

Phi Kappa Phi



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

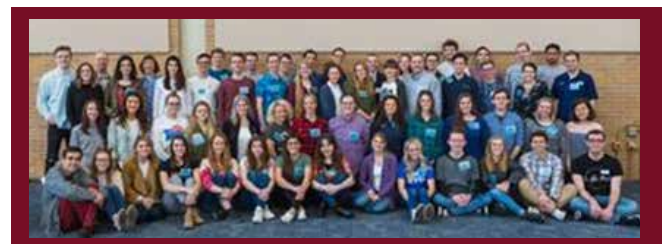
We need faculty and staff who are members of Phi Kappa Phi to volunteer to serve as officers, as college liaisons, and as nominators for our awards. It doesn't matter if you haven't paid dues for a while—you can always start again. Anyone who is interested in serving in Phi Kappa Phi, please contact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

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Winter Semester PKP Activities

My Story Matters Service Project – The BYU chapter of Phi Kappa Phi partnered with My Story Matters, a small nonprofit foundation in the community, to publish the stories of children who have unique life experiences such as being a refugee or immigrant. The project's aim focused on children who were suffering and undergoing a difficult transition while increasing cultural literacy by telling stories that often go untold. Phi Kappa Phi volunteers worked with the My Story Matters team to interview the children while also assisting with the writing, formatting, and photography for the stories. Once published, the books will be available in both the school and classroom



libraries for other students to read. Funding for this event was made possible from a Literacy Grant from the Phi Kappa Phi national organization. The Literacy Grants program was initiated to mobilize members and resources of Phi Kappa Phi and the higher education community to champion literacy initiatives. Grants of up to \$2,500 are available to Phi Kappa Phi chapters and individual members to fund ongoing literacy projects or to create new initiatives. For more details on this activity, please see <https://www.phikappaphi.org/about/news/news-landing/2018/03/14/beyond-books-phi-kappa-phi-literacy-grants#.WtjKz24vxE>



Highlights from the 66th Annual BYU Phi Kappa Phi Initiation Banquet March 15, 2018

Initiations

In total, 244 candidates were initiated at the Spring Banquet: 11 faculty members, 44 graduate students, 134 senior students, and 55 junior students.



Keynote Address:

Dr. Susan S. Rugh

Dr. Susan Rugh, Dean of Undergraduate Education at BYU, delivered the keynote address at the 2018 annual banquet. Dr. Rugh encouraged the audience to loosen up, take advantage of unforeseen opportunities, and prepare for change. The complete text of Dr. Rugh's address is provided below:



Thank you for that introduction. It is a privilege to be asked to speak to you.

As you heard, I am the dean of Undergraduate Education. People often ask me, what does the dean of UE do?

- We work with all students through our programs: First-Year Experience, General Education, and Honors. We just added offices of Academic Internships and the brand new Experiential Learning.
- We also play a role in University forums because they contribute to general education. A little-known job duty is to work with the students who want to ask questions of the Forum Speakers. (This is down on the floor of the Marriott Center, and if you haven't done it you should try it.)

What students ask falls into some basic categories:

- How do I choose the right major?
- How do I balance family and career?
- How can I best prepare for a career in XYZ (whatever career the speaker is in)?
- Should I go to grad school or is work experience better?

I take from this experience that Students want answers. They want useful advice from recognized experts to

give them direction.

Students see their time in college as a time of preparation (rightly so), and they are thinking about all the angles of how they can be prepared. Some students



appear to think that if they just have the right knowledge, the right major, marry the right person, they will be prepared for life after college.

Sometimes I get the sense that what students really want is a soothsayer who can tell them the future so they can be ready. If they could have someone tell them their fortune, they would know how what to learn and how to work hard to get there. They will do the work. They just want to have a roadmap, a guide to where they are going.

This faith in the future, in one's own ability to make it happen, is admirable. And I think most people desire to know the future so they can be prepared. Wouldn't we all like to be able to see the future so we can be ready for it?

An oft-cited reason for studying history is to prepare for the future. Recently I had the opportunity to visit Washington DC, and I spent a morning visiting the National Archives Building. Sometimes known as the "Nation's Attic," it holds federal records deemed to be of value. This includes our important national documents on display for the public: The Declaration of Independence, Constitution and Bill of Rights.

Designed by John Russell Pope, the National Archives building began in 1931 in the depths of the Depression, and not fully completed in 1935 when staff moved in. My parents took me there as a child, and I remember seeing those important documents preserved for perpetuity in glass cases.

As a historian, I did dissertation research in that building, looking at Civil War pension files, and for my latest book, I worked in



the modern National Archives in College Park, Maryland.

