

Alan Koepke and the Wisconsin Idea

Alan Koepke thought he was saying goodbye to farming when he left his family's home in Waukesha County in the 1960s to pursue an agricultural engineering degree at the University of Wisconsin–Madison. A few years into his education, he reconsidered.

“There is a challenge in running your own business, and that appealed to me,” he says. “My advisor was against the idea. He said there would be better options,” Koepke says. “And I’ve spent the rest of my career proving him wrong.”

“Engineering is often about trying to get the most out of the least, and that often applied to farming, too,” he says. With the cooperation of the county UW Extension agent and faculty at UW–Madison, Koepke collected and analyzed everything he could about his operation.

“Our decisions have always been based on not just what we wanted to accomplish and how we wanted to live, but an analysis of data and what was profitable. Despite the advice he got as a student not to go back to the farm, Koepke says that he has worked closely with UW–Madison faculty throughout his career.

“We’ve learned a lot from the university, and they’ve been able to learn a lot from us,” he says. “That’s the Wisconsin Idea I know — you never stop learning. And being a graduate is one of the proudest accomplishments of my life.”

- Alan Koepke, Brother 655 - From the University of Wisconsin Service Center



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Alumni News

Francis William "Frank" Groves, #452, died peacefully on Friday, August 4, 2017, at Fern Glen Farm. Upon his discharge in 1947, Frank attended the University of Wisconsin, earning his BS in Dairy Industry in 1951. While attending the University, Frank met the love of his life and lifelong companion, Shirley Jeffery, and they were married on August 16, 1952. They raised three children, William "Bill", Richard "Dick", and Ann, and had adventures around the globe as they tirelessly pursued their passion for travel. After several years working in the dairy industry, Frank returned to the UW, earning his MS and PhD in Agricultural Economics and joining the faculty in 1961. He was named Director of University Center for Cooperatives in 1970, a position he held until his retirement in 1989. Upon Frank's death, we lost a wise, kind, and generous father, family patriarch, and friend to all who knew him.



Howard Olson, #400 and Iota Initiate class of 1947 passed away in March 2017. Howard was the oldest alum to attend the Iota 100th anniversary and had been an extremely generous donor to the Iota chapter scholarship program. Howard Olson earned BS, MS and PhD degrees and for many years was an Animal Science professor at Southern Illinois University, retiring in 1989. He was born in Chicago in 1927



Donald Myhre, #486, passed away December 22, 2016. Donald was born in North Central Wisconsin and served as an X-Ray Technician for the army during World War II. He then earned his PHD in Soil Science and Botany from UW in 1954. He spent most of his career in research for the USDA, Mississippi State, and the University of Florida. He retired in 1991 in Gainesville after a successful career and will be missed.

Homecoming is October 21

You're Invited to Alpha Gamma Rho's Homecoming Celebration at the AGR House - 233 W Lakelawn Pl Madison WI 53703.

Come enjoy great food and memories with AGR's past and present. The house will be open all day. Post game tailgate hosted at the AGR House.

For pregame tailgate information please contact Nick Uglow nruglow@gmail.com 920-412-6145 or Zach Lieven zachl@davidjfrank.com 262-365-9680.

To RSVP for the post game at house event contact ifox2@wisc.edu or 414-254-5127. Go Badgers!!!



Alpha Gamma Rho CEO Retiring

Dear Brother,

On June 6, 2017, Alpha Gamma Rho announced that Philip Josephson, AGR's CEO, will retire in May 2018. We are grateful for his extraordinary service for over 40 years as our executive.

In early September, the CEO Search Committee will initiate the formal search for our next Chief Executive Officer. I am contacting you to provide background about this recruitment process and to enlist your assistance. Selecting the next CEO for AGR is an important decision. Our AGR CEO Search Committee is implementing a sound recruitment process to identify excellent CEO candidates, evaluate these candidates, and execute an orderly CEO transition. To ensure the recruitment process is both comprehensive and expertly managed, AGR selected a leading national executive search firm, Kincannon & Reed, to conduct the recruitment. Jon Leafstedt, a Managing Partner with the firm and fellow AGR, will guide the search process. More information on the CEO role, its responsibilities, and the desired candidate profile may be found at www.krsearch.com/alpha-gamma-rho-ceo/. You are invited to forward this information to others in your network who are relevant potential candidates or referral sources.

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Iota AGR on Family Feud

Corey Geiger and his wife Krista Knigge, of Mukwonago, Wis., appeared on Family Feud in early May. Corey is Iota Brother #1238. Krista and Corey, along with two of Krista's cousins and one of their husbands, auditioned as the Knigge Kousins for the show in November of 2015. The audition was held at a Milwaukee-area hotel where hundreds of families vied for an opportunity to appear on the most-viewed game show in the world. "There must have been an announcement on tv one night as I was drifting to sleep. I woke up the next morning and thought, did I dream that?" asked Krista Knigge.



"The auditions were opening weekend of deer hunting; so my husband an avid deer hunter was out." Krista called on her cousin Kelly Steelman and husband Chris Steelman of Waukesha, who were a quick yes. Another of Krista's cousins, Hannah Steen of Burlington agreed to be a part of the adventure. The team was rounded out with the cousin's aunt, Becky Gutzman. However, the night before the audition, an early snowstorm started to roll in, canceling her plans to drive from Rio to Milwaukee.

That left one slot open and Krista convinced her husband Co-

rey to be on the team. "Ultimately, I told him that the experience of auditioning would be a experience unlike any other story," says Krista. Corey agreed under the condition that he would leave the audition and drive directly to his deer stand to finish his hunting season. After making it through auditions, the family was called in July to make plans to go to Atlanta August 14-16, 2016 for taping.

