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# PHI KAPPA PHI NEWSLETTER

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE BYU CHAPTER  
OF THE HONOR SOCIETY OF PHI KAPPA PHI

## President's Message

BY JANELLE MACINTOSH



Dear Esteemed Phi Kappa Phi Members

I hope this message finds you in good health and high spirits. It is with great pleasure and a sense of immense pride that I extend my warmest welcome to you as the President of Phi Kappa Phi. As we embark on this exciting journey together, I am thrilled to have you be part of our distinguished community of scholars and achievers.

Phi Kappa Phi's motto is "let the love of learning rule humanity." What a glorious statement and sentiment. Together we stand for excellence, scholarship, and a commitment to the pursuit of knowledge and leadership. Throughout this school year, you will have the opportunity to engage in a myriad of activities and initiatives designed to enrich your experience and further cultivate your talents. From academic seminars and community outreach to leadership development and networking events, we are dedicated to providing you with a platform to thrive.

Our society is built on a foundation of inclusivity, diversity, and the shared belief that together, we can achieve greatness. We encourage you to actively participate in our events, collaborate with fellow members, and contribute your unique perspective to our collective endeavors. Your involvement will not only enhance your personal growth but also contribute to the betterment of our society.

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### THE PHI KAPPA PHI CHAPTER NEEDS YOUR SERVICE!

We need faculty and staff 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 Janelle Macintosh ([janelle-macintosh@byu.edu](mailto:janelle-macintosh@byu.edu)) or Heather Belnap ([heather\\_belnap@byu.edu](mailto:heather_belnap@byu.edu)).



As President, I am committed to fostering an environment where you can flourish, both academically and personally. If you have any ideas, suggestions, or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to me or any member of our student council. Your feedback is invaluable in shaping the future of our society. Thank you for entrusting me with the privilege of leading this exceptional community. I am excited for the incredible journey that lies ahead and look forward to getting to know each one of you.

Welcome to Phi Kappa Phi! Let us embrace excellence together!

## Vice Presidents' Message

BY ELIZA HAMMOND AND TY TENNEY



The motto of Phi Kappa Phi is to “let the love of learning rule humanity.” Many of us have seen the power of learning and its excellence in our lives. Academically speaking, that is why many of us received an invitation to join this honor society. However, we also know that learning takes a big step forward when collaborating and building relationships with others. We are trying to accomplish these two pursuits, in part, by organizing events and socials here on campus throughout the year.

We met a healthy handful of student members at our opening social in October. Thank you to everyone who could help and be present at the event. In just a few weeks, we will have a grad school night where professionals from different fields – such as MBA, pre-medical, law, and others – will be available to answer your questions about your upcoming graduate plans.

With the end of the semester approaching quickly, we know that can mean stressful situations for anybody at this university, students and faculty alike. We do so much to make an impossibly stressful timeframe less exhausting, especially with how many of us care to excel scholastically. But when our learning experience gets difficult, please know you are in great company. Many prominent people have been involved in Phi Kappa Phi: politicians like Mitt Romney and Jimmy Carter, successful businessmen like the co-founder and CEO of YouTube Chad Hurley, movie personnel like Steven Spielberg, and apostles of the church like Boyd K. Packer. So, take that boost of confidence by knowing you have that capacity and potential; you have already made it this far.

If there is anything we can do to improve your PKP journey, we are more than eager to help you out, hoping to learn more from you than we could ever help you.

## Distinguished Faculty Lecture



THE HONOR SOCIETY OF  
**PHI KAPPA PHI**

### Distinguished Faculty Lecture

honoring

## Dr. Grant G. Schultz

Professor of Civil and Construction Engineering



### *It's All About the One*

Thursday, Nov. 16, 2023  
11:00 a.m., 321 EB

In his 2014 and 2022 annual university conference addresses, President Kevin J. Worthen stated, "At the end of the day, students are the product we produce...How they turn out—what they do and, more important, who they are—is the ultimate metric by which our work will be measured." Join me as I review the amazing accomplishments of some of my students and discuss how the love of learning has helped instill in them a desire "to go forth to serve."

Dr. Grant G. Schultz conducts research in traffic operations, traffic safety, incident management, connected vehicle technologies, and access management. He is a member of the Transportation Research Board's Standing Committee on Safety Performance and Analysis and is Chair of the TRB Standing Committee on Access Management.

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## Recent Chapter Activities

### FALL OPENING SOCIAL

On Tuesday, October 10, 2023, approximately 100 current and prospective Phi Kappa Phi members gathered on the Kimball Quad for a fun evening of games and pizza! Highlights included axe throwing, spikeball, and corn hole. Attendees also enjoyed socializing and learning more about Phi Kappa Phi, including upcoming events and the multiple scholarship and other funding opportunities.



## Upcoming Chapter Activities

### GRAD SCHOOL NIGHT

Save the Date! Our next BYU Phi Kappa Phi chapter activity will be on Wednesday, November 29th. This event will highlight tips and tricks on getting into grad school. More details, including time and location, are forthcoming. Please check the BYU chapter website for more information: <https://phikappaphi.byu.edu/>



## Upcoming Scholarship & Award Deadlines

### DISSERTATION FELLOWSHIP

*Deadline: 30 November 2023*

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 more details see:

<http://www.phikappaphi.org/grants-awards/dissertation-fellowship>



### GRADUATE RESEARCH GRANT

*Deadline: 30 November 2023*

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 more details see:

<https://www.phikappaphi.org/grants-awards/graduate-students/graduate-research>



### LOCAL BYU SCHOLARSHIPS

*Deadline: 1 December 2023*

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 more details see:

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



## Upcoming Scholarship & Award Deadlines (cont.)

### **NATIONAL FELLOWSHIP**

*BYU Deadline: 1 February 2024*

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 more details see:

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



### **SCHOLAR & ARTIST AWARDS**

*Deadline: 1 February 2024*

The Scholar Award recognizes excellence in teaching, research and public service, while the Artist Award recognizes the achievements of those who, in addition to their outstanding scholarship, have displayed talents in the broad realm of the arts—creative, graphic, performing, visual and/or fine arts. For more details see:

<https://www.phikappaphi.org/grants-awards/scholar-and-artist>



### **DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD**

*Deadline: 1 February 2024*

Once per biennium, The Ray Sylvester Distinguished Service Award honors an individual who has provided sustained, non-compensated volunteer service to others beyond the realm of academia. The awardee receives a recognition citation, life membership and a \$1,000 donation to a nonprofit cause of their choice. For more details see:

<https://www.phikappaphi.org/grants-awards/distinguished-service>





## Upcoming Scholarship & Award Deadlines (cont.)

### **BYU COLLEGE AWARDS**

*Deadline: Winter 2024 (check with your college advisor)*

The BYU Phi Kappa Phi Executive Committee has authorized a College Award program to recognize academic excellence in Phi Kappa Phi 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>



### **STUDY ABROAD GRANT**

*Deadline: 15 March 2024*

One hundred twenty-five \$1,000 grants are awarded each year to support undergraduates as they seek knowledge and experience in their academic fields by studying abroad. Applicants do not have to be Phi Kappa Phi members but must attend an institution with an active Phi Kappa Phi chapter. For more details see:

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



### **LITERACY GRANT**

*Deadline: 1 April 2024*

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 more details see:

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

