Epsilon Alumni

## Ensuring a Durable Home Support Our Renovation Today

Spring

The house has been evaluated, and we have a quote in hand of approximately \$55,000. The repairs noted are critical to the long-term health of the structure, and we will be scheduling them this summer. We will be able to use funds from your generous donations to the ISU Foundation Beta Sigma Psi Housing Fund to pay for approximately 50% of the repairs but will need to use general budget funds to cover the remainder of the cost.

Along with the brick updates, Alpha Gamma Delta Nationals contacted us this winter to begin exploring a partnership to repave our shared driveway. We are creating terms of the partnership to make sure we share the same goals for project quality and scope. Work on this project is slated for 2023. Like the brick repairs, this project will be supported by both the Foundation Housing and the General Funds.

When we introduced these projects in the fall newsletter, a handful of alumni took that as a call to action and made donations to both our Foundation Housing Fund and our General Fund. Thanks to that generosity, we are on our way to funding these critical repairs!

We could use more support! If you have the means to provide directly to our general fund (without tax benefits), then we hope you will do so. With recent changes to tax laws, the tax benefit of donating to the ISU Foundation has changed for many people. Consult your tax advisor on this. To support our general funds directly, you can mail a check made out to: Beta Sigma Psi Alumni P.O. Box 2362 Ames, IA 50010 -OR-You can donate to the ISU Foundation

Housing Fund (our Housing Fund account number is 2702648) by visiting www.foundation.iastate.edu or mailing your check made out to the ISU Foundation to the same address above.

Thank you for your support; your gift will help maintain our home well into the future.

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#### Recognizing Undergraduates with Scholarships Read about these scholarships and more on page 3!



Recipients of the Darryl Jahn Scholarship, Aiden Meseck '21 and Nicholas Roads.



Grant Fay '18 receives the 2021 Lynn A. Anderson Beta Sigma Psi Leadership Scholarship.



Senior Legacy Scholarship recipients Kyle Kretzschmar '18 and Derek Van Roekel '18.

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### Looking to Give Back to Epsilon? Here Are a Few Ways You Can Help!

A s we shared in our renovation updates article above, we greatly appreciate our alumni support! Your generosity toward this project ensures that we have the funds and materials to maintain our home. Here are some ways you can support this renovation:

- Financial gifts to help offset costs. Visit foundation.iastate.edu or send your donation to: Beta Sigma Psi Alumni P.O. Box 2362 Ames, IA 50010
- Gifts related to construction materials and labor. We also welcome brothers with experience in construction to assist us with planning our projects.
- If you can't donate today, don't worry—your support doesn't have to be monetary. There are many other ways to get involved, including volunteering or mentoring our active members.

## MAKING MEMORIES Epsilon Chapter Continues to Improve

Beta Sigma Psi's spring semester has been filled with excitement, and between Greek Week, school, and events, it has flown by! This year, we paired with Kappa Alpha Theta and Fiji for Greek Week. Although we didn't take home any trophies, we still had a blast and made some amazing friends. To add to all that excitement, we also enjoyed a very successful Habitat Build Day to help those in need; there was a fantastic turnout, and some great memories were made.

Epsilon has truly succeeded this year, and at MEF, we took home the Edwards Award for Chapter management, the Welge Award for membership recruitment, and the Baehr Award for preserving Chapter history. Additionally, at the Fraternal Awards of Excellence ceremony, we received the Gold Circle Award along with awards for civic engagement and leadership. Our brothers have embraced these recent achievements and have been constantly improving in their academics. This past fall, we finished with a house GPA of 3.28, which puts us at fourth overall for IFC and ahead of the allactive member GPA across IFC. Aside from all the hard work we've been putting in, it's also been nice to kick back and relax this semester. We've held many bonfires for our brothers, along with different houses and potential new members. We've also enjoyed gathering in the TV room to watch our favorite movies, from wild B-list movies to the new Marvel series. A group of brothers have even tried to make a film of their own!

