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SIGMA CHI CANADIAN FOUNDATION NEWSLETTER

Chairman's Welcome



As 2017 comes to an end, the Sigma Chi Canadian Foundation continues to enrich and help our undergrads succeed. This year the foundation awarded over \$144K in scholarships to our Canadian brothers.

Our mission at the Canadian Foundation is simple — we exist to strengthen Sigma Chi in Canada. We ONLY exist to serve the chapters across Canada. We are proud of the impact and the difference we are making with our scholarships and grants and humbled by the support we offer to chapters in Canada with the help of you, our loyal donors. I encourage you to reflect on your undergraduate years as an active and to consider the foundation in your charitable giving. Giving has never been easier, through our website and the CanadaHelps.org site.

Canadian Foundation Appointment

In the fall of 2017, Gerald Salvati was appointed the Treasurer of the Canadian Foundation. A graduate of McGill University, he earned his CA in 1982 and has also lectured in the CA programs at McGill and Concordia Universities.

He brings more than 30 years of corporate finance leadership to our fold. Gerald is a founder of Ellesmere Capital based in Toronto.

The Board welcomes Gerald aboard and thanks him for his service to the foundation.

Gamma Lambda 90th Anniversary

Gamma Lambda of Sigma Chi held its 90th Anniversary on the weekend of October 13. With a rich legacy, the Chapter had much to celebrate, from C. Norman Halford's 1945 International Balfour win, to over 1500 initiates, to the rejuvenation of its chapter house.



The event kicked off McGill homecoming on Friday October 13, 2017 with the 48th Annual Leacock Luncheon featuring Rex Murphy, Political Commentator and Columnist. Saturday brought many brothers to the Chapter house, with Dunns world famous smoked meat being served as a warmup to the McGill Redman football game. Grand

Quaestor, Tim Sanderson, played host to a chapter meeting and was followed by a banquet at The St James's Club. Montréal's first private club, established in 1857, hosted over 150 brothers spanning 6 decades. Many memories of the chapter were shared, and of Gamma Lambda and its legacy in Canada.

The event was highlighted with a wonderful rendition of The Sweetheart of Sigma Chi, with a lively night of brotherhood at the Chapter house. Attended by over 100 brothers, some travelled from Tasmania and Poland. 5 brothers born in the 30s and initiated in the 1950s were in attendance. The guests made time for special recognition of order of Constantine brother Remigio Mariano for his 30 years of service to the housing corporation. Gamma Lambda thanks all those who took the time to attend and celebrate the legacy 9 decades of brotherhood.

In addition to celebrating the 90th anniversary, the house improvements, made during the spring and summer of 2017 were showcased. This parlayed the



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enthusiasm of the weekend into an incredibly successful auction of commemoration plaques that would adorn the doors of the various rooms of the house. In total over \$100k was raised.



Special thanks to the organizing committee (Chris Kohut, Nigel Fung, Bruce Oliver, Marc Perrault, Jim Sadler and Michael Taylor) who without their tireless work this event could not have taken place.

Gamma Rho Scholarship Dinner

The Halifax Alumni Chapter recently held a scholarship fundraising dinner at the Halifax Marriot Courtyard, which was attended by over sixty brothers. Significant Sig James Lawley was the host, with his staff creating some wonderful sustainable seafood dishes. Significant Sig Colin MacDonald donated much of the seafood, while Eric Thomson was our benefactor for the beverages served.



Longtime Gamma Rho friend Michael Ursillo was our guest speaker, and of Gamma Rho he said, "I know of few chapters who have what you do here."

Ursillo proudly presented Eric with his 50-year sig certificate, and a great night was enjoyed by all.

David Garland joined us from Toronto, representing the Canadian Foundation. The event raised more than 12k for Gamma Rho scholarship opportunities. Thanks to all brothers who gave and may not attended.

Special thanks to all who attended, with special recognition going to the previously mentioned brothers. As well, thanks to Al Williams, Scott Christie, Ben Wedge for their efforts. A warm thank to James Alexander for his generous donation of items to the silent auction.



Chapter Eternal



CONNOR, John Thomas
February 13, 1946
October 1, 2017
Peacefully at home on
Sunday, October 1st, 2017
at the age of 71. Beloved
husband of Pamela Burns
(32 years). Dear son of
Della and the late John

Connor. Dear brother of Paddy (Patti) of North Gower and Mary Samuels of Bermuda. Dear uncle of Matt of Ottawa; Daina (John) of Kemptville; Josh of Texas; Nathan (Sharmini), Lianna (Kyle), Katie (Michael) of Bermuda. Dear great-uncle of Rod and Sami of Kemptville; Nila, Devi, Ariya, Della, Amari, Remi, Kosey and Amina of Bermuda. Dear son-in-law of Judy Burns of Perth. Dear brother-in-law of Barbara and Kent Darragh of Colorado. Dear uncle of Jordan (Bliss) of Colorado and Patch (Sonya) of New York and dear great-uncle of Caden and Brody of Colorado. John graduated from Dalhousie University (Halifax) in Pharmacy in '71. He practiced Pharmacy in Eastern Ontario in his three Pharmacies until his retirement in 2012. John held leadership and committee roles in his professional associations of the Ottawa-Carleton



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Pharmacists Association (OCPA), the Ontario Pharmacy Association (OPA) and the Canadian Pharmacy Association (CPHA). John was involved in many additional business pursuits during his career. His lifelong thirst for learning led him to The Executive Committee (TEC), a CEO organization dedicated to improving the effectiveness of CEO's and enhancing their lives. He became a long time devoted group member whose advice and counsel were greatly appreciated by his fellow CEO's. John was a devoted and much-admired Brother of Gamma Rho Chapter of Sigma Chi Fraternity at Dalhousie University. The core values of the Fraternity are friendship, justice and learning. John reflected those values and his "Brothers" praise his courage, loyalty, composure, determination and commitment to principles in the face of all life's challenges. To all of them he was affectionately known as "Long Gone".

