each Chapter but hone their leadership skills.

One of the wonderful opportunities from Consul Academy came from meeting and conversing with other Chapter Presidents. Building that network of individuals in the same position, who have experienced the same rituals that bond us as KDR Brothers, removed the isolating feeling of being a Chapter President. The phrase "it's lonely at the top" is not just a cliché. It's a reminder that success can feel isolating, but there are others who have walked the same path and can offer guidance, support, and camaraderie. Not only were there times dedicated to honest discussions on Chapter struggles, opening the door for Consuls to give and receive advice, the staff at National HQ also provided perspectives from their experience in prior years. While the Chapters present varied in size and experience, one thing remained consistent: we all wanted to help Chapters succeed, and the connections we made at Consul Academy will help us do just that.

Another benefit of Consuls Academy came from the itinerary filled with leadership development and event planning workshops. Throughout the weekend, one thing was made crystal clear: *delegate, delegate, and delegate some more*. As RIT approaches Week 5, I can say that it would be impossible to hold this position properly if I did not delegate tasks onto the executive board, committees, and even individual members. Through Consuls Academy, I learned the proper way to effectively communicate and delegate tasks. By supplying context and identifying the start and end points, I can trust Brothers to get the job done, and get it done right. This opens my agenda to face the high priority items and meetings to make sure our Chapter operates like a well-oiled machine.

On top of delegation, a panel of former Consuls (including many from National) delivered some great advice for the position. As a new Consul, and relatively new Brother of KDR, I took in every word. One of the largest pieces of advice was to use your resources. As aforementioned, utilizing Chapter coaches, advisors, and Alumni can help reduce the isolation and bring

in people who have likely been through the same situations to discuss how they overcame these issues. As a Brotherhood, it can also be difficult to separate personal and professional relationships with members of the Chapter, but it is the Consul's job to ensure that objectives are being met. The panel advised against any form of friendly "slack", as this promotes a no consequence atmosphere. While it can be tough, I've found this to be helpful in building expectations and trust within the Iota Beta Chapter. One of the final pieces of advice that stuck with me was the aversion to falling into imposter syndrome. Individuals get voted into the position of Consul for a reason. While I have had some difficulty navigating the position at first, as many do, it does not mean that I am not fit for the position. There are days that are certainly more challenging than others, but it is important to always remember that the Chapter entrusted you and believe in your leadership ability. Without holding confidence in yourself and standing with your decisions, an organization can begin to crumble. It is for that reason that I feel Consuls Academy has been developed, continues to educate new Chapter leaders, and is imperative to Chapter success.

On a final note, there were some other workshops dedicated to various aspects of Chapter operations including social media management, recruitment, and community involvement. I admit that our Chapter struggles with engaging in social media, but the discussion on various apps to help edit and improve photos, ways to generate links in bios, and more, helped improve our standing. Our wonderful Chapter advisor and PR chair, Kyle Bamford and Steve Medeiros, have worked hard this semester to improve engagement. With Kyle pushing out Brother spotlights, and Steve posting more on our events and classic "Almost Friday" posts, we've seen an increase in people engaging with our profile.

In terms of recruitment, I learned some valuable ways to check in on Potential New Members (PNMs) and smoothly transition conversations into an assessment on how they feel about joining our Chapter. An important lesson here is to not come on too strongly while conversing with PNMs. It is important to get to know people and develop connections before asking them about Greek life. Once you've passed those stages and recruitment is coming to a close, check in and ask them how they feel about joining KDR on a scale of one to 10. If they give you a low number, you know where you stand, but if its high but not a 10, ask how you could get them there. Easy conversations like these can improve your chances of receiving an influx of new members.

Finally, the community involvement workshop provided invaluable experience into adapting on the fly and finding ways to help local communities. Given a single sheet of paper that

detailed the surrounding area, Consuls were put in groups to develop a community service project. Not only did this help us think about potential community service projects we could enact at our own Chapters, but it also gave us the idea of creating our own list of service needs. If Chapters could develop their own projects based on local needs, we could improve our communities in a meaningful way while also reaping the benefit of Chapter visibility.

Overall, my experience at Consul Academy was nothing short of outstanding. I managed to engage with other Consuls

to gather insight on how my Chapter could improve, while also supplying some insight of my own. With KDR National staff at the event, I was able to personally connect with individuals who have so many different perspectives, further improving my insight into the workings of KDR. Together with the events that were held, I came out of Consul Academy as a more confident leader, more educated on the workings of a KDR Chapter, and ready to grow my Chapter. Thank you to everyone who was involved in making this great event happen.

Honor Super Omnia!
Mason Conklin, Iota Beta

EXPANSION



Hunter Santiago

We are thrilled to announce that Kappa Delta Rho (KDR) will be expanding to **Texas State University** in San Marcos, Texas, in **Spring 2026**. This exciting move marks a significant step in KDR's national expansion, and we couldn't be more excited to welcome this vibrant and growing community of students to our Brotherhood.

About Texas State University

Texas State University is a prominent **Group of 5 Division 1 institution** located in the heart of the Texas Hill Country, with a student population of more than **40,000 students**. Known for its strong academic programs and vibrant campus life, Texas State is rapidly becoming a key player in the Texas educational landscape. The university has built a reputation for its **strong and growing Greek community**, with support from the institution that fosters leadership, service, and Brotherhood.

The student body at Texas State is diverse, driven, and engaged, making it an ideal location for Kappa Delta Rho's expansion. The university's commitment to Greek life is evident through its robust support of fraternities and sororities, creating an ideal environment for our Chapter to flourish. Additionally, Texas State's proximity to major Texas cities and its impressive facilities offers our Chapter a unique opportunity to thrive both on campus and in the greater San Marcos area.

