



# Beta-Nu 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Hall of Fame

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16<sup>TH</sup>, 2015

THE UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY

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# BETA-NU

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The 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Beta-Nu Chapter Hall of Fame Award is presented by the Beta-Nu Chapter of Kappa Sigma Fraternity on Friday, October 16, 2015.

Conceived as a way of honoring Kappa Sigma and Beta-Nu alumni for outstanding achievements, this award will become an integral part of our tradition here at Beta-Nu.

Inductees are among a select group of alumni. Recognition is given to those who have excelled in their career, or in their service to the community and/or the fraternity.



# HALL OF FAME AWARDS BANQUET

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## **WELCOME**

### **MASTER OF CEREMONIES**

Michael Bowling '86

### **INVOCATION & MOMENT OF SILENCE**

Hugh Robert '95 (Epsilon-Mu, Tulsa) - Past Worthy Grand Master

### **STATE OF THE CHAPTER**

### **PRESENTATION & UNDERGRAD AWARDS**

Collin Burke '13, Grand Master

### **LEGACY RECOGNITION**

Roth Gray '12 // R. Michael Gray, '77

KC Wold '15 // Karl Chris Wold II '76

Leighton Dupree (*currently pledging*) // Fredric Dupree III '80

Karl Hinkel (*currently pledging*) // James Hinkel '13 // Jeffrey Hinkel '80

### **HALL OF FAME PRESENTATION**

Michael Bowling '86 & Mic Wilson '78

### **HOUSE UPDATE**

Robert "Bob" Droste '76, House Corporation President

### **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

2015

# INDUCTEES

**Basil E. Hayden '20**

*(Deceased)*

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Kappa Sigma Fraternity  
University of Kentucky

**Joseph R. Kimbrough '23**

*(Deceased)*

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University of Kentucky

**Ken Lucas '53**

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**H. Wendell Cherry '54**

*(Deceased)*

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**Gerald L. Nichols '55**

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**Paul E. Patton '56**

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**James W. Stuckert '56**

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**Kenneth W. Towery '56**

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**Alva R. Sullivan '57**

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**William M. Cox, Sr. '61**

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**James Robert Paul '62**

*(Deceased)*

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**William M. Corum '63**

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**Warren Denny '63**

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**David S. Jordan '63**

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**Frank Nichols '65**

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**Billy Forbes '67**

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**Russell F. Tucker '71**

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**Mitchell B. Wilson '78**

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**Michael Bowling '86**

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**Michael Stacy '92**

Beta-Nu Chapter  
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HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

## Basil Hayden '20

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Brother Basil Hayden was a June 6, 1920 initiate of Beta-Nu Chapter. He joined the Chapter Celestial on January 9, 2003 at the age of 103.

He was the University of Kentucky's first All-American basketball player. He was born in Stanford Kentucky and was a graduate of Paris High School. He graduated from the University of Kentucky in 1921.

Of all the words said about Basil Hayden, the most poignant perhaps, were those written that appeared in the Atlanta Constitution after UK defeated the University of Georgia in the 1921 Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Association's first championship, "Hayden, the Kentucky Captain, a blonde Apollo, a Kentucky thoroughbred, if ever one stepped on the turf, has been the thorn in the side of Kentucky's opponents."

From the time he first held a basketball, up until his death, he was a "True Blue, Kentucky Wildcat". His jersey hangs from the rafters of Rupp Arena. His basketball career began in the sixth grade in Paris, Kentucky, and he went on to play for Paris High School where he had been inducted into the Paris Greyhound Hall of Fame.

In the course of his life, Brother Hayden served in the U.S. Army during World War I, taught school, coached basketball at the University of Kentucky and Kentucky Wesleyan College, sold insurance, did tax work, was a bank officer, was a state bank examiner, and a hospital administrator. He retired in his seventies from the job of treasurer of the Interboard Council, Kentucky Conference of the Methodist Church, holding many leadership positions through the years. He was a member of Rotary International and a most proud and loyal Kappa Sigma.

HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

## Joseph R. "Babe" Kimbrough '23

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Brother Kimbrough was initiated into the Beta-Nu Chapter on March 21, 1923. He was a retired journalist who followed his interest in sports so far as to manage a professional basketball team. The West Paducah native had worked for the Frankfort State Journal, Horseman & Fair World Magazine and the former Lexington Herald. His jobs at the Herald included political writer, sports editor, city editor, state editor and editorial writer during the 1930s and 1940s. In 1949, he became part-owner and manager of the Indianapolis Olympians, a professional team that played in the National Basketball Association until the early 1950s.

The 1925 graduate of the University of Kentucky served two stints as the House Father of Beta-Nu Chapter. He retired as House Father in 1979. He was a veteran and served in the Army in World War II. He was involved in the real estate business and was affiliated with Clark Realty in Lexington in his later years.

Babe had a tremendous impact with his leadership for both the Beta-Nu Chapter and the University of Kentucky Fraternity and Sorority system. He received the Distinguished Commendation Award from the Supreme Executive Committee for his service to Beta-Nu Chapter.

## HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

# Ken Lucas '53

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Brother Lucas graduated from Kentucky with a Bachelor of Science in 1955. He served as a pilot in the Air Force before finishing his 12 year flying career in the Air National Guard, retiring as a Major.

In 1967 he began what would be a 30 year career as a Financial Advisor with Cigna/Lincoln Financial. He also continued his education, earning an MBA from Xavier in 1970.

He also began his political career, serving seven years (1967-74) as a City Councilman in Florence. He later became county commissioner of Boone County, finally becoming Boone County Judge in 1991.

In 1998 Brother Lucas ran for the US House of Representatives, running and winning three times, 1999-2005. Following his third term Congressman Lucas (D) stepped aside, honoring his commitment to limit himself to three terms.

In 2008 Brother Lucas was appointed Commissioner of the Kentucky Department of Veteran's Affairs, a post he held through 2015.

He held a 23 year stint on the Board of Regents for Northern Kentucky University. For 13 of those years he served as Chairman of the Board. In 1991 he received an honorary PHD from the university.

He has also served as Chairman of the North Kentucky Chamber of Commerce. Ken and Mary have five children, Lance, Shannon Aulick, Trent, Kendall Reynolds & Tiffany Larsson. They have also been blessed with 12 grandchildren.

HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

## H. Wendell Cherry '54

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Brother Wendell Cherry is a March 28, 1954 initiate of Beta-Nu Chapter. He was vice chairman of Humana, Inc., operator of a nationwide chain of hospitals and provider of health insurance for 1.6 million people. He founded Humana in 1961 with David A. Jones, and had many interest outside the health-care field. He owned the Kentucky Colonels basketball team and was president of the American Basketball Association before its absorption into the National Basketball Association.

He was a collector of Art which included a self-portrait of Picasso and a Broadway producer whose shows included "The Secret Garden".

He was a native of Hart County. He was a graduate of the University of Kentucky and its law school. In 1959, he began a law practice in Louisville and taught economics at the University of Louisville. Over the years Brother Cherry identified with many activities in Louisville. He was a lawyer for a group of Louisville sportsman who sponsored the boxer Cassius Clay. The boxer went on to win the world heavyweight championship in 1964 and later became Muhammed Ali.

In the late 1960s, Brother Cherry headed a campaign to refinance a number of Louisville projects, including rebuilding of the Louisville General Hospital into the Humana Hospital-University of Louisville, one of four Humana medical centers in Louisville.

He was a pivotal figure in raising \$13.5 to build the Kentucky Center for the Arts, which was completed in 1983, and served as its board chairman from 1980-1987. Brother Cherry joined the Chapter Celestial in 1991.



## HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

# Gerald L. Nichols '55

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Gerald "Gerry" Nichols, a Louisville native, pledged Beta-Nu after Joseph Kirchorfer '51, a friend of his who had pledged encouraged him to do likewise. Nichols joined the Engineering Department of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad in 1958. He managed the design and construction of Louisville's Osborn Yard, a major classification center for switching rail cars. In the ensuing years he compiled a stellar record in a number of operations and staff functions culminating in involvement on the team that created CSX Corporation, centered in Richmond, Virginia.

In 1980 he was elected Vice President and Executive Assistance to the Chairman of the Board and President of CSX Corporation. He was elected Senior Vice President in 1984 and was part of the task force that merged the Chessie and Seaboard Systems Railroads that created CSX Transportation, Inc., Jacksonville, Florida. In 1995 Brother Nichols was named Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of CSX Transportation Inc. He was named Vice Chairman, January 1, 1998 and held the position until he retired on December 31<sup>st</sup> of the same year.

Nichols is a Registered Professional Engineer, a member of the Dean's advisory board of the University of Kentucky College of Engineering. In April 1996, he was honored by the University of Kentucky with his induction into the College of Engineering Hall of Distinction.

He is also a member of the Advisory Board at the University of Louisville College of Business. In 2002 he received the University of Louisville College of Business Alumni Fellows Award in recognition of his career achievements.

He and his wife, the former Jacqueline Wilson, reside in Jacksonville, Florida. They have two children, son, Mark, and daughter, Kathryn. They also have two granddaughters, Kendall and Taylor.

Brother Nichols credits Kappa Sigma with helping him form lifelong friendships. "The camaraderie I experienced with my brothers meant a lot." He also encourages the current members to get involved. "The beautiful building does not make the chapter. The current brothers must participate in all phases of campus activities, and should enjoy their time as an active member."

## HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

# Paul E. Patton '56

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Paul Patton attended the schools of Lawrence County in Northeastern Kentucky and graduated from Louisa High School in 1955 before enrolling in the University of Kentucky.

"As to why I joined Kappa Sigma, you have to realize how green I was. I really had no idea what college life was all about. As a freshman, I and my roommate, David Shortridge, also from Louisa, lived next to Bob Moody and Terry Kester, both from Northern Kentucky and much more sophisticated than we. They had pledged Beta-Nu in the fall. By the spring David and I realized that we needed an organization which could develop the social skills we would need to be competitive in the modern world. With Bob and Terry's encouragement we pledged Beta-Nu. The association with the Brothers contributed greatly to our future successes. I made dear friends who I value even today."

