

## The Kappa Psi Times

Epsilon Psi Chapter

Aloha Brothers,



Epsilon Class Brothers at the Zeta Class Initiation

In January, we were proud to initiate a number of new and strong helping hands into our chapter, the Zeta Class and Dr.
Connelly as our new faculty advisor. The dedication put forth by not only our new Brothers, but also the Pledge
Leaders has allowed for a successful addition to our strong and growing brotherhood.



Delta Class Brothers at the Zeta Class Initiation



Brother of the Month of January:

**Jeffrey Tang** 



P4 Brothers from Epsilon Psi Chapter at the Zeta Class Initiation

We are now half-way through the Spring semester and are approaching a very exciting time for our chapter. The Epsilon Psi Chapter will be hosting our first Pacific West Province Spring Conclave from March 3rd to the 5th at the Ala Moana Hotel in Honolulu, Oahu. A great amount of work has been done by the whole chapter to get us to this point, especially by Province

Planning Committee Chair Jeffrey Tang. We are greatly looking forward to the Hawaii Grad Chartering Ceremony which will take place on Friday, and are excited to provide all our Brothers with a warm welcome and a memorable weekend.

Since the beginning of this semester, our chapter has not only been putting in work organizing Province, but also within the community. Community Service Co-Chairs Gurinder Kaur and Carrie Yeung organized whale watching events in January and February. The goal of the Sanctuary Ocean Count was to assist the Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary in monitoring endangered North Pacific humpback whales in an effort to protect them and their environment. For March, Brothers Kaur and Yeung have also planned an event where our Brothers get the chance to participate in Read Across America. In celebration of Dr. Seuss's birthday, this event allows volunteers to read books at local elementary schools in hopes to inspire a new generation of readers.







Brother of the Month of February:

**Taylor Hori** 

Despite everyone's busy schedules, many brothers made it out to the basketball game and paintball event, both organized by Interfraternal Chair Torrence Ching. The basketball game is part of a four event series called, 'Brolympics', which gives us a chance for more interaction with our fellow fraternity on campus, Phi Delta Chi. The paintball game was also a great opportunity to spend some time outdoors and practice our shooting skills, despite the rain. We were also lucky to have visiting Brother Alan Patterson from Beta Sigma chapter join in on the fun.



Interfraternal Basketball Event



Interfraternal Paintball event



The 'Spin Squad'. Pictured (left to right): Ronald Susa, Raul Flores, Taylor Hori, Khanh Vy Tran, Jennifer Lee, Brandon Frijas

A handful of Brothers have started a healthy trend, initiating what has been called the 'Spin Squad'. On select days of the week, a group of Brothers will head to the Student Life Center on lower campus to attend spin class together! It's a chance for Brothers not only to spend time together outside of school, but to stay healthy and sweat away the stress.



Zeta class brothers at 'Paint and Sip' event. Pictured (left to right): Tyler Peterson, Wilson Datario, Raul Flores, Johnson Tran, Taylor Hori, Jennifer Lee

On the last weekend of February, Brother Raul Flores and Brother Taylor Hori from the new Zeta class organized a unique fundraiser that was open to the fellow pharmacy students here at DKICP, titled 'Paint and Sip'. The idea behind the event was based on popular 'Painting with a Twist' classes that feature artwork and wine, however for our purposes, wine was substituted with a non-alcoholic beverage. This fundraiser was started to bring students together to de-stress from the non-stop studying and exams. The goal for this fundraiser from the Zeta class was to create a working business relationship with Leandra, the founder of Circle of Life Hilo so that we may possibly continue to offer these classes to students at a discounted rate. The event turned out to be a great success! Many students showed up to the class, where they enjoyed pizza, relaxed, and painted stars to create the 'Starry Night at Mauna Kea' canvas.

This semester has been a fulfilling one, with the induction of our new Brothers, to our efforts in the community and on campus. What we are able to accomplish when we come together never ceases to amaze us, while still upholding the cornerstone values of Kappa Psi Pacific West Province Spring Meeting is just around the corner, and we greatly look forward to seeing everyone there!

## A Letter from the Regent

Hello Brothers,

Epsilon Psi is proud to initiate the Zeta Class to the Brotherhood. In addition to 16 new Collegiate Brothers, we also welcome Dr. Linda Connelly as our newest Kappa Psi faculty member. Congratulations to you all!

Community service opportunities and friendly interfraternal activities are in full-swing and spring semester is flying by!

Hawaii Grad's Chartering Ceremony kicked off a successful Spring Pacific West Province Meeting on March 3-5, 2017. I know our newest Brothers had a great opportunity to not only meet Brothers from other chapters but meet members of their own family lines for the first time! I want to sincerely thank everyone who was able to attend any part of the meeting, banquet or various socials. It was wonderful seeing you all!