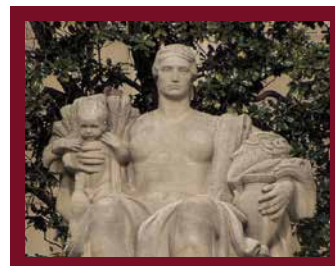
During my recent visit, I noticed the four monumental statues that the architect placed around the National Archives building. These are the four watchers and defenders of knowledge: Past, Future, Heritage, and Guardianship. I took photos of two of them that

sunny January day. On the right is the statue Eternal Vigilance is the Price of Liberty, an oft noted quotation not from Thomas Jefferson but from American abolitionist Wendell Phillips.



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And to the left of the main entrance, the words on the pedestal of the statue called "Study the Past" read:



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"The Heritage of the past is the seed that brings forth the harvest of the future," which also happens to be a quote from Wendell Phillips. The closed book represents history as the Past.

By far the most famous of the four statues is the one titled "The Future," designed by Robert I. Aitken. Future sits with an open book because the history of the future is yet to be written. The inscription under the statue

reads: "What Is Past is Prologue." "What's past is prologue" is a quote from *The Tempest*, by William Shakespeare. In this sense, the past sets the stage for the present.



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We cannot predict the future without knowing the past. And what is our past? If we think of ourselves as time travelers, then the past is what is behind us, the present is this instant, and the future in front of us. The future is dependent upon not only our past, but the past that we will experience before we reach that future point in time. The future is thus unknown because it is a product of the past, a past that has not yet taken place.

When I was in college I received an invitation to join Phi Kappa Phi, but I did not join. Why? I had other plans. My plan was to marry a professor who wore a corduroy blazer, have a bunch of kids and stay home and raise them. This was the cultural expectation for



me, although until I married I had planned on graduate school in library science. As a senior in college, I felt was quite certain about my future.

I fell in love and got married to a future professor. I worked a year full-time on campus while my husband got his degree, and I had a baby, the BYU coed life plan of that era. After earning a Masters degree at BYU, my husband was admitted to a prestigious graduate school and we drove off to Chicago, with two little boys. (One of whom is here tonight.) There the plan went off the rails.

And the plan went off the rails because of things I could not have foreseen. What I did not know when I made that plan was that the nation would experience a severe recession that meant I had to go to work part-time to support



our family. And the recession meant that he had to go to work, too. This really slowed down his progress to degree.

Out of the blue, while he was still a graduate student, the stake president issued a call to my husband to become branch president of our congregation on the south side of Chicago. This was just a few years after the revelation extending the blessings of the priesthood, and he dedicated himself to his calling.

The twists and turns brought us opportunities, too. His time as bishop allowed him and the other ward leaders to establish a thriving racially integrated ward of the church, a historic achievement that brought blessings to those who had previously been denied entrance to the temple. I believe that his time as bishop

was a signal achievement of his life.

The change in plans led to other unforeseen opportunities. His part-time job led to a full-time job and a career not in the field he had planned. My part-time work led to a strong desire to obtain a Ph.D. and teach, a job that would allow me summers off to be with my now 3 children. Over 20 years ago, I took a job at BYU in the history department, and through publishing and teaching, and with the support of my husband, I worked my way to the rank of full professor. Meanwhile, my husband had a rewarding career in financial services, and an avocation supporting the arts in the community, a cause close to his heart.

My story does not end here. In 2012, while on assignment for the university in Washington D.C., my husband was diagnosed with a rare but terminal



form of cancer. We readjusted our plans. I took a leave to help him during a period of aggressive treatment, and returned to administrative work in general education to reduce my teaching load and provide stability in our lives. Two years ago, I became dean of UE, an opportunity that my husband urged me to pursue. Not six months after I took the position, he died. That was certainly not how we had planned our life together!

I don't know what you will take from my story. Because my life turned out to be so different from what I had planned, does that mean we should not plan or prepare? No.

Remember, the past is prologue. You are preparing now for your future. Set the stage for your life's play. What you choose to do now will provide a context for what will follow. And it did for me--my senior thesis in history was published in a scholarly anthology, so that gave me an advantage in getting into graduate school ten years later.



Since you cannot fully know your future, I have advice for you:

First, Loosen up. Your choice of major is not predictive of your future. There is no “right” major. Find a major in a subject you like and that you are good at and that you can complete in 4 years.

Second, Carpe Diem. Seize the day. I’m glad you accepted the invitation to be in Phi Kappa Phi.

Keep your options open. Be willing to take advantage of opportunities you had not foreseen.

