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Dick Thompson Awarded SAE's 143rd Distinguished Service Award



Sigma Alpha Epsilon held its 163rd Anniversary Convention June 20-22 at the downtown Marriott in Louisville, KY. Over 400 undergraduate members and alumni gathered to conduct the business of the fraternity, vote on law proposals, elect members of the Supreme Council, and provide a venue for discussions, sharing ideas, and building friendships.

Representing Oregon Alpha were Eminent Archon Alex Matot '21, Oregon Alpha Alumni Association President Dick Thompson '73, and Jake Hales '16, who is the new Province Archon of Province Lambda.

Oregon Alpha was recognized with four awards. The chapter was a recipient of the Chapter Achievement Award, which is earned by chapters that excel in the core areas of chapter operations. The Oregon Alpha House Corporation was awarded Most Outstanding House Corporation. And the six members of the Oregon Alpha Alumni Board won recognition as SAE's Stuart Zoock Outstanding Advisory Board.

The fourth award was very special for the editor of this newsletter (my 42nd edition). The Supreme Council awarded the 143rd Distinguished Service Award, the highest honor bestowed on a member of SAE, to Richard F. "Dick" Thompson '73 at the Friday, June 21st convention luncheon. While the award was a secret until the reading of the DSA citation (see below) by Eminent Supreme Archon Greg Brandt, the biggest surprise came following the conclusion of the luncheon when Dick's wife Rebecca, greeted him along with his son Tyler '05, brothers Bob (Oregon Beta '75), John '76, and pledge brother Tim Tolan '73. They all knew in advance, flew to Louisville, and were secretly ushered into

the back of the banquet hall for the DSA presentation and Dick's impromptu comments from the podium. Truly an incredible fraternal moment, accepted with gratitude for the opportunity to serve this great organization of True Gentlemen.

Dick Thompson is the third DSA recipient representing the Oregon Alpha Chapter in its 104-year history of brotherhood. Ben Schumacher '22 received the 51st DSA from ESA Lou Smith on March 9, 1978, in Corvallis, and George "Gap" Powell '21 was awarded the 65th DSA by ESA James Peterson on June 30, 1983, in Pasadena, CA.

The Distinguished Service Award Citation:

Richard F. Thompson, Oregon Alpha 1973, Oregon State University

Great respect. High esteem. Adherence to what is right. These are only a few ways to define honor, one of the cardinal virtues of our organization. Yet for the True Gentleman, honor extends beyond the tangible form and reflects in the actions we take, in the causes we support, and in the groups we lead. As a son of famed Minerva, honor is your heritage. You, Brother, have not only claimed said heritage, but enriched it for the entire Realm.

It didn't take you long to find SAE, as your father is also a member. While you may not have received history lessons of the Fraternity as a child, many of the principles and ideals you now embody were likely instilled at a very young age. With a blueprint for the Fraternity already in your system, the impact you had on your chapter was immediate. As Eminent Archon, you led our chapter from mediocrity to excellence, which has remained constant to this day. Immediately after graduation, you served in multiple roles for your local alumni association, most notable as the President for the past 40 years. There is no better judgment of honor than the time given back to a cause.

Your dedication and loyalty does not stop with the Fraternity; it reflects in all that you do. Not only were you with the same company for over 25 years, you also volunteered your time to the Boys & Girls Club of Corvallis, the Benton County Foundation, the Center for Nonprofit Stewardship, and to this day hold an active role in the Corvallis Rotary Club.

Your commitment to the Fraternity extends beyond your own life — two younger biological brothers and a son are all

SAE members. Over the past 50 years, you have consistently shown unwavering loyalty not only to the Fraternity, but in all facets of life. Going beyond the walls of your alma mater, you have proven yourself under all circumstances to be honorable, courteous, and above all, a True Gentleman.

Accordingly, the Supreme Council of Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity awards you, Richard F. Thompson, this 143rd Distinguished Service Award, the highest honor bestowed upon a member of SAE, on this 21st day of June in the year 2019 at the 163rd Anniversary Convention in Louisville, Kentucky.

