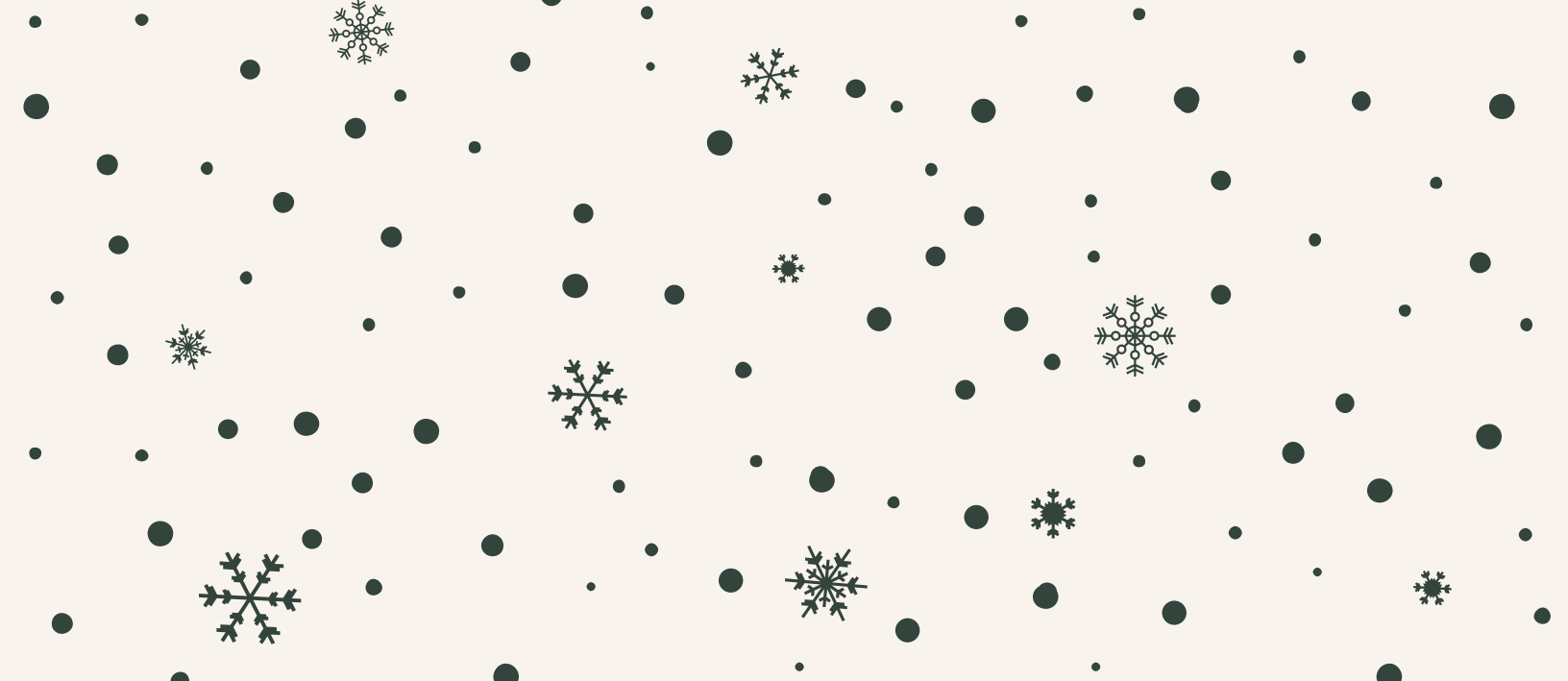
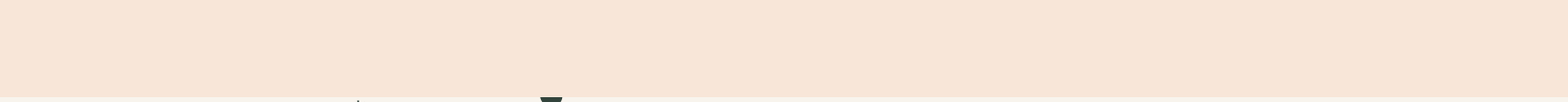


FSL Newsletter

Winter Term 2025



Letter from the Advisor

Winter Term 2025



Hello! I'm Corgan Ball (they/them), the Assistant Director of Campus Life and Fraternity & Sorority Life Advisor. I've now been in this role for six months, and in that time, I've learned so much from FSL members, advisors, and the Campus Life staff. As we head into an exciting spring term and wrap up this unforgettable 2024-2025 academic year, I'd love to take a moment to recognize what took place in the FSL Community during Winter term of 2025!

Primary Recruitment

Welcome our **40 new members** into Fraternity & Sorority Life at Knox College! Our community has now grown to **127 members**.

