

Chairman's Welcome

With the end of 2018, the Sigma Chi Canadian Foundation worked hard to deliver help to our undergraduates. From coast to coast, Sigma Chi lead the charge. The challenges facing our active brothers are increasingly complex at present. The Sigma Chi Canadian Foundation gives them the resources they need to face those challenges and uphold **our values, as well as our commitment to leadership.**



Our Canadian Sigma Chi brothers have benefitted from the scholarships and grants made possible by your donations. In fiscal 2017, the Foundation gave over \$90,000 in scholarships.

The Krach Leadership Training Workshop, the Provincial Conference, and the Horizons Program all gave our undergraduates the leadership edge and allowed them to excel academically and personally.

Sigma Chi in Canada is growing; Brock University is now an official chapter and a petitioning local at Mount Royal University in Calgary is recognized. Our mandate is to provide the best campus leadership experience.

While 2018 was a success – let's make 2019 an even better year. CanadaHelps.org allows you to give to your individual chapter or the Foundation's programs. A one time or monthly recurring gift has never been easier.

Your gift benefits our Brotherhood and strengthens the bond which we all share.

Warm Fraternal Regards,

David A. MacNicol
Chairman
Sigma Chi Canadian Foundation

Alumni Spotlight

Leadership started early for former Epsilon Omicron Consul, Stephen Lecce, '09.

Lecce, the son of Italian immigrants, always seemed to be involved in politics. As a teenager, Lecce worked on former PC MPP Al Palladini's successful re-election campaign in 1999.

In 2009, when he was President of the UWO Student Union, he managed to secure a meeting with then



Prime Minister Stephen Harper, discussing issues facing the student body. Impressing Harper, he took a job at 23 in the

office of the PMO. Rising quickly in the job, he was soon a familiar face at senior advisor meetings, at only 25.

Fast forward to the age of 32, Lecce was elected as King-Vaughan's MPP, winning by a margin of almost 25%. The father of two, serves as Parliamentary Assistant to the Premier.

"I realized how important the values represented in our Ritual had been to my life and career ... the opportunity to share them with a group of new brothers each year, that has me more committed to Sigma Chi now than I have ever been."- John Watson, British Columbia, 1963

Brock University Installation



Sigma Chi in Canada makes history with the 300th installation.

On December 1, 2018, Sigma Chi became a reality at Brock University. 38 founding members of the Mu Zeta chapter joined our order, after working for three and a half years with the General Fraternity and alumni in the surrounding area. The chapter was well guided in their development, with Ontario Grand Praetor David Rickards leading a team that included Kenn Manzerolle, Kyle Dicker and Colin Aitchison.

A banquet was held at Le Dome Banquet Hall which featured Grand Consul Tommy Geddings, Grand Quaestor Tim Sanderson, and Past Grand Consuls Douglas McWhirter and Wayne Tucker. More than 120 alumni brothers came together to support the work of these young men.

Rickards said of the chapter, “This chapter brings new leaders to Sigma Chi and these brothers have demonstrated their willingness to lead both on campus and in their community.”

Sigma Chi Hockey Tournament Celebrates 10th Anniversary

A Sigma Chi tradition in Canada, the 10th annual Sigma Chi Hockey Tournament was held on January 19 at the CAA Centre in Brampton, Ontario.



Over 120 Sigs comprising six all-Sigma Chi teams vied for the Connable Cup and the trophies of Most Valuable Player & Most Sportsmanlike Player. The Connable Cup is named for Ralph Connable, ALBION 1890, who is considered to be the person responsible for bringing the Fraternity to Canada.

Undergraduate and alumni participants representing 12 chapters were registered to play in the event.



Current International Sweetheart Allie Hagemeyer and 2011 to 2013 International Sweetheart Sydney Binnington were on hand to drop the puck and meet participants and spectators, while a film crew representing International Headquarters was there to produce an upcoming web documentary series. Thanks to Todd & Scott Boyd who were instrumental in organizing this great event.

Making a Difference at Dalhousie / Saint Mary's



May 2018 saw the Gamma Rho Chapter down to 9 members. With graduation of its seniors, the decision was made to close the Chapter house for the summer. With a mandate to bring membership up to healthy levels, the Chapter looked to the Foundation for the help it needed, and that help came through a grant for the Krach Leadership Training Workshop (KLTW).

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“It’s been a challenge, and challenge could not have been met without the help of the Sigma Chi Canadian Foundation. Our Chapter has grown and is on the upswing thanks to the assistance of our alumni donors from coast to coast”, says Gamma Rho Consul Kyle Miller.

Gamma Rho initiated 9 brothers and doubled its numbers in its Fall Rush, and 2019 looks even more promising as these young men establish themselves as leaders on campus.

Chapter Advisor Kareem O’Keefe is excited on the direction of the Chapter. “Our strategy is working, and the Foundation and its grants to individual chapters and our undergraduate brothers gives us an edge in recruiting Halifax’s brightest and best, and that should be the same for all our chapters. Thank you all.”