Third, and most importantly, prepare for change. Develop your skills, not just your knowledge base, because knowledge changes. The job you have dreamed of may get eliminated, or taken over by robots. Be nimble in your response to change.

I close by returning to my story. In the months since I lost my husband, my work has sustained me. Every day I am glad I have meaningful work, that I have colleagues I enjoy, and problems to solve. The education of students at BYU is a great cause, and I am fully committed to it.



Even though my life did not turn out as I had planned, I am happy with it. I’m glad I was able to respond to change by dis-

carding my old plans and making new ones. My wish for you is to be adaptable with your hard-earned education. Finish up strong. Be grateful for this fine university and the church that supports it so you can go out and make the world a better place.

Thank you.



Phi Kappa Phi Distinguished Service Award

Carolyn Tuitupou received the Phi Kappa Phi Distinguished Service Award for her significant contributions to

the Brigham Young University chapter of the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi. Carolyn retired in February 2018 after many years of service at the University, most recently as an assistant dean and controller



for the College of Undergraduate Education. For many of those years she was the Treasurer of the BYU Phi Kappa Phi chapter. And for the last two years, she served jointly as the Student Council Advisor to the chapter. Thank you Carolyn for your exceptional service and congratulations on your retirement!



Phi Kappa Phi Honored Member Award

Dr. Susan S. Rugh received the Phi Kappa Phi Honored Member Award for her signifi-

cant contributions to Brigham Young University and for being a staunch supporter of the BYU Phi Kappa Phi chapter. Dr. Rugh is dean



of Undergraduate Education at BYU. She holds a B.A. in History from BYU, and earned a Ph.D. from the University of Chicago in American History. Dr. Rugh has been a professor of history at BYU for 20 years. Her most recent book is *Are*

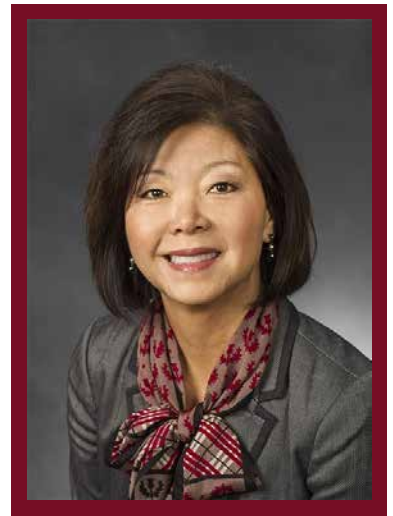
We There Yet? The Golden Age of American Family Vacations, which received national attention for its nostalgic yet hard-hitting portrayal of road trips in postwar America. Her current book project, *No Vacancy: The Rise and Decline of American Motels*, is a cultural history of roadside lodging from the old mom-and-pop tourist courts to today's landscape of family-owned corporate franchises and quirky independently-owned motels.



2017 Distinguished Faculty Lecturer Award

Dr. Jini L. Roby of the BYU School of Social Work delivered the 2017 Phi Kappa Phi Distinguished Faculty Lecture on Thursday, November 9, 2017. Dr. Roby shared her thoughts

on developing as an eternal being. Drawing upon several human development models—including Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs, Erikson's Stages of Psychosocial Development, and Kohlberg's Stages of Moral Reasoning—Dr. Roby explained that our spiritual development is also a process, with many steps and stages.



Phi Kappa Phi National Award and Grant Recipients

2017 Love of Learning Awards

Love of Learning Awards help fund post-baccalaureate professional development for active Phi Kappa Phi members to include (but not be limited to): graduate or professional studies, doctoral dissertations, continuing education, career development, travel related to teaching/research/learning, etc. Recipients of the Fellowship award are not eligible to apply. Two hundred awards, at \$500 each, are distributed each year. Two application cycles are offered each year, awarding one hundred winners per cycle.

2017 BYU Love of Learning Winners

Jacob Fredericksen
Wesley Jeffrey
Juan Pinto

Study Abroad Awards

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 \$1,000 grants are awarded each year

2017 BYU Study Abroad Winners

Zachary Larsen
Ian McLaughlin
Mary Urie

2018 BYU Study Abroad Winners

Miranda Jessop
Lauren Malmgren
Heidi McConaghie

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 Fellowships 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.

2017 Ruth E. Brasher Fellow

Jason D. Ray

2018 National Fellowship Finalists

Jared Blanchard
Caroline Palmer
Josie Tueller
Anne Thomas

Phi Kappa Phi Dissertation Fellowship

The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi annually awards ten Dissertation Fellowships of \$10,000 each to active members who are doctoral candidates and are completing dissertations.

