

Epsilon Enquirer



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Brothers and new members
in front of the Mansion on
Run the Row Day, February 8.

STRONGER TOGETHER A LETTER FROM THE CHAPTER PRESIDENT

Thank you all for yet another successful year! During the 2024-25 academic calendar, KA membership surged to more than 40 members for the first time since returning to campus. This was largely due to our spring 2025 class, which consisted of 11 brothers. Additionally, Epsilon Chapter continued to succeed academically, achieving a cumulative GPA of 3.64 this year and receiving yet another academic award from our National Office.

Epsilon brothers remained involved in the wider Greek community. I met with our IFC president, National, and Emory OSFL to make proposed changes that will further the Greek cause at Emory. We also have two brothers on IFC: **Daniel Nickas '26** (VP) and **Micah Wang '27** (treasurer), who have worked tirelessly to bring quality programming and support to the Row.

I would like to thank our alumni brothers for yet again supporting us both personally

and financially. Your investments in this chapter are the reason it continues to exist. I would also like to thank Mr. West for being our rock in tumultuous times, and Ida Hills for providing yet another year of exceptional meals here at the house. Finally, I would like to thank Emory and the Office of Sorority and Fraternity Life for their continued support.

None of this would be possible without you! We look forward to kicking off yet another successful year for Epsilon of KA this fall.

Faternally,
Charlie Ragona '26
Number 1



The brothers who earned the titles of most improved GPA and highest GPA enjoy a celebratory dinner at the end of the spring semester. From left: Michael Sorkin '25, Dominic Kassing '27, Charlie Ragona '26, Billy Martin '25, and Daniel Archondo '25.

Read All About It!

*KA Brothers Help Lead
Award-Winning
Student Newspaper*

The *Emory Wheel* was recently named the best all-around student newspaper in the country in the “small” university division, earning the 2024 national Corbin Gwaltney Award from the Society of Professional Journalists. The recognition was featured in an article by Michelle Ricker in the *Emory Report*.

Brothers **Jack Rutherford '26** and **Alex Gerson '27** are both members of the *Wheel's* staff. Jack's journey to student journalism began unexpectedly—he attended an interest meeting during his first semester and was immediately drawn to the photography section. What started as a casual involvement quickly became a passion. He now serves as managing editor and was recently honored with both regional and national awards for Best Breaking News Photography. “Hard work makes the dream happen,” Jack said. “I was a little bit behind the curve coming into it, but *The Wheel*—and especially the Wheeltern training program—helped me solve that.”

Making the Grade

CONGRATULATIONS, KAOEF SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Jack Rutherford '26 received the Mark Huntington Pruitt (Epsilon 1978) Kappa Alpha Order Educational Foundation Scholarship of \$2,975. He is a junior studying economics and political science. He serves as the Number IV for KA, in addition to being president of Emory Crew and managing editor at *The Emory Wheel*, the university's student newspaper. He most recently worked as a wildland firefighter for the U.S. Forest Service in the Bitterroot National Forest in Montana, having previously worked for his local parks service in Louisville, Kentucky, and for his grandfather as a crane rigger. He is also an avid attendee of the Atlanta Opera and Orchestra in his free time.



Daniel Nickas '26 received the Robert W Woodruff (Epsilon 1909) KAOEF Scholarship for \$1,000. He is a senior studying data science and economics and is engaged in AI research in the quantitative theory and methods department, investigating machine learning, language learning models, and the sustainability of AI. Beyond that, he is the vice president of Emory's Interfraternity Council and a dedicated member of Emory's club Ultimate Frisbee team.



Epsilon Chapter thanks the following brothers who contributed \$28,080 to KAOEF over the last year.

Timothy K. Adams Sr. '57

Clarence W. Warner Jr. '59

James L. Ferman Jr. '62

Harry Lange '62

Walter M. Deriso Jr. '65

John W. Stephenson Sr. '67

James M. Tallman, M.D. '68

Brooks Arnold '73

Leon H. Campbell '75

Matthew J. Jewell '84

James D. Carico '84

Jason R. Hubbard, M.D. '89

Andrew Childs West '90

Charlie E. Cloaninger III '92

Corey Neal '02

Thank You, Loyal Brothers

Thanks to your continued generosity, the 2024-25 Epsilon of KA Campaign has pledges totaling \$7,037 as of July 7, 2025. We thank these donors for their generosity and hope to see many more names before 2025 comes to a close!

