

KTE National Newsletter

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KTE Moves National Headquarters

KTE's National Headquarters is moving to Texas A&M University (TAMU) in College Station, Texas! Due to the upcoming retirement of our National Advisor, Kimberley Ware, KTE's National Executive Committee has decided to move headquarters from Virginia Tech.

At the National Convention this March, the chapters present voted to move headquarters

to TAMU and appoint David MacMahon, a co-op advisor at TAMU, KTE's National Advisor. Jessica Nelson, a student of TAMU was elected our Society Administrator, who will be in charge of keeping our Society's records and dealing with filling orders for certificates and honor cords.

Any written contact with the National Office including checks for chapter dues and orders for cords and certificates should be directed to the new National Headquarters at the following address:

Kappa Theta Epsilon
National Headquarters
Texas A&M University
Career Center
1233 TAMU
College Station, TX 77843



KTE 2008 National Convention Highlights

Kappa Theta Epsilon's 2008 National Convention was held March 27th-30th and was hosted by Drexel University in Philadelphia, PA. Attending chapters were: Drexel University, The Ohio State University, Texas A&M University, University of Texas at Austin, Pennsylvania State University, Holy Family University and Rutgers University.

The convention included networking opportunities, sight-

seeing excursions, annual business meeting and banquet. Sight-seeing included Independence Hall and the Liberty Bell as well as sitting down for real Philly cheese steaks. Johnson & Johnson, Exelon and Price Waterhouse sponsored portions of the convention, shared information about their companies and networked with attendees.

During our annual business meeting we

elected new officers, edited our bylaws and reviewed chapter reports. Jay Walters, KTE's National President announced our Chapter of the Year: Holy Family University. Our annual banquet was held aboard the *Spirit of Philadelphia* where we cruised down the Delaware River, eating and dancing the night away.



National Convention Attendees at Independence Hall

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Changes to KTE Bylaws

At convention this year, KTE held business meetings where attending chapters voted on proposed changes to the Society's bylaws.

The society voted to move KTE's National Headquarters in order to accommodate our need for a new National Advisor. David MacMahon of Texas A&M University volunteered for the position so it was voted that the Society's headquarters and records would move to Texas A&M University as soon as adequate arrangements could be made.

KTE's National Treasurer reported difficulties in collecting and recording individual chapters' National Dues (Yearly dues of \$50 per chapter). In order to assist in this process it was voted to impose a scheduled due date of October 31 and impose a late fee of \$10 per month. Invoices for the dues would be sent to each chapter's advisor in early October. This would not apply to inactive chapters.

In order to accommodate the changing needs of KTE, several

new National officer positions were proposed. The attendees voted to create the new positions of Recruitment Chair and Presidential Advisor. The Recruitment Chair will be in charge of contacting inactive chapters and universities that have Co-op programs in order to recruit them into KTE. The Presidential advisor position is available to an individual who has served as president for two or more years. The elected person would act in a consultation role ensuring some continuity during officer transitions.

National Executive Committee-Officers for 2008-09

At convention, National officers were elected. Jay Walters, an alumnus of Rutgers continues to serve as President. Former National Secretary and Ohio State alumna, Amanda Sliwinski is now our Vice President. Drexel alumna, Natalie Draa was elected Secretary. Penn State alumna, Julie Constantino continues to serve as Treasurer. Texas A&M student, Jessica Nelson fills the

previously vacant position of Society Administrator. Drexel University alumnus, Alex Cabinian is our new Webmaster. Former Webmaster and Ohio State alumnus, David Schick is now Fundraising Chair. Drexel Student, Elise LeMay was elected to the newly-created position of Recruitment Chair. Texas A&M Chapter advisor, David MacMahon will assume the role of National Advisor. The

new position of Presidential Advisor remains open since no one currently qualifies for the position. All of the officers have been and will be working hard this year. A smooth transition to Texas A&M from Virginia Tech and expanding our membership by helping to reinstate inactive chapters and recruit new chapters are major

National Convention 2009 Needs Host Chapter

Our 2009 National Convention is still currently without a host. KTE is looking for a chapter to host the convention at their University. Previous hosts include: Drexel University, Texas A&M University, Virginia Polytechnic Institute, University of Texas, and Wichita State University.

National Convention is held in late March or early April and is usually held from Thursday eve-

ning to Sunday morning. The main activities usually occur on Friday and Saturday. The host chapter would be responsible for planning a convention agenda, arranging accommodations for attendees, providing space for business meetings, supplying breakfast and lunch on Friday and Saturday, and arranging a banquet dinner on Saturday evening. The National Office contributes a fixed amount of

money towards the convention. It is the responsibility of the chapter to fund the convention beyond this amount by using chapter funds, finding sponsors, or charging a small fee for attendance.

If you would like to host, please contact President Jay Walters to discuss making your bid, jasoncharleswalters@yahoo.com

Kappa Theta Epsilon: National Co-op Honor Society

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Kappa Theta Epsilon Society is a national organization that aspires to promote Cooperative Education by recognizing outstanding students in the Cooperative Education Program, who are among the most able and qualified in the country. In addition, the Kappa Theta Epsilon Society hopes to provide service to the Cooperative Education Programs at member colleges and universities and serve as a forum for the exchange of ideas regarding Cooperative Education.



Left: Mu Chapter 2008 New Inductees Right: Mu Chapter President Kaitlin McDonough and Advisors Sister M. Frances Veitz and Mr. James Acton at Holy Family University's Commencement with the KTE Chapter of the Year Award

KTE Chapter of the Year: Mu Chapter-Holy Family University

Holy Family University is a private Catholic university with four campuses in the Philadelphia area. Its main campus is located in Northeast Philadelphia. Half of the university's 3500 students are enrolled in undergraduate programs while the remainder are in graduate or accelerated degree programs. Majors range from Religious Studies to Education to Psychobiology. Holy Family offers an optional Cooperative Education/Internship program to all their students and has placed over 2,500 students in coops/internships since 1992.

Mu Chapter inducted ten new members last April. And while it is one of the smallest schools with a KTE chapter, they have done much to exemplify the attributes of KTE. Through participation in informational and Q&A sessions they have helped to educate other students about Co-op. Their members regularly assist the university's Co-op Office staff. Most notably, however, the chapter has started a scholarship for Co-op and Internship students. The group fundraises for the scholarship through selling raffle tickets and contacting Co-op

alumni, employers and friends and family. The Samuel and Edith Veitz Memorial Co-op Scholarship is given annually to a Holy Family student participating in a co-op/internship program. This year, the chapter created the Sister Frances Veitz Award, a cash award given to a student who has given dedicated service to Kappa Theta Epsilon, received excellent employer evaluations and had an unpaid internship.