— *Thomas J. DeMint, Eminent Supreme Archon*
J. Michael Sophir, Eminent Supreme Recorder



At the DSA awards ceremony, L-R: Tim Tolan '73, John Thompson '76, Tyler Thompson '05, Dick Thompson '73, and Bob Thompson '75.

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- House Corporation President — Scott Spiegelberg '75
- House Corporation Sec./Treasurer — Dick Thompson '73
- Alumni President — Dick Thompson '73
- Chapter Advisor — Will Later '12
- Financial Advisor — John Thompson '76
- House Corporation Advisor — Chris Langton '73
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- Alumni Advisor — Justin Strohmeyer '07
- Resident Advisor — D.L. "Stro" Strohmeyer '78

SAE Mission

The Fraternity's mission is advancing the highest standards of friendship, scholarship, leadership and service for our members throughout life.

SAE Vision

The Fraternity's vision is True Gentlemen making our global community better.

SAE Creed: The True Gentleman

The True Gentleman is the man whose conduct proceeds from good will and an acute sense of propriety, and whose self-control is equal to all emergencies; who does not make the poor man conscious of his poverty, the obscure man of his obscurity, or any man of his inferiority or deformity; who is himself humbled if necessity compels him to humble another; who does not flatter wealth, cringe before power, or boast of his own possessions or achievements; who speaks with frankness but always with sincerity and sympathy; whose deed follows his word; who thinks of the rights and feelings of others, rather than his own; and who appears well in any company, a man with whom honor is sacred and virtue safe.

— John Walter Wayland

William L. Thomas Scholarship Recipients

- Andrew Justin Jones '21
- Andrew Gerald Marshall '20
- Benjamin Douglas Rahier '20

Each received a \$2,000 scholarship. The funds for these scholarships are provided from an endowment that was established by Bill Thomas '43 in 1992 with the OSU Foundation. It is a pleasure to be able to recognize and reward the accomplishments of outstanding brothers of Oregon Alpha.

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Dining on Duck, November 19, 2018



Left: Scott Spiegelberg '75 and Doug Blair '73. Right: Always a great turnout for Dining on Duck dinner!

One of Oregon Alpha's great traditions is the annual "Dining on Duck" dinner that happens each Monday night dinner the week of the Civil War football game between the Beavers and the University of Oregon Ducks. Over the years, many Beaver greats and members of SAE have played in this game. In 2000, Scott Spiegelberg '75 invited legendary OSU Coach Dee Andros to come to dinner and talk about what the Civil War meant to him. That evening started what has become a 19-year tradition! Last November's guest speaker was Doug Blair '73. Doug grew up in Corvallis, has been a longtime radio sports announcer and, of course, a big Beaver football fan. Doug shared his top five Civil War moments and brought many old Civil War programs from his extensive collection. The tradition will continue for the 20th time this coming November 25! Thank you to Scott for his dedication to this great Oregon Alpha tradition.