Building an Alumni Advisory Board

As we embark on this exciting new Chapter, Kappa Delta Rho is looking to establish an **Alumni Advisory Board** in the San Marcos area. This board will play a crucial role in guiding our undergraduate members, offering mentorship, and providing in-person support as we recruit and grow our Chapter at Texas State. The involvement of our Alumni near San Marcos will be vital in ensuring that we provide the highest level of support to our new members.

We encourage Alumni who live in the area, or who have an interest in supporting this expansion, to consider joining the **Alumni Advisory Board for Texas State**. Your experience, insight, and mentorship will help shape the future of Kappa Delta Rho at Texas State University. If you are interested in becoming part of this exciting initiative, please reach out to **Hunter Santiago** at

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hsantiago@kdr.com and **Xavier Romano** at xromano@kdr.com for more details.

Kappa Delta Rho's New Expansion Fund

This expansion is part of Kappa Delta Rho's continued efforts to bring the values of leadership, scholarship, and Brotherhood to campuses across the country. As we look to the future, we are not only focusing on Texas State but also preparing for other exciting opportunities at universities we have not yet reached in our organization's history. To help support these efforts, we have created an **Expansion Funding Pool** to help finance future expansions at institutions like **Texas State University, Florida International University** in 2028, and beyond.

Alumni who wish to contribute to the Texas State expansion or to the continued growth of Kappa Delta Rho and support new Chapter installations are invited to donate to our **Expansion Fund**. Your generous donations will directly support the creation of new KDR Chapters at universities across the nation. If you are interested in contributing to this vital initiative, please reach out to **Barb Rossi** at brossi@kdr.com or **Xavier Romano** at xromano@kdr.com.

A Bright Future for Kappa Delta Rho

The expansion to Texas State University marks the beginning of an exciting new Chapter for Kappa Delta Rho. With your support, we can continue to grow and bring the ideals of our Brotherhood to new generations of students. Together, we can ensure that our legacy endures and that KDR remains a powerful force for positive change in communities across the country.

We look forward to seeing how our Texas State Chapter develops and to welcoming new Brothers into the Kappa Delta Rho family!

For more information, questions, or to get involved, please contact:

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Let's make Kappa Delta Rho stronger together!

Stay connected. Stay involved.

News

Professor Sherri Hall, Epsilon Advisor Retires

KDR National Headquarters recognizes Sherri S. Hall for her dedication to Kappa Delta Rho as the Chapter Advisor of the Epsilon Chapter. Recently retired from Franklin College as a professor, she advised the Chapter for 20 years, helping maintain and advance the Chapter's success and being integral in the continuous development of the men of Epsilon. In honor of Professor Hall, we have named our Outstanding Chapter Advisor of the Year in honor of her. Dedication such as hers is rare and we thank her for time and wisdom.

NATHAN CAMBRIDGE FRANKLIN COLLEGE, EPSILON CHAPTER

My time with Professor Sherri Hall has had an outstanding impact on my life as a student, and as I prepare to graduate this May, I cannot help but look back on what Professor Hall has done for me and my Brothers in the Epsilon Chapter at Franklin College. I had the pleasure of being an advisee of Professor Hall from 2021-2024 and the respect that my Brothers had for her was obvious from my very first meeting. During our officer reports, nobody turned heads like Professor Hall. Whatever she said, we listened. She always took the time to commemorate Brothers for their accomplishments whether they be scholastic, athletic, or career based. In every advisory and care committee meeting, Brothers always came out better than they walked in. Professor Hall's work was not only noticed by those of the Epsilon Chapter but also by Kappa Delta Rho Headquarters and Franklin College. In 2024, both KDR HQ and Franklin College renamed their Advisor of the Year awards after Professor Sherri Hall. It is because of this experience, and the experiences described to me by recent alumni, which leads me to claim that Professor Hall has undoubtedly been the most influential person within the Epsilon Chapter in the past twenty years.

In December of 2024, the Epsilon Chapter hosted an event to commemorate the twenty years that Professor Hall gave to our Chapter. This event was open to all Alumni and current Brothers of the Chapter and was possibly the single largest gathering among the Brothers of our Chapter. Throughout this event, we heard speeches from Alumni and current Brothers who served closely with Professor Hall. The care and respect that Professor Hall had for the Brothers of the Epsilon Chapter was made clear throughout the words of those who spoke. The most emotional moment for the Brotherhood was from the words of the first Consul to serve with Professor Hall, Nathan Lohr '05. Brother Lohr retold the story of how the Chapter invited Professor Hall to become our advisor through a letter signed off by the whole Chapter, a letter which Professor Hall brought to the event. As more Brothers shared their experiences, newer and older generations were comforted by the fact that the caring and loving treatment of Professor Hall was shared by hundreds of their Brothers.

Through her work on our advisory and care committee, as well as her wise words in each Chapter meeting, Professor Hall



clearly understands the meaning of "Honor Above All Things". Professor Hall, your service to our Chapter not only improved the lives of myself and my Brothers but also the lives of our colleagues, friends, and partners. No matter how crazy we've been throughout the past two decades, thank you for sticking around, and on behalf of the Epsilon Chapter, please enjoy your well-deserved retirement.

20 FROM 20 SHERRI HALL, CHAPTER ADVISOR FRANKLIN COLLEGE

First, let me thank the gentlemen of Kappa Delta Rho for the immense honor of having your Advisor of the Year award named for me. I have a full heart knowing that I've made a difference.

