

What a Great Year of Alumni Events!

The TKE Delta Theta Alumni Association events kicked off in 2019 with a Founder's Day celebration at Joe Jost's in January. Then in March, Reunion Weekend saw over 100 alumni attending Ballast Point pub night and Long Beach State baseball game to celebrate 65 years since our chapter received its charter. We capped the year off with a Graduation Party in May to welcome our graduating student members to our Alumni Association. With the generosity of our alumni during our Association's inaugural year, we raised just over \$5,000 to start our scholarship for our student members (see story below). Log into our new website to see more pictures event pictures! <https://www.memberplanet.com/tke-deltatheta>

Founders Day - January 19, 2019

Joe Jost's, Long Beach, CA



65th Reunion Weekend - March 22, 2019

Ballast Point Brewery, Long Beach, CA



65th Reunion Weekend - March 23, 2019

Long Beach State "Dirtbag" Baseball Game, Long Beach, CA



Inaugural TKE Delta Theta Scholarship Awards Winners

Through the generosity of our alumni, we raised just over \$5,000 and established the **TKE Delta Theta Alumni Association Scholarship** through national HQ last October. And in November, over 20 members of our TKE Alumni Facebook group raised an additional \$1,130 through our Giving Tuesday fundraising event. Thank you TEKES!



Frater Byron Torres
AOB Scroll 873

The first two scholarships have been awarded in the amount of \$2,000 each, to Fraters Byron Torres (awarded Fall 2019) and Ryan McGurik (awarded Spring 2020). Frater Ryan said, "this generous scholarship will allow me to not only further my education, but be a more productive member of the chapter as well." And Frater Byron wrote "if you are able to change someone's life for the good then you have done your job as a teke" and hopes someday to create a non-profit organization called "Surfing in the Streets" that gives inner city kids an opportunity to learn how to surf.



Frater Ryan McGurik
AOB Scroll 894

Our scholarship will be issued each year, based on the amount of interest earned on our principle, and will be available to chapter members in perpetuity as an endowment. With your continued generosity, our scholarship program will only continue to grow. Candidates are required to complete an application and submit a brief essay in which they discuss how receiving the scholarship will help them complete their current degree and/or assist their experience as a member of TKE.

There were more beer rings than legible signatures on our event Guest Lists, but here is a list of those who did sign in: AK Dewan, Aaron Thornton, Aman Mehta, Andalusia Kear, Armand Burt, Bob Daniel, Brian Murdoch, Bryan Castleman, Byron Torres, CJ Klug, Danielle Campbell, Darren Yanzon, David Lord, David Van Wyk, Don Stoddard, Dustin Harwell, Eddie De La Torre, Eric Nasser, Eric Pierce, Eric Simmons, Esteban Rojas, Frank Yulich, Gene Wohlgezogen, Greg Darm, Herbert Mata, Hunter Gaspar, Ian Hoffert, Jarrett Tossey, Jason Turk, Jausreal Flores, Jeff Montejaano, Jerry Galbreath, John & Patricia Northrup, John Broadway, Joseph Jozviah, Justin Denicker, Justin Ward, Kevin Fernandez, Corey Cauchon, Mac Marshall, Marcus Chan, Mark Webb, Mike & Genise Battaglia, Mike Boyd, Neil & Kristie Naramore, Nicholas Padron, Nolan Moder, Paul Lopez, Richard Hsiung, Roger & Bette Sprague, Ron Fakhoury, Ruslan Kidovsky, Ryan McGuirk, Scott Schaidle, Stephen O'Farrell & Shannon Barry, Thomas Hernandez, Tim & Nicole Fox, Tim Fisher, Vic Torricco, Vin Guarino, William Coulter and so many more attended... Thank you!

Graduation & New Alumni Party - May 18, 2019

On The Rocks Pub, Long Beach, CA



Support Our Alumni Association and Scholarship Programs

The TKE Delta Theta Alumni Association (EIN#82-3947821) is a nonprofit, 501(c)(3). That means all memberships and scholarship donations are 100% tax deductible. There are a few ways you can help our scholarship fund, which are fairly easy.