Fred W. Snell Jr. '58

Timothy K. Adams Sr. '60

Robert S. Harkey '63

Richard P. Morthland '63

James L. Ferman Jr. '65

Frederick D. Jefferson '65

Robert L. O'Kelley Jr. '65

John C. Toole Jr. '65

Frederick L. Neely Jr. '66

James B. Thompson '66

David R. Barber '67

James M. Tallman, M.D. '69

Walter H. Beckham III '70

William H. Lumpkin III '70

F. Brooks Arnold '75

A. Stuart Campbell '75

Joseph J. Burch '76

L. Hunt Campbell '76

Charles K. Williamson, M.D. '76

James D. Carico '87

Kevin P. Platt '87

Fortson B. Turner '87

Peter W. Latara '89

Johnny Lee '92

Andrew C. West '93

James H. McFaddin III '00

Peter W. Delaune '05

Corey Neal '05

Tomas P. Reilly '14



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Bringing New Life to Familiar Spaces

Thanks to ongoing support from Emory Campus Services and generous contributions to the KA Building Fund, several important upgrades were made to the KA house this summer, just in time for the new school year. The back patio received a much-needed refresh, with the entire area pressure-washed and professionally cleaned. The result is a brighter, more welcoming space for brothers to gather, study, or relax outdoors.

In addition, KA is slated (pun intended) to receive a new roof this summer. Projects like these play a critical role in preserving the chapter house and ensuring it remains a safe, comfortable, and functional home for future generations of brothers. We're grateful to our alumni for the support that helps make this ongoing upkeep possible.

Cannon Restoration

The current Epsilon of KA cannon, originally built in 1989 by **Kevin King '88** and **Neal Gasaway '89** after the theft of the original, has long been a symbolic piece of chapter history. While it is no longer operable due to insurance regulations, the cannon once fired blanks to mark each new member's acceptance into the chapter and now resides proudly in the chapter room.

Last winter, **Jack Rutherford '26** noticed the cannon was in rough shape. Over Christmas break, he brought it home to Louisville, Kentucky, where he and his

grandfather, Don Fust, dedicated over 20 hours to its full restoration. Their meticulous work included stripping and sanding layers of old paint from the wheels, reinforcing structural elements, repainting, and replacing worn components. They also wire-brushed and repainted the barrel in stovepipe black and added lag-bolted plates to discourage tampering. Their craftsmanship ensured the cannon can continue to represent KA tradition for years to come.

KA Building Fund Upgrades

In addition to the cannon restoration, Jack and **Pierce Malloy '27** refinished the bar in the Tom Parrott Memorial Pit (basement), breathing new life into one of the house's most well-loved spaces. These projects—and the pride behind them—were made possible thanks to \$1,738 in donations from alumni, parents, and friends to the KA Building Fund over the past year.

Our sincere thanks go to all who contribute to preserving and improving the KA house. Your support continues to make a lasting impact.

Sincerely,
Eric Hines
Facilities Coordinator
Housing Operations | Emory University



Hats off to Jack Rutherford '26 and his grandfather, Don Fust, for the time and effort they put forth to preserve this important piece of Epsilon's heritage.



Endowed Leadership Award Update

The Anton "Tony" Dworak '90C Kappa Alpha Order Endowed Leadership Award, maintained by Emory University, has a balance of \$73,554 in the corpus account and \$1,699 in the disbursement account as of June 24. Expenses over the past year included \$3,092 to assist five brothers with their national dues and risk management fees.

Epsilon wishes to thank the following brothers, relatives, and friends who contributed \$16,741 over the past year.

