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**Robert Ritter** Archon

Jack D'Onofrio **Vice Archon** 

> Joe Carella Treasurer

Brady Walker Secretary

Jimmy Tallman Warden

Anthony Clinton **Philanthropy Chair** 

Jamys Solosky **Standards Board** 

Sean Czarneck Chaplain

Drew Borelli Historian

Drew Blodgett, Sam Rosato **Risk Managers** 

### **ALUMNI BOARD**

Stephen J. DiOrio President John Miller Treasurer

Stephen R. DiOrio Secretary

Steven Earhart Skip Parks **Thomas Robinson** 

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## UNDERGRADUATE UPDATES: **SPRING 2025 IN REVIEW**

The brothers of the Alpha Mu chapter started the spring semester off strong by recruiting a class of 20 new members!

The executive board had the opportunity to attend Pi Kapp College for Chapter Officers in Dallas where the board had the opportunity to learn more about leadership and receive guidance in their positions.

Archon Robert Ritter also had the opportunity to spend some time with the CEO of the national organization, Jake Henderson.

As the chapter moved into February all eyes were set on THON. This year the chapter was



paired up with the lovely ladies of Alpha Delta Pi (A $\Delta\Pi$ ). We had three dancers, led by our Philanthropy Chairman Anthony Clinton. Our other dancers were THON chairs Andrew Brown and Nolan McCormack. During the kids' talent show, some of the brothers had the opportunity to go on stage with one of our Four Diamonds kids, Connor Rowan, who sang a song from the movie The Greatest Showman.

Thanks to generous donations from countless alums and family members, the brothers were able to raise over \$115,000 for THON this year! We raised over 50% more than our previous year's total. Including  $A\Delta\Pi$ , the two organizations raised almost \$195,000 and were in 11th place out of all Greek pairings. It was a phenomenal

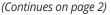


year for the Alpha Mu Chapter, and we are expecting to continue our growth as leaders on campus in THON.

In April we hosted War of the Roses with Delta Zeta sorority and the Best Buddies organization. This included a carnival with games and balloon animals, as well as a bake sale. All proceeds went to the Ability Experience, which is Pi Kappa Phi's national philanthropy (formally known as Push America).

Also in April, the chapter hosted Parent's Weekend with  $\Delta Z$  at 409 E. Fairmount. In total there were 600 guests in and out of the house over the weekend. Brothers had the opportunity to connect with some alums spanning multiple decades.

Prior to Parent's Weekend the brothers conducted a work week to prepare the house for guests. This included deep cleaning throughout the house as well as updated paint jobs around



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the basement. The chapter was lucky enough to receive some support from the alumni board to help cover the costs of paint and cleaning supplies.

The help of alum Jason Borelli has not gone unnoticed by the chapter, as he was integral in the planning and execution of Parent's Weekend. Overall, the undergrads of Pi Kappa Phi are very excited for the 2025–26 school year and now about eight years after rechartering are stronger than ever.

Alumni should feel free to e-mail any officer or stop by the house if they're in town if they have any questions or want to take a walk through the house!



If you're in the area, stop by the chapter house and check out our new pool table!

# MEET THE NEWLY ELECTED UNDERGRADUATE EXECUTIVE BOARD

This spring, the undergraduates announced the new executive board for the upcoming 2025–2026 school year. Congratulations to the following brothers, and we look forward to seeing all that you do for the fraternity.

### 2025-2026 Undergraduate Executive Board

### Archon

Jimmy Tallman jimmytallman55@gmail.com

### **Vice Archon**

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### **THANK YOU, BROTHERS**

### Dear Brothers,

I want to extend a thank you to the brotherhood for your great kindness shown to me and my family during this very difficult period in our lives.

As many of you know, I lost my wife of more than 46 years, Susan, on February 18, 2025.

Many brothers attended her viewing and burial, and many others have sent expressions of sorrow, support, and prayers to me in text messages, cards, and phone calls.

The support has meant so much to me and my family, and the meaning of brotherhood could never be more poignant to me. I love all of you and want to extend my thanks.

### Thank you, Stephen DiOrio '78

### ALUMNI VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

### Calling all Alpha Mu alumni!

We are looking for volunteers to serve on committees for capital projects, fundraising, and the board.

Nothing we do would be possible without our team of alumni volunteers, and that is why we need your help.

Please consider supporting the future of our brotherhood by joining any of our volunteer committees.

For more information, please contact Steve DiOrio '78 at stephendiorio78@gmail.com.

### WILDFIRE DEVASTATION: HELP OUR BROTHER REBUILD

### Dear Brothers,

Early this year, tragedy struck one of our Alpha Mu Brothers, **Jack Mullane '72**. On January 8, 2025, the Eaton, California fire destroyed Jack's home and entire neighborhood, and it barely left the foundations.

In the months since this tragedy, the Mullanes have raised 60% of their target amount on GoFundMe. Jack has insurance, but it will take years for all the people who lost their homes to rebuild. In the meantime, the necessities of life continue, and it continues to be extremely difficult for the homeowners who lost everything.

We have the opportunity to help in a big way by entering the website via the link shown below, or by scanning the QR code provided:

This was an incredible tragedy. We hope you will consider making a donation to help the Mullane family achieve their goal and begin to return to a more normal living situation.

