

# Phi Kappa Phi



***BYU Chapter Newsletter***  
**Fall 2022**

## **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, college liaisons, and nominators for our awards. Anyone who is interested in serving in Phi Kappa Phi, please contact Marianna Richardson ([mariannari@hotmail.com](mailto:mariannari@hotmail.com)) or Janelle Macintosh ([janelle-macintosh@byu.edu](mailto:janelle-macintosh@byu.edu)).

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## **President's Message**

### **Let's Rise Up!**



Marianna Richardson  
*BYU Chapter President*  
*Phi Kappa Phi*

During my first lesson every semester, I talk about failure. This may sound like a depress-

ing way to start a semester. But you have to fail in order to experience the magic of learning. If you performed everything perfectly the first time, then you cannot learn because you are already perfect. How many times did you fail when learning to walk as a baby? Or learning to ride a bike in grade school? Or learning to speak a new language in high school? Or learning to write an essay in college? The magical, wonderful part about failing is trying it again and, this time, you do it a little bit better. Then, you try it again and you progress some more. Until, you have finally mastered it!

Research has shown that the best way to learn is through a mentor or teacher who has gone through the learning process before you. A mentor can stop you from failing so many times and quicken your acquisition of any skill. The opportunity to become a mentor to others is a beautiful experience. Ironically, you always learn more as the mentor/teacher than the students you are teaching.

One hundred and twenty-five years ago, Phi Kappa Phi was started at the University of Maine by ten senior students and two faculty members. From the beginning of Phi Kappa Phi, faculty and students have worked together to support each other in their mutual love of learning and sharing this love with others. The spirit of mentoring is a significant part of Phi Kappa Phi with students mentoring students, and professors mentoring students.

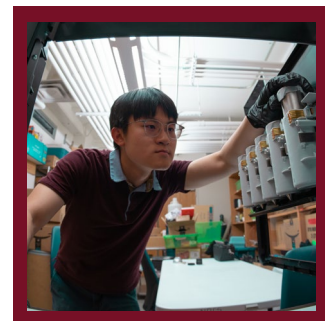
As we look forward to this school year, I am hoping that we, as the Phi Kappa Phi BYU Chapter, can try to mentor each other. Whether you are student members or faculty members, all should try to support each other academically, emotionally, and spiritually. Students can support Phi Kappa Phi activities. Students

and professors can participate in the service projects planned for this year. Professors can help students prepare for graduate school.

James E. Talmage wrote: “We talk of independence. No man is independent. We are all interdependent; and we shall only rise as we carry others with us, and as we are assisted by others.” Let’s rise up by mentoring others this year!



## Get to Know the Student Vice Presidents



Eliza Peterson and Wendell Loh

*BYU Chapter Student Vice Presidents  
Phi Kappa Phi*

**Eliza Peterson** is a senior studying sociology and design thinking, with hopes of someday becoming a professor and operating an at-home art studio on the side. She has found the most fulfillment in listening to others’ stories in qualitative research and creative projects, and wants to be a bridge to connect different points of view with compassion and empathy

for each other. When not doing school or artwork, she loves spending time outside and being mindful of the beauty around her.

When asked to think about how being a part of Phi Kappa Phi has impacted her, she remembered being surrounded by ambitious people like her at the banquet. She didn't realize how helpful it would be to see other BYU students, especially women, setting their sights high and achieving great things. Through this experience, she realized that her ambition and dreams were something valuable that she could give to the world and were possible to work towards along with other students.

This year as Vice President, she wants to help other students catch the vision of their potential as part of Phi Kappa Phi just like she did. She hopes to help lead the student council to reach out to students who strive for academic excellence but who may not envision themselves as part of an organization like Phi Kappa Phi.

**Wendell Loh** is a senior studying Food Science with a minor in Chemistry, and he aspires to get a PhD focusing on aquatic food supply and marine ecosystem sustainability, with an emphasis on how chemistry can make our food supply more sustainable for the environment. After living in Utah for three years, he rekindled his love for the sea through scuba diving and is now working to certify as a Rescue diver. He is motivated by his love of the sea and seafood, as well as his desire to conserve it for his future family and children (and hopes his fiancée will one day learn to swim). When not busy with school or work, he loves to spend time with his family and loved ones, cooking, baking, and writing (on the occasion). He does not have a favorite dish to make, but he is partial to desserts and pastries, and will happily

make any dish by request.

He has also benefited greatly from being in Phi Kappa Phi, where he feels that he is finally finding and being accepted by a community of scholars. For him, Phi Kappa Phi is a community of like-minded, ambitious young people. As Vice President, he hopes to build the feeling of belonging and community for Phi Kappa Phi's members, the same way he felt when he was inducted at last year's banquet, and give to others what made him stay: home.



## 2022 Distinguished Faculty Lecture

Each year, the BYU Associate Academic Vice President and the Executive Committee of the BYU Chapter of Phi Kappa Phi select a recipient for the Phi Kappa Phi Faculty Award. This award is announced during the Annual University Conference at the commencement of each academic year.



The Phi Kappa Phi Faculty Award recognizes contributions to student mentoring and community service. Recipients of this award demonstrate outstanding teaching and citizenship, exemplifying the honor society's motto: "Let the love of learning rule humanity."



The recipient of the Phi Kappa Phi Faculty Award receives a cash award and is invited to provide the annual Phi Kappa Phi Distinguished Faculty Lecture in November.

The recipient of the 2022 Phi Kappa Phi Faculty Award is **Dr. Heather Belnap**, associate professor of Art History & Curatorial Studies and European Studies coordinator at BYU.

