President’s Message
from Jeff Belliston

It’s an honor for me to have been nominated to be the President of BYU’s chapter of the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi—especially considering the great service that has been rendered by past Presidents of this chapter, most recently Marvin Gardner. It’s a privilege to work with the great members of the chapter Executive Committee.

We’re off to the start of a great year. Several of our non-student members joined other members of the community of BYU employees in participating in the United Way Day of Caring in Utah County. That is befitting of a society!
dedicated to engaging the community of scholars in service.

Our chapter Student Council is planning a service activity in November. That will follow a professional development activity this month and a successful opening social activity in September. I want to express my personal appreciation to Andrew Barrett and Benjamin Jacob, our Student Vice-Presidents, the other members of the Student Council, and Carolyn Tuitupou, our Treasurer and the Student Council Advisor. They are all doing a great job of promoting Phi Kappa Phi and what the organization stands for.

I hope you will be able to attend the Phi Kappa Phi Distinguished Faculty Lecture to be given by Dr. Michael Rice on 27 October 2016 at 11:00 a.m. on campus! Further details are found elsewhere in this issue of the newsletter.

Best regards,
Jeff Belliston

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Phi Kappa Phi is an internationally esteemed honors society and your membership indicates to potential employers and programs your impressive level of academic achievement. PKP also provides several significant scholarships, study abroad grants and academic prizes to its members; for more information about this, please go to phikappaphi.byu.edu. Most importantly, the Phi Kappa Phi Student Council sponsors several service projects, professional events and socials throughout the semester. These are opportunities to network, make new friends and give back to our community. Additional details are included in this newsletter and further information will be emailed prior to the events.

We hope you’ll make Phi Kappa Phi a part of your semester. We promise that you will not be disappointed.

All the best,
Andrew Barrett and Benjamin Jacob
Student Vice Presidents

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Dear PKP member,

Welcome to the Phi Kappa Phi Honors Society! We are very excited to have you in this group of high-achieving students. If you are wondering how being a Phi Kappa Phi member will enrich your life, let us briefly share the highlights of the experience.

Student Vice Presidents’ Message

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Upcoming Events

Refugee Service Project
Wednesday, November 16, 2016, 6 pm
Wilkinson Student Center
Dr. Michael Rice
Professor in the
Department of Electrical and
Computer Engineering

Thursday, October 27, 2016     11:00 a.m.     321 MSRB

“Dr. Rice will discuss how his faith informs his scholarship in an area where faith and scholarship do not overlap. He will illustrate this with his own story—how seemingly unrelated concepts have converged in his own life.”

Dr. Rice received his PhD from Georgia Tech in 1991. He joined the faculty at BYU that same year. He is now a Professor in the Department of Electrical & Computer Engineering. He teaches and publishes in wireless communications with particular interest in software defined radios and air-to-ground communication links. He is author of the text book “Digital Communications: A Discrete-Time Approach” published by Pearson Prentice-Hall. He is an active member of IEEE serving in local, regional, and international capacities. He is past chair of the Communications Theory Technical Committee and is currently serving as the Associate Editor-in-Chief for IEEE Transactions on Aerospace & Electronic Systems and on the board of governors for the Aerospace and Electronic Systems Society.

“My Journey as a Faithful Scholar: How Did I Get Here?”

Sponsored by the BYU Chapter of Phi Kappa Phi
On September 14, approximately 60 Phi Kappa Phi members came together to celebrate the beginning of the semester. The festivities began with a hearty meal of pizza, fruit and puppy chow while members got acquainted and listened to President Jeff Belliston welcome them to the organization. After the food, members competed in a trivia contest for the coveted prize of several stuffed puppies. It was a wonderful way to begin the new semester with new friends!
The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi's ongoing commitment to excellence is reflected in its grants and awards programs. $1 million is awarded each biennium to outstanding students, Phi Kappa Phi members, and chapters through the Society's various awards competitions.

Award application information available at: http://apply.phikappaphi.org/Awards/

**Fellowships**

57 Distributed Annually - Each year Phi Kappa Phi awards fifty-one Fellowships of $5,000 each and six valued at $15,000 each to members entering their first year of graduate or professional study. Each chapter may select one candidate from among its local applicants to compete for Society-wide awards.

**Deadline: February 15, 2017**

**Dissertation Fellowships**

10 Distributed Annually - The Dissertation Fellowship program is new to The Society and is intended to support doctoral candidates who are writing dissertations. Phi Kappa Phi awards ten Dissertation Fellowships of $10,000 per year.

**Deadline: November 30, 2016**

**Study Abroad Grants**

75 Distributed Annually - Phi Kappa Phi Study Abroad Grants are designed to help support undergraduates as they seek knowledge and experience in their academic fields by studying abroad. Seventy-five grants in the amount of $1,000 each are awarded every year, in two cycles.

**Deadline: February 15, 2017**

**Love of Learning Awards**

200 Distributed Annually - Love of Learning Awards help fund post-baccalaureate studies and/or career development for active Phi Kappa Phi members to include, but not limited to, graduate or professional studies, doctoral dissertations, continuing education, career development, travel related to teaching or studies, etc. Fellowship recipients are not eligible to apply. Two hundred awards valued at $500 each are presented annually, in two cycles.

**Deadline: April 1, 2017**