After graduation from the University of Kentucky with a degree in mechanical engineering in 1959 he began his professional career in the coal mining industry in Floyd County. During the next 20 years he built a successful coal business and was a leader in the industry. He was on the board of directors of the Kentucky Coal Association, a member of the Kentucky Deep Mine Safety Commission and chairman of the Board of the National Independent Coal Operators Association.

In 1979, Patton turned to public service. He served briefly as the deputy secretary of the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet and then was the chairman of the Kentucky Democratic Party from 1981 to 1983.

In 1981, he was elected county judge executive of Pike County where he served for 10 years. Patton successfully secured the adoption of the first universal mandatory county-wide solid waste collection program in Kentucky. He also concentrated on the construction of rural roads, recreation facilities, county buildings, and economic development efforts.

In 1991 he became Kentucky's lieutenant governor and also served as secretary of Economic Development. He spearheaded a redesign of Kentucky economic development efforts, securing the adoption of four economic development incentive programs and secured the establishment of the Kentucky Economic Development Partnership to administer the Kentucky economic development program. He was elected governor in 1995. An advocate for higher education, he led the effort to persuade the General Assembly to enact the Higher Education Reform Act of 1997. He established the Bucks for Brains program to fund endowed chairs and professorships at the state universities. He helped the state make progress on many fronts including worker's compensation, juvenile justice, domestic violence and child abuse prevention, early childhood education, historic preservation and infrastructure construction.

Patton's early realization of the importance of education is revealed by his acceptance of an appointment to the Board of Trustees of Pikeville College in 1973 where he served until the unexpected opportunity to actually work as an education administrator materialized in the fall of 2009 when he was appointed President of the institution. He led the college to double its enrollment and to become a university. It is now regarded as the leading university of Central Appalachia. In 2013 he stepped down from the presidency to assume the position of Chancellor, the position he holds today. In April of 2015 he was appointed interim president of the University of Pikeville pending the recruitment of a new president.

He is married to Judi Conway Patton and they have four children and three grandchildren.

## HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

# James W. Stuckert '56

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As an undergraduate, Brother Stuckert was extremely involved with both Beta-Nu and on campus. As a Kappa Sigma he served as Grand Procurator and Grand Master, and spoke at the Biannual Conclave in Denver, 1959.

He was also involved with Keys, Lances, Lamp & Cross, Omicron Delta Kappa and the Phi Tau Sigma Mechanical Engineering Honorary. He served as Business Manager for the Kentucky Engineering Magazine and was the student Government Association Representative from the College of Engineering. James graduated with a BS in Mechanical Engineering in 1960 and also received an MBA in June of 1961.

Mr. Stuckert's first employment was with Cummins Engine Company in Columbus, Indiana. In December 1962, Mr. Stuckert joined W.L. Lyons & Company. He became a partner of the then merged J.J.B.Hilliard, W.L. Lyons & Company in December 1968. He was responsible for equity trading at Hilliard. Lyons prior to assuming the roles of Chairman and CEO in December 1995. He has served on the Board of Directors of Hilliard Lyons, Inc. since its incorporation on December 1, 1972 until his retirement as Chairman of the Board on December 31, 2003.

In 1976, Mr. Stuckert was elected to serve as President of the University of Kentucky National Alumni Association and still remains on the Board of Directors. In 1980, he received the Distinguished Service Award for Exceptional Service to the University of Kentucky Alumni Association.

Brother Stuckert served as Chairman of the Board of the University of Kentucky Development Council. He was the Chair of the Capital Campaign recently concluded, which raised over \$1 Billion for the University of Kentucky. He also chaired the Corporate and Foundation Committee for the new William T. Young Library Campaign in the early 1990s. Mr. Stuckert is a UK Presidential Fellow.

Mr. Stuckert was inducted to the Alumni Hall of Fame at the University of Kentucky Carol Martin Gatton College of Business and Economics in February 1997. He was also elected to the University of Kentucky Hall Of Distinguished Alumni in May 2000, and was inducted into the School of Engineering Hall of Fame in April 2002. Among other honors Mr. Stuckert was the recipient of the honorary Doctor of Letters Degree from the University of Kentucky in May 2004.

As of July 1, 2009, Mr. Stuckert was appointed to the University of Kentucky Board of Trustees for a term of 6 years. He served as Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees, and as Chair of the Finance Committee for five years. He also served as Chair of the University of Kentucky Presidential Search Committee in 2010 and 2011 resulting in the hiring of President Eli Capilouto effective July 1, 2011.

Brother Stuckert has remained active as a Kappa Sigma. He was involved with the founding Kappa Sigma Chapters at Western Kentucky in 1964 as well as Louisville in 1984. In July 2008 he received the Greater Cause Distinguished Alumnus Award. He credits the fraternity with helping the development of his social, leadership and brotherhood skills. "I absolutely loved my pledge class, second semester of the 1955-1956 school year!"

And he advises: "Study hard, work hard, have fun, and learn to spend time wisely. "Pay Attention, be involved, and always be part of the solution – not the problem. Be a positive influence and appreciate what you have."

## HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

# Kenneth W. Towery '56

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Ken Towery, a 1956 initiate, is a brother that took the principles of Kappa Sigma past his college career and succeeded in his post-graduate life. When Ken came to the University of Kentucky and decided to rush, he found that the men of Kappa Sigma had the quality, character and integrity that he looked for in an organization. In his eyes, the men of Kappa Sigma seemed to have a higher caliber of guys than other fraternities.

During his time as an undergraduate, Brother Towery was the social chairman of the fraternity and really knew how to dress well, considering he was the winner of Campus Fraternities Best Dressed Contest. In addition to Kappa Sigma, Ken was a member of Persian Rifles the ROTC program, a cheerleader and an avid intramural sport player.

He graduated from the University of Kentucky with a degree in Bachelor of Science in Business Management and Marketing in 1959. As an alumni, Ken is part of the UK Fellows Association and a K-Fund Contributor. He was awarded the John G. Tower Distinguished Alumnus Award and was inducted into UK Hall of Honor.

After college, Ken worked with Firestone Tire and Rubber Company from 1958 through 1971. During this time, he became the district manager and a retail store manager. His work for Firestone influenced him to open his own business called Ken Towery's Tire and AutoCare. Ken's work ethic lead his company expand from one store to thirty two stores and a wholesale operation. He also won several awards, such as National Tire Dealer of the Year, Hankook Tire Company Partners in Excellence Award, and Entrepreneur of the Year finalist for Kentucky and Southern Ohio.

The Louisville community is important to Ken. He was a member of the Foundation Board of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and gave his time to the Toys for Tots Foundation. He was awarded extensive awards for his service to his community, such as the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary Bruce W. Benton Distinguished Service Award, City of Louisville Distinguished Citizens Award and the U.S. Marines Commanders Award for his Toys for Tots work.

Ken attributes his experience in the Kappa Sigma fraternity in learning building determination, having honesty in everything you do, being more competitive, and how to make better decisions. The bottom line is that Kappa Sigma fraternity takes a young person fresh out of the high school environment and greatly helps him develop into a winner in life. One work that Ken describes a Kappa Sig is "Leadership".

Brother Towery wants to impress onto the current Beta-Nu members that they "should be the best of the best in everything they do. Be honest, be sincere, be fair, be forgiving, be a hard worker, maintain your integrity and keep God in your life. He wants to remind them that you can do anything that you want to do, if you want to do it bad enough and if it is in reason."

His final words to the boys are a simple "Get 'er done and God bless you and your future."

## HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

# Alva R. Sullivan '57

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Alva wasn't sure about joining fraternity when he left for college. "I had never had a family member pledge a fraternity. I female family friend was working at U of K and when she learned I was coming to Lexington she encouraged me to pledge Kappa Sigma. She asked Wendell Cherry (later co-founder of Humana and on this honoree list) and a Kappa Sig to rush me. He was in Law School at that time. He took this very uncool freshman and introduced me to a number of the brothers who also rushed me hard. I pledged -- and it was the best decision I made as a 17-year-old which has helped shape my life. The brotherhood, the huge success we had as a chapter in the 1957-1960 period -which was phenomenal, and the lifelong personal friendships developed there are still strong some 50 plus years later."

Brother Sullivan graduated in 1960 with a Bachelor of Science and started working in the Admissions Office of Spencerian College.

In June of 1962 Sullivan Business College was launched and Sullivan started as Vice President and Director of Admissions. More than 50 years later Alva is still at Sullivan, now the Sullivan University System, serving as Chancellor. The Sullivan University System has campuses in both Louisville and Lexington, as well as an extension at Fort Knox and an online division.

While serving in academics Alva continued his own education, earning a Doctor of Business Administration from Johnson & Wales University in 1997.

Brother Sullivan has also served key positions on several professional boards, including as a Board Member for the American Council on Education, a Commission Member of the National Commission on Higher Education and the Adult Learner, as well as Chairman of the Board for the Association of Independent Colleges and Schools.

He has earned numerous accolades for his efforts, including winning the Business First - "Business Leader of the Year Award- Large Business" (2009), Junior Achievement - "Business Hall of Fame Laureate" (2009), the "Dan Mangeot" Award - to the person in Louisville who has made significant contributions to the advancement of Tourism and the Hospitality Industry (2006), the Ernst & Young "Entrepreneur-of-the-Year Award" and induction into the "Entrepreneur-of-the-Year International Hall of Fame" (1999) and the "Honorable Order of the Golden Toque" Fellow Membership (2003).

Brother Sullivan has remained active with Kappa Sigma. Each month he co-hosts an Alumni Luncheon for Beta-Nu's and alumni from other chapters who work or live in the Louisville area. "This has kept the Kappa Sigma flame strong and alive for Brothers in Louisville." When prompted to pass some wisdom down to today's Beta-Nu undergraduates, he responded, "My advice is simply to keep close bonds with your brothers in the decades ahead. The support, personal and professional, your brothers can give you after graduation will help mold your life and success. AEKDB."

## HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

# William M. Cox, Sr. '61

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William "Bill" Cox, Sr., arrived on the campus of the University of Kentucky in the fall of 1960 with a small group of fellow graduates from Madisonville. During rush Bill quickly saw that a fraternity could provide a training and transition vehicle from high school to college. Cox pledged Kappa Sigma and was initiated on Founders Day 1961. Little did he know that he was joining a fraternity that would develop young men into a brotherhood for life. He obtained his degree (BA in Education) in the spring of 1965.

