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A message from our Consul, Luke Austin | 2024



**“Out of the
frying pan, into
the oven, but
at least I’m
heat proof.”**

LUKE AUSTIN

Dear Brothers, Friends, Family, and Alumni,

I am humbled to serve as the Consul of the Lambda Nu chapter. As we approach the end of this semester, I am proud to report that our recruitment efforts have been successful, resulting in the biggest class we have had since my time here. This achievement is a testament to the collective efforts of our members, as 45 voices are certainly louder than one. I would like to acknowledge and thank Nate Loose '25, our recruitment chair, for his dedicated work in making this possible.

Furthermore, I am thrilled to report that our efforts to connect and collaborate with sororities have been successful. Under the leadership of Dean Angelakis '24, our social chair, we have organized four mixers this semester, doubling the number from previous semesters. Dean has done an outstanding job of planning and leveraging the connections of our senior Tau class to make these events a success.

Last semester, as the Inter-fraternity Council (IFC) treasurer, I was able to establish a strong relationship with the SFL administration. This relationship has been instrumental in addressing any issues related to our chapter promptly and efficiently. Additionally, our national headquarters has provided valuable support to our chapter through their dedicated team. As Consul, I aim to work towards improving the communication between headquarters and Loyola, which unfortunately has not been as effective as it should be.

I am also proud to see how much our chapter has grown and overcome challenges. When I joined the fraternity, we faced significant financial difficulties and other setbacks. Today, we can look back and celebrate how far we have come. I am excited about the remaining weeks of this semester and look forward to the opportunities and challenges that the next semester will bring.

In Hoc,
Luke Austin



An update from our Pro-Consul, Kaleb Evers | 2024



As our chapter's Pro-Consul, I made preparation a top priority this semester. I recognized that planning in advance would allow us to be ready for any challenges that may arise. Before winter break, Luke Austin '24, the newly-elected Consul, Logan Silva '24, the newly-elected Annotator, and I created a detailed calendar for the upcoming semester. We also reached out to other Greek and philanthropic organizations on campus to avoid any scheduling conflicts. During winter break, we held a few executive committee meetings to ensure that our board was aware of our goals and to kickstart our plans for the semester. Since then, we have remained committed to our schedule and have executed our plans efficiently.

I am proud of the state of our board this semester. Each member has proactively fulfilled their responsibilities, ensuring that everything runs smoothly. To support them, I have emphasized the importance of communication and efficiency. I have been conducting one-on-one check-ins with each member of the board to provide assistance and ensure accountability for past and future plans.

As we move forward, I am confident that our preparations will continue to serve us well. I look forward to seeing the continued growth and success of our chapter.

**"Whatever you
are, be a good
one."**

ABRAHAM LINCOLN



An update from our Derby Days Chair, Dan Kjellstrom | 2025



“It is an honor to be at the forefront in our chapter's effort to raise money in the fight to end cancer.”

DAN KJELLSTROM

I am pleased to report that this semester's Derby Days event was a resounding success, raising over \$22,000 for the Huntsman Cancer Institute. This would not have been possible without the hard work and dedication of our previous Derby Days Chair, Michael Neal '23, who provided valuable guidance on how to boost engagement and encourage participation. With Mike's advice, I was able to put my own spin on the March Madness bracket, which led to 110 people signing up and contributing \$2,500.

During Derby Week, both our chapter brothers and the sororities at Loyola had a blast participating in the event for a great cause. The sororities held a draft to pick brothers for their dance teams, which then practiced a choreographed dance for two weeks leading up to the Derby Days event. Last semester, Phi Sigma Sigma won the event, as determined by a judge panel composed of former brothers and individuals with previous involvement in the event. This panel followed a grading system designed by the Derby Days Chair.

I am proud to say that multiple brothers surpassed their \$500 fundraising goal, and the entire chapter was motivated and enthusiastic throughout Derby Week. It was a busy time, but everyone had fun while supporting an important cause. At the conclusion of the event, we revealed the amount we had raised for the Huntsman Cancer Institute, which was an incredible accomplishment.

Thank you to everyone who participated and contributed to making this past year's Derby Days event such a success. Let's continue to work together to make a positive impact in our community.



An update from our Tribune, Alek Kacorzyk | 2024



"It's an honor to be able to network and plan an event for alumni to show our appreciation for them and what they've done for our chapter. We want to show that we are still upholding our chapter to the standard that they set before us."

ALEK KACORZYK

As I have started my term as Tribune, I have realized that scheduling events for alumni can be challenging, especially when it comes to finding a venue that can offer both great food and an enjoyable experience. However, I believe it is important to make an effort to engage with our alumni and show our appreciation for everything they have done for our chapter. Our upcoming event on April 16th at Porkchop Edgewater will provide a perfect opportunity to connect with our alumni, especially those we have not had the chance to meet yet.

In terms of increasing alumni engagement, we should focus on improving communication channels with our alumni. By staying in touch and regularly updating them on the chapter's progress, we can build and maintain strong relationships. Additionally, we need to make an effort to reach out to those who are now living outside of the Chicagoland area, who we don't get to see as often. Planning events that involve these alumni would be a great way to reconnect with them and showcase the chapter's current success and growth. Overall, I believe that by prioritizing alumni engagement, we can strengthen our chapter's legacy and ensure its continued success for years to come.



An update from our Recruitment Chair, Nate Loose | 2025



As someone who has never run a recruitment season before, I believe I did a good job this semester. While there were some challenges, I'm confident that recruitment was a success. We had more new members than we've had in the past four years, and I'm proud to say that we handed out bids to deserving men. Both brothers and potential new members enjoyed the themed events and food options, and it was exciting to attend our invite-only event as a newly initiated brother.

Looking forward to next semester, I plan on staying more organized and being proactive. I now have a better understanding of what it takes to run a successful recruitment season, and I know I can improve by finding a group of leaders in the fraternity to help me out. By delegating tasks and building upon the success we had this semester, I hope to create an even more successful recruitment season next semester. Finally, I plan on creating a schedule that can be used by whoever takes on this role after me. It is truly an honor to serve as our chapter's recruitment chair, as recruitment is a vital area in the success of our chapter. The Lambda Nu chapter is only as good as the men in it and I couldn't be more excited to see what this new class accomplishes over their next few years as brothers.

“Success is a peace of mind which is a direct result of self satisfaction and knowing you did your best to become the best you are capable of becoming”

JOHN WOODEN



An update from our Brotherhood Chair, Liam Mitchell | 2024



“You're not always going to be able to please everyone, so do what you think is best.”

LIAM MITCHELL

Brotherhood is the heart of our chapter, and it is what sets us apart from other fraternities. This semester, I have focused on organizing events that are both fun and engaging for everyone. In order to ensure high attendance, I have made sure that the events are laid-back and easy for everyone to participate in. We had a great turnout for our game night, bar crawl, and grill-out, and I am excited to plan more events in the future.

Looking forward to the summer, I am currently working with members of our cabinet in planning a trip to a lake house in Michigan. This will be a great opportunity for us to relax on the beach, go boating, and bond as brothers. As Brotherhood Chair, my ultimate goal is to strengthen our bond as a fraternity and create a sense of community. It is a rewarding position because I get to see the guys enjoying themselves and having fun together.

Although attendance was low at events at the beginning of the semester, I am proud to say that we were able to increase participation with the help of our cabinet leaders. My mission is to be an advocate for these events and to encourage all brothers to participate. I believe that it is important for us to spend quality time with each other and to grow together as a fraternity. Brotherhood is at the core of our fraternity, and without it, we cannot achieve success.