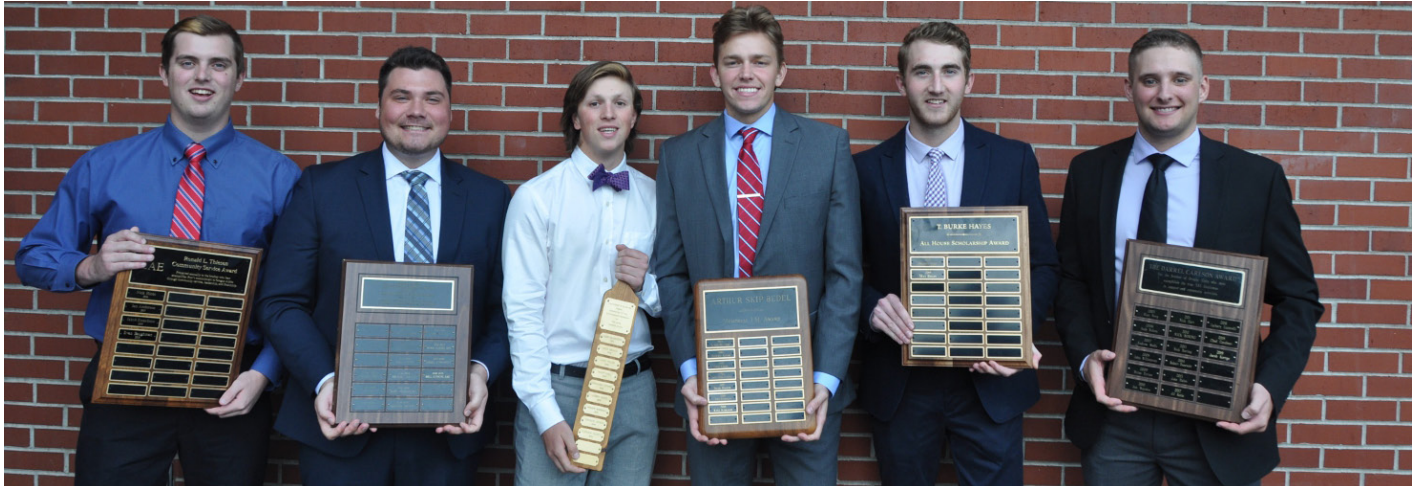
Homecoming & Family Weekends: Mark Your Calendar!

- Saturday, October 12: Homecoming (OSU vs. Utah)
- Friday-Sunday, November 7-9: Fall Family Weekend (OSU vs. Washington)

2019 Oregon Alpha Officers

- Eminent Archon**
Alex Matot '21Salem, OR
- Eminent Deputy Archon**
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Oregon Alpha Annual Awards Banquet, May 20, 2019



The 2018-19 Oregon Alpha Annual Award Winners are: L-R: Evan Baughman '21, Ronald L. Thiesen Community Service Award; Will Strickland '19, Benj. F. Schumacher Distinguished Service Award; Andrew Ramey '22, Robert R. Blair Freshman of the Year Award; Kyle Schrandt '19, Arthur "Skip" Bedell Memorial IM Award; Max Higlin '19, T. Burke Hayes All-House Scholarship Award; and Jake Kortge '19, A. Darrell Carlson True Gentleman Award.

The Oregon Alpha Chapter house dining room was full on a beautiful evening in May to continue a 50-year tradition with the Annual Oregon Alpha Awards Banquet. The Monday night, May 20 banquet was shared by undergraduates and alumni to recognize student involvement, leadership, community service, and distinguished service to Oregon Alpha of Sigma Alpha Epsilon. A Graduation Ceremony was added to the festivities this year to recognize 19 graduating seniors in June, and to encourage their lifelong involvement in SAE as members of the Oregon Alpha Alumni Association.

Welcome, New Members!



Order of the Phoenix



L-R: Past Eminent Archon Will Strickland '19, Chapter Advisor Will Later '12, and past Eminent Treasurer Andrew Marshall '20.

Brother Will Later '12 awarded two Order of the Phoenix Awards, to Will Strickland '19 and Andrew Marshall '20, at the Oregon Alpha Annual Awards Banquet. The Order of the Phoenix is the highest level of recognition that an undergraduate member can receive. The purpose of the award is to recognize outstanding commitment and loyalty to the Fraternity by undergraduate members.

Initiated October 7, 2018

NAME	CLASS	HOMETOWN
Alex Bassett.....	2022.....	Lake Oswego, OR
Griffin Bell.....	2022.....	West Linn, OR
Branden Beyer.....	2022.....	Tualatin, OR
Jacob Christman.....	2022.....	Sacramento, CA
Eli Clark.....	2022.....	Seattle, WA
Seth Cornelius.....	2022.....	West Linn, OR
Cade Doan.....	2022.....	Bend, OR
Ryan Eddington.....	2021.....	Bend, OR
Reed Foster.....	2021.....	Portland, OR
Cody Fretwell.....	2022.....	West Linn, OR
Micah Gibson.....	2022.....	West Linn, OR
Evan Heimuller.....	2022.....	Bend, OR
Nick Heinke.....	2022.....	Tigard, OR
Jacob Howell.....	2022.....	West Linn, OR