After graduating, Cox returned to his hometown and was employed as Executive Vice President of the Chamber of Commerce. He left his position with the chamber to seek election as State Representative. Bill was (at that time) the youngest person ever elected to the House of Representatives. He began a career that would be almost evenly divided between working in the trucking industry and governmental service.

Bill has served as Chief of Staff for a Lt. Governor and Special Assistant to a Governor. He has served as Vice Chair of the Public Service Commission, Vice Chair of KET, and Vice Chair of the Council for Higher Education. Bill was nominated by President Jimmy Carter, and confirmed by the United States Senate, to head the Federal Highway Administration in Washington, DC. The annual budget of the FHWA when Cox was Administrator was \$8B. He was elected Mayor of Madisonville in 1989, and later served for a brief period as Kentucky's Commissioner of Revenue.

Cox entered the trucking industry in 1965 when hired by the late KY trucking czar Arnold Ligon. He rose on the management team of Ligon Specialized Hauler, Inc., to the position of Senior Vice President. In his years with Ligon the company's revenues rose from \$1M to \$100M annually. Following the sale of Ligon, Bill purchased a small KY based machinery transport company, Thomas Heavy Hauling, and grew that company from \$400,000 to \$4M in annual revenues. After selling his company, Bill was employed as Assistant to the President of Landstar Ranger, the Jacksonville, FL, trucking giant with annual revenues of \$400M. He later served as President of Economy Transport in Tampa, FL. Cox was invited to serve on the Board of Consultants to The Eno Foundation for Transportation in Westport, CT. He has been awarded the Trail Blazer Award by 3M Corporation, and the Student Leadership Award by the Economic Development Institute of the University of Oklahoma. He is a 51 Year Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner.

He and his wife, Edith, were married in 1963. They have two children, Anne and Will, and two granddaughters. He is one of Jackson's Men of Kappa Sigma. His son, Will, is also a Kappa Sigma. He says "no experience at UK has had the lasting relationships that Dad has enjoyed from Beta-Nu. Dad appreciates UK, but he loves Kappa Sigma!" Edith and Bill have resided in Louisville for the past 16 years.

HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

## James Robert Paul '62

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Brother James Robert Paul was a May 6, 1962 initiate of the Beta-Nu Chapter. He was a native of Northern Kentucky. Brother Paul was one of six Brothers of Kappa Sigma who perished in the World Trade Center Towers on September 11, 2001. He was a former Chicago trader and was in a staff meeting for Chicago-based Carr Futures on the 92nd floor of the World Trade Center's northern tower when the tragic events occurred.

He was a trader for the Chicago Mercantile Exchange and also worked for Dean Witter.

He had two passions in life, his family and golf. He was known to play 45 holes in one day. The Paul's lived in Winnetka, Illinois and were members of the Skokie Golf Club. Some of Brother Paul's golf buddies have established a memorial for him.

A Memorial for Brothers of Kappa Sigma who were lost in the Towers is established next to the Model Chapter Room of the International Headquarters in Charlottesville, Virginia. These Brothers are forever known as Patriots.

HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

## William M. Corum '63

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Brother Corum served Beta-Nu as Guard and Grand Master of Ceremonies while an undergrad. He was also active on campus with the UK Dorm Council, Men's Glee Club and the University of Kentucky Chorus. He graduated from the UK College of Commerce – now the UK College of Business and Economics – with a BS in Commerce in 1964.

Bill is currently the President of Corum Farms in Madisonville, Kentucky. He was past President and CEO of Goldenrod Dairy Foods, also in Madisonville, a family owned regional processing and packaging company which was acquired in 1998 by Dean Foods, a Fortune 500 company.

Corum is a past president and Honorary Life Member of Dixie Dairy Products Association, Inc. and has served on the Board of Directors of the Southern Association of Dairy Food Manufacturers.

Bill received the 2006 local chamber of commerce "Volunteer of the Year" award and the 2014 Kentucky Pennyrile Area Development District Bryan Memorial Award for his efforts to improve transportation in the Pennyrile Region of Kentucky. He is a member of the Advisory Board of US Bank and serves of the Board of Directors of I-69 Advocacy Groups C-Link and Bridgelink. He is a Past President of the Madisonville-Hopkins County Economic Development Corporation and was Chairman of the Strategic Planning Committee of Trover Health System when that organization merged with Baptist Health System.

Brother Corum served over 24 years on the UK National Alumni Association Board of Directors and was a 2002 recipient of the UK Alumni Association Distinguished Service Award. He is a member of the UK Advocacy Network.

"The steps you take during your time at Beta-Nu will be some the most important of your life. The Brothers you have at Beta-Nu will be your friends for life. Some will live close to you and some will live far away. Stay in touch and enjoy the friendship and brotherhood for life. AEKDB"



HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

## Warren Denny '63

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Brother Warren Denny graduated from Kentucky with a Bachelor of Architecture degree in 1970. He continued his education while advancing his career, earning an MBA from Kentucky a decade later in 1980.

