

Phi Kappa Phi

BYU Chapter Newsletter
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The Phi Kappa Phi Chapter Needs Your Service!

We need faculty and staff who are members of Phi Kappa Phi to volunteer to serve as officers, as college liaisons, and as nominators for our awards. It doesn't matter if you haven't paid dues for a while—you can always start again. Anyone who is interested in serving in Phi Kappa Phi, please contact Jeff Belliston (jeffrey_belliston@byu.edu) or Charlotte Stanford (charlotte_stanford@byu.edu).

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President's Message from Jeff Belliston

What a great year it has been for the BYU chapter of Phi Kappa Phi. Our Student Council, led by Student VPs Andrew Barrett and Ben Jacob, has done phenomenal work at providing activities—social, service, and professional development—for PKP student members! Information on several of these activities is found in this newsletter.



The members of the Executive Committee have also done great work keeping the normal, mostly behind-the-scenes, activities of the chapter moving forward. A couple are specifically mentioned here but everyone helped out and I thank them for their great service! The most recent of these activities was narrowing the applications for a PKP fellowship down to finalists and then to our nominee to the national PKP organization.



THE HONOR SOCIETY OF PHI KAPPA PHI

Larry Rees, our Grants and Awards Coordinator, has provided additional information on this process elsewhere in the newsletter

In December we bade farewell to Mary Hoagland, our President-Elect. When she accepted the nomination to be President-Elect, Mary had planned to be at BYU for at least the three-year period spanning holding the offices of President-Elect, then President, and finally Past President. Life takes unexpected turns, and it took one for Mary and her husband. They decided that the right time for her to retire was at the end of December last year. Thank you, Mary, for your wonderful service to the chapter! We wish you well.

Deborah Himes, our Membership Coordinator, oversaw the process of inviting the 1,655 junior, senior, and graduate students who met PKP's rigorous academic performance requirements to join the Society. Two hundred and thirty-one students accepted. They, along with eight of the 15 faculty members nominated by their deans, were inducted at the PKP Initiation Banquet on Thursday, 16 March 2017. The banquet was a delightful affair. In addition to the induction itself and socializing over a good meal, we heard a brief message from Student VP Andrew Barrett; recognized award recipients; listened to husband and wife duo Dylan and Rachel Glenn each sing a solo followed by a duet; and listened to a fabulous talk, "Granite Foundations," by BYU's International VP (and PKP member) Sandra Rogers. A recap of her talk is found in this issue.

We have just concluded the election for next year's Student VPs. We congratulate Benjamin Jacob and Miriam Sweeney on

their election! We will also be polling the membership before the end of May for our new President-Elect when we have determined who the candidate(s) will be. (If you have an interest, please email me at jeffrey_belliston@byu.edu.)

Have a great Spring & Summer,

Jeff Belliston



Winter Semester 2017 PKP Activities

Opening Social – PKP welcomed students back to school with smores, hot chocolate, and everyone had fun competing in an interdisciplinary trivia extravaganza!

Professional Development Day – PKP helped students advance their career pursuits by



offering a fair with free professional photos, counseling on graduate school scholarships, and resume reviews

for those pursuing a full-time job.

Sole Hope Service Project – PKP partnered with Phi Eta Sigma in a wonderful service project where volunteers made over 100 pairs of shoes for children in Africa out of old jeans and milk jugs.





Literacy Drive – PKP used their \$2500 grant to buy books for third and fourth graders at Franklin Elementary, and members read books with the students, gave them each four books, and encouraged them to love reading in this amazing event.



Highlights from the 65th Annual BYU Phi Kappa Phi Initiation Banquet March 16, 2017

Initiations

In total, 239 candidates were initiated at the Spring Banquet: 8 faculty members, 25 graduate students, 153 senior students, and 53 junior students.