Charlie King.....	2020.....	Portland, OR
Karson Klecker.....	2022.....	Bend, OR
Jake Leavitt.....	2022.....	Tigard, OR
Dawson Loehner.....	2021.....	West Linn, OR
Zach Lovell.....	2022.....	Salem, OR
James Marshall.....	2022.....	West Linn, OR
Zachary Matot.....	2022.....	Salem, OR
Jacob Park.....	2022.....	West Linn, OR
Andrew Ramey.....	2022.....	Lake Oswego, OR
Griffin Roach.....	2021.....	Lake Oswego, OR
Nick Savage.....	2022.....	Tualatin, OR
Perry VanHouten.....	2022.....	Salem, OR
Asa Yunker.....	2022.....	Salem, OR

Initiated April 14, 2019

Shawn Elliott.....	2022.....	Lake Oswego, OR
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“New House” is 60 Years Old



“New House” Dedication Ceremony, November 22, 1959

This fall will mark 60 years since the “new house” was opened on the same property where the Southern Colonial house stood since 1921. SAE formed a House Corporation on March 18, 1920 for the purpose of building a fraternity house on the 305x160-ft. lot “far out of town” at 29th and Harrison. This corporation has been operating successfully for nearly 100 years maintaining these two chapter houses. In June, Sigma Alpha

Epsilon named Oregon Alpha’s House Corporation the “Most Outstanding House Corporation” in the Realm.

Summer repairs are underway in 2019 to provide a top-notch facility where fraternity can thrive in the coming academic year. Summer projects include a new roof (completed in June), new updated tile in the upper and lower bathrooms with new bathroom partitions, repair of doors and closets and hinges

and locks, maintenance of motors and stove hood and fire alarm systems, and many other small projects. The House Corporation will invest over \$130,000 in the facility this summer. Brother Burke Hayes '34 and the 1959 House Corporation designed and created a well built “new” chapter house that has supported brotherhood and member success for 60 years!!

Philanthropy and Community Service



On February 16, Oregon Alpha held its annual Tug-of-War Philanthropy in the mud at Chintimini Park to benefit the Mario Pastega House. With matching gifts, the members raised more than \$10,000 for the Mario and Alma Pastega Family Foundation. The Mario Pastega House, located on the campus of Good Samaritan Regional Medical Center in Corvallis, is a comfortable home-away-from-home for out-of-area patients and families traveling to Corvallis for specialized medical care.

Eminent Archon Report



L-R: Alumni Association President Dick Thompson '73, EA Alex Matot '21 with Chapter Achievement Award, and Jake Hales '16, former EA and current Province Lambda Archon.

The Oregon Alpha Chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon has enjoyed another great year of community service and leadership.

We sent five members to SAE's education programs in Evanston. Brother Evan Baughman '21 attended the Ritual School in the fall, where he studied our sacred ritual in greater depth and brought back resources to better understand and perform our ceremonies. Recruitment chair Ryan Schmid '21 and I attended Sigma Alpha Epsilon's inaugural Executive Academy in the winter. This program helped us improve our skills for recruitment. In the spring, Joe West '21 and EDA Andy Jones '21 attended the Leadership Academy, where they learned about health and safety issues and visited the Levere Memorial Temple.

Our annual Tug-of-War philanthropy, organized by philanthropy chairmen Evan Kelchner '20 and Ethan Elliott '21, was a great success this year, with Gary Pastega in attendance. Competing teams gathered at Chintimini Park, in the cold rain and mud, and pulled rope to raise money for the Mario Pastega House. By the end of the event, we had raised nearly \$10,000 for the Pastega Foundation. Evan Kelchner and I toured the facility, met Ken Pastega, and talked with patients and volunteers about our philanthropy. We were delighted to hear that our donations will help support construction costs to double the size of the Pastega House over the summer, allowing it to house twice as many patients.