If you use Amazon.com, shop through their charitable website [smile.amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com), and select **TKE Delta Theta Alumni Association** as your preferred charitable organization. Amazon will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to our Alumni Association!



Our Alumni Association also accepts donations electronically using **PayPal** using our PayPal link: www.paypal.me/LBTKealumni. Memberships/donations may also be mailed via U.S. Post to TKE Delta Theta Alumni Association at 6285 E. Spring Street, #573, Long Beach, CA 90808.

Finally, for those who may prefer credit card, the TKE National website is located at my.tke.org/donations. You may have to create account if it's your first time visiting the TKE website. But once you select "Scholarship" under Donation Type, you will find "TKE Scholarship-Delta Theta" under the "Investing in" drop down menu.

Thank you for helping us shape **Better Men for a Better World!**

In Memorium



Claude "CJ" Klug was one of our chapter's founding members, and has been an ardent supporter of the chapter since the beginning.

CJ started Long Beach State College in Spring of 1952, earned his B.A. in Business Administration in '54 and M.A. in Social Sciences in '58. While at LBSU CJ was student body Treasurer, Graduate Class President, worked on the Prospector Yearbook and was a journalist on the 49er Staff. He once told the university Alumni Association that some of his fondest memories of college were the 49er Days, Brown & Gold Day, the dances, Joe Jost's and the Clock Drive Inn.

Claude "CJ" Klug
Class of 1954

Leading up to our 65th Reunion, CJ explained that our chapter actually began as a local fraternity known as Alpha Kappa Chi (AKX). He and a number of other students he knew from Long Beach



City College and Compton College began the fraternity in 1952, but began shopping for national fraternity status in 1953. They contacted several national fraternities but found it was going to be difficult. Several early responses indicated a prerequisite of several years as a successful local fraternity, cash in the bank or owning a fraternity house. A couple of fraternities did send out representatives to discuss the subject, including TKE. We were invited to meet with the USC TKE chapter members, who were very impressive and became very supportive. We decided to become a TKE Colony, during which I served as chapter president. On January 9, 1954, our fraternity became the first national fraternity at CSLB and the 100th Chapter of TKE.



CJ at our Founder's Day event
January 2019

Always moving forward, CJ served in the Army after graduating LBSU, raised a family, was a City Manager, Realtor, and in his retirement came back to serve on CSULB's Alumni Board; eventually serving as President, of course. CJ would serve nearly 15 years of volunteer work between CSULB's Alumni Board and the CSU-wide Alumni Council, always promoting Tau Kappa Epsilon.

CJ was 87 years old when he entered the Chapter Eternal in August 2019.

TKE ΔΘ Alumni Association Board Members

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or by email at LBTKEalums@gmail.com

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Join us for one of our upcoming events...

Founders Day & Bid Night

February 7, 2020, 8:00-10:00pm-ish
On the Rocks Bar & Grill

5755 Pacific Coast Hwy., Long Beach, CA 90803

Join us for hors d'oeuvres and drink specials as we celebrate the 121st Founder's Day for Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity, and welcome our newest pledge class. Founder's Day and Bid Night, always make for good times!



LB State v. CSU Northridge

Men's Volleyball

April 18, 2020, 7pm Start Time
CSULB Pyramid

Two-time reigning NCAA Men's Volleyball Champions Long Beach State will take on top 15 ranked CSU Northridge in what is sure to be a great game! Hopefully we can score up a few CSUN TKE's to join in on the fun.



TKE ΔΘ Alumni Association Meeting

June 13, 2020, 7pm Start Time
Avenue # 3 Pizza & Subs

2226 Palo Verde Ave, Long Beach, CA 90815

A general and very casual meeting to talk about the happenings of our Alumni Association, the Chapter, and catch up with other TEKEs.



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Thank you Genise Battalia (ΣK) and Danielle Steuernagel Campbell (ΑΦ & TKE ΔΘ Sweetheart) for all of the great photos, we really appreciate it!

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