Keynote Address:

"Granite Foundations"



Dr. Sandra Rogers, the international vice president at Brigham Young University, gave the address at the Phi Kappa Phi Initiation Banquet on March 16, 2017. She conveyed the importance of building our lives upon solid foundations. To illustrate this point, she related the story of how the Salt Lake Temple had two foundations. The Saints initially constructed the foundation of the temple out of sandstone. Approximately ten years into construction, the foundation was completely buried with dirt to protect the temple site during a U.S. Army occupation. When the temple site was excavated four and a half years later, large cracks had developed in the weaker sandstone foundation. Consequently, the entire foundation was removed



and replaced with stronger granite blocks. Dr. Rogers used this story as an analogy for building our lives upon a sure foundation. She further explained "that it would have been better to start with granite in the first place. For us, I believe that 'granite in the first place' is a firm and unshakable faith and trust in God the Father and His Son Jesus

Christ and the deep knowledge that without the gift of the atonement of Jesus Christ in our lives, we would all be left with cracked sandstone as a foundation. We trust in God's plan, and in His ways, and in His timing."

Dr. Rogers shared personal examples from her own life to illustrate how the Lord is able to build stronger foundations in our lives than we would be able to do on our own. After being rejected from a doctoral program in nursing at the University of Washington, Dr. Rogers was devastated. Reluctantly, she started a doctoral program at the University of California, San Francisco. However, Dr. Rogers later realized that her experiences at San Francisco provided her with unique and meaningful professional and personal opportunities that continue to bless her to this day. "As I have considered this experience," she reminisced, "I have recognized that the Lord knew something about my future that I didn't know. I had prayed often and long for His help to be accepted at the University of Washington. Instead, He had something else in mind for me. I have learned to trust the Lord's direction and timing for me."

Dr. Rogers also expressed the importance of humility in our lives, particularly in how we respond to failure and embarrassment. She shared a particularly amusing, albeit embarrassing story when she



was a new accompanist for her ward choir. One Sunday, the choir was scheduled to sing a well-rehearsed number for sacrament meeting. However, at the last minute, the choir director changed the musical number, without

giving Dr. Rogers enough time to practice. She had never played this song before and soon found it to be a particularly challenging piece. Needless to say, the end results were disastrous – hymn books falling on the keyboard, sheet music flying off the piano, laughter from the congregation, even a public reprimand from the choir director. As she returned to her seat at the conclusion of this musical fiasco, the



Spirit whispered to her "Nothing worse than this will ever happen to you. You don't need to be afraid of being embarrassed again because nothing could possibly be this bad." On reflecting on subsequent mistakes in her life, Dr. Rogers explained "that in every situation I have been able to say, 'Well, this isn't as bad as the choir accompanist debacle.' For years that now humorous experience has helped to keep me humble."

In conclusion, Dr. Rogers encouraged all in attendance to take an honest look at what they were doing to build their lives upon solid foundations. "Think about the person you are working on becoming. Do a self-evaluation. If you have cracks in your foundation, replace them now with granite.... the granite of trust and faith in the Lord, the granite of integrity, virtue, honesty, and charity, the granite of putting the Lord first in your life, the granite of choosing 'something better,' the granite of humility and humor, and the granite of not being defined by a failure or an embarrassment but rather being known for how you learned from those experiences."



Phi Kappa Phi Distinguished Member Award

Dr. Sandra Rogers received the Phi Kappa Phi Distinguished Member Award for her significant contributions to Brigham Young University and the broader nursing and academic community. Dr. Rogers is the international vice president at Brigham Young University. She has responsibility for the David M. Kennedy Center for International Studies, the Ambassadorial Visits Program, and BYU's study abroad programs. In addition, she oversees the university's Division of Continuing Education. Dr. Rogers also served as dean of BYU's College of Nursing for six years. Her research has focused on primary health care programs. She earned her doctoral degree from the University of California, San Francisco, specializing in international, cross-cultural nursing. She also holds degrees from the University of Arizona and Brigham Young University.



Phi Kappa Phi National Fellowship

Each year the national Phi Kappa Phi organization awards fifty-one graduate fellowships of \$5,000 each and six Marcus L. Urann Fel-

lowships of \$15,000 each to members entering the first year of graduate or professional study. Each chapter can choose one nominee to represent the chapter in the fellowship competition. The BYU nominee has been successful in receiving a fellowship over 90% of the time, and two have won Urann Fellowships in the last few years. When our nominee receives a fellowship other than the Urann Fellowship, they automatically become a "Ruth E. Brasher" Fellow, named after our own Ruth Brasher who has generously sponsored the award.