Xavier asked me if I would share some thoughts on my 20 years of advising Epsilon. I believe his words were "sharing wisdom," and I believe I rolled my eyes at that. However, as I thought about my time as a KDR advisor, I realized that I had learned some things to pass along.

As an advisor I had only two jobs: first, help them keep the charter on the wall and, second, to help them be better men. If I did those two things, they would be in good standing with my institution. If I did those two things, they would be in good standing with their national office. The real question is, how do I do those two things?

So, in no particular order:

1. Talk to your campus's Greek Life people about the perception of your Chapter on campus. Perceptions matter. Find out why.
2. Read everything: campus Greek expectations, campus housing expectations, off-campus event expectations, student handbook, KDR publications, Chapter by-laws.
3. Ask questions: a lot of them. And keep asking until you get a satisfactory answer.
4. And, ask the most important question and sometimes the toughest: Why?
5. Remember that for students "always" means for the past 3 years.

6. The only thing that is absolutely secret is ritual. Everything else can be discussed with an advisor.
7. Practice your “I’m not at all shocked that I’m hearing this” face.
8. Help them recruit quality young men. It’s easier for them to become quality KDRs.
9. I rarely said, “You must do this...”, but I often said “How about...”
10. Have standing weekly meetings with Chapter leadership: at least the Consul and Advisory Board.
11. Attend as many Chapter meetings as possible; weekly is best. Your presence matters.
12. Learn each Brother’s name and nickname.
13. Share your contact information. And some personal information. I would share my home phone (when I had one) and my cell phone and office number with each member. I also had a list of their individual cell numbers. I told them, if they needed me, text was best, unless it was after 10:30, then a phone call. I’ve answered calls when I was out of the country. Stuff happens. They need to know you’ll be there. On the other hand, when I contact them, I expected a response too. And they knew it.
14. Listen, really listen. Don’t just wait to talk. I was probably the ultimate outsider as a female advisor. I knew how my sorority worked (from the 70s), but had no idea how this fraternity worked, so I had to ask a lot of questions.
15. Get to know their Alumni, their philanthropy, their national

office people. Attend their events.

16. Let them get to know you. If you expect anything more than a cursory transactional relationship, then students have to know you’re a real person.
17. When members are involved in extra- or co-curricular events, attend those events.
18. Put in the time. It takes time to build meaningful relationships and trust. You have to learn to trust them, and they have to learn to trust you.
19. Don’t talk with anyone about fraternity business, even your significant other. This is important. What happens in meeting, stays in meeting.
20. The adage that they don’t care what you know until they know that you care is so true. Put in the time. Show how much you care. They get it. And the men will respond in kind.

Over my twenty years I’ve had the great privilege to work with a wonderful evolving group of young men. I often reminded them that fraternity is forever. These are men who have your back in college, will stand up for you at your wedding, will be your children’s godfathers and will be your pallbearers when you die. I’ve been a part of their highs and their lows. I’ve attended weddings, baby showers and funerals. And I wouldn’t trade any of it.

Thank you.

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Iota Beta Celebrates 35th Anniversary Red Rose Celebration!

Surviving, thriving, and making unforgettable memories for 35 years is no small feat, and the Iota Beta Chapter at Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT) made sure to celebrate in style. With Alumni flying in from across the country and undergraduates stepping up to host, the Chapter's 35th Anniversary Red Rose Formal was a joyful mix of tradition, Brotherhood reconnection, and a little well-earned chaos.

Held over the weekend of April 26, 2025, the 35th Red Rose marked a major milestone for the Chapter and a full-circle moment for many of the more-than-100 Brothers and guests who attended. It was a joyful collision of eras, from founding members to brand-new graduates, all returning to celebrate the legacy and spirit of Iota Beta.

The weekend's main event took place at ArtisanWorks, an art gallery-meets-funhouse venue that proved the perfect backdrop for an evening that was anything but ordinary. With colorful walls, wild installations, and endless corners to explore, the space captured the personality of the Chapter: creative, bold, and a little bit unpredictable (in the best way).

At the heart of the evening were the moments that reminded everyone why this Brotherhood matters. Two incredible Iota Beta Chapter Sweethearts were honored: Belle Edwards, fiancée of current Chapter Consul Mason Conklin '26, and Joanne Lindsey, who has served as Iota Beta's faculty advisor and steadfast guiding light for over 20 years. Their recognition was met with standing ovations, cheers, and heartfelt appreciation.

The celebration also featured a standout keynote roundtable with Alumni Alok Kapoor '93 and Matt Lagueux '11, whose stories ranged from memorable undergraduate antics to meaningful reflections on leadership, life after college, and staying connected to the KDR mission. Their back-and-forth had the room laughing, nodding along, and realizing that Brotherhood doesn't end after graduation, it evolves.

Among the many meaningful moments of the weekend was welcoming Xavier Romano, Executive Director at KDRHQ. From his first handshake to his last goodbye, Xavier soaked in the weekend's vibe with visible excitement. He later reflected, "There's something about the intimacy of Iota Beta relationships that transcend time and space."

And of course, no Iota Beta Red Rose would be complete without the time-honored tradition: a loud, off-key, and energetic rendition of "Piano Man." Arms over shoulders, Brothers and guests swayed and sang: a perfect exclamation mark on a weekend that reminded everyone why KDR is, and always will be, something special.

Thirty-five years down. And if this weekend was any sign, more unforgettable ones to come!



Pictured above, in their KDR senior stoles, are 2025 graduates (from left to right) Henry Pfeiffer, Jack Goulding, Ben McManus, David Becker, and Geoffrey Tse.



Pictured above (from left to right) is Josh Merrill '30, Iota Beta Sweethearts Belle Edwards & Joanne Lindsey, Joanne's grandson and one-day future KDR, Roy Muntz, and David Becker '25.