Fraternally, Mike Trull '71



The foundations are all that remains after the California wildfires destroyed the Eaton home of **Jack Mullane '72**.



Jack Mullane's home before the wildfire devastation.



Above, left to right: Molly, Jack, and Jean Mullane.

# INTRODUCING THE NEW ALUMNI MEMBER PORTAL

Recently, we launched a member portal for all our alumni brothers. By logging in to the member portal, you can view your individual giving history, search for other members, and update your contact information.

All can be found at http://alphamupikap.org/member, along with instructions on how to log in.

# UNDERGRADUATE MEMBERSHIP REPORT

- Spring pledge class: 20 new members
  Undergraduates living in the house: 27
  - Number of actives on
    - campus this fall: 82

## **CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 2025!**

This spring, we are excited to congratulate 24 graduating seniors as they officially enter the alumni brotherhood! Many of our graduates shared with us their hometowns and e-mail addresses in case any alumni brothers would like to reach out, so please keep reading below to meet our newest alumni.

### **Congratulations to the following brothers:**

Aidan McCarthy – West Chester, PA aidan.mccarthy557@gmail.com

Andrew Brown – Erie, PA a.bman12002@gmail.com Plans after graduation: Actuarial consultant at EY in Boston, starting fall 2025.

Andrew Donahue – Elizabethtown, PA andrewdonahue1234@gmail.com Plans after graduation: Pursuing a master's in civil engineering at Penn State.

Anthony Clinton – Coopersburg, PA ajclinton03@gmail.com Plans after graduation: Starting as a computer engineer at AMD in California.

Austin King – West Chester, PA austinaking11@gmail.com

**Braden Kravitz** – Cinnaminson, NJ bradenkravitz6@gmail.com Plans after graduation: Internal audit analyst at JPMorgan Chase, pursuing L1 of CFA (November 2025) to expand career prospects in financial services.



Brian Wilke – Pittsburgh, PA brianwilke21@gmail.com Plans after graduation: Pursuing a master's in biotechnology at Penn State.

David Ares – Hillside, NJ david.ares37@gmail.com

Drew Borrelli djborelli01@gmail.com

**Evan Goldzweig** – Morganville, NJ egoldzweig1@gmail.com

Jack D'Onofrio jmddonofrio@icloud.com

Jake Stacey – Bryn Mawr, PA jakestace02@gmail.com

Jamys Solosky – Winchester, VA jsolosky735@gmail.com

**Drew Blodgett** – Wexford, PA uscblodgett21@gmail.com

#### Jayden Kim

Kevin Roney – Springfield, PA kwroney@yahoo.com Plans after graduation: Area manager at Amazon in West Chester, PA

#### **Liam Keppler**

Liam O'Donohue – Garden City, NY liamjodonohue@gmail.com

#### Luke Watson

Nate Kryzan – Lake Ariel, PA natekryzan@gmail.com

#### **Nolan McCormack**

Patrick Hyrb – Lancaster, PA weaverlarry709@gmail.com

**Robert Ritter** – State College, PA robertritter409@gmail.com Plans after graduation: Pursuing jobs in nuclear engineering, will be taking the GRE over the summer to open up grad school opportunities.



### *Chapter &ternal* P A Sad Goodbye to Our Brother



### DAVID A. VENSKO, '76

It is with great sadness that we share that Brother Dave Vensko '76 passed away on November 23, 2024. To read his full obituary as posted on Haky Funeral Home's website, keep reading below.

David A. Vensko, 70, of Uniontown passed on Saturday, November 23, 2024, at UPMC Presbyterian Hospital. Born June 18, 1954, in Uniontown to the late Andy and Helen (Malachin) Vensko, beloved wife of 48 years to Kathleen (Piwowar) Vensko.

He is survived by his sons David E. Vensko, Matthew Vensko and wife Kristin, and Andrew Vensko and wife Jessica and the joy of his life grandson Ellis Vensko; brother of Frank Vensko, Edward Vensko and wife Antoinette and numerous nieces and nephews; his mother-in-law Helen Piwowar, his sisters-in-law, Elizabeth and Margaret Vensko and his other in-laws, John (Myra) Piwowar, Sandie Costabile, Kathy Piwowar, Richard (Christy) Piwowar, Ted (Barb) Piwowar, Jim Piwowar, Chris (Patrice) Piwowar and Cindy (Mark) Koposko. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brothers, Steven, Andrew, John, Joseph and sisters-in-law, Sue, Irene and Anna Marie, his sisters; Theresa and Agnes and his other in-laws, Tim Piwowar, Dan Costabile, Chrissa Piwowar and Cathy Piwowar and several nieces and nephews.

He was a graduate of Laurel Highlands High School, had a bachelor's degree from Penn State University and a master's from California University of PA. Dave worked for 84 Lumber and Sensus. He loved to cook and homebrew and was devoted to God and his church, a member of St. John the Baptist Byzantine Church.

The family would like to thank Fr. Kyprian Wojciechowski and Fr. David Bosnich and the staff at UPMC Presbyterian Hospital for their compassion and support. In lieu of flowers, family suggests contributions to the Family House, 5308 Liberty Ave. Pittsburgh, PA 15224 in his memory. Your personal written tributes and memories are welcome and encouraged at www.hakyfuneralhome.com.