His career saw him spent time with multiple architectural firms in the Lexington and Frankfort are, including Helm Roberts, Architect/Planner, Gray and Coblin, Smith Pritchett Hugg and Carter, Mcloney and Tune, and Don Shelton. Warren has served as President, Association of University Architects.

He is the University Architect for at the University of Kentucky, a position he has held for 35 years. Brother Denny also has served as President of the Bluegrass Power Squadron, which provides boating instruction to the public.

Warren has three children, Pamela, Eric & Niamh. In his spare time he enjoys fly fishing, golfing, hunting, photography and boating.

He cites Beta-Nu as having inspired "pride in my association with a group of people tied to my best memories."

HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

## David S. Jordan '63

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As an undergraduate he held positions of Grand Treasurer and Grand Procurator before he graduated with a BS in 1964. He would also earn a Masters from Kentucky in 1973.

Jordan's career would see him spend time with the United States Army, Jordan Furniture Company and for 27 years, PricewaterhouseCoopers, LLP (PwC), where he served as Managing Partner for Kentucky offices, Managing Partner, Ohio, Indiana & Kentucky Region, as well as a Member of the National Board.

David believes in giving back to the community and has served on a number of boards, Kentucky Chamber of Commerce, Board of Directors, Greater Louisville, Inc. The Louisville Chamber of Commerce, Board of Directors. He has served as Council Treasurer and on the Board of Directors for the Boy Scouts of America. He has held the position of Treasurer and served on the Board of Directors for the Louisville Metro United Way. He has also served on the Board of Directors for both the Louisville Fund for the Arts and the Kentucky Opera Association.

He has remained committed to UK, is a UK Fellow, an Alumni Association lifetime member, and in 1998 he was inducted into the UK College of Business and Economics Hall of Fame.

David and Connie have one son, Craig, and one daughter, Beth. They are also the proud grandparents of three grandchildren, Kalli, Evan and Will.

Brother Jordan has "great college memories with a great group of guys" and encourages the active chapter to "enjoy the moment."

## HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

# Frank Nichols '65

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After graduating in '69 with a business degree, Frank started work as a Budget Analyst for L&N Railroad. He relocated to Jacksonville, Florida in 1980 as a result of a merger, where he continued his education, earning an MBA from Jacksonville University in 1989. He also moved through the ranks to Assistant Vice President – Budgeting.

He moved to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to work for Consolidated Rail Corporation and remained there until the company was bought out by other railroad companies in 1997. He remained in budgeting until becoming the Vice President – Human Resources, then was promoted again to Senior Vice President – Organizational Development. His new post saw him overseeing administrative areas, HR, Budgeting, Information Systems and Corporate Communications.

He returned to Jacksonville where he held the position of Senior Vice President – Human Resources and Labor Relations for CSX Railroad until retiring in 2000.

Frank and Tress have two sons, Casey, who graduated from Saint Josephs and Mitchell, who graduated from Florida.

Brother Nichols, who served as Grand Master in '68, reflects, "The fraternity was a perfect way to make friendships that lasted thru college and some of my closest friends came from my Beta Nu days. When you're young friends are everywhere but as you get older and move around as I have done friendships tend to fade. Two of my best friends today are brothers that shared room 201 at 460 Hilltop Ave. While we haven't lived in the same proximity for 40 years we still have those bonds from our youth and that has meant the world to me over the years."

## HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

# Billy Forbess '67

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Brother Forbess served Beta-Nu as Pledge Educator and Grand Master of Ceremonies before graduating with a BS in Biology in 1971. "We were Riders of the Night, We studied hard all week and celebrated hard all weekend. " He earned his Doctor of Dental Medicine from the University College of Dentistry in 1976.

Forbess is currently a dentist with the Heartland Dental Care after 38 years with Billy Forbess DMD PSC. He has served as President of the Bluegrass Dental Study Club, Vice President Bluegrass Dental Society, has been appeared in America's Top 100 Dentists and has won the Heartland Dental Care President's Award.

Billy has also been extremely involved with the community, holding the post of President for the Bluegrass Council of Boy Scouts for three terms, and has served on the board of directors for numerous organizations, including Bluegrass Council of Boy Scout, YMCA of Lexington, New Hope Church, Lexington Professional Baseball, Kentucky Aviation Museum, and Ashland Park. He also has been involved with the Big Brothers Big Sisters of Lexington.

Billy and Donna have three children, Lauren, 29, Hallie, 23, and Will, 21. They also have one grandson, Grayson Chapman, 8.

"Beta Nu chapter of Kappa Sigma was instrumental in my college experience as it offered me the opportunity to become a member of a small group of fellow students in a very large university. This provided me with the opportunity to study with fellow brothers that were in the same or similar fields of study, share college experiences and socialize with other outstanding young men in the college environment. My college experience was dramatically enhanced in every aspect as a result of my being a Kappa Sigma at the University of Kentucky.

"My parting advise for current undergraduate brothers is to treasure the time you are spending with your fellow fraternity brothers. As you go through life you will find that a former fraternity brother will provide you with opportunities that would never have been available to you without that bond. Always respect each other and do everything you can to be a fraternity brother for life. All things being equal, you will of course do business with your brother!"

HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

## Russel F. Tucker 71

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Fresh out of the Marine Corps at 24 years old and attending Kentucky on the G.I. Bill, Russ Tucker had no desire to join a Fraternity. Hanging out at Ireland's Bar he met a some guys, attended some parties, and after meeting the GM, Philip Niosi '70, a fellow Marine, Tucker opted to pledge for future friendships.

Tucker was a member of Alpha Zeta Honorary Society and was the School of Agriculture's Sophomore of the year in 1971. He graduated with a BS in Animal Science from the University of Kentucky School of Agriculture in 1974.

Russ worked with Standardbred horses on the track and a farm for a few years before starting with State Farm Insurance Agency in 1976, where he is "still at it" nearly 40 years later.

Brother Tucker has been active in his local community, serving on the Blue Grass Council and the Boy Scout of America Executive Board for about 25 years. He's also involved with Equestrian Events, Inc, Rolex Kentucky Three-day-Event, where his past posts include serving on the Advisory Board and Chairman of Program Sales.

He has won the Lexington Diocese Diocesan award in 1990, the Blue Grass Council Silver Beaver Award in 1999 and in 2013 Russ was the Volunteer of the Year for Equestrian Events.

Brother Tucker has continued to be involved with Beta-Nu as well. He was a member of the Alumni Association in the early 80s and has been on the House Corporation since the early 90s. In 1995 he became the Treasurer, a post he continues to hold.

Russell has three children, Elizabeth Hobbs, Jennifer Nelson and Matthew Tucker as well as four grand children, Whitney Hobbs, Benjamin Hobbs, Harper Nelson, Emma Nelson, Mariah Tucker and Lucas Tucker.

Looking back at Beta-Nu, he notes, "The friendships I was looking forward to are still there. Through involvement on the House Corporation, I am still gaining friendships.

## HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

# Mitchell "Mic" B. Wilson '78

Brother Wilson was born in Berea and is a native of Lexington and graduate of the Sayre School. He pledged into Beta-Nu Chapter in the Fall of 1977 and was initiated on January 15, 1978. During his years as an undergraduate he served as Guard, as a member of the Rush Committee, as Pledge Educator, as Social Chairman and served as Vice President in charge of Rush for the University of Kentucky Interfraternity Council. Upon his graduation from UK in 1980, he joined the Kappa Sigma Staff in Charlottesville, Virginia and was one of 5 Chapter Consultants (regional representatives) for the Fraternity. He specialized in instructing chapters in development of their rush programs and in colonization of new chapters for Kappa Sigma.

His days at Beta-Nu Chapter remain his most memorable time in the Fraternity. Wilson said, "Being an initiate of Kappa Sigma Fraternity is among the most significant parts of my life. It helped me grow to be a man, a husband, a father and a servant leader to my fellow man. I cannot thank my Brothers of Beta-Nu Chapter enough for extending me a bid to join this noble Brotherhood. When I am asked if there is ever anything that I would do differently in my Kappa Sigma experiences, I say that I wish I just had one more day again to be with all my Brothers at 460 Hilltop where this all began...it was the most special time when we were all together. Those men were some of my very best friends. They stood up with me at my wedding and they have walked with me throughout my life. While miles and time separate us...memories do not. I treasure each of them."

He joined the Executive Staff of Kappa Sigma Fraternity in 1982; served as Director of Chapter Operations 1983-1984; Director of Public Relations 1985-1987 and served as Acting Executive Director for two terms 1984-1985 and in 1987. He also served as Editor of the Caduceus of Kappa Sigma Fraternity from 1987-1997. He was the author of many articles and interviewed many distinguished Brothers including the owner of the Dallas Cowboys Jerry Jones; Creator of "Beetle Bailey" and "Hi and Lois" Mort Walker; News Correspondent for PrimeTIME Live Sam Donaldson; Chief Executive Director of Oracle Corporation Ray Lane and Award winning screen writer and producer for "A Perfect Storm", "Legends of the Fall" and "Lonesome Dove" Bill Witalif.

In July of 1987, at the 56<sup>th</sup> Grand Conclave of Kappa Sigma Fraternity, Worthy Grand Master and President of Indiana University John W. Ryan announced the appointment of Brother Wilson as the fourth Executive Director in the History of Kappa Sigma Fraternity. He has served in that capacity for 28 years. He is the longest serving Executive Director of Kappa Sigma Fraternity, and he is currently the second longest serving Executive of all college fraternities and sororities. When Brother Wilson joined the Kappa Sigma Staff in 1980, Kappa Sigma stood as the 6<sup>th</sup> largest college fraternity with 178 chapters and colonies and 9,500 undergraduate members. In 2015, Kappa Sigma stands as the largest fraternity with 320 chapters and colonies and over 20,000 undergraduate members. His leadership has been instrumental in that growth and development. Brother Wilson served the Interfraternity World as President of the Fraternity Executives Association from 1999-2000. He has received the Fraternity Executives Association Silver Bowl for 25 years of service.