Iota Beta Alumni and Undergraduates celebrating 35 years!



Alumni Spotlight

JMU Chief Matos aims to bring modern policing to campus

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As the next generation of students begin classes at James Madison University, the chief of the university's police department is implementing what he calls the next generation of policing to keep the students safe. JMU PD's Chief Anthony Matos came to the department three years ago after retiring from a career with the Fairfax County Police Department. Influenced by practices he saw during his time at Fairfax, Matos said he hopes to help JMU's officers grow closer to the student community.

Since taking his position with JMU, Matos said he has led several initiatives to help officers keep the student population safer. One of his main priorities was adding a mental health professional to act as a co-responder on certain service calls. With \$350,000 in grant funding from the Department of Justice, Matos and JMU PD hired a licensed professional counselor to accompany officers on calls related to mental health crises.

"I continue to stress the importance of this, because I think it was the Harvard Graduate School of Education 2023 just pushed out some research that showed—again, we all knew it, they just did the research which confirmed it—that mental health crises are probably, first and foremost, one of the leading issues of today's 18- to 24-year-olds," Matos explained. "Whether that's dealing with depression, anxiety, or with the current events of the world. They feel like the weight of the world is on them because what do we say to our kids? 'You're the future of the world, no pressure.'"

"And here we are, we're in the midst of chaos in the Middle East, we're in the midst of a presidential election that is more divisive than I think any of us can seem to recall," Matos added. "I think these 18- to 24-year-olds are looking at themselves going, 'Oh, our adults screwed up our world, how are we going to fix it?' That's a heavy burden. And then, 'We need you to get all A's!'"

With students' mental health a growing concern across the country, Matos said JMU is setting an example for other universities across the country.

"You wanna talk about progressive campus and progressive police work; there's maybe, I'd say, a dozen, at the most 20, campuses across the country that will have this type of service. Ours extends after midnight, so at 2 in the morning, our co-responder is still working. The last conference I went to, I only found four universities that had co-responders still working after midnight."

Matos said he hopes to maintain the crisis intervention program going forward, but he and the department will need to find a new source of grant funding to be able to keep the co-responder on their staff. Matos also said the changes have gone beyond how JMU PD responds to calls. In addition, he spearheaded a campaign to change the department's branding to help officers feel more connected to the community they serve. This included new badges, shield patches, vehicle decals, and more designed by former JMU student Andrew Genese.

"If you look five years ago, you'll see what they used to call the 'Barney-mobiles,'" Matos said of the purple color on the old HPD cruiser decals. "We actually enlisted the services of one of our School of Media, Arts and Design students. His father was a police officer in the northeast ... but we came across him, and he designed a tie tack for us when we wore our ties. And when I looked at this, I said, 'This is really good work, and it was really good, so good that I asked him to redo our badges.'"

In the future, Matos said he hopes students will be able to trust officers enough to bring them safety information that will help keep the student population safe.

"What I like to showcase is that this community is a fantastic community," Matos said. "We have some fantastically driven students on this campus. They know that JMU is a great vehicle to get them to the next step in their lives, and you'll see it on a daily basis, Monday through Friday, with them getting to class. I want my officers to interact with those students as they're going to class. While they're on campus and living their lives as members of the JMU community, I want the students to know they don't need to worry about safety because they know the police officer who is looking out after them."

Chapter Snaps



Nu – Indiana University

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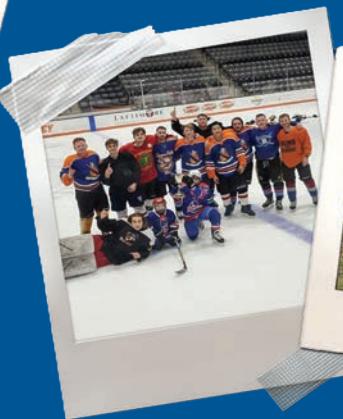


Alpha Beta – University of Delaware

Chapter Snaps



Gamma Beta – Virginia Tech



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Consul Spotlights



Nicholas Whitecotten

NICHOLAS WHITECOTTEN EPSILON

"My goal in my time as Consul is to foster an environment where our Chapter is getting things done but people still love being a part of the Chapter. I have the trust in my guys to take care of the business efficiently, but often time they sacrifice their own happiness and fun for the betterment of the Chapter. I believe the business side

of the fraternity is very important, but ultimately what people will remember from their time in KDR is the good times they had and the lifelong Brotherhood they made along the way."



Alex Dunn

ALEX DUNN NU

"Our goal at the Nu Chapter has been to establish a strong Brotherhood that encapsulates the values of Kappa Delta Rho. Over the past two years we've doubled in size, and as the recently elected Consul, I'm giving it my all to continue this growth."



Dhruv Srivastava

DHRUV SRIVASTAVA THETA

"I'm the current Consul of the Theta Chapter of Kappa Delta Rho. Some of my goals this semester are to increase Brother outreach in extracurricular events, as well as build house relations within our campus. I am excited for this opportunity and look forward to fulfilling my goals."



Emmett Jaronski

EMMETT JARONSKI OMEGA

"As the new Omega Chapter Consul, I have very high hopes for the upcoming year and the trajectory of our fraternity. I wish to expand our philanthropy and community service committees to help provide more frequent opportunities to serve others and give back. I also will look to place a strong emphasis on our fraternity's core values and do my best to provide my Chapter with the necessary tools and skills to succeed not only in college, but later in life. Additionally, I would love to continue our annual Alumni golf outing and provide the new members with an abundance of opportunities to network and make the most out of their experience. Most importantly, however, I want to lead by example as Consul and be a role model for all my Brothers to look to for help or support."