In other news, we are excited to welcome new members in the fall. Our recruitment chairmen, **Luke Jacobi '20** and **Chris Sabharwal '20**, have been doing a fantastic job and already have 12 guys signed. As always, if you know an incoming ISU student, don't hesitate to send an email to betasigrecruitment@gmail.com.

Epsilon members have embraced the opportunity to grow closer these past few months, and we can't wait to continue in the fall.

Fraternally, Aidan Meyer '19 Chapter President



Four of our graduating seniors enjoying our Spring Formal with their dates. From left: Brady Green '18, Joseph Beary '19, Derek Van Roekel '18, and Grant Fay '18.



Our Spiderman-themed lip sync group wrap up their last practice as they get ready to perform at Greek Week.



Our newly activated brothers ready to head into the spring semester as full members of Beta Sigma Psi!

## A Treasure to Know The memory of avery anderson '19 is to be continued

Since the age of 3, Avery Anderson '19 learned to be himself, sincerely and unapologetically. Each dream was worked toward regularly, each passion was nurtured continuously, and each soul he encountered was touched wholeheartedly. Avery's bright nature and warm smile radiated positivity in every room he entered. Even though those rooms appear grimmer with Avery gone, his gleaming memory lingers in the lives of many.

Avery passed away on December 23, 2021, from a single-car accident just a mile from his home in Atlantic, Iowa. In the 20 short years he graced the earth, Avery altered the lives of those around him tremendously.

Whether he was utilizing his gift of music and performance with a rendition of the National Anthem at a Des Moines Buccaneers games, cheering on Iowa State's Cyclones (no matter how good or bad the game was), or acting as a role model for younger men as an Eagle Scout, Avery was constantly encouraging others to use their skills, passions, and strengths for good.

"Avery was overall a great person to be around," Brother Luke Schmid '19 began. "He pushed you to be your best, and he motivated you to pursue your dreams."



Avery knew what path he wanted to forge from a young age. At 3 years old, Avery developed a passion for allthings weather, including chasing storms and observing weather changes. While at the

Iowa State University, Avery was on his way to becoming a meteorologist.

Even when the meteorology classes became tough and tedious, Avery persevered with the thought in mind that he would be a worldrenown scientist—a personal dream of his. Because of his driven aspirations and certainty of achieving them, Avery was always motivating others to do what they love and never quit.

Brother **Trevor Roubadeaux '19** shared, "Avery always had a smile on his face doing what he loved. He never focused on the negative," and Luke added, "Whenever I was struggling in school, I looked to Avery for motivation. He was consistently fueled by his passion not to give up." In addition to inspiring others to achieve their dreams and remain resilient through difficult times, Avery always shared his faith and heart with his brothers at Beta Sigma Psi. Trevor shared, "Avery was a man of great faith, and he lived his life through God. Always seeing the light at the end of the tunnel, Avery helped push the other brothers to be more spiritual as well. It was inspiring."

Luke and Trevor are certain that, had Avery been granted more time, he would be cheering on the Cyclones, pursuing his dream as a meteorologist, and going to Okoboji, Iowa, to continue sharing his faith with peers at bible camp.

Avery's absence wrenches the hearts of countless family members, friends, and brothers, but each person who had the pleasure of getting to know Avery is better for knowing him.

Although gone, Avery's spirit remains strong in Epsilon Chapter. He remains a force to be reckoned with, a guiding light through dark times, and a treasure to have known.

## **Recognizing Undergraduates with Scholarships**

Our Homecoming tailgate this fall was very well attended. Over 250 Beta Sigs and their families and friends made it through the tent located south of Jack Trice Stadium. Several alumni presented their personally sponsored scholarship, giving many awardees a chance to shake the hand of the Beta Sigs who donated.