Beta Theta Pi

Javier Campos Claeys
Malachi Tolliver
Shuja Waraich
Dylan Ortery
Ryan Lautzenhiser
Leland Tran
Gerald O'Hare

Delta Delta Delta

Asia Ling
Amelia Wynne
Madelyn Dittrich

Kappa Kappa Gamma

Alivia Davis
Aubrey Lynch
Cynthia Kosteck
Mao Shirai
Ramona Liggett
Catalina Kim
Natalia Nuno

Phi Gamma Delta

Zachary Rodrigues
Ryan Erdos
Alonzo Rodriguez
Hayden Derlein
Tyler Thiem
Clayton Rice
Jackson Phillips
Braeden Phelan
Eli Johnstone

Pi Beta Phi

Brooke Harris
Emma Blankenship
Ellery LeMire
Jacqueline Conteras
Brendely Vijzelman
Tatum Pond

Sigma Nu

Greyson Rahal
Jay Hamilton
Silas McCarron

Tau Kappa Epsilon

Marcos Macedo
Alejandro Martinez
Almazbek Turuspekov
Nairran Zargar



Alpha Sigma Alpha



The international headquarters of Alpha Sigma Alpha Sorority has informed Knox College that the Theta Nu chapter will be closed, effective immediately, as of March 14th, 2025. Established at Knox in 2010, the chapter's suspension follows several years of efforts by headquarters staff and student leaders to grow membership. While the College is saddened by this decision, we remain committed to Fraternity and Sorority Life as an integral part of the Knox experience, community, and culture. It has truly been a privilege to work with Jenna Schweikert, Lana Gallagher, Olivia Janunas, Asha Unni, and the Alpha Sigma Alpha Advisors during my time in this role. Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions.

Winter Term Grade Reports

Winter Term Grade Reports are here! I'm incredibly proud of our community for consistently maintaining a GPA above the Knox College average. Here are some of the standout GPA highlights from this term:

Fraternity Term Average: **3.12**

Non-Fraternity Term Average: 3.04

Sorority Term Average: **3.53**

Non-Sorority Term Average: 3.29

Total School Term Average: 3.18

Total FSL Term Average: **3.32**

Order of Omega Term Average: **3.68**

Highest Sorority Term GPA: **Delta Delta Delta**

Highest Fraternity Term GPA: **Phi Gamma Delta**

FSL Events Winter Term

Primary Recruitment

From January 20-25, Knox College's Fraternity and Sorority Chapters held their Primary Recruitment, filling the week with events and opportunities for students to connect across campus. Leading up to recruitment, Panhellenic hosted a spirited "Spirit Week," featuring themed dress-up days, bonding activities, and open-campus events designed to give students a glimpse into Sorority Life at Knox. The week concluded with a lively Bid Day celebration, complete with siblinghood activities, photo opportunities, and sweet treats. By the end of the term, Panhellenic welcomed 16 new members into Sorority Life, while Interfraternity celebrated 24 new members joining Fraternity Life. A huge shoutout to Lexi Sendall, Panhellenic Vice President of Recruitment, Parker Engel, Interfraternity Vice President of Recruitment, and all of the Chapter/Council Presidents and Recruitment Chairs for their dedication and hard work!

Day of Dialogue: Ice Cream Social & Debrief

On February 12th, Knox College held its annual Day of Dialogue, a campus-wide event where classes were suspended to allow students, faculty, and staff to participate in meaningful dialogue sessions. The day focused on expanding understanding, awareness, and skills to collaboratively address the political and social challenges of our time. To close out the day, Abby Neilan, Panhellenic Vice President of DEI, and Sammy Garcia, Interfraternity Vice President of DEI, hosted an Ice Cream Social. This event provided Fraternity and Sorority Life members with a welcoming space to debrief, share their experiences, and reflect on the day's conversations.

Fall in Love with FSL: Valentine's Social

On February 15th, Phi Gamma Delta hosted a Fall in Love with FSL Valentine's Day Social at their house, exclusively for Fraternity and Sorority Life members. The event provided a fun and relaxed space for members to connect with one another, including those they may not have had the chance to meet before. It was a great opportunity for FSL members to build new friendships and strengthen their community bonds.

International Badge Day

On March 3rd, Panhellenic Chapters celebrated International Badge Day with a tea and cookies social, where members created "Why I Wear My Badge" scrapbook pages. The event, hosted by Melany Benitez, Panhellenic Council President, provided a meaningful opportunity for chapter members to connect and share the personal significance of their badges, reflecting on the values and experiences they represent.

End of Term Event: From Strangers to Siblings

On March 10th, Melany Benitez, Panhellenic Council President, and Parker Engel, Interfraternity Council President, hosted "From Strangers to Siblings," an FSL bonding event inspired by the card game *We're Not Really Strangers*. FSL members were randomly grouped and given question cards designed to spark meaningful conversations and help them get to know each other on a deeper level. The event featured plenty of snacks and refreshments, creating a relaxed and welcoming atmosphere for members to build connections.

Chapter Spotlights

Pi Beta Phi

We welcomed six new members this term! We were able to initiate four new members, three of which were at Holt House, the historic founding location of Pi Beta Phi.