Many members went above and beyond expectations to serve the Corvallis community. Evan Baughman '21 made connections with Corvallis Little League, and provided volunteer opportunities for members. Ben Rahier '20, Andrew Marshall '20, Jake Focht '21, Chase Gritten '21, and Jack Imelio '21 were all volunteer coaches, and Zachary Matot '22 volunteered as an umpire. All the teams had a great season, and the one coached by Andrew Marshall and Ben Rahier won the championship.

I traveled to Louisville, Kentucky, for the 143rd Sigma Alpha Epsilon National Convention to represent Oregon Alpha, vote on fraternal law proposals, and meet SAEs from all over the United States. It was an honor to receive the Chapter Achievement Award for all of the hard work our chapter has done this past year. While this year has been very successful, we all are looking forward to the new year back in Corvallis to continue our service and leadership in the community.

— Phi Alpha, Alex Matot, EA

Alumni Highlights and Chatter

Chapter Eternal members this past year include KEITH ACHESON '48, GEORGE ZEAGAS '49, DONALD HAYS '51, DONALD LANDES '52, LAURUS LEHWALDER '52, DONALD RIGG '56, ROBERT FEHLY '57, GERALD CHRISTENSEN '59, DALE RAMSAY '61, BILL AHLEM '66, RICHARD FURRER '66, MICHAEL MCCULLOUGH '74, STEVE BOLEN '75, RONALD LEINASSAR '84, and ALEX RESER '12.

BOB CHURCHILL '48 was in Corvallis this May for Beaver baseball. Last year, he sent: "76-year member. Tossed out the first ball at the UCLA baseball game in Goss Stadium May '18. Baseball letterman '42, '43, '47. Great-granddaughter started college Fall '18."

JERRY MORGAN '49 attended the Portland Alumni Association Founders Day dinner in March '19 with his son, RANDY MORGAN '74. "Proud of our family of SAE's — JERRY MORGAN '49, RANDY MORGAN '74, grandsons BRETT NICHOLS '04 and TRAVIS NICHOLS '07. I'm living at the Friendsview in Newburg, OR."

CRAIG McMICKEN '50 has a wonderful collection of letters from his days at OSU and SAE. "My father was a widower and I dutifully sent a letter home to him about every week. And he saved them! So I have a rather comprehensive account of my college days. As to my success in campus life, I owe it to VIRG CAVAGNARO '43. For some reason, he took to mentoring me. Well, college was swell in those years after the war. I liked the dinner hour — I was song leader — and the dating with Sorority girls was romantic. We had costume dances, even balls with live bands. I still have my tux that I bought for those occasions. And can still wear it! I am pleased that SAE has adopted "The True Gentleman" and teaches lessons we can use lifelong."

O.E. (BUD) KERNS '53, '55 sends: "At 90, over the hill and mostly obsolete, but still enjoy the *Oregon Alpha News*."

JACKO BURKS '56 is "Now in a one-story retirement cottage and rid of yard work and clutter. I volunteer at the Mount St. Helens Learning Center and American Lake VA Golf Course. Joined with JERRY HUNT '57 and Sue for anniversary celebration."

DON RIGG '56 joined Chapter Eternal on August 5, 2018. Don retired from the Air Force as a Major General in 1992, with over 34 years of continuous active duty service. His wife Jeanne sent, along with Don's obituary and Celebration of Life program: "Mostly, I want to point out that in the service, *The True Gentleman* was read by his grandson, a senior cadet at the Air Force Academy. Don lived by this creed throughout his whole life, and included it in several speeches that he delivered around the Air Force. The SAE paddle still hangs in our home."

BOB FOSTER '61 sent a few comments about the "new" 60-year-old chapter house. "In my freshman year, I lived in the old house the fall quarter of 1957, plus the winter and spring quarters of 1958. For my sophomore year, I lived in the old house for the fall quarter 1958. In December 1958, all of us moved out of the old house and demolition of the old house started immediately. In the winter quarter 1959, I lived in an apartment near the campus. In the spring quarter, I moved into Mrs. Avery's rooming house with DICK ROY '61, VERN RIFER '61, and JON MASTERSON '61. We moved into the new house in September 1959, and attended the new house celebration on November 22, 1959."