#### Below is a list of the scholarships we recognized at the tailgate and their winners.

| Scholarship Name   | Donor(s)   | Annual<br>Amount | Criteria   | 2021-22 (s)<br>Awardee                              | Years in<br>Existence |
|--|--|------------------|--|---|-----------------------|
| Darryl Jahn Memorial<br>Scholarship  | ISU Foundation<br>Endowed Fund   | \$2,000          | Lutheran freshman men, scholastic<br>achievement, community and church<br>involvement  | Aiden Meseck,<br>Nicholas Roads,<br>Eric Sibenaller | 20+ years             |
| Senior Legacy  | ISU Foundation<br>Endowed Fund   | \$500            | Beta Sigma Psi senior, lasting legacy<br>and impact on the Chapter   | Kyle Kretschmar,<br>Derek Van Roekel                | 10+ years             |
| Balanced Beta Sig  | ISU Foundation<br>Endowed Fund, Brenda<br>and William Jentzen<br>(E-292) | \$250            | Balance of the 3-S's (Spiritual,<br>Scholastic, Social)  | Jared Greiner,<br>Jarrett Loseke,<br>Josh Van Drie  | 10+ years             |
| Lynn A. Anderson BSP<br>Leadership Scholarship                                       | Dianne and Lynn<br>Anderson (E-236)                                      | \$2,500          | Beta Sigma Psi member, leadership  | Grant Fay   | 6 years               |
| Scott and Kim Herren<br>Scholarship  | Kim and Scott Herren<br>(E-509)  | \$1,000          | Beta Sigma Psi entering second year as<br>Beta Sig   | Luke Schmid   | 2 years               |
| Don Beerman Scholarship  | Holly and Don<br>Beerman (E-259)   | \$300            | Beta Sigma Psi member in College of<br>Agriculture and Life Sciences   | Erik Gerdts   | 2 years               |
| Duane Grummer and Jan<br>Cooper Scholarship  | Jan Cooper and Duane<br>Grummer (E-209)                                  | \$1,000          | Beta Sigma Psi member, scholastic achievement and commitment to service  | Jacob Fosse   | 2 years               |
| Doug McKechnie E-353<br>Scholarship  | Doug McKechnie<br>(E-353)  | \$300            | Beta Sigma Psi member (junior<br>and above), leadership, on-campus<br>involvement, church involvement,<br>scholastic achievement | Derek Van Roekel                                    | 2 years               |
| The Richard Harrison and<br>Karen Harrison Beta Sigma<br>Psi Engineering Scholarship | Karen and Richard<br>Harrison (E-72)                                     | \$2,500          | Beta Sigma Psi member, engineering major   | Riley Hogan   | 2 years               |
| Jake Vanderslice Balanced<br>Gentleman   | Jake Vanderslice<br>(E-847)  | \$500            | Beta Sigma Psi member, leadership  | Luke Post   | 1 year                |

In additional news, we have been working on a new scholarship in memory of Brother **Dick Juergens '65**, who passed away last fall. The alumni board has been working with his wife, Kathleen, and his son, Erik, on a memorial scholarship that we can offer our brothers.

We will be awarding two \$750 scholarships per year: one to a first-year brother and one to a second-year brother. The criteria will be for brothers who embody the life that Dick lived in his devotion to brotherhood, his service to the community and Chapter, and his leadership and empathy.

This scholarship is live and accepting applications from our undergraduates. Dick will certainly be missed by his friends and family, but we are pleased we can help share his legacy at Beta Sigma Psi for years to come.

# Save the Date

Homecoming 2022 Festivities

**Friday, November 4**: Reunion and banquet from 6-10 p.m. at Prairie Moon Winery in Ames. We will have a catered dinner, cash bar, and plenty of room to catch up with Beta Sigs from all generations! We will also be recognizing and awarding the spring and fall 2022 scholarship winners.

**Saturday, November 5**: Tailgate at the Jack Trice Stadium before the game. Join us at our tent and enjoy great food and friendship.

**Saturday, November 6**: ISU vs. West Virginia football game, time TBD. We will purchase and sell a block of tickets.

More details will be provided later this summer and in early fall. Reach out to your brothers today to get it on their calendar!



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# RENOVATION UPDATE SNEAK PEEK



The south elevation will have 100% clean brick and up to 10% tuckpointing.



The west elevation of the house will need clean brick and 10% tuckpointing. The cross-hatched area will have 100% tuckpointing.



Alpha Gamma Delta proposed we repave our shared driveway.