Two BYU alumni submitted applications for the 2018 Dissertation Fellowship.

Eric Young, PhD candidate in Instructional Psychology & Technology, BYU



Dissertation: Use of asynchronous video recordings to raise language learner self-awareness

Jordan Bratt, PhD candidate in History & Art History, George Mason University



Dissertation: History of Mormon Conversion and Migration from 1830 to 1907.



2017-2018 Phi Kappa Phi College Competition Winners

College of Fine Arts & Communications

B. Kaden Carr
Madison Y. Blonquist

College of Family, Home & Social Sciences

Theo Stoddard-Bennett

College of Humanities

Tyler R. Garrett
Miriam L. Sweeney

College of Life Sciences

Kayleigh Ingersoll
David Kastner

College of Nursing

Jonathan D. Jacobs

Fulton College of Engineering & Technology

Parker Awerkamp

Marriott School of Business

Michael Jarman

McKay School of Education

Megan Lindsay Prien



PKP Members in the News

Kyle Rollins, professor of civil engineering at BYU, is the 2018 recipient of the Wallace Hayward Baker Award from the American Society of Civil Engineers. The award is “given in recognition of ingenious innovation in the field of ground modification.” For more details, see:



<http://www.et.byu.edu/college-news/byu-professor-receives-lifetime-achievement-award>

Gail King, Asian Studies Librarian at BYU, recently stepped down as the editor of the



Journal of East Asian Libraries after 22 years. At its 2018 annual meeting in March, the Council of East Asian Libraries honored her for her devoted service in the post.

Michael Dorff, chair of the BYU Department of Mathematics, became the President-Elect of the Mathematical Association of America, “the world’s largest community of mathematicians, students, and enthusiasts,” on 1 February 2018. He will serve as President-Elect for one year and President for two years. For more details, see:



<http://news.byu.edu/news/meet-new-president-math>



Scenes from the Initiation Banquet

March 15, 2018



2018 Phi Kappa Phi Initiates

FACULTY

Lacey Miller Eden
Scott C. Esplin
Patti Freeman
Megan Elizabeth Frost
Jared Lee Howland
Francesca R. Sborgi Lawson
Leslie Willden Miles
Rodney H. Newman
Dana M. Pike
Brian D. Poole
Susan S. Rugh

GRADUATES

Sean Douglas Allsop
Yusuke Asai
Allison Wallace Baker
Lisa Diane Turner Bennett
Derek L. Blad
Sam Butler
Daniel Carlson
Daniel Carter
Denise Crismon
Marc J. Ellison
Makani Layne Fisher
Candace Fowles
Blaine W. Hamilton
Scott Phillip Harris
Joseph W. Hogge
Ian James
Judy C. James
Cherlyn L. Johnson
Chanel Naftali Venetie Arts
Johnstun
Grant Jones
Matt S. Kershaw
Austin Knutson
Margaret A. Krivanec
Richard Kuchinsky
Xue Liu
Colin Ludlow
Elizabeth MacLachlan
Olivier Munn
Matthew Okazaki
Xiaohui Qiao
Andrew Scott Ricker
M. Liisa Roden
Hannah E. Salzl
Karthik Sankara Narayanan
Federick Seng
Treana Andrea Meno Ram
Solomon
Grayson Joel Tarbox
Danai Serrine Udall
Sarah Childs Wasden
G. Breck Wightman
Tiffany Nicole Wixom
Maren B. Worley

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Natalie Ales

Natasha Andersen
Nikki-Catrina M. Anderson
Charles Daniel Ankenman
Andrew Baird
Jacob M. Baird
Joshua Paul Barringer
Emily Adelaide Bartholomew
Daniel Barton
Isaac Becker Pardo
Anne Bennion
AnnaSue Bergeson
Gage Black
Madison Y. Blonquist
Parker David Brady
Mark Breinholt
Zachary James Brogan
Landon A. Brown
Rachael L. Buchanan
Samantha Bullock
Stephen Buma
Tiffany Meraiot Cajo Arce
B. Kaden Carr
Savannah R. Chambers
Katherine Christensen
Samuel P. Christensen
Taylor Lynn Christiansen
Joseph Clark
Hannah Cope
Jessica Ruth Crellin
Summer Crockett
Jared Kendall Curtis
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Jacquelyn Mae Dunn
Jonathan Dutton
Hyrum S. Eddington
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Matthew Kupferer
Sarah Elise Larkin
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Rachel A. Uhl
Michelle Valladares
Liz Vance
Hänel June Watkins
Konner William Welch
Savannah Wells
Truman Lance Whitney
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Heidi Willden
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