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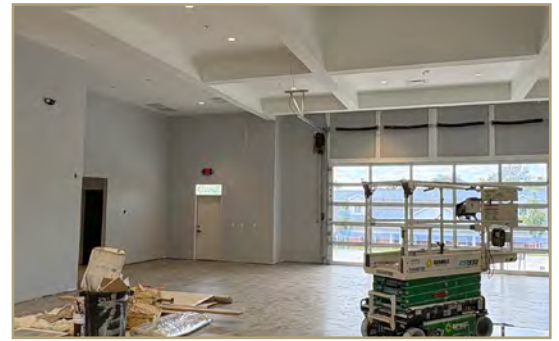
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Dear Brothers and Friends of Alpha Xi,

September 2025 marked an exciting milestone for Alpha Xi as construction officially began on the PIKE Pavilion Expansion Project. What began as a vision to transform Nester House into a vibrant, modern home for Alpha Xi is now becoming a reality, with completion expected in early 2027. Since groundbreaking, the project has received the combined commitment and dedication of the Project Leadership Team, CE&CF, UCPHC, SHA, JIC and loyal alumni.

One major accomplishment of the past year has been the progress made in bringing the PIKE Pavilion vision to life. Under the leadership of Peter Stuhldreier and his firm, Designhaus Architecture, the vision for the future of Alpha Xi developed into a thoughtful and inspiring design. Mark Stuhldreier provided critical leadership throughout the construction phase, bringing his expertise, coordination, and commitment that have been instrumental in the project's success. The pavilion includes two new buildings, Dever Hall the new APART, with new and renovated spaces designed to enhance the Alpha Xi experience. An exciting bonus to the original plan is the renovation of the lower level of Nester House to include a commercial kitchen and dining area. A space to enjoy meals, fellowship and other chapter activities.

Behind this progress has been the business and financial leadership of Bud Banks and Alex Glutz. Working closely with the CE&CF Investment Committee, UCPHC, and Matt Yung and his team at Johnson Investments, they have carefully managed the financial requirements and resources for the project.

Perhaps the highlight of the past year has been the response from alumni and a few special friends. Fundraising Chair Nick Orphan and his committee have been hard at work resulting in the commitment of more than \$3.6 million in pledges. This extraordinary support demonstrates the strength of our brotherhood and our shared belief in the future of Alpha Xi. The fundraising effort continues, asking alumni to participate with contributions and other forms of support. Every gift helps create a lasting investment in the future of Alpha Xi.

The PIKE Pavilion is much more than an expansion project. It is an investment in the future generations of Nester House's brothers who will live, learn, grow, lead, and build Lifetime Friendships.

If you have not done so, please consider what Alpha Xi means to you and step forward with your support!

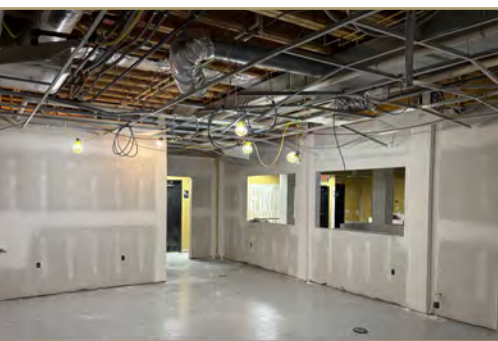
Sincerely,

Kent D. Allen, Vice President / Project Leadership Team Chairman

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Financial Report

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, contributions to the College Educational and Charitable Foundation were \$622, 621. That total includes pledge payments to the PIKE Pavilion Expansion Project of \$549,559 and our Endowed Legacy, Scholarship and General Funds received contributions of \$73,062. Our portfolio realized a 10.8% growth in value.

We invite you to review the Honor Roll of Donors on page 4 of this report.

Funds Update

This fiscal year we added the James C. Sparrow Endowed Scholarship Fund (ESF) and the David J. Franecki Endowed Leadership Fund. We now have a total of 28 endowed funds. Our funds are managed collectively and are accounted for individually. All CE&CF funds are co-mingled with the General Fund but accounted for separately. We continue to provide additional support from the General Fund for our annual scholarship and leadership awards.

Activities

CE&CF continues to sponsor the annual Christmas Scholarship Luncheon and annual Founders' Day Banquet. Kenwood Country Club was again the venue for both events. At the Founders' Day Banquet, CE&CF presented 37 awards that included five Pike Foundation awards. Our annual "UC Bearcat" scholarship was awarded in September, and the grand total of the 2025-2026 awards was \$62,000!

Active Chapter

In June, Alpha Xi received a year-long GPA of 3.49 which confirms a sustained commitment to academic excellence. This year 23 brothers graduated, and their active roster sits at 140. At the August 2026 International Convention in Las Vegas, Alpha Xi received their 16th consecutive Robert A. Smythe Award plus the Raymond L. Orians Excellence Award; Scholarship Plate; 100% Phi Phi K A Club Award; and 25 Man Commitment.

Executive Administration

We continue our partnership with Association Connection, who provide administrative assistance, organization of records and project marketing. If you need information about the ucpikes.org website or have other questions, please do not hesitate to contact Sandy Hatmaker. She is available by email at info@ucpikes.org or by phone (513) 554-3077.

Photos courtesy of Brandon Thacker, Alpha Xi Class of 2025

Five photos above, from left:

Rear view of Nester House with the new Dever Hall addition to the left.