Jack Jones

JACK JONES KAPPA

"The Kappa Chapter at The Ohio State University has many forward-looking goals for this year. We plan on increasing our impact on the local Columbus community by partnering and creating bonds with local organizations for service events and philanthropic efforts. Additionally, we are creating relationships with older Kappa Alumni and creating a more connected network of KDR Alumni in the Columbus area."



Moxen Cutter

MOXEN CUTTER ALPHA ALPHA

"Leadership isn't about titles, it's about action, integrity, and the impact you leave on others. As Brothers, we strive not just for personal success but for the growth and strength of Kappa Delta Rho as a whole. Together, we uphold our values, push each other to be better, and build a legacy that lasts beyond our time here."



Alec Vuicich

ALEC VUICICH LAMBDA

"As Consul I am excited to continue fostering the growth of our new Brotherhood at the Lambda Chapter as we continue to increase in size. Additionally, we will be aiming to increase our philanthropic efforts, both for the B+ Foundation and locally within the city of Berkeley."



Kai Gratton

KAI GRATTON ETA ALPHA

"What I'm looking to do as the new President of KDR Eta Alpha is to provide stability with our ever-changing Chapter, as well as continue to help the men of this fraternity not only further their education but better who they are as a person."

Consul Spotlights



Donovan Cope

DONOVAN COPE

THETA ALPHA

"Being Consul of the Theta Alpha Chapter, my goal has always been for my Brothers to do well in the classroom. A goal we've set for ourselves and have finally reached was having the highest GPA among all Greek life at SRU."



Eric Anello

ERIC ANELLO

XI ALPHA

"In these upcoming semesters the Brotherhood and I plan on strengthening the relationship we have within the fraternity, but most importantly taking our academics seriously and setting up members for success in the future."

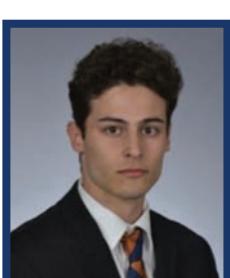


Noah Smith

NOAH SMITH

PI ALPHA

"My goal as the Consul of the Pi Alpha Chapter is simple, to continue to bring success to the Chapter both locally and nationally, as well as mentoring the younger members to one day become great leaders at the University of Toledo."



Eric Cueto

ERIC CUETO

ALPHA BETA

"As a Consul of the Alpha Beta Chapter, my goal is to strengthen our fraternity by fostering leadership, accountability, and Brotherhood. Our Chapter is committed to creating an inclusive and supportive environment where members can grow both personally and professionally. I strive to uphold the values of Kappa Delta Rho, ensuring that our Chapter continues to build a legacy of excellence and unity."



William Brown

WILLIAM BROWN

GAMMA BETA

"As Consul of the Gamma Beta Chapter, I strive to develop the new members into confident leaders and great students. This semester, we are striving for the highest overall Chapter and new member GPA among the IFC, implementing daily study hours and scholarship initiatives to support our members' growth and success."



Mason Conklin

MASON CONKLIN

IOTA BETA

"The Iota Beta Chapter's goals this semester include improving our visibility on campus and our relations with fellow Greek organizations. By revitalizing successful philanthropic endeavors and bolstering our connections within the Greek community at RIT, our Chapter can grow stronger than ever before."



Danny Riccardi

DANNY RICCARDI

LAMBDA BETA

"As fraternity President, I want to strengthen Brotherhood by fostering a culture of accountability, inclusivity, and leadership development. I aim to improve our Chapter's reputation through increased campus involvement, philanthropy, and academic excellence. Ultimately, I want to leave a lasting impact that future Brothers can build upon."

Consul Spotlights



Ben Schwan

BEN SCHWAN

PHI BETA

"Phi Beta's goals for this upcoming year are wide-ranging. We aim to surpass the campus Fraternity/Sorority Community's average GPA by expanding scholarship programming. Additionally, we plan to enhance our philanthropic efforts by hosting more events, particularly in collaboration with other campus organizations. Finally, we hope to strengthen bonds with other local KDR Chapters through visits and the exchange of knowledge and advice."

involvement in campus-wide events. Additionally, we plan to strengthen our Chapter's sense of community by hosting more social events that promote inclusivity and collaboration among members."



Simon Raqueno

SIMON RAQUENO

IOTA GAMMA

"My goal at Towson this year is to get our Finances in order and have more funds available to help the greater community and create better opportunities and experiences for my Brothers. I want to get us back on track and make sure that we are an effective and outstanding Chapter."



William Belongia

WILLIAM BELONGIA

CHI BETA

"This year as Consul of the Chi Beta Chapter of Kappa Delta Rho, I want to really focus on what we can do to form an outstanding group of men who lead by example in everything we are a part of around campus. I want to do this by pushing our guys outside of their comfort zones at times to prepare them for what life will be like after college, so they are ready to attack life in the real world."



Henrik Wrede

HENRIK WREDE

KAPPA GAMMA

"Kappa Gamma's goals for this upcoming year center on strengthening Brotherhood, service, and community engagement. We aim to foster a deeper sense of connection among our members through meaningful Brotherhood events, while also working to build our relationships with other on-campus

organizations. Additionally, we plan to expand our impact beyond campus by increasing service initiatives and collaborating with local organizations to give back to the community. Through these efforts, we hope to leave a lasting, positive, legacy that reflects our values and KDR's commitment to excellence."



Caleb Morris

CALEB MORRIS

GAMMA GAMMA

"The Gamma Gamma Chapter has many goals for the upcoming year. First, we want to strengthen the bonds between our Chapter and the community by hosting more philanthropy events and getting involved with other organizations. We also hope to grow our Chapter size, so that we may do more good work and our life-long bond may be shared between more Brothers."



