



WINTER 2025 EDITION

PI KAPPA PHI



ALPHA SIGMA CHAPTER - UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE

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The Alpha Sigma Chapter had yet another excellent semester and is excited to build on that momentum in the spring. We are looking forward to spring rush (January 19th-26th) and are already working hard to secure another impressive new pledge class during the first week back from break. Alongside our recruitment efforts, we anticipate a fully packed spring social calendar featuring date parties, mixers, our formal in Savannah, Georgia, and much more. At the same time, we continue to make improvements to the chapter house, with additional projects planned to further enhance the living experience for our brothers.

Make sure to check your email in the upcoming weeks for information about an alumni dinner and other events being planned.

In this winter edition, we are excited to introduce the new Executive Council, reflect on the past year, showcase our fall pledge class, share key semester highlights, and provide ways to stay connected with the chapter.



Brothers Welcoming Tony Vitello at our Tailgate

Fall Grade Report CHAPTER AVERAGE

3.4

16 BROTHERS RECEIVED AN OUTSTANDING 4.0,
CONTRIBUTING TO ONE OF THE HIGHEST CHAPTER
GPA'S ON CAMPUS.



THANK YOU DONORS

We would like to extend a huge thank you to everyone who has donated. Every contribution, no matter the size, plays a huge role in ensuring the continued success of our chapter for future generations. Your generosity allows us to improve our house, strengthen our brotherhood, and build a lasting foundation for years to come. If you would like to help out in any way, whether that be through donations or summer internship opportunities, please feel free to reach out at: (619) 920-0824 or rburdine@vols.utk.edu



Newly Elected 2026 Executive Council



Archon - Drew Davis
Vice Archon - Rainer Williams
Warden - Austen Wisniewski
Treasurer - Dean Zike
Secretary - Luke Mudd
Chaplain - Luke Cheatham
Historian - Ryan Burdine
Risk Management - Chris Youree
Philanthropy - Omeed Shirani
Standards - Ryan Schoolman

EXCEPTIONAL LEADERS. UNCOMMON OPPORTUNITIES.

"I am extremely honored and excited for my 2026 term as Archon, being surrounded by a great Executive Board we are going to attack the year hard and hope for the best one yet for the Alpha Sigma chapter. Looking forward to a year full of great events, giving back to the community, and building up men."

-Drew Davis

SOCIAL COMMITTEE



Ehren Weyman

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Tyler Flanary

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Braden Moir

(Pictured from Left to Right)

Notable Upcoming Social Calendar Events

Crawfish Boil, Mom's Weekend, War of Roses Philanthropy Week, Formal in Savannah



Tennessee Pi Kapp Year In Review

Over the past couple of weeks, I've had time to reflect on where we stand as a chapter.

This year marked significant growth for Alpha Sigma. Our membership increased to 217 brothers, making us the largest Pi Kappa Phi chapter in the SEC and the second largest nationally, behind only ASU. Beyond the numbers, we also successfully navigated the entire year without any serious issues with the university or Nationals, putting us in strong standing with both. As a result, we are now recognized as one of the premier fraternities in our community and look forward to what is already shaping up to be a successful spring rush. These are all accomplishments I am incredibly proud of, and they would not have been possible without the dedication and leadership of this executive board. I am extremely grateful for the opportunity to have worked alongside such a committed team and thankful to have been able to serve the chapter alongside some of my closest friends.

This past year also marked our first with a new council of advisors, and I cannot express enough gratitude for these men who truly embody the value of lifelong commitment. I want to especially thank our primary advisors, Mark Guenther and Jon Jordan, for making the drive to Knoxville multiple times each month to provide their constant support, and for putting up with me for an entire year. Their guidance has been instrumental to our growth, and much of what we accomplished would not have been possible without them.

What I am most proud of is that despite our growth, both in membership and socially, we have remained true to who we are. Our brothers have cultivated a level of unity and authenticity that is rare for a chapter of this size. There is nothing more reassuring than walking into the house on any given night after a long day of classes or going to our Monday night Bible study and seeing dozens of guys who want to spend time together and are always happy to see you, regardless of age or pledge class. The sense of community within Alpha Sigma is truly second to none at the University of Tennessee, and I say that with full confidence, having worked with many other chapters through other extracurriculars I partake in. My challenge to our younger members is to carry this momentum forward as we continue striving toward what it means to be the ideal fraternity.

Overall, I truly believe that we could not be in a better place as a chapter than where we are today, and I am thankful to everyone who has poured into this brotherhood and made it something special. I know that this chapter has drastically changed and improved my life, and I am excited to see what is next as we transition into a new executive board where the sky truly is the limit. It is a good time to be a Vol, and it is a good time to be a Pi Kappa Phi.

Thank y'all for everything, and have a happy holidays.

Charles Youree
Outgoing Chapter President

- GOALS FOR 2026 -

1

Host at least one alumni dinner or networking event this semester

2

Increase participation in campus organizations, philanthropy events, and community service

3

Raise our GPA
Average to above a 3.5



Welcoming 53 Newly Initiated Brothers



Why Tennessee Pi Kapp?

"I rushed Pi Kapp because of how genuine every single guy I talked to was during rush. My favorite part of the semester was going to formal. There are so many good memories from that trip. I'm excited to participate in the philanthropy week I've heard so many good things about it and can't wait to experience it."

-Will Adams '25

"I rushed Pi Kapp because it immediately felt like the most genuine and tight-knit brotherhood on campus. Every class seemed close with each other, and it felt like a place where I could really grow as a person. I'm most excited to help lead the chapter and give back to the guys who welcomed me in."

-Teddy Peters '25

"I rushed Pi Kapp because I got along with the most people and had a lot of funny and genuine conversations with the guys. My favorite part of the semester was the pledging as it grew me close to a lot of people really quickly. I'm most excited to live in the house next year."

-Brevin Minor '25

KNOW A FUTURE PI KAPP? | Refer Them Today

Help us find the next generation of Tennessee Pi Kapps

Reach out to Vice President Rainer Williams at (817) 994-5111

Include the student's name, contact information, and legacy connection



Semester Highlights



**Past Archon Auden Van Laeken Awarded the
2025 Dr. Phillip M. Summers Student of the Year Award
The Highest Honor Recognizing the Most Outstanding Student Member of Pi Kappa Phi Nationwide**



2025 Fall Formal to Keeneland Racetrack



Dad's Weekend and Annual Golf Tournament



Semester Highlights



Sean Li (left) competing in the Microsoft Excel Collegiate Challenge, representing the University of Tennessee through four days in Las Vegas.

His team placed #6 in the world, and placed #51 individually.



ADPI Flag Football Tournament Champions



Y2K Date Party



Zach Top Concert



Trip Down to Tuscaloosa
Visiting Omicron Chapter



Boat Day on the Tennessee River