

# Alpha Chi Sigma Fraternity

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Dear Brothers:

Over the course of the last year I had the opportunity to do an on-site visit with a local collegiate chapter to talk about the professional branch and how to remain active in the fraternity after graduating. I was also lucky enough to attend my first American Chemical Society meeting in the spring and host the luncheon for Brothers who attended in Indianapolis, IN. I also had the opportunity to virtually attend some District Conclaves around the country and even sit on a few career panels. Over the summer I attended the Supreme Council-District Counselor training which had many engaging activities.

## **Annual Fundraising Campaign**

This year our annual fundraising campaign did not perform as well as prior years which is concerning for the health of the fraternity. Over the course of the next several biennia it will be important to strategize ways to increase professional donations.

The tallied fundraising totals, pending any mail in donations are below:

- Giving Tuesday Donations: \$12,855.21
- Founders Day Donations: \$2349.24
- Total Annual Fundraising Campaign Donations: \$79,568.67

The health of our fraternity depends on generous donors and it is never too late to make a [donation](#) or set up a recurring donations or estate planning.

## **Professional Representatives**

The Professional Representatives continue to meet monthly to discuss initiatives, such as retaining active collegiate brothers as they transition to the professional branch and what actions can the PRs take to support the professional branch. I had the opportunity to meet with each Professional Representative in the first half of the year to discuss their individual goals, group goals, and anything future needs they may have from the Supreme Council. The Double Bond Professional Newsletter comes out monthly with PR Chair Lib Morgan at the helm as the editor. The PRs hosted a virtual town hall meeting in April where they did a presentation on what it means to be a PR and opportunities the professional branch offers its members, as well many different mechanisms of how to stay involved. There was also much time spent in open forum and social gathering. This event was well attended by professional brothers and soon to be professional brothers. The PRs are in the progress of planning out workshop and opportunities for career seeking brothers.

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## Professional Chapters and Groups

I have had the opportunity to meet with all the Professional Chapters thus far this biennium. LA Professional Chapter elected to change their status to LA Professional Group. There are others chapters also on the precipice of deciding if they will maintain their chapter status or change to a professional group as they struggle to maintain active members and officer slates.

Yours in the Double Bond,

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