This year we had a group of exceptionally good applicants for the fellowship. All applications were first reviewed by Casualene Meyer and two of her associates at Dakota State University, at Madison, South Dakota. Prof. Meyer was inducted into Phi Kappa Phi at BYU and volunteered to review our fellowship applications since she wanted to give back to the organization, but did not have a chapter of Phi Kappa Phi at her university. Prof. Meyer's committee narrowed the field down to four finalists:

- **Mary E. Cook**, psychology and sociocultural anthropology
- **Roger P. Chu**, biophysics
- **Jason D. Ray**, chemistry
- **David M. Walton**, neuroscience

Each finalist had excellent credentials in coursework, service, research, and leadership. We truly would have been proud to have any one of them represent BYU as our applicant for the national fellowship award. Each was also honored at our Initiation Banquet and received a \$500 honorarium from the chapter.

The final choice of the nominee was made by a committee consisting of Jeffrey Belliston

(Chapter President), Marvin Gardner (Past President), and Lawrence Rees (Fellowship Coordinator). Although the choice was very difficult, the committee selected Jason Ray as the chapter nominee this year. Jason's application has been forwarded to the national headquarters where the fellowship recipients will be named in June.

If any of you are planning on beginning graduate or professional work in 2018, we invite you to consider applying for the fellowship next year. We will be sending out information in late 2017, and applications will be due in February. Information about the fellowship program is available on the national Phi Kappa Phi website at <http://www.phikappaphi.org/grants-awards/fellowship>.



Additional Awards

The 2016 Distinguished Faculty Lecturer Award

Dr. Michael D. Rice, professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering at BYU



"My Journey As a Faithful Scholar: How Did I Get Here?"

2016 Study Abroad Awards

Takami Kowalski
Elizabeth Nielson
Madeleine Smith

2016-2017 PKP College Competition Winners

College of Fine Arts & Communications

Montana Katelyn Shugars

College of Family, Home & Social Sciences

Brian Thomas Lewis
Soren J. Schmidt

College of Humanities

Lesli Mortensen
Todd G. Workman

College of Life Sciences

Roger P. Chu
Anne Thomas

College of Nursing

Jonathan D. Jacobs

College of Physical & Mathematical Sciences

Seth R. Bohman

Marriott School of Management

Nicole Berriman
Jarom Roney



Highlights from the Initiation Banquet

March 16, 2017



2017 Phi Kappa Phi Initiates

FACULTY

Gary Barton
Scott Ellis Ferrin
Leanna Fry Balci
Quinn Galbraith
Ryan K. Lee
Corwin L. Nimer
Elise C. Silva
Terrell A. Young

GRADUATES

Jeff Andersen
Carolyn Anne Bancroft
Andrews
Michael Bevans
Richard A. Black
Jacob A. Brown
Braden Paul Chase
Rebekah Michele Hood
Brian Lindley Jones
Chace Parker Jones
Ryan E Keller
Adam Larsen
Jhonatan Medri Cobos
Melissa P. Mendenhall
Jonathan Albert Miles
Daisy K. Milman
Lisanne Murphy
Erika Jean Nash
William Scott
Neuenswander
Scott Ruoti
Nicholas C. C. Russell
Bryan Jay Stringham
Austin M. Strong
Hannah Tindall
Cynthia Ann Whiting
Daniel H. Wilde

SENIORS

Brooke Adams
Jacinda Allen
Monica Allen
Muriel Allen
Jarett Anderson
Parker Awerkamp
Micah Baird
Kolten Lex Barfuss
Paulette Barrus
Sarah Bartholomew
Bailey McCall Bateman
Caroline Bell
Angus Bennion
Jacob C. Bentley
Nicole Berriman
Elizabeth Bingham
Sue Anne Blackburn
Hannah Bonner
Garrett Brown
James Bowen Call
Andrew D. Callister
Kiri Case
Steven A Chapman