John was instrumental in assisting in the founding of Lambda Theta at the University of Ottawa, and a tremendous light in Sigma Chi.

GRAND PRAETOR NEWS

This past June at Grand Chapter in Providence, Rhode Island, saw some changes at the Grand Praetor level. Chris Nevins replaced long time Praetor Eric Thomson for the North Atlantic Province. We thank Order of Constantine member Eric for his years of dedicated service.



Taayo Simmonds, picture left, assumed the role for the Saint Lawrence Province. Of the province, Simmonds says he sees a greater awareness of academics amongst his chapters, and he hopes to build the province and expand opportunities for cross border brotherhood events.

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David Rickards continues to serve the Ontario Province, and he writes:

The generous support of the SCCF, and the brothers who donate annually, has been instrumental to the success of Sigma Chi in Canada and the Ontario Province specifically. Over the last 5 years we have seen the Ontario Province grow in total numbers of active brothers across our 5 chapters to 230. Additionally, we have our colony at Brock University with 34 colony members ready to install in the fall of 2018.

The financial support of the SCCF has seen an increase in brothers attending Balfour Leadership Training Workshop with an average of 6 brothers per Canadian Chapter attending, as well as the support of sending colony members for training. This invaluable training ensures that strong leaders are given the care and support they need to fully develop their skills.

Individual scholarships have been awarded to brothers attending medical school, representing Canada on the National Rugby Team and international students from India. Truly living the Spirit of Sigma Chi and proving that our brotherhood is comprised of men with different temperaments, talents and convictions and that we are stronger for it.

By supporting the SCCF your dollars are truly bringing new luster to the White Cross and assisting brothers from coast to coast in realizing their potential.





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JOHN W. GRAHAM FELLOWSHIPS (\$2,500)

- Jonah Elfassy, Epsilon Omicron 2016
- Christopher Masaki, Gamma Lambda 2013

HORIZONS FELLOWSHIPS (~ US\$2,500)

- Rosten Role, Beta Omega
- Zhengyue Zhu, Beta Omega
- Roderick Moy, Gamma Lambda
- Tyler Pickford, Gamma Lambda
- Devon Pye, Gamma Rho
- James Kastner, Delta Omicron
- Aaron Benwic, Delta Omicron
- Nicholas Bahaddor Singh, Epsilon Omicron
- Andre Bourgeois, Iota Mu
- Benjamin Elka, Kappa Mu
- Lukas Upton, Lambda Theta
- Nichola Zelizniak, Lambda Theta
- Joshua Crosby, Theta psi
- Samuel Rubin, Theta Psi



GRIMES BROTHERHOOD AWARDS (\$1,000)

- Bryce Fahringer, Kappa Mu
- James Patterson, Epsilon Omicron
- Pranjal Rastogi, Theta Psi
- Rosten Role, Beta Omega
- Alexander Gobran, Gamma Lambda
- Connor Patrick Legge, Gamma Rho
- James Drew Kastner, Delta Omicron
- Kayvon Heidari, Iota Mu
- Ryan Mullin, Lambda Theta



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LEADERSHIP AWARDS (\$1,000)

- Harsimran Grewal, Delta Omicron
- Eric Lamoureux, Theta Psi
- Kevin Singh, Kappa Mu

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- Borna Ansari, Delta Omicron: Madson Graduate Scholarship
- Eli Bou-Gharios, Gamma Lambda: John Shepherd Engineering Scholarship
- Louis Retief, Delta Omicron: Donald & Laura Meier Scholarship
- Alexander Steeves, Lambda Theta: Herschede Engineering Scholarship
- Darren Touch, Lambda Theta: Denton Graduate Scholarship

BLTW Grants - every Chapter in Canada received \$1,500 in support from the General Funds of the Foundation including our colony at Brock University - Sigma Chi Lambda. \$17,000 was paid out this past year (an extra \$2,000 support went to Beta Omega from their own Chapter Funds).

For the Fierheller Awards - \$1,250 was awarded to Gamma Lambda as the Top Chapter Average GPA (3.5) and \$750 was awarded to Iota Mu as the Most Improved Chapter Average GPA.

In addition, Beta Omega and Delta Omicron paid out \$9,000 in total scholarships to undergraduate brothers from these chapters as part of their in-house Scholarship Programs supported by the Foundation through funds raised for their chapter scholarship programs and Beta Omega paid out \$10,000 in house Corp Bursaries to support undergrads living in the House.

And \$16,000 was awarded to the Universities across Canada that host our Undergraduate Chapters to provide \$1,000 to \$1,500 Sigma Chi General Leadership Awards for incoming students.

Congratulations to all our winners and best wishes for your future endeavours.

These awards were made possible by the generous donations of Sigma Chi Brothers. However - we need your support to continue. Please consider whatever assistance you can provide to the Foundation at www.sigmachi.ca

THANKS!!!!



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(\$1,000 - \$4,999)

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