Christian Cota

CHRISTIAN COTA

NU GAMMA

"As returning consul for the Nu Gamma Chapter at The College of New Jersey, I am looking to pick up where I left off in expanding our Chapters' reach on campus. By pushing my Brothers to be active in clubs and school orgs, we would fulfill our role as a social fraternity. As a result, we expect to see more active

Brothers upholding our values, an increased number of honorable new members, and a social reputation for years to come."



Gavin Brumley

GAVIN BRUMLEY

ETA GAMMA

"Our goals for this year are focused on personal growth and campus engagement. We aim to provide more leadership development opportunities through workshops and mentoring programs, while also expanding our

Now is the time for us all to step up!



J. HALL JONES, JR.
LAMBDA BETA '91
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—
KDR Foundation President

Brothers! Whenever we approach a “round number” anniversary, it always provides an opportunity to reflect on where we have been and ponder where we are going. It also provides the chance to reset expectations and create a “Call to Action”. We have been blessed to have many generous Alumni who graduated in the 1940s, 1950s and 1960s build the financial foundation of KDR over the years. However, these men are starting to transition to Chapter Eternal, and **it is time for the rest of us to take up their flag and march on to create a brighter future for Kappa Delta Rho!**

Let’s start with looking back. We are celebrating 120 years of Kappa Delta Rho this year. **120 years of Honor Super Omnia!** The Kappa Delta Rho Foundation has only been part of the Brotherhood lexicon for one-third of that time, as we recently passed our 40th anniversary of supporting the educational and leadership initiatives of Kappa Delta Rho. We have accomplished quite a lot as an organization over the past four decades:

- We established an Annual Giving program that currently receives between \$100,000 and \$150,000 per year.
- We established a fund to provide grants supporting the educational programming and leadership training delivered at the annual Elmon Williams Leadership Academy.
- Through the generosity of many Alumni, we built a scholarship program that distributes over \$120,000 in stipends to worthy undergraduate and graduate Brothers annually.
- We established a legacy program called the Heritage Society to formally recognize Brothers who loved their Fraternity enough to include Kappa Delta Rho in their estate plans.
- We established a fund that provide small loans to Chapters that need upgrades to their houses and educational spaces.
- We completed three capital campaigns that provide the building blocks for securing the long-term financial health of our Fraternity.

None of these accomplishments are static! **We can do more!** We need to double our Annual Giving program to meet the growing and evolving needs of our undergraduate Chapters (the multiple ways to donate are highlighted on page 18). We have to expand the Heritage Society by providing more resources to Alumni who want to leave a positive impact on our Fraternity for generations to come (our revamped Planned Giving page is highlighted on

page 19). Finally, we need to explore other avenues for directing resources to our undergraduate Chapters. We can do a lot more for our Brothers, but **we cannot reach our full potential without more Alumni contributions!**

We recently lost two devoted Alumni and Ordo Honoris recipients, Tom McComb (past Foundation President) and Bill Butz. They dedicated years of time, talent, and treasure to their local Chapter and our National Fraternity. These two men were influential in driving the growth of the Foundation because they believed in the young men of Kappa Delta Rho, and they believed in Honor Super Omnia. They did not just believe in it. They lived it every day. They were an inspiration to many Brothers, and we owe it to their legacy to step up and volunteer our time, talents, and treasures, to champion our Chapters locally and to fund our Fraternity nationally.

This is a call to action! I encourage you all to think about what Kappa Delta Rho has meant to you and what you want Kappa Delta Rho to mean to the next generation of young men. With your help, we can position KDR to thrive for the next 120 years. Thank you for your faith in the Kappa Delta Rho Foundation to steward your generous gifts for the benefit of our Fraternity.

Honor Super Omnia,
J. Hall Jones, Jr., Lambda Beta '91



SCAN TO DONATE!

How can I donate to thee? Let me count the ways.



SCOTT M. SMANIOTTO
ALPHA BETA '93

VP of Development & Communication

If you recall during my first Quill & Scroll letter, I specifically did not ask you for money. Well, that was then, and this is now. But don't fret, I'll be as gentle as possible. We understand there are many organizations that request your limited funds for charitable purposes, but we hope that you fondly recall your undergraduate days and your lifelong Brotherhood in Kappa Delta Rho as you decide what philanthropic organizations to support. Donations need not be some life altering event where we name something in your honor (but we will certainly take those, too!). They can be a single donation of \$19.05 honoring our year of founding or maybe you take the next step with a recurring monthly donation of \$10, \$25, \$50 or more. Whether you are just starting out or a seasoned donor, we have several ways to donate which I have listed below:

The easiest way is to click on the "donate" button at **kdr.com** and give via a credit card payment. There you can choose different funds and scholarships to support, select various donation amounts, and even make your donation recurring.

Obviously, there's always the good ol' trusty USPS to **mail in a check to:**

Kappa Delta Rho Foundation
PO Box 536834
Pittsburgh, PA 15253-6800

If you prefer to **pay by phone** with your credit card or need a bit of a helping hand setting up that recurring payment, feel free to reach out to:

Donna Misak
Director of Office Operations
P: 724-838-7100
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We can also accept payments via other payment services such as **Venmo** (@KDR_Foundation) and **PayPal** (Kappa Delta Rho Foundation).



Another platform for directing philanthropic donations is the **Donor Advised Fund (DAF)**. DAF accounts allow donors to make a charitable contribution to the fund, receive an immediate tax deduction and then recommend grants from the fund over time. Funds, stocks, etc., deposited into a DAF can grow over time allowing for more potential giving in the future. We have added a DAFFPay button to our donation page to simplify the process of directing gifts to KDR.