DALE RAMSAY '61 joined Chapter Eternal September 11, 2018. Dale graduated from Corvallis High School in 1957 and earned his Business Degree at Oregon State in 1961. His construction company, Dale Ramsay Construction Company, was involved in many significant construction projects in Corvallis and around the state. Dale served organizations like Old Mill Center for Children and Families and St. Mary's Catholic Church, and for many years served as president of the Oregon Alpha House Corporation Board.

LOU FASANO '64 sends: "We had two great-grandnephews who were SAE graduates in June '18 — RYAN LONSWAY '18 and JAKE STEVENS '18. Our grandson Josh Fasano also graduated, but he chose not to join a fraternity. Margaret and I have been married 53 years (2018) and enjoy traveling each year to Idaho, Montana, California, and various parts of Oregon. Life is good."

JERRY MASON '65 reports: "All is well with Pi Phi wife Connie (Frank) Mason '65, and two daughter's families with four grandsons 20 to 4 years old. Semiretirement from investment real estate is working better, and I am having even more fun with projects: Portland housing issues, Innovation X (OSU's College of Business entrepreneurial program), and some local politics. There is a thread there. How rich was the soil (which we could hardly have assessed at the time) of lasting values and great expectations that we experienced together. It was not all luck. Continued payback in all forms is an honor."

RON EMMERSON '66 commented on the passing of BILL AHLEM '66: "I noticed his passing in the *Oregon Stater*. Bill was EA our senior year. He was salt of the earth, a no nonsense guy. A very mature individual compared to most of us in our college years. I don't know anyone who did not like Bill." Ron and Ann spend much of their winter time on the Big Island playing golf. He also is a regular showing his cars at the annual Forest Grove Concours d'Elegance. In July, at the Northwest Region of the Ferrari Club of America's Concours, Ron entered his 1972 246GTS (Dino), and it won its Class and "Best in Show."

CHARLIE "BUCK" ADAMS '69 is a retired attorney with Stoel Rives. "Still drag racing my supercharged 1929 Model A Ford. Brothers DOUG HARDESTY '71, JAY POMEROY '68, and JIM McNUTT '72 have pit crewed along the way."

The Class of 1969 held its 50th Anniversary Reunion ("difficult to both believe and accept") this past June 15 at the Gemini Bar & Grill in downtown Lake Oswego. The event was organized by WALT EBELL '69, STEVE CROW '69, TIM GLEESON '69, JIM POWELL '69, and BILL HOPPER '69, with help from DON WILLIAMS '70. Others attending the "tasteful but casual gathering" included TOM BROWN '69, PETE ELLINGSON '69, BERNIE HILL '69, LAUREN JOHNSON '69, CHARLIE ADAMS '69, BILL HUGHES '69, LOU WHITE '69, STEVE SCHETKY '69, MIKE FLANAGAN '69, and STEVE RILEY '69. Party crashers included ED TWEEDDALE '71, DOUG HIGHLAND '71, MARK PHILLIPS '71, JIM FLYNN '68, LB MCCULLOUGH '68, LONNIE BARRON '70, RON IWASAKI '67, DICK THOMPSON '73, and CHRIS LANGTON '73. "And boy did 50 years go by fast!"

ALEX PAUL '70 sends: "After 48 years of marriage, Lori and I finally had our honeymoon in Greece. Athens archeological sites, then Mykonos and Santorini, then off to London and Wales!" Alex is also the author of his fifth book, *The Valley of Death*, in the Arken Freeth series on Amazon — exciting novels set 13,000 years ago in a lost civilization in Florida.

MARK GUSTAFSON '73 was awarded the "Oregon Logger of the Year" for 2018 at the annual Associated Oregon Loggers convention in Eugene. Gustafson Logging Company of Astoria, OR, specializes in clearcut logging, has been in business since 1974, and is owned by Mark and his son Chad.

DAN KEUTER '73 sends: "After leaving Oregon 32 years ago, we are moving back this spring." Dan and Becky are now living in Orenco Station in Hillsboro.