"It wasn't on my bucket list, but it is now with a big check mark by it," says Corey. "It was a great experience and the whole family had fun. I highly recommend trying out," added Krista.

Iota Brothers Active in DC Alumni Chapter

The Washington, DC Alumni Chapter of AGR was honored to have Rep. Dan Newhouse (R-WA) speak at its March luncheon. Newhouse focused on the meaning of AGR in his career beginning with chapter membership; as the first Director of Chapter Services in the National AGR Office, a 3rd generation farmer, senator, and more he stressed the importance of leading by example in his remarks. Other Iota brothers acting as officers at the DC chapter include Lee Van Wychen, and Robert Miller.

Pictured at lower left are Jerry Weller (Alpha) former Congressman



Dan Newhouse (Sigma), current Congressman Paul Weller (Alpha Theta), and Randall Torgerson (Iota and past AGR Grand President).

Summer Trip Highlights

Caid Menzel Travels to Spain

This summer I was blessed with the opportunity of traveling to Spain for three months to explore my career. I spent the majority of my time in Galicia, the northwestern region, at all times being less than a 20 minute walk to the beach. Being surrounded by the well-kept coastline meant I spent many days working on my tan, as well as wading through the intertidal zones with professors, fisherman, and other scientists. My most notable memories came from the days in the estuaries with a group of marine biologists.



When I showed up at the research station just outside of La Coruna I was reserved as I communicated about complex biological issues in the marine ecosystems. I felt my Spanish needed much work to impress these notable men. However, it didn't take long for my own passion and intelligence to shine through and I began collecting, cleaning, weighing, measuring, and releasing the various native bivalve species we were working with. What to them was another day at work was an absolute field day for me. Being elbow deep in the sea and surrounded by idols allowed me to enjoy identifying every little critter I found as well as question the scientists on my future endeavors and career possibilities.

"A Lifetime of Giving to Make Better Men"

This is an updated list of all donors to Iota mainly since the year 2000 through June 30, 2017. Since most of our cumulative records started with the year 2000, we sincerely apologize for those who contributed before that time and may not appear on this list. If we did miss you, or some of our information is incorrect, please let us know and we will add the information to the records. Also, many have given of their precious time and special talents which are even more valuable. To everyone, Iota's Educational Foundation extends our sincere thanks for helping "To Make Better Men."

All donations totaling \$1000 or more are proudly recognized on Iota's Lifetime Giving Tree at the chapter house, with either an Oak Tree, Foundation Stone, Acorn, or a Gold, Silver or Copper leaf, inscribed with your name and initiation number. All donations to the 2006 chapter house renovation fund, the Iota Corporation and the Educational Foundation are combined. This also includes individual University of Wisconsin Endowments established for the benefit of Iota undergraduate scholarships as well as contributions to the Alpha Gamma Rho Alumni Scholarship Fund at the University of Wisconsin Foundation.

In total, 572 Iota Brothers have contributed \$2,012,968 dollars! Most of this, around \$1,200,000, was for the house renovation, with the remainder to support the Educational Foundation's long term goals to attract the best, insure success, develop and grow tomorrow's leaders, incent and recognize academic excellence, and support and nourish Brotherhood values and beliefs.

Goddess of Demeter Award

\$100,000 plus - Oak Tree

Robert #491 and Vivian Miller
Russell #680 and Carol Schuler
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Golden Crescent Award

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In memory of Eugene #312 Nelson by Steve #756 & Chris #1317 Nelson
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 Brian #1196 and Elena Roe
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 Jay #1203 and Pamela Binversie
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 William #1215 and Becky Meulemans
 Anthony Vorndran #1221
 Paul Roidt #1223
 Adam #1228 and Katy Gardner
 Craig #1231 and Jennifer Kronberg
 Derrick #1235 and Michelle Most
 Timothy #1236 and Jackie Murphy
 Dale #1237 and Kristen Halink
 Kenneth #1241 and Shelly Waller
 Bruce #1242 and Megan Boebel
 Richard #1244 and Margaret Straub
 William #1249 and Michelle Sullivan
 Scott #1252 and Kathy Borgwardt
 Terrance #1271 and Claire Walsh
 Jerrad #1274 and Ellen Zimmreman
 Daniel #1276 and Valerie Drye
 David #1277 and Lisa Meyer
 Thomas #1280 and Kimberly Brewer
 Todd #1287 and Ellen Rasch
 Robert #1299 and Toby Sizer
 Nate #1307 and Angela Zwald
 Christopher Lueder #1308
 Jason #1319 and Michelle Koerth
 Mark #1323 and Kylene Anderson
 Joshua #1329 and Amy Rynes
 John Oswald #1333
 Matthew #1334 and Margaret Dorshorst
 Mark #1337 and Kathleen Dettmann
 Rick Watters #1338
 Nicholas #1339 and Sarah Casey
 William #1349 and Joanne Maedke
 Jacob #1355 and Stephanie Holl
 Adam #1357 and Heidi Lindsey
 Isaac Mayer #1358
 Bryce Lee #1364
 Brian Kelroy #1369
 Michael Copas #1370
 Patrick #1371 and Jean Uhlenhake
 Matthew #1372 and Laura Holl
 James Koltes #1375
 Andrew Engel #1379
 Mark Heinze #1382
 Aaron #1392 and Nicole Breunig
 Max Armstrong #1400
 Bryan #1412 and Alexis Yanke
 Quinn Debruin #1413
 Todd #1423 and Keely Schaumberg
 Ryan Engel #1427
 Anthony #1429 and Moriah Brey
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 William Tracy #1450
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 Jordan Matthews #1467
 Jonathan #1480 and Lindsay Wiese