Boone Robins Christianson
Benjamin Rex Conlin
Courtney Cook
Jessica Lynn Crane
Caleb Cranney
Mark C Crossen
Scott Leland Crossen
Sadie Cutler
Amy D. Cyr
Casey Kent Davis
Cherstin Davis
Irene Detrinidad
Demosthanes Hinckley
Downing
Darin Dutson
Cache Ellsworth
Mercede Nicole Erickson
Emma Farley
Wilson Fearn
Rebecca Marie Fenn
Donald Ford
Corey Allen Foulk
Kaelin Frame
Jacob Fredericksen
Morgan Roberta Fronk
Tiana Gale
Brandon T. Garcia
Sean A George
Timilie Gherkins
Elizabeth Price Goldrup
Alexander Gosch
Dallin McKay Green
Davin Bradford Guinn
Jonathan Hale
Brandon Joseph Halls
Marisa Hart
Kate Hartmann
Haden Allen Heath
Keith Konrad Heiner
Bethany Hicken
Tanner Hicks
Jacob S. Hirschi
Hayley Johanna Hobbes
Jefferson Hunter
Paul Joshua Hurst
Lance Hyatt
Nathan Innis
Jenna Jackson
Michael Jarman
Nate Jenkins
Miles Jensen
Tessa Johnson
Helaman Joseph Johnston
Benjamin Katzenbach
Bailey Konold
Ksenia Ku
Zachary Nathan Larsen
AnnaLeah Larson
China Lau
Summer Lawson
Bryce Layton
Chelsea Lee
Travis Lefrandt

Eleanor Francis Lewis
Cragun C. Liston
Elisabeth Anne Loveland
Jessica Lukow
Michael John Mann
Hannah Marteeny
Jessica McClintock
Tanner Ross McGuire
Michael Joseph McKean
William A. McNeil II
Chanel Francesca Mercado
John R Morrell
Philip M. Munson
Austin Keith Murphy
Gregory Nielsen
Jacob Nielsen
Brooke Brodil Niendorf
Travis J. Norseth
Katie Nuckols
Bryan R. E. Oberg
Amanda E Oliphant
Madeline Olsen
Christine Padilla
Caroline Palmer
Rory M. Papworth
Bethany Patterson
Cory Paul
Haley Peterson
Maka Pickard
Hannah Grace Pugh
Kelsey Jane Rasband
Reed L. Rasband
Amy Rebecca Read
Edward B Reid
Joseph Glendon Reiley
Zachary Zale Reinstein
Nathan Rich
Parker Dean Robinson
Jennifer Zimbelman
Romano
Ryley Roney
Josh Rookstool
Arin Danielle Sanford
David Schvaneveldt
Kristine Senkane
Montana Kaelyn Shugars
Alison Marilyn Simpson
Avery Smith
Nathan S. Smith
Sadie K Smith
Jonathan S Staheli
Conrad Stallings
Jacob Stebbing
Ryan James Stenquist
Nicholas J Suiter
Jonathan Allan Swainston
Tanner Townsend
Samuel Utley
Jerad Valenzuela
Kaylee L Valverde
Christopher Brian Wagstaff
Michael White
Sam Williams

John Martin Wilson
Connor Winters
Alise Wiseman
Lindsey RYanne Woodward
Kaden D. Woolf
Songlin Wu

JUNIORS

Daphne Miller Armstrong
Sydney Bagley
Gregory K. Ballif, Jr.
Samuel Bellows
Jarom Bettinger
McCall Amberly Booth
Thomas K Brown III
Bridie L Burchett
Brennan K. Burnett
Eleanor Cain
Adam Clark
Amanda Yates Collyer
Hannah L Coombs
Brian Coons
David Douglas Cotton, Jr.
Rebecca Nicole Crandall
Nathaniel Thomas Duren
Zach Edwards
Kaleb M Egbert
Samuel Wilkins Ellis
Dallin R. Farrell
Andrew R. Foote
Elisabeth Anne
Frischknecht
Samuel P Furner
Jason Gardiner
Alicia Gialanella
Michael A. Goodman
Spencer Hansen
Logan Harris
Christian Hildebrandt
Jennifer Erin Keeton
Aubrey Jayne Klumker
Jessica Larson
Maren Esther Loveland
Ulysse G. McCann III
Kevin McFarland
Johnny McMurray
Jacob Moeller
Neal Munson
Kaytlin Fay Anne Nalder
Spencer H. Nash
Colby Nielsen
John Bradford Pearce
Kalissa Remund
Eliza Riley
Isaac Robertson
Jonathan Keith Bjorn
Shumway
Alena R. Smith
Rachel Marlene Smith
Kelsie Storm Stewart
Nikki Thomas
Krista Morgan Tingey
Heather Marie White