If you desire to donate any other gifts such as appreciated stock, naming KDR as a beneficiary of a life insurance policy, etc., please reach out to us at foundation@kdr.com or to me at annualfund@kdr.com and we can work with you directly to complete.

Regardless of your payment method, be sure to check your employer's benefits for **Matching Gifts** which have the potential to double or triple your impact. If you are unsure if your company matches gifts, contact your human resources department or benefits coordinator.

Approaching retirement? You may need to withdraw money from IRA annually to meet your required minimum distribution (RMD) if you are age 73 or older. This is a great opportunity to advance your support of Kappa Delta Rho while reducing your taxable income. Talk to your financial advisor regarding how you utilize your RMD to support KDR.

Won't you join your Brothers who have already donated this year to support the educational, leadership, and character development programs undertaken by KDRHQ for the betterment of our Brotherhood?

Fraternally,

Scott M. Smaniotto, Alpha Beta '93

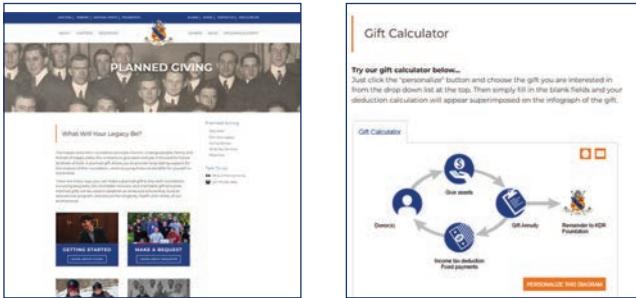
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Foundation launches new planned giving website to inspire legacy support

The KDR Foundation is proud to announce the launch of its newly redesigned Planned Giving website, a dynamic resource to help Alumni and friends of the Fraternity leave a lasting legacy. This important initiative reflects the Foundation's commitment to securing a strong and sustainable financial future for our Brotherhood.

The new site, accessible through the Foundation's homepage, or directly at plannedgiving.kdr.com, provides a comprehensive guide to making planned gifts, whether through bequests, charitable trusts, or other long-term giving vehicles. Brothers can easily explore their options and learn how to align their giving with personal financial goals through customizable "Gift Calculators" available on the site.



"We wanted to make the process of planned giving as approachable as possible," said Foundation Trustee and Heritage Society Chair Matt Jarrard, Epsilon '05. "These tools can be easily accessed, customized, and shared with financial advisors, spouses, loved ones, and anyone involved in the gift planning process. Our hope is that this will also further grow our Heritage Society membership, and secure a bright future for our Brotherhood," shared Jarrard.

Highlights of the new platform include interactive gift planning tools, helpful retirement planning tips, testimonies from current Heritage Society members, and resources for financial advisors. Brothers can also easily download sample language that can be shared with legal counsel when preparing or updating a will or trust.

"We often say that KDR is for life," said Heritage Society Chair Matt Jarrard. "A planned gift is a perfect expression of that belief, giving back to the Brotherhood that helped shape our lives for the better."

Visit the new site today to explore some of the helpful resources and begin planning your legacy!

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In Memoriam

WILLIAM P. BUTZ NU '65



William "Bill" Butz passed away peacefully at his home in Kensington, Maryland, on January 27, 2025, surrounded by love. He was 81. Brother Butz was from Lafayette, Indiana. He attended Indiana University and became a member of Nu Chapter as a pledge in 1961. He was very active in the Fraternity and on campus, becoming Worthy Counsel of the Fraternity as a senior, and a member of the Board of Aeons at Indiana University. He graduated with a degree in economics in 1965 and became a member of Phi Beta Kappa. He subsequently attended graduate school at the University of Chicago, ultimately obtaining a PhD in Economics and launching an impressive career that combined research, leadership, and public service.

He became an economist and then a senior economist at the RAND Corporation in Santa Monica, California. He lived and worked in Guatemala and Malaysia and taught Economic Development at the University of California, Santa Barbara and UCLA. In 1983, he left the RAND Corporation and became Associate Director for Demographic Programs at the United States Census Bureau. He later became Director of the Division of Social Behavioral and Economic Research and Director of the Division of Social and Economic Sciences at the National Science Foundation.

While living in Santa Monica, California, Bill and then wife Vicki, welcomed four children into the world. He was a loving and fun father who came home from work each evening with a smile on his face and energy to be with his family, who wrote silly songs for his kids, hiked with them in the Sierra Nevada Mountains, taught their Sunday school classes, chaperoned their Boy Scout and Youth Group events, and always encouraged and took great interest in their activities. He brought even more joy and genuine interest to his role as grandfather of his seven beloved grandchildren, who didn't have to wait long for a card, an email,