Pi Beta Phi held Carnations for the Love of Literacy, a philanthropy event where we sold carnations, our fraternity's flower, to celebrate Valentine's Day. This was in collaboration with Cooks & Company, a local Galesburg business which employs a Pi Phi alum. We were able to donate almost \$200 to the Pajama Program, a Chicago-based nonprofit which provides bedtime stories and hygiene products to children in need. Thank you to everyone who donated or bought carnations!



After primary recruitment, we held a Cookie Shine with our alumni. This allowed them to interact with our new members and to foster a community that spans decades.



Pi Phi brought back several beloved traditions this term! These included themed chapters, weekly sibling hoods, and Beta Dates, which has allowed us to grow our siblinghood bonds and love for each other. Pi Phi Love and Ours - IL Beta-Delta

Kappa Kappa Gamma



We welcomed 7 new members! (Alivia, Aubrey, Catalina, Cynthia, Mao, Natalia, and Ramona!) Two members of our exec team went to Kappa's Collegiate Leadership Summit in Dallas!



Tau Kappa Epsilon

We made and sold Mattang (candied sweet potato), a traditional Korean snack, at our philanthropy event and donated the money to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.



We also welcomed 4 new members into our chapter through recruitment!

Chapter Spotlights

Delta Delta Delta

Tri Delta has had a successful winter term full of recruiting, bonding, and Delta Love! We recruited and initiated three new members, Maddie, Asia, and Amelia, and we look forward to the impact they will surely make on our chapter.



We hosted our yearly letter writing campaign, Sincerely, Yours, in February. We sent out around 600 letters to family, friends and alumni asking for donations for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.



Our members participated in weekly study hours, Deltas Only bonding events, mixers, and events all over campus!



Beta Theta Pi



Beta Theta Pi Formal



Knox Farm Clean Up on Day Of Service



Tri Delta and Beta Theta Pi Hangout



Narcarn Training



Day of Dialogue with Vernon Wall about Social Injustice

Chapter Spotlights

Order of Omega



New Members! This term we welcomed Melany Benitez, Izzy Oliver, Lexi Sendall, Asha Unni, and Madeline Hart into Order of Omega.



Sigma Nu

We've gotten three new members in formal recruitment for Winter Term and are planning on holding informal recruitment Spring Term because others have expressed interest. We look forward to welcoming new brothers into our fraternity!



Phi Gamma Delta

The FIJ chapter raised \$8,000 for St. Baldrick's Childhood Cancer Research, with a total of 8 brothers shaving their heads in the process.



The FIJs had their annual FIJ Rose winter formal on March 1st, and it was a great night for brothers and guests alike.



FIJ recruited nine new members this past winter, we are beyond excited for their future as brothers of this house and know they will do great things.



FIJ elected a new executive board this winter, and trust that the future of the house is in great hands with new president Joe Williams. Thank you to Nicholas Stan for all of his work as President over the past year. We would like to congratulate brother Parker Engel for being elected the newest President of the Interfraternity Council, his dedication to FSL life here at Knox is honorable.



The Knox Basketball season came to an end this winter, marking the end of Knox careers for seniors Sean Gallery, Aidan Derry, and Derek Sult. Gallery earned a 2nd Team All Conference nomination and became the 14th player in Knox history to score 1,000 points. The Knox Baseball season is officially underway, and with 20 brothers on the team, they have contributed to the team's 4-0 start, their best since 1999.

News

Upcoming Events

MARCH

26

Spring Term Classes Begin

APRIL

7-11

FSL Academic Success Week

MAY

12-17

FSL Week

JUNE

8

Knox College Commencement

Alumni and Knox Faculty/Staff

Get Involved with Fraternity and Sorority Life!

Fraternity and Sorority Life at Knox College is seeking alumni and faculty/staff who are interested in supporting our vibrant community. Alumni are encouraged to stay connected and help guide the next generation of leaders, while chapters are also actively seeking dedicated faculty/staff advisors to provide mentorship and support. If you're passionate about fostering student success and want to make a meaningful impact, we'd love to hear from you!

FSL Advisor Meetings will begin happening twice a term with FSL Advisor, Corgan Ball. These meetings will provide a space to discuss chapter updates, share resources, and collaborate on supporting our students.

For more information or to express your interest, please contact Corgan Ball at cballeknox.edu

Panhellenic and Interfraternity

Congratulations to Winter term Interfraternity President Joe Williams for being elected Phi Gamma Delta President! Interfraternity Council has elected Parker Engel as the incoming Interfraternity President and Ryan Erdos as the incoming VP of Recruitment for the rest of the 2024-2025 academic year. Applications for 2025-2026 Panhellenic and Interfraternity Council will be released around Week 5 of Spring Term.

FSL Feedback Form

The Winter Term 2025 Feedback Form is open! Use this opportunity to share your insights about your time in Fraternity & Sorority Life (FSL) this term.



Winter Founders Days



Sigma Nu

January 1st, 1869



Tau Kappa Epsilon

January 10th, 1899

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