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# PHI KAPPA PHI

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*Marshall University Phi Kappa Phi Chapter 313:  
2016 in Review*

## **Marshall's Phi Kappa Phi Chapter Welcomes University President**

- ***In January 2016, Marshall welcomed its 37<sup>th</sup> president, Dr. Jerome "Jerry" Gilbert.*** Dr. Gilbert was inducted into the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi during his junior year as a Biological Engineering student at Mississippi State University. He honored our Chapter by giving the keynote address at Marshall's spring 2016 Phi Kappa Phi initiation ceremony.



## **Marshall's Phi Kappa Phi Members Receive Awards**

- ***Marshall's Phi Kappa Phi Chapter's Student Award Recipients:*** 2016 marked the second year Marshall's Phi Kappa Phi Chapter presented awards to outstanding student members. Recipients of the 2016 awards were James "Travis" Donahoe, Reagan Stafford, and Kelsey Higgins. Travis received \$500 and Reagan and Kelsey each received \$250 to help fund their

graduate studies. Travis earned a Bachelor of Business Administration with majors in Management and Public Health in May 2016 and is currently working toward a Master's in Public Health at the University of Michigan; Reagan earned a Bachelor of Science in Microbiology and Cell Molecular Medical Biology in May 2016 and is now pursuing a Medical Doctorate at Marshall University's Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine; Kelsey earned a Bachelor of Science in Communication Disorders in May 2016 and is presently pursuing a Master of Science in Communication Disorders at Marshall. Kelsey also served as one of Marshall's Phi Kappa Phi Chapter's Student Vice Presidents during 2015-2016. We congratulate all of our award winners!

- **Phi Kappa Phi Fellowship Recipient:** James "Travis" Donahoe was awarded a fellowship from the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi in June 2016. This \$5,000 fellowship also will help to support his graduate studies. [www.phikappaphi.org/grants-awards/fellowship#.WFW\\_4VMrKUUm](http://www.phikappaphi.org/grants-awards/fellowship#.WFW_4VMrKUUm)

## Marshall's Phi Kappa Phi Members Reach Out to the Community

- **Spring 2016 Sock Drive:** Under the leadership of its student vice presidents (Kelsey Higgins, Kiersten Looney, Ian Lovern, and Sam Ransbottom), Marshall's Chapter of Phi Kappa Phi partnered with Marshall's Honors College Student Association, its National Student Speech-Language-Hearing Association, and the Beta Club of River Valley High School in Bidwell, Ohio (sponsored by Marshall Phi Kappa Phi Chapter member Amy Stanley) to hold a sock drive to benefit St. John's House. An outreach of St. John's Episcopal Church, St. John's House has been operating in a government subsidized housing community in Huntington, WV for over 15 years. It is an after-school program that provides meals and activities geared toward supporting children's social, emotional, and educational needs. We collected 413 pairs of socks, which we distributed to the children in April 2016.
- **Spring 2016 Max & Erma's Fundraiser:** Under the leadership of Student Vice President Sam Ransbottom, Marshall's Chapter of Phi Kappa Phi partnered with *Max & Erma's* Restaurant to hold a fundraiser to benefit St. John's House in March 2016. We're happy to report that this event netted \$152.54 for the children's programs at St. John's House.
- **Fall 2016 Graduate School Application Session:** Under the direction of President-Elect, Dr. Kristen Lillvis and Student Vice President, Kiersten Looney, Marshall's Phi Kappa Phi Chapter sponsored a panel entitled, "Applying for Graduate School." Professor Patricia Proctor, Executive Director of the Simon Perry Center for Constitutional Democracy, and Dr. Dru Bora, Associate Dean of the College of Science, offered attendees guidance and answered questions regarding preparing graduate and professional school applications. All in attendance agreed that Professor Proctor's and Dr. Bora's advice was timely and helpful.

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