At the 69<sup>th</sup> Grand Conclave in Las Vegas, Nevada, Brother Wilson was inducted as the 18<sup>th</sup> Brother in the history of Kappa Sigma for the Fraternity's Hall of Honor which is established at the Fraternity's International Headquarters. The Hall of Honor includes the Five Founders of the Fraternity, First Worthy Grand Master Stephen Alonzo Jackson, Senator John G. Tower of Texas, Senator Robert J. Dole of Kansas, and Industrialist Willard F. Rockwell. At the 70<sup>th</sup> Grand Conclave in Las Vegas, the Supreme Executive Committee named the road leading to the International Headquarters as "Mitchell B. Wilson Way". Brother Wilson's son Teddy was the Model Initiate of the 70<sup>th</sup> Grand Conclave and his brother-in-law David Bond was specially initiated into Kappa Sigma in April of 2015. Both are enrolled as initiates of the Beta-Nu Chapter.

Brother Wilson and his wife Joan make their home in Charlottesville, Virginia. Upon his retirement they will settle in Lexington. Brother Wilson has served the Charlottesville Community as a volunteer to the University of Virginia, the Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts of America and to several Youth Sports Programs. He currently volunteers as the Alumnus Advisor for Kappa Sigma's Founding and Mother Chapter (Zeta Chapter) at the University of Virginia. He has twice received the Kappa Sigma's Outstanding Alumnus Advisor Award.

He is a member of McCormick's Circle, the 46 East Lawn Society and wears Jackson's Men Pin #5 out of 3,500. In 2013, the Brothers of Kappa Sigma Fraternity from around North America established a named Scholarship-Leadership Award in his name to benefit an undergraduate member of Beta-Nu Chapter on an annual basis.

## HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

# Michael Bowling '86

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Brother Bowling was a leader as an undergraduate – both at Beta-Nu and on campus. Bowling served terms as Grand Treasurer and Grand Master, earning the Outstanding GM of the Year award for his efforts. He also served as President Student Activities Board, twice, Student Activities Board Special Activities Chair, Student Senator, Student Government Association and was awarded the Otis A. Singletary Outstanding Senior Male (Leadership award) in 1990.

Despite the time commitments of his numerous extra-curricular posts, he managed to graduate with a BSEE in 1990. He continued his education, earning an MBA from Vanderbilt in 1997.

He is currently the Senior Vice President of Strategy and Development for AT&T, where he has also served as President of AT&T Mexico and Chief Marketing Officer for AT&T Business Solutions. Prior to AT&T he worked at Bellsouth where his positions included Vice President Broadband Product Management and Chief Marketing and Strategy Officer of Bellsouth Peru.

He is an Adjunct Professor for Vanderbilt University, is a board member of the Center for the Digital Future and sits on the Board of Trustees of American Sentinel University. Michael is also active with the University of Kentucky as a Member of University of Kentucky Gatton College of Business and Dean's Advisory Council.

Brother Bowling is active in his community, serving as the Chair of AT&T Giving Campaign supporting community donations and volunteering at the North Texas Food Bank and for the Salvation Army.

Michael and Nicole have three children, Isabella, born 2000, Mark, born 2005, and Webb, born 2007. On the subject of family, Mike has enough family in Beta-Nu to form their own bowling team as Dan '88, Matt '90, Joe '90, Rob '78, and Matt '00 also all wear the Star & Crescent.

"My involvement in Kappa Sigma fundamentally shaped my leadership capabilities and equipped me to become a business leader in my career.

"My advice for undergraduate brothers is to fully embrace the opportunity in Kappa Sigma by taking advantage of all possible leadership positions and opportunities possible.

HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

## Michael Stacy '92

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Brother Michael Stacy was active on campus as an undergraduate and he was a member of the Student Development Council. He worked at the Kentucky Kernel and was in charge of advertising sales staff while recruiting for Southwestern. His senior year he served Beta-Nu as Grand Master in 1995 before graduating with a Bachelor's in Business Administration – Finance.

Michael is a Senior Vice President and Wealth Advisor for Merrill Lynch. Professionally he has attained the certified financial planner designation and his investment consultant designation from Wharton Business School. He is a President Club member and Top Producer at Merrill Lynch. Prior to moving to Merrill Lynch he was a Wealth Advisor for Morgan Stanley for 15 years.

Mike remains active in the community. He is a board member of Kicks for Kids and sits on the development board for the Blessed Sacrament school. He is also an alumni board member of NKYGC UK alumni association and past board member of Parish Kitchen. He teaches classes in financial planning at Thomas More College in NKY. A UK Fellow and life member of the alumni association, Mike was recently added to the KE housing board and alumni committee.

Mike and Tracie have three daughters, Sophia, 10, Bella, 8, and Gianna, 6.

Mike is grateful to Beta-Nu for instilling integrity, as well as for the brotherhood and lifelong friendships.

He advises current undergrads to "Get uncomfortable! If you always do what you've always done, you will always get, what you always gotten."





*"The Star and Crescent shall not be  
worn by every man, but only by him who  
is worthy to wear it.*

*He must be a gentleman...  
a man of honor and courage...  
a man of zeal, yet humble...  
an intelligent man...  
a man of truth...*

*one who tempers action with wisdom  
and, above all else, one who walks  
in the light of God."*

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