SCOTT SPIEGELBERG '75 helped host the 7th Biennial "MOE-Morial" Golf Tournament honoring the memory of Brother TOM "MOE" MOORE '75. The event was held June 22 at the Emerald Valley Golf Course in Creswell, OR. SAE brothers attending included: CHRIS LANGTON, '73, RICK TORTORELLO '73, DAN KEUTER '73, T. JAY MORRIS '75,

NORM CROW '75, TOM NELSON '75, TOM EGGE '75, MARK ATWOOD '75, RON CLUSTER '75, TOM BARBOUR '75, DAVE LITTLEFIELD '75, TERRY McCAMMAN '75, FRITZ WALKER '75, DUNCAN KILNER '75, and MIKE RITCHIE '76. Many "Moe Stories" were shared and his love for Oregon State, SAE, and the game of golf were celebrated! Plan to join us in June of 2021 for the next "MOE-Morial"!

JOHN PALMER '77 sent last fall: "Built a house in White Salmon, WA, and moved from Portland where I have spent 98% of my life to date. Love it so far. Incredible view of Mt. Hood. Brothers DAN LUCICH '78, TIM TOLAN '73, and I just completed Cycle Oregon. Seventeenth year for me!"

DAN PEARSON '80 is "Celebrating 33 years of marriage and three great adult children. Kelly finished PhD in Oceanography. Lucy graduated college, worked five years, and now is traveling the world. Joe is at University of Wisconsin Graduate Vet School in his junior year. Go Beavs!"

CARL CASALE '84 sends: "I have joined Ospraie Management, LLC, as a senior partner to lead their AG Tech Venture Capital and Private Equity efforts." The firm is based in New York City.

JOTH RICCI '90 was appointed President of Dutch Bros Coffee this past January. Joth will leverage his beverage expertise to guide the day-to-day activities and rapid expansion goals of Dutch Bros, already the country's largest privately held drive-thru coffee company. And Joth was awarded the 2018 Jean & Scram Graham Leadership Award for exemplary volunteer service to the Oregon State Alumni Association.

BROOKE KNIGHT '94 is a senior mortgage loan advisor with Knight Financial in Corvallis and head coach of the Corvallis Knights college wood-bat summer team. The Knights won their sixth West Coast League title in 2018 — earning back-to-back-to-back championships.

TIM SISSEL '97 was honored as a 2019 inductee of the Council of Outstanding Early Career Engineers by the OSU College of Engineering for Construction Engineering Management graduates at their annual Oregon Stater Awards. Tim began his career with DPR Construction in Redwood City. In 2003, he and a small group of former DPR employees founded Fortis Construction, Inc., in Corvallis. Tim has served as Project Manager on more than 40 projects, including Oregon State's Learning Innovation Center, College of Education's Furman Hall, and the recent updates to Reser Stadium.

ROBERT OTTOWAY '04 "started working as a senior software engineer at Apple in December 2018. We welcomed our third daughter, Ruby, March 7, 2018. Life is busy and fun with three daughters. I continue to enjoy the opportunity to advance my career in tech in Silicon Valley."

BOB WELCH '15 (Honor Initiate) is the author of more than 20 books, his latest being *The Wizard of Foz: Dick Fosbury's One-Man High-Jump Revolution*. 2018 marked the 50th anniversary of high jumper Fosbury's historic performance and gold medal "Fosbury Flop" at the 1968 Mexico City Olympic Games. Last fall, OSU dedicated a statue on campus to pay tribute to the man who revolutionized high jumping, and Bob authored his book.

RYAN SCHMID '21, Recruitment Chair, and Eminent Archon ALEX MATOT '21, joined over 350 SAE leaders in Evanston in January to share and learn more about managing our fraternity in 2019 at the inaugural Executives Academy. Attendees participated in general sessions to educate all officers on team building, group dynamics, and current Greek system issues. Overarching themes included leadership development, communications, and strategic planning. Strong chapter leaders make strong chapters, and Sigma Alpha Epsilon is committed to helping our brothers be as prepared as possible as they lead their chapters.