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THE BILLIKEN BADGE

MAY 2020

INSPIRATION

How lucky I am to have something that makes saying goodbye so hard.

Winnie the Pooh

It's Not Goodbye!

Two months of remote learning. Eight weeks of not seeing our people in person. Fifty-six days of uncharted territory for all of us. Unlimited ways we should be proud of the resilience we have displayed in a time of fear and an unknown future. The creativity shown to continue to maintain meaningful connection and achieve goals for the term has been nothing short of impressive. Thank you for your leadership and flexibility.

Specifically to all of our graduating seniors, we appreciate you! The end of your last semester has not been what you had hoped for since spring break. We can not replace those lost experiences, but we can share our love and gratitude for all you have given during your time as a collegiate member of your organization and the community at large. We hope you take this time to reflect on your time at SLU and remember your fraternity/sorority life experience fondly. Congratulations for achieving this milestone and well wishes as you venture on to your next adventure, whether this be graduate school or transitioning into the workforce.

"Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened." - Dr. Seuss

Once a Billiken, Always a Billiken!

#OneSLU
Recruitment registration is LIVE! Direct links can be found on the SLU web page, council social media pages and below. Please encourage potential new members to register prior to September 1st. Remember to promote joining the Fraternity/Sorority Life community as a whole, as it's not about the chapter they accept a bid from, but the community they are helping to build!

Recruitment Registration Live
May 1st
- Last Day of Classes
May 4th
- Spring Term Finals
May 6th - 12th

Circle of Sisterhood is a non-profit organization that partners with Panhellenic communities to raise money and awareness for women’s education. For many girls around the world, education is limited, even though it can be the answer to many of the world's issues, such as poverty and oppression. So far in SLU’s Panhellenic community, the book “Half the Sky,” which inspired the founding of Circle of Sisterhood, was selected for the Panhellenic book club. A committee has also been formed which includes an ambassador from each chapter, but anyone who is interested in the organization is also welcome to join as well. The committee has already started planning Circle of Sisterhood's fall philanthropy week which will be November 2nd-6th. See the links below for more information about this new addition to sorority life at SLU!

Interested in joining Circle of Sisterhood as a general body member? Complete this interest form. Follow us on social media!

University Counseling Center
2nd Floor Wuller Hall
(314)-977-2323
- Title IX
DuBourg Rm. 36
anna.kratky@slu.edu
(314)-977-3886
- Academic Success Center
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Given recent events related to the COVID-19 pandemic, Greek Week was postponed from its original dates in March. Being limited to virtual activities, the Greek Week Committee planned an online Greek Day of Challenges for April 24th.

Teams continued to compete together in a series of social media and fundraising competitions, as well as virtual games.

This year's philanthropic partner was the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI). Donations were collected via the Greek Week SLU Marketplace in various ways.

Between t-shirt sales, raffle tickets purchased and donations, the Greek Life Day of Challenges raised over $1,800 for the National Alliance on Mental Illness.

Thank you to all that participated!
Congratulations on graduating! We are so proud of every single one of you and wish we could celebrate you all together. Your hard work and dedication over the years have not gone unnoticed, and we have enjoyed watching you grow into the strong women of character that you are today. Thank you for being such inspiring role models for all of us, we can’t wait to see all that you’ll accomplish in the future! From Moonball, to recruitment, to sisterhood retreats, we will forever cherish the memories we have made with you. We are so grateful that Gamma Phi Beta has brought us together - each of you has changed us and our chapter for the better. We are so sad to see you leave, but please always remember that our bond through Gamma Phi is forever true and constant. We love you all to the moon and back <3

Thank you so much for everything you have done to make the Eta Omega chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta at SLU the amazing chapter that it is today. We are so sorry your last semester got cut short, but we are very grateful for all of the fun memories we have made together throughout the years! We are so excited to see all the awesome things you will accomplish in the future. You all truly embody what it means to be leading women! We will miss you! TLAM

 Amidst the COVID-19 Pandemic, Saint Louis University transitioned the annual Leadership & Service Awards from an in-person celebration to a virtual recognition program on social media during April and May. We are so proud to see so many familiar faces being recognized for their efforts both within and outside the Fraternity/Sorority Life community.

**Fr. Mario Ross Leadership and Service Award**
Suzy Kickham, Delta Gamma

**Unsung Hero Award**
Benjamin Rael, Alpha Delta Gamma

**Social Action Award**
Evie Cora, Alpha Delta Pi

**Fraternity Man of the Year**
Andrew Houston, Alpha Delta Gamma

**Sorority Woman of the Year**
Maddie Fagan, Zeta Tau Alpha

**Outstanding Co-Sponsored Program**
Mental Wellness Week, Fraternity/Sorority Life & Campus Rec & Wellness
Senior Sendoff

The global pandemic that's upon us has turned our lives upside down. Most of us have never experienced anything like this. What you should know is that you have a special place in our hearts. We are all experiencing this loss of fun and tradition with you. Going forward, we will look to you as the class that faced distinctive challenges as you entered the adult world. You will be a new wave of thinkers that approaches challenges differently than those before you. You will be pillars of your communities, leaders in your trades and professions. You will be making your mark on this world as a Kappa Delta who lives our values of Sisterhood, Truth, and Leadership. If there’s any group that can get through this, it is your group. There is no pandemic strong enough to silence you or dent the passion of your generation. This year may not be what you envisioned, but we are eager to see what you will do with it. We are so proud of you! We may face trials and problems, but we will meet them honestly and courageously; we will face the world with brave hearts together — Kappa Delta forever.