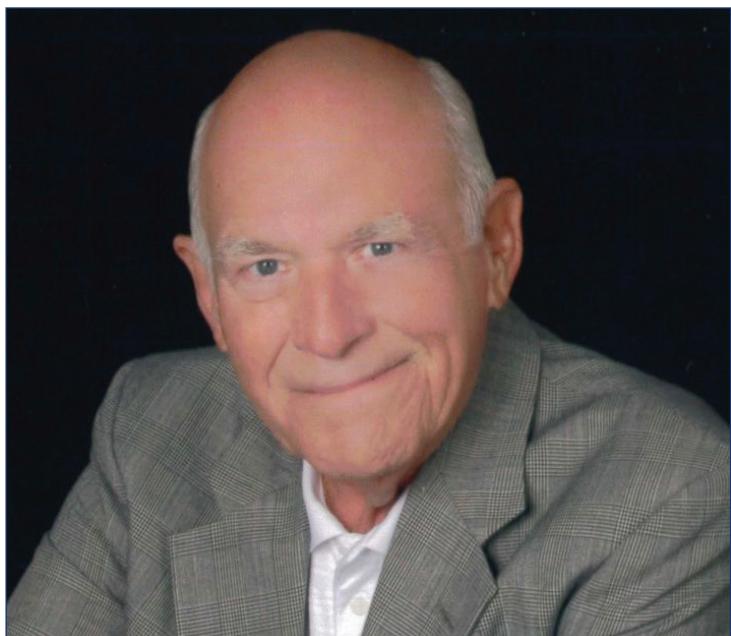
or a phone call from their "Little Grandpa". He never missed an opportunity to show them he was thinking of them. Whether in his role as dad or as grandpa, he laughed a lot and made others laugh with him.

Brother Butz subsequently became President and CEO of the Population Reference Bureau in Washington, DC. For his last official career move, Bill jumped at the opportunity to move to Vienna, Austria, to work at the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis and as the Director of Communications and Outreach at the Wittgenstein Centre for Demography and Global Human Capital. Upon retirement he returned to his home in Kensington, Maryland where he gave generously of his time volunteering with Voices for Children Montgomery/Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) and Street Sense Media in Washington D.C.

Bill enjoyed traveling and devoting his time to his church, educational institutions, and Kappa Delta Rho. His participation was instrumental in the success of the Brothers' Keeper capital campaign. In addition, Brother Butz helped spearhead the effort to create a scholarship in the memory of his closest friend within KDR, Marty Joachim, for the benefit of Nu Chapter. Bill received the Ordo Honoris at the 2024 National Convention in recognition of his lifelong devotion to Kappa Delta Rho.

Bill is survived by his four children and their spouses/partners: Michael (Gabriela) Butz, Rebecca (Kerry) Williamson, David (Jenna) Butz, Matthew (Rachel) Butz, and daughter-in-law April Butz; by his seven grandchildren: Daniel, Ella, Charlotte, Abigail, Eli, Luca, and Althea; and by his brother, Tom (Mary Lynne) Butz.

THOMAS V. MCCOMB NU '59



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December 1, 2024

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January 8, 2025

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September 3, 2024

Todd H. Forman, Sigma Alpha '96

September 7, 2024

Thomas Victor McComb, 88, Noblesville, Indiana, passed away March 10, 2025. He was born in Fort Wayne, Indiana on October 19, 1936, to John Hubert McComb and Margaret Edith (Ridley) McComb.

Tom was a graduate of Ft. Wayne's North Side High School class of 1954. He attended Indiana University earning his B.S. in Business ('59) and McKinney School of Law, earning his JD ('74). He was active in numerous civic affairs. He served as President of the Ft. Wayne Jaycees and was named Ft. Wayne's Outstanding Young Man in the 1960s by the Ft. Wayne Jaycees. He was a member and Chapter Officer of the NU Chapter of Kappa Delta Rho Fraternity (Indiana University) as an undergraduate. Subsequently, Brother McComb was elected to the Kappa Delta Rho Foundation in 1997, serving as President from 1999–2005. Brother McComb was instrumental in shepherding the completion of the Vision 2000 capital campaign and the launch of the Centennial Recognition Program. He helped establish the Nu Fund scholarship program that has distributed over \$50,000 to Brothers from Indiana University and was elected into Ordo Honoris in 2008.

During Tom's earlier years, he was a baritone soloist in several stage productions in Ft. Wayne as well as a soloist with the Indiana University Singing Hoosiers under the direction of Professor George Krueger and Scottish Rite Choir of the Valley of Ft. Wayne. He studied voice under the late Professor Fred G. Church in Ft. Wayne for many years.

Active in Republican politics in Ft. Wayne, he served as a precinct committee member and was elected to the Indiana House of Representatives from 1966–1970 and the Indiana Senate from 1970–1974. He served as Chairman of the Insurance Committee in both Houses of the legislature during the terms of Governors Edgar D. Whitcomb and Otis R. Bowen.

In 1972, he moved with his family to Indianapolis when he entered law school at the age of 35. Rather than practicing law, Tom used his legal education in his specialty insurance business that catered to the professional liability aspects of architects and engineers in private practice. He was the founder and retired Chairman and CEO of Professional Design Insurance Management Corporation, Indianapolis, Indiana.

He and his wife, Norma resided in both Noblesville, Indiana and Siesta Key, Florida. They are members of the Noblesville United Methodist Church and attended First United Methodist Church of Sarasota for many years when they wintered in Siesta Key.

Tom is survived by his loving wife of 68 years, Norma Jean (Born) McComb; children: Beth (Jeff) Clark of Nineveh, Indiana, Ken (Karen) McComb, Noblesville, Indiana, Susie Hurt (Jon Jones), Mooresville, Indiana and Stephanie McComb, Indianapolis, Indiana; grandchildren: Matt (Sarah) Clark, Maggie (Connor) LaGrange, Caylee (Jack) Lang, Abbi McComb, Jonathan (Lizzy) Hurt, Olivia (Jack) Speedy, Connor Hurt, and Hannah Hurt; and great grandchildren: Royce, Levi, Annabelle, and Eva Clark, Taytum LaGrange, Easton Speedy, Paisley Hurt, and Peter Lang. Tom is also survived by his sister, Marilyn McComb Kahn of Ft. Wayne, Indiana, John (Alice) McComb of Ft. Wayne, Indiana, sister-in-law Melba Doster, Ft. Wayne, Indiana and many nieces and nephews.

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