Finally, I will soon be passing the baton to our Regent-Elect Natalie Chan. I want to take this opportunity to say how much I appreciate all the Brothers, both Collegiate and Graduate, for your support and advice these past two years. It has been a pleasure serving and I am grateful that my position allowed me to build stronger bonds of fellowship with you all.

PTBYB,

Kim Wu



**Brothers of Epsilon Psi at Province after Elections** 

On the weekend of March 3-5th, the Kappa Psi Pacific West Province Spring Province Meeting hosted by our Epsilon Psi chapter was held at the Ala Moana Hotel in Honolulu, HI. The Province meeting is held twice a year and executive board elections take place in the Spring. For two consecutive years, two brothers from our chapter held executive board positions; Mari Cid as Alternate GCC Delegate and Chaplain and Jeremy Lozano as Webmaster and Treasurer during the past two years. We are proud to announce that Brother Jeremy Lozano has been newly elected as the Satrap of the Pacific West Province. We would also like to thank Brother Mari Cid for all her hard work and dedication to Kappa Psi during these past years. It is no easy feat taking on all the responsibilities of an officer on top of one's academic responsibilities. We truly want to take this time to give many thanks and appreciation for both brothers.

On Friday evening, the Hawaii Graduate Chapter chartering took place, bringing together various graduate Kappa Psi Brothers who are currently residing in Hawaii or have graduated from our Epsilon Psi Chapter. The creation of the Hawaii Grad Chapter allows the opportunity for graduate Brothers to stay involved with the fraternity past the collegiate level. We are excited to see how



Hawaiian Hula Dancers and Musicians Social Event

Brothers will represent the Hawaii Grad Chapter at future province meetings. The chartering was followed by a social event that featured traditional Hawaiian hula dancers and musicians, who even included a short hula lesson for brave volunteers in the audience.

Province was a great opportunity for everyone to expand their network by meeting brothers from different chapters, not limited to the Pacific West Province but also from other Provinces as well, including Beta Sigma (North Dakota), Beta Omicron (Washington), and Delta Lambda (North Carolina). Everyone has the opportunity to learn from each other, especially during the various committee meetings which allow for sharing and brainstorming of new ideas which each chapter can benefit from. It was a valuable experience not only for the new Zeta class but for Brothers who had never previously attended Province, to see what Kappa Psi has to offer at a national level. Brothers also had the opportunity to attend continuing education (CE) sessions on Saturday morning, which were held by Dr. Roy Goo who taught two CEs: An Overview of Antimicrobial Stewardship Programs and Skin and Soft Tissue Infections



Dr. Goo and Dr. Connelly pose for a picture during CE session

Brother Cid organized a Philanthropy project which encouraged every chapter to donate various personal hygiene products that were compiled into at least 20 care packages which were donated to the Next Step Shelter. The shelter provides these hygiene kits to the homeless population in Oahu. Since Province was held in Oahu and all other collegiate chapters are located in California, Nevada, and Arizona, it was amazing to see Brothers carry luggage filled with products to donate all the way from the mainland. In an effort to make the philanthropy project more interactive, Brother Cid put together a challenge to see which randomized teams could assemble their hygiene kits in the least amount of time. This acted as a fun break in between the Province assembly session, while giving Brothers an opportunity to play a part in giving back to the underserved community and interact with Brothers from other chapters.



Brothers from different chapters participating in Philanthropy Project

Saturday evening, Brothers joined one another at the banquet dinner and awards ceremony. After dinner Epsilon Iota organized an event that allowed Brothers a chance to win Kappa Psi gear and discounted registration to the Grand Council Convention which will be held on August 1-5th, 2017 in Naples, FL. The proceeds of the event would go towards Epsilon Iota as they will be hosting the Pacific West Province Fall Province Meeting 2017. Following the banquet, Brothers gathered at The District for a social night to celebrate the adjournment of official Kappa Psi business.

Sunday marked the final day of Province and with the unexpected sunny weather, most Brothers took advantage of the opportunity to enjoy the day outdoors before returning home. Province was an amazing opportunity to not only meet Brothers visiting from other chapters, but to also reunite with familiar faces of P4 and graduate brothers from our Epsilon Psi Chapter. Congratulations to Province Planning Committee Chair Jeffrey Tang for organizing a successful weekend and a big thank you to all the Brothers who joined us, making the weekend a memorable one.



Epsilon Psi Brother Lauren Simpson and Brother Vivian Tran



Epsilon Psi Brothers Mari Cid, Vivian Tran and Kaylee Hoang at the Registration Desk



Province Assistant Supervisor Abe Duncan, Former Webmaster Jennifer Dijaili, Former Chaplain Mari Cid and Former Historian Geminesse Barraquias



Brother Jeremy Lozano with GCC Delegate Judy Chau and Alternate GCC Delegate Jenni Ito



Brothers from our Epsilon Psi Chapter. *Pictured (left to right)*: Jeremy Lozano, Janet Vu, Marlisa Corpuz, Gurinder Kaur, Jesse Santos and Lauren Simpson.