All members of the BYU community are invited to attend this lecture. The title of Dr. Belnap's lecture is ***Pioneers in Paris: Educating Utah Saints in the City of Light, 1850-1914.***

**When:** Thursday, November 17, 2022  
11:00 AM to 12:00 PM  
**Where:** Education in Zion Auditorium  
B192 JFSB

**Lecture Description:** *Between 1850 and 1914, several prominent Saints, including Eliza R. Snow, Brigham Young Jr., and the Church's "art missionaries" and their students, sojourned in Paris to further their education and to network. This lecture will explore how these endeavors edified individuals and their civic, professional, and church communities. Heather Belnap is an associate professor of Art History & Curatorial Studies and European Studies coordinator. She specializes in modern European art & culture, with a particular emphasis in nineteenth-century France.*



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# Recent Chapter Activities

## Fall Opening Social

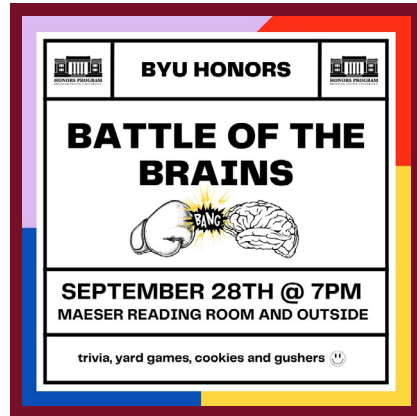


On August 31st, we started the semester off with an opening social where we loved getting to know so many of you. Our Phi Kap-

pa Phi chapter includes undergraduates, graduate students, and faculty members and we loved connecting with you all. This was also a great opportunity to connect across disciplines. Thanks for enjoying Hruska's Kolaches with us!



## Battle of the Brains



On September 28th, the BYU Chapter of Phi Kappa Phi had a face-off with the BYU Honors Program. The Battle of the Brains activity was a success!

We got to spread awareness of Phi Kappa Phi to underclassman, as well as participate with them in trivia, chess, bananagrams, and Twister. We are hoping to increase the visibility of Phi Kappa Phi on campus so that more students will join next year. Check out [The Daily Universe](#) article for photos and more details about this fun activity.

## Halloween Service Activity

We had an excellent volunteer opportunity at the South Franklin Community Center Halloween Party on October 24th. Phi Kappa Phi members served food, operated carnival games, and gave candy to neighborhood kids during a trunk-or-treat activity.







## Upcoming Grant & Award Deadlines

### Dissertation Fellowship

*Deadline: 30 November 2022*



Ten Dissertation Fellowships of \$10,000 each are awarded annually to active members who are doctoral candidates and are completing dissertations. The fellowship supports students in the dissertation writing stage of doctoral study and is for 12 months of dissertation writing. For the dissertation fellowship application and additional details, see: <http://www.phikappaphi.org/grants-awards/dissertation-fellowship>

## Graduate Research Grant

*Deadline: 30 November 2022*



Twenty grants of up to \$1,500 are available each year to members attending graduate school to provide funding for research in support of career development opportunities, such as conducting or presenting research. For the graduate research grant application and additional details, see: <https://www.phikappaphi.org/grants-awards/graduate-research>

## Local BYU Scholarships

*Deadline: 1 December 2022*



Undergraduate student Phi Kappa Phi members are eligible to apply to one of our two local BYU scholarships that cover full tuition for one semester. These scholarships are made available by the generous donations of Ruth E. Brasher and Carol A. Ellsworth. For the scholarship application and additional details, see:

<https://phikappaphi.byu.edu/content/local-scholarships>

## BYU College Awards

*Deadline: Check with your College Advisor*



The Phi Kappa Phi Executive Council has authorized a College Award program to award academic excellence in Phi Kappa Phi student members across the University. Each college is given between

\$600 and \$1,800 dollars to award to Phi Kappa Phi members in their college. The college deans and Phi Kappa Phi college advisors determine the criteria for these awards. For more details see: <https://phikappaphi.byu.edu/college-awards>

## National Fellowship

*BYU Chapter Deadline: 1 February 2023*



Fifty-four Fellowships of \$8,500 each, six at \$20,000 each and two at \$35,000 each are awarded to members entering the first year of graduate or professional study. For the fellowship application and additional details, see:

<https://phikappaphi.byu.edu/national-fellowship>

## Study Abroad Grant

*Deadline: 15 March 2023*



Seventy-five \$1,000 grants are awarded each year and support undergraduates as they seek knowledge and experience in their academic fields by studying abroad. For the study abroad application and additional details, see:

<https://www.phikappaphi.org/grants-awards/study-abroad>

## Literacy Grant

*Deadline: 1 April 2023*

Grants of up to \$2,500 are available to Phi Kappa Phi chapters and individual members



to provide funding to new and ongoing projects that reinforce part of the Society's mission to engage the community of scholars in service to others. For the literacy grant application and additional details, see: <https://www.phikappaphi.org/grants-awards/literacy>

## Pioneer Award

*Deadline: 1 June 2023*



*New Award!* Fifty awards at \$1,000 each are distributed each year. Designed to encourage and reward undergraduate members for developing the research, engagement and leadership skills necessary to become a successful scholar. For the pioneer award application and additional details, see: <https://www.phikappaphi.org/grants-awards/pioneer>

## Love of Learning Award

*Deadline: 30 June 2023*



Two hundred awards at \$500 each are distributed each year and help fund post-baccalaureate studies and career development, including graduate or professional studies, doctoral dissertations, continuing education, travel related to teaching/studies, and more. For the love of learning application and additional details, see: <https://www.phikappaphi.org/grants-awards/love-of-learning>