Ham Smith '57C P'91
Dr. Bill Stiefel Jr. '60C '63D
Gene Beckham '79C
Bill Fox '86Ox '89C
David Carico '87C
Matt Jewell '88C '91L
Jocelyn Gasaway '89O
Joel Osterloh '89C
Mcgraw Lee '89Ox '91C
Dr. Phil Manley Jr. '89Ox '91C '95M
David Kennedy '91C P'26
Jeff Golub '91C P'21
Randy Grayson '91C
Larry Dry, III '91C
Daniel Feld '91C
Art Patten '91C
Dan Rogers '91B
Krister Holladay '90C
Gus Mujica-Nazario '90B
Cindy Murphy '90B

Dr. John McCrosson '90C
Evan McCaig '90Ox '92B
Dave DeLozier '90Ox '92C '96PH
Shell Rutledge '90C
Thomas Toombs '90C
Scott Wright '90C
Andrea Rifkind '90C
Katy Conway '91Ox
Robbie Lee '92Ox '94C
Malcolm Bruni '92C
Eric Edwardson '92C
Jeffrey Peebles '92C '97B
Rodes Cole '91Ox '93C
Charlie Edward Cloaninger III '91Ox '93C
Brian Anderson '93C
Bill Buntin III '93C '96A
Andrew West '93C
Emily Edmonds '94C
Dr. Caryn Etkin '94C P'26
Rob Schwarzmenn '94B

Jonathan Swartz '94B
Philip Byrum '95C
Jas Hayes '95C
Eric Lockridge '95C
Will Rountree '95C
Blake Watermeier '95B
Christian Daigle '96B
William Brittain '96C
Blake Durham '11B '20B
Jacob Durst '17B
Anonymous
Josh Carter
Jeanne Dworak
Katie Edmonds
Emily Hubbard
Elizabeth Jones
Andrew Van Duyn
Gretchen Van Duyn P'26

KAPPA ALPHA BUILDING FUND

The Kappa Alpha Building Fund, maintained by Emory University, has a balance of \$114,753 as of June 14. Expenses over the past year included \$529 for tools and supplies for the brothers to refinish the Parrott Pit Bar and \$1,500 to purchase 16 new dining room chairs, which the undergraduates assembled themselves to save money.

Epsilon Chapter thanks the following brothers, relatives, and friends who contributed \$1,783 to the fund over the past year!

Ray Davis Jr. '56C '58D
James Tallman '67Ox '69C '79FM
David Barber '67C
Tom Senter III '71C

Donna Miller '71Ox
Steve Kitchen '73Ox '75C P'19
Harry Lange Jr. '63C
Dale Herndon Jr. '87B
Peter Latara '89C P'28
Evan McCaig '90Ox '92B
Keith Royston '90Ox '92B
Cindy Murphy '90B
Gus Mujica-Nazario '90B
Dave DeLozier '90Ox
Scott Wright '90C
Luis Martinez-Monfort '92Ox '94C
Robbie Lee '92Ox '94C
Jason Semple '92C
Jeffrey Peebles '92C '97B
Brian Anderson '93C
Eric Main '93C
Andrew West '93C
Emily Edmonds '94C
Chris Mann '94C
Jonathan Swartz '94B
Rob Schwarzmenn '94B
Scott Luba '95C '98PH P'26
Will Rountree '95C
Jas Hayes '95C

Philip Byrum '95C
Andy Hodor '95B
Christian Daigle '96B
Bill Buntin III '93C '96A
Trent Carlee '99C
Elise Blalock '04C
Pete Delaune '05C
Erik Hoffman '05Ox '08C
Bryan Henderson '06C '17B
Nathan Blessing '08C
Randy Daly Jr. '10B '18B
Blake Durham '11B '20B
Jacob Durst '17B
Brian Goldman '25C
Nicholas Huang '27C
Pierce Malloy '27C
Gonzalo Archondo-Ca
Jeff Berry
Carlie Edmonds
Katie Edmonds
Denise Ferrier
Colonel Gilb
Emily Hubbard
Gretchen Van Duyn P'26

Kappa Alpha Gifts Update

Kappa Alpha Gifts, maintained by Emory University, has a balance of \$9,808 as of June 24. Expenses over the past year included \$991.50 for fall recruitment t-shirts, \$1,127 for Homecoming brunch, \$1,131 for spring recruitment t-shirts, \$36.70 for new pool cues, and \$2,261 for a recruitment event at American Axes.

Epsilon thanks the following brothers, relatives, and friends who contributed \$5,037 over the past year. Additionally, Emory University contributed \$3,500 in prize money for our high level of participation during Annual Giving Week.