Kappa Delta

Each and every one of you has brought something special to our chapter—laughs, smiles, leadership, many hugs, and, of course, lots of love. To say goodbye to such a wonderful group of Phi Mu women will no doubt leave a hole in our hearts as you all take on whatever is next for you. Graduate school, a “big-girl” job, moving to a new city; whatever it is, we all know you will thrive as the incredible women you are! Find strength in our sisterhood as you move on to these life-changing journeys, and remember, you will always have a home in Phi Mu. LIOB,

Phi Mu

Congratulations, graduates! While your final year as a ZTA collegian did not end as you may have expected, the impact that you have made and left on our chapter is one of a kind. Your pledge class was small but mighty, and kept our chapter smiling, laughing, and feeling loved. No matter if you served on EC or PC, were part of a committee, or a rock star recruiter—each and every one of you made a difference in our chapter. Your presence, leadership, and wonderful personalities will be so greatly missed. We will hold onto all of the memories we have made with you, from Bid Days and recruitment, our Eckert’s Sisterhoods, to Glitter and Glow-- they are memories to last a lifetime. Each and every one of you have such bright futures, and we cannot wait to see what your post-grad life has in store. We hope that you remember that Zeta is Forever, and make new connections with sisters in your local alumnae chapters. Thank you for all that you have contributed to Kappa Omega, and for teaching us all that Love is truly the greatest of all things. ZL

Zeta Tau Alpha
SENIOR SENDOFF

We cannot thank you enough for the impact that you have had on this fraternity and on us as individuals. Over the course of these past few years, you have left your mark on this fraternity. You have truly transformed what this brotherhood is and what it stands for. We always say that this fraternity transforms ordinary men into extraordinary men, and now in these uncertain times we have seen this validated. Your leadership, compassion, and dedication for helping your brothers will never be forgotten. We are so excited for the next chapter of your lives and we wish you the best of luck in all your future endeavors! You always have a City Walled here at SLU and we look forward to the days when we will see you again! Ad Dei Gloriam

The class of 2020 has made a remarkable impact on our chapter through their four years. From winning intramural championships to further developing our philanthropy, their list of accomplishments goes on and on. They are some of the most loyal, hard-working, and fun people to be around - they really are a special group. Beta will truly miss having each and every one of them around next year, but we are incredibly proud of them all and excited for what their futures hold.

Forever in Δξιον

The graduating class of 2020 played an important role in bringing the Sigma Chi chapter back on SLU’s campus. With a majority of the 11 seniors being members of the colony, they witnessed the re-installation of the Theta Iota chapter and its development over the course of their undergraduate years. Taking leadership roles within the organization, they helped shape the image of Sigma Chi into what it has become today. They helped pave the path for future success within the chapter that continues to grow today. We are saddened by the fact that the seniors were not able to be together in person for the end of their last semester, but they have managed to stay in touch with each other virtually. All of them are prepared for great success after their graduation and plan to continue their involvement with our chapter as alumni. Thank you seniors for all you have done for Sigma Chi!
Seniors, we hope y'all enjoyed your four years as a Phi. I think you have meant a great deal not only to our chapter but to all of the younger guys who look up to ya'll. Sorry your time was cut short by unfortunate circumstances. We wish you the best and hope you visit often.

Thank you for four years of dedication to our fraternity. Thank you for four years of brotherhood, of service, of laughs, and of friendship. The impact that you have had on Sigma Tau Gamma is greater than we'd ever be able to repay. We're sorry that your final semester as a senior was canceled so abruptly, but hope that you will all come back during the semesters to come to visit us.

Class of 2020! It has been a privilege to see you all grow into the men you have become. Each one of you have a very big future ahead of you and the Epsilon-Alpha Chapter of Tau Kappa Epsilon is proud to call each one of you a member. You guys have seen a change in the chapter over the past few years, and with your guidance and wisdom, we intend to make TKE even better. We are very thankful for your dedication to the chapter, and to all of the accomplishments you helped us achieve over the past few years.

We will be back for a special Summer Edition of The Billiken Badge in July! The Special Summer Edition will be focused on Recruitment and Welcoming the FSL community back for another semester together. If you are interested in submitting a feature for the Summer Edition please email your idea to slu.fsl.marcomm@gmail.com.