The Foundation funded six other chapters to attend KLTW, and funding is available to all chapters who apply.

Distinction through Donation



Significant Sig Phil Fraser, Epsilon Omicron ’84, has demonstrated leadership throughout his career. As Chair of Killam Property REIT (KMP.to), he transformed an idea into the second biggest property company in Canada. An avid and enthusiastic supporter of the Foundation, Fraser espouses the ideals of the Fraternity into his business and personal life.

Canadian Headcount

As Sigma Chi grows across Canada considering dwindling Greek membership, here are current membership numbers from Headquarters as of the 2018 semiannual reporting. Impressive numbers!

Brock University, Mu Zeta 43

University of Toronto, Beta Omega 47

University of Western Ontario, Epsilon Omicron 69

Wilfred Laurier, Iota Mu 43

Waterloo, Theta Psi 47

University of Ottawa, Lambda Theta 55

University of Windsor, Kappa Mu 40

UBC, Delta Omicron 94

Dalhousie / St. Mary’s, Gamma Rho 21

McGill, Gamma Lambda 47

The Graham Scholarship Winners

Ben Wedge, University of Toronto '20

Cory Glassman, Western Ontario '20

General Leadership Grants

The General Leadership Grants are provided in recognition of value-based leadership amongst the undergraduate brothers in Canada. The award carries \$1000 towards their educational pursuits.

Oliver Leiriao

Colin Walsh

Christopher Daniel Gooding

Shane Haalstra

Oliver Topitzer

Grimes Award

The Jim Grimes Award is in honour of Christopher "Jim" Grimes, WESTERN ONTARIO 1957, outstanding service to Sigma Chi and his very generous gift to the Foundation. Congratulations to the 5 recipients of this honor.

Denis Valyuk

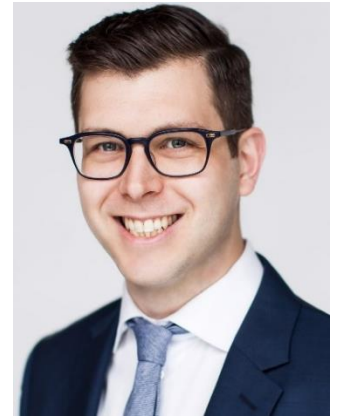
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"The support of the Canadian Foundation has been helpful in my pursuit of graduate education. The Sigma Chi network helped me land on my feet when I moved to Toronto, and I'm thankful for all the support from Sigma Chi over the years." Ben Wedge, University of Toronto '20



Province Conference



Chapters annually meet with their Provincial counterparts to exchange ideas, compare strategies, discuss challenges facing the fraternity, and renew friendships.

The 2019 Province Conference for the Ontario Province and the Saint Lawrence Province of the Sigma Chi Fraternity was held at the University of Toronto on Saturday, February 2, 2019.

More than 65 brothers were in attendance from Sigma Chi Toronto-Ryerson, Sigma Chi McGill (largest delegation), Sigma Chi UWO, Sigma Chi Waterloo, Sigma Chi Clarkson University, Sigma Chi Laurier, Sigma Chi Ottawa, and Sigma Chi at Brock University.

Thank you to Chapter Consul Nick Luna, Beta Omega 2019, and the Sigma Chi Toronto-Ryerson Sigma Chi for hosting this year's Province Conference.

Delta Omicron celebrates their 70th Anniversary



Pictured above: Dan Weber

Canadian Sigma Chi's Honoured

This February was a banner year for Canadian Sigma Chi's as the General Fraternity handed out its two biggest awards to Alumni.

Each year, the Order of Constantine recognizes a group of Sigma Chi brothers for their commitment, dedication and service to the Fraternity. Induction into the Order of Constantine is the highest honour bestowed by the Sigma Chi Fraternity on one of its members.

We are pleased to announce longtime Foundation supporters Dan Weber, Theta Psi 1999, and Kenn Manzerolle, Kappa Mu 1992 join a select group of Canadians inducted into the Order.



Pictured above: Kenn Manzerolle

The Fraternity has also selected its recipients for the Significant Sig Award, which celebrates members who have achieved high levels of professional success. Awarded annually since 1935, the Fraternity honoured more than 1,700 Sigma Chis with the Significant Sig Award. Amongst this rank are 5 Canadian Sigma Chis, they are:

Andrew Latchford, Delta Omicron (UBC-Simon Fraser) 1997

Brett Kagetsu, Delta Omicron (UBC-Simon Fraser) 1991

James A. Dodds, Gamma Rho (Dalhousie-Saint Mary's) 1999

Michael Burns, Epsilon Omicron (Western Ontario) 1994

Brice Scheschuk, Gamma Rho (Dalhousie-Saint Mary's) 1994

The careers of these Brothers speak for themselves, the Foundation having been instrumental in their undergraduate lives. A full account of the accomplishments of these 7 individuals will be released by the General Fraternity shortly, with formal awards happening at the 82 Grand Chapter in Salt Lake City, June 27-29, 2019.



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2019 Chairman's Reception

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