Interior of the Dever Hall multipurpose event center, featuring a 16-foot glass door that opens to a patio.

New kitchen and dining room on the lower level of Nester House.

Front view of the new APART, a two-story apartment building on Digby Street.

Rear view of the new APART, with parking for 24 vehicles and a basketball half-court.

2025-2026 Donor Honor Roll

Diamond Society – \$25,000 and above

Gary Adams, 1964 ♦ William Banks, 1968 ♦ William Giesler, 1968 ♦ Ryan Halvorsen, 1991
♦ Gary Menchhofer, 1965 ♦ Nicholas Orphan, 1965 ♦ Gary Pies, 1959 ♦ Jane Van Fossen

Garnet & Gold Society – \$10,000 - \$24,999

William Baker, 1969 ♦ Thomas Blair, 1956 ♦ Patrick Carr, 2004 ♦ Stephen Crone, 1981
♦ Douglas Cushman, 2005 ♦ John Deatruck, 1964 ♦ DeVol Family Trust ♦ Russell Felter, 1979
♦ David Franecki, 1969 ♦ Alex Glutz, 2006 ♦ Andrew Grant, 1962 ♦ Donald Jacob, 1959
♦ David Krutsch, 1966 ♦ James Radley, 2005 ♦ Stephen Simendinger, 2006

Alpha Xi Legends Society – \$5,000 - \$9,999

Kent Allen, 1981 ♦ Adam Brady, 1994 ♦ Joseph Burnett, 1962 ♦ Richard Fenstermacher, 1959
♦ Patrick Lynch, 1988 ♦ Michael Marker, 1964 ♦ Matthew Yung, 2004

3400 Brookline Society – \$2,000 - \$4,999

Steven Armsey, 1967 ♦ The Cleeter Family ♦ Terry Cox, 1968 ♦ Thomas Cuni, 1967
♦ James Eckels, 1988 ♦ Kenneth Klein, 1966 ♦ Andrew Krause, 1996 ♦ James Lied, 1963 ♦ Jan Rife, 1959
♦ R. Wayne Stratton, 1967

Crest Society – \$1,000 - \$1,999

Bradford Chamblin, 2014 ♦ John Effmann, 1968 ♦ Robert Fortman, 1989 ♦ Rishi Gabbita, 2021
♦ Eric Haines, 2006 ♦ William Hausfeld, 1986 ♦ Ethan Houser, 2021 ♦ Linda Hubbuch
♦ Jeffery Janosick, 1995 ♦ Stephen Jones, 1998 ♦ Brian Kapcar, 2010 ♦ Mark Knapke, 2004
♦ John Langdon, 1966 ♦ John Mang, 1984 ♦ Richard Paxton, 1970 ♦ Thomas Russell, 1960
♦ Daniel Schroyer, 2007 ♦ Bradley Sierer, 2002 ♦ Harry Sparks, 1959 ♦ Cedric W. Vogel ♦ Gay Volz
♦ Roger Weller, 1961 ♦ Charles Woodward, 1962 ♦ John Wright, 1962

Founders Society – \$500 - \$999

Robert Dorsey, 1952 ♦ Robert Felts, 1960 ♦ William Hoeb, 1960 ♦ Joseph Kemper, 2018
♦ Richard Musto, 1967 ♦ Edward Riedinger, 1962 ♦ Bethany & Jay Sanders ♦ Christopher Sibila, 1988
♦ Barry Wanninger, 1977

Junior Founders Society – \$250 - \$499

Joseph Auberger, 2019 ♦ Martin Arredondo, 2022 ♦ Baylor Boehnlein, 2020 ♦ Gunnar Brauning, 2019
♦ Jarad Diponio, 2019 ♦ Jack Eddingfield, 2018 ♦ Chase Kendall, 2018 ♦ John (Dave) Lehman, 1966
♦ Wiley Lyons, 2020 ♦ Matthew Mohn, 2019 ♦ Andrew Oeters, 2020 ♦ Carmen Pescatrice, 2008
♦ Michael Ryan, 1958 ♦ Leo Smith, 2021 ♦ Mason Talarozzyk, 2021 ♦ Garry Thompson, 1967
♦ William Varga, 1983 ♦ Christian Wall, 2019 ♦ Jack Walsh, 2019 ♦ John (Trey) Waltz, 2019
♦ Andrew Weir, 2021

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William Bayuk, 1969 ♦ Karen Byrne ♦ Richard Clasby, 1981 ♦ Christopher Dalambakis, 2017
♦ Adam Deuber ♦ Jerome Doerger, 2011 ♦ Karen Egizio ♦ Wayne Gilsdorf, 1954 ♦ John Hampton, 1955
♦ David & Deborah Horn ♦ Jackson Howe, 2020 ♦ Michael Huber, 2013 ♦ Charles Jones, 1950
♦ Jack Kennamer, 1980 ♦ David Kramer ♦ Gerald Lang, 1956 ♦ Joseph Lawson, 1951 ♦ David Lee, 1960
♦ William Lewin ♦ Charles Lipps ♦ Kathryn Merchant ♦ Lyle Newkirk, 1971 ♦ Scott Porter, 1981
♦ Bryan Setz, 2007 ♦ Frank Stanhope, 1967 ♦ Phillip Stebbins, 1951 ♦ Peter Torgersen ♦ Martin Tracy
♦ Edmund Weber, 1961

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