Jim Hudson Jr. '64Ox '66C
John Toole Jr. '65C '69M '74
FM P'03 P'98
David Barber '67C
Donald Brunson '68B
Richard White Jr. '72C
Joel Silverfield '73C
'76M '79 P'03
Charles Weldon '77Ox
James Tallman '67Ox
'69C '79FM
Kevin Platt '85Ox
'87C P'22
David Carico '87C
Dale Herndon Jr. '87B
Mike Gavin '88C
Jocelyn Gasaway '89O
Peter Latara '89C P'28
Nick Noecker '89B
Gus Mujica-Nazario '90B
Cindy Murphy '90B
Evan McCaig '90Ox '92B
John McCrosson '90C
Scott Wright '90C
Dave DeLozier '90Ox
'92C '96PH
Charlie Edward Cloaninger III
'91Ox '93C
Daniel Feld '91C
Robbie Lee '92Ox '94C
Luis Martinez-Monfort
'92Ox '94C
Malcolm Bruni '92C
Thomas Dobbs III '92C
Brian Anderson '93C
Bill Buntin '93C '96A
Anew West '93C
Sidney and Dan West P'93
Emily Edmonds '94C

Rob Schwarzmann '94B
Jonathan Swartz '94B
Philip Byrum '95C
Jas Hayes '95C
Andy Hodor '95B
Eric Lockridge '95C
Scott Luba '95C
'98PH P'26
Will Rountree '95C
Anew Shikiar '95C
Christian Daigle '96B
Rick Fisher '96Ox '98C
Steven Wood '97Ox '00C
Leah Maurer '98C
James McFaddin III '00C
Blake Durham '11B '20B
David Opp '11C
Robert Finger '13Ox
Tomas Reilly '14C
Charlie Lederberg '20B
Harrison Luba '26C
Michael Nickas P'26
Chris Ragona P'26
Charlie Ragona '26C
Joe Van Duyn '26C '26C
John Van Duyn III P'26
Gretchen Van Duyn P'26
Jack Rutherford '27C
Micah Wang '27C
Corinne Caughman
Brittany Chenicek
Denise Ferrier
Darcy Good
Bud Greene
Jocelyn Gasaway
Lacey Malloy
Isabella Ragona
Matt Van Duyn

Chapter Eternal

Frank C. Tindall Jr. '52

October 22, 2023

Born in Buckhead, Frank attended Emory Law before serving as a Judge Advocate in the U.S. Air Force. He worked as a stockbroker and later for the FDIC. An avid golfer and conversationalist, he adored traveling with his companion, JoAnn Smith. He is survived by children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and nephews.



John H. Goff Jr. '54

August 13, 2024

John passed away peacefully at home in Homewood, Ala., from leukemia, surrounded by his children. Born in Montgomery and raised in Auburn and Atlanta, he excelled academically and athletically before earning multiple degrees from Emory, including an MBA. He served as a U.S. Navy lieutenant aboard the *USS Forrestal*, then retired from AmSouth as a trust executive. He cherished global travel with his wife, Beverly, and leaves behind two children and four grandchildren.



Dr. W. Lanier Pearce '58

April 8, 2023

Dr. Pearce, of Jacksonville, Fla., passed away after a distinguished career in cardiology. Born in Bartow, he graduated from Emory School of Medicine in 1962 and completed residencies in Jacksonville and Boston. Dr. Pearce served as a physician and U.S. Army captain before practicing privately at St. Vincent's Riverside, where he became chief of staff. A dedicated Florida Gators fan and pianist, he loved global travel and cherished time with his wife, Diane; three children; and seven grandchildren.



Dr. Jerome W. Lynn Jr. '59

January 13, 2024

Jerome was born on November 24, 1937, in Atlanta. He passed away peacefully at home, surrounded by loved ones. A lifelong Atlantan, he earned his dental degree and devoted his career to serving the community. Jerry was cherished for his warmth, wisdom, and generous spirit. He is survived by his wife, Nancy; children, Worth and Barbara; as well as grandchildren and a wide circle of friends.



