



**Gamma-Kappa of Kappa Sigma**

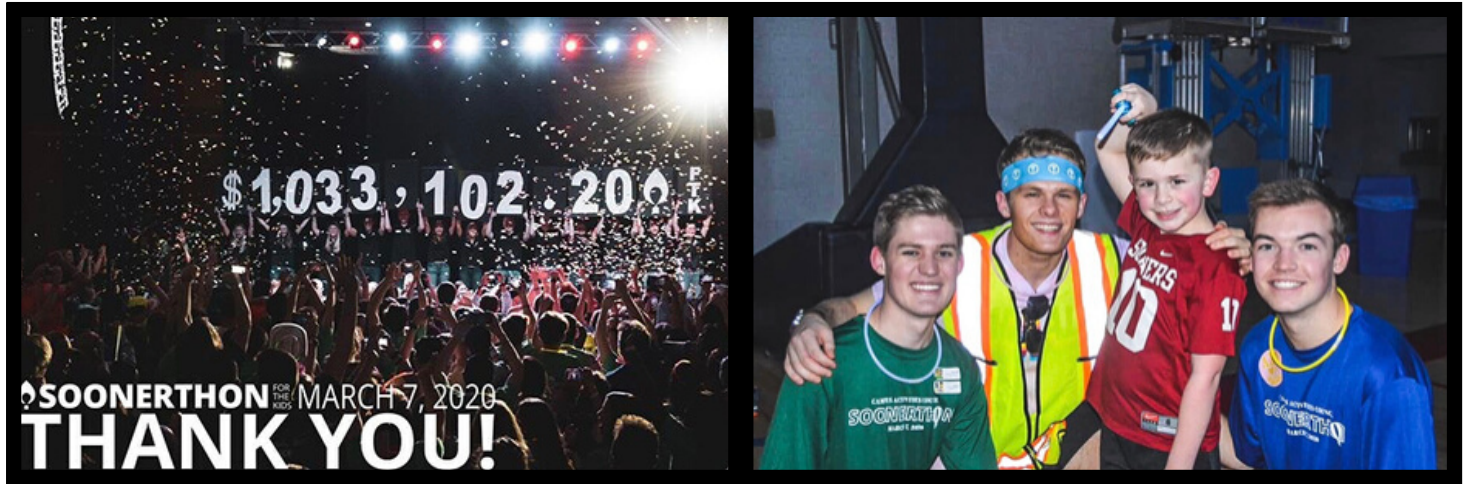
# **SPRING 2020 NEWSLETTER**



## **Intro**

The Gamma-Kappa Chapter has enjoyed a productive start to the 2020 Spring Semester. We were able to sign a high-quality Spring New Member Class as an addition to our record breaking Fall New Member Class. As we look toward the conclusion of the Spring Semester, to be completed through online classes, we hope that the onset of the Coronavirus outbreak is able to reach a quick end.

# Soonerthon



Soonerthon 2020 is officially over, but not without achieving many historical accomplishments. The student-led philanthropy works all year to help raise funds for the Miracle Children's Foundation in OKC, with all proceeds going directly to provide the best possible treatment. The main purpose of Soonerthon is to keep families from breaking apart to travel in order to receive medical treatment.

“We are One Generation Fighting for the Next.” This year, brothers Luke Hammock ('19), Varun Jyothi ('19), Ben Crawford ('18), Jayke Flaggert ('19), Sam Kennemur ('19), Andrew Barton ('16) and Braydn Hall ('17) all had the honor of serving on the executive committee for the event.

Each organization has the wonderful opportunity to “adopt-a-miracle-family” and the past 4 years Kappa Sigma has represented The Hurley family, and their 6 year-old son Jeremiah.

The event itself is a 12-hour “Dance Marathon” involving numerous activities, games, dances, and more. The whole day revolves around hearing the stories of many other “Miracle Families” and how Soonerthon has actively helped save the lives of their children.

Records were broken as the final reveal totaled out to: \$1,033,102.20- all  
FOR THE KIDS!

# Spring Rush



Spring fraternity recruitment for the Gamma-Kappa chapter concluded on Sunday, January 19th. After a selective process, Rush Chair Drew Karnig—along with the rest of the chapter—signed 11 Potential New Members. We hope these young men evolve into outstanding members that will help to further push the chapter toward excellence. Karnig will reprise his role as Rush Chair for our next fall rush class.

## Formal



Gamma-Kappa's 2020 Spring Formal was hosted in Austin, Texas, the weekend of February 28th-29th. Brother Vishva Amin ('17) was the primary social planner and his diligent efforts resulted in a great event. Our brothers all enjoyed a very exciting weekend with their dates as they explored enemy territory.

# COVID-19



The untimely spread of the Coronavirus has led to the University of Oklahoma making the transition to move to online-only classes the rest of the semester. Following most other major universities, students have had to adapt to attending class via a video-conferencing tool known as “Zoom”. In order to fully move out, our brothers must schedule times to enter the house in groups of no more than three at a time so as to limit the risk of virus exposure.

It is a very disappointing time for seniors, as they will not get to experience the moment of walking across the stage at graduation that they have been working so hard for the past four years. It is a disappointing time for the rest of the undergraduates as well, as they all transition to having to rely on technology to socialize with friends. On top of those factors, The virus has also added much stress as students worry for the safety of their families and the community around them.

The outbreak also led to the cancellation of March Madness, the NBA season, the Masters, and even postponed the MLB season. We hope that the virus is able to be contained quickly and that things will be able to go back to normal in the near future.

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