ALUMNI UPDATES



Brothers gather at David Delozier's property in Brevard, NC. From left: John Marratt '90Ox '93C, Johnny Lee '90Ox '92C, Graham Carroll '90Ox '92C, Dave Delozier '90Ox '92C '96PH, Will Rountree '95C, Rob Schwarzman '94B, Andrew West '93C, and Neal Gasaway '89Ox '91C.



For the second year in a row, a group of brothers gather in Colorado for a ski trip. Front row: Bill Buntin '93C '96A, JJ Gorsuch '95C, Jeff Golub '91C P21, David Walters '91C, and Scott Wright '90C. Back row: David Kennedy '91C P26, John McCrosson '90C, Patrick Conley '90C, Andrew West '93C, and Dan Feld '91C. Not pictured: Evan McCaig '90Ox '92B.



A group that lives in the Northeast gathers for a mini reunion of "Epsilon North" brothers. From left: Kern Maass '97C, Ed Cahill '94C, Tom Cadwalader '94C, and Ed Cloaninger '91Ox '93C.



Brothers and their families enjoy Homecoming festivities with KA in 2024.



From left: Dick Morthland '63B, Robert Young '60Ox, and Harry Lange '63C.



Dr. Charles "Chad" Muntan '93C is a part of the only level II Trauma Center team in St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana.



Clark Adkerson '98B (left) at his ranch in Montana after a successful hunt with his friend Robert James Ritchie (aka Kid Rock).



Gone fishing! From left: Chad Muntan '93C, Chris Mann '94C, John Marratt '90Ox '92C, Joe Zopolsky '96C, Andrew West '93C, Greg Scarpelli '96C, Bill Hendricks '96C, and Jonathan Swartz '94C. Not pictured: Evans Brittain '95C.



Dr. George "Trey" Lee III '92C is inducted into the Hardeman Province Court of Honor on May 31 at the Idle Hour Country Club in Macon. Seated, from left: Trey and Tim Adams '57. Standing: Andrew West '93C and David Carico '84.



From left: Johnny Lee '90Ox '92C, Trey Lee '92C, Andrew West '93C, Will Rountree '94C, David Delozier '90Ox '92C '96PH, Keith Royston '90Ox '92B, John Marratt '90Ox '92C, and Kevin Horton '90Ox '92C.



From left: Andrew West '93C, Graham Carroll '90Ox '92C, and Russ Thaler '95C at Twain's Brewpub & Billiards in Decatur.

YOUR EPSILON OF KA SPRING RECAP IS HERE!

See photos and updates from your alumni and collegiate brothers inside, then be sure to mark your calendars for our upcoming events.



Epsilon Chapter officers gather for their annual training. From left: Matthew Malloy '27, Julian Miranda '26, Jack Rutherford '26, Jerry Xing '26, Charlie Ragona '26, Max Roberts '26, Chris Clara '27, and Daniel Nickas '26.



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Upcoming Alumni Events • *Mark Your Calendars!*

The brothers of Epsilon of KA are excited to welcome alumni, families, and friends back to campus for a series of events this fall. Whether you're reconnecting with fellow alumni, meeting the active chapter, or reliving your KA memories on Eagle Row, we hope to see you at one—or all—of the following events:

ALUMNI DINNERS

To strengthen alumni relations and build connections between undergraduates and alumni, we are launching a new tradition: alumni dinners each semester. Join us this fall for great food, conversation, and an opportunity to see the KA house and meet the current chapter.



Wednesday, September 10, at 7 p.m.
Outdoor cookout

Wednesday, November 12, at 7 p.m.
Indoor dinner

Both events will take place at the KA Mansion at 14 Eagle Row on the Emory campus. Additional details will be shared in mid-August, but please go ahead and save the dates!

HOMECOMING AND FAMILY WEEKEND OPEN HOUSE

Emory Homecoming and Family Weekend runs **October 23-26, 2025**, and KA will once again host a special open house and brunch at the chapter house. All alumni, actives, parents, and guests are invited to drop by for food, music, and memories. We'll take a group photo on the front porch just before the parade begins, then cheer on the parade from our traditional spot along Eagle Row. It's a great time to reconnect with the chapter and celebrate what it means to be part of the KA brotherhood at Emory. Learn more at together.emory.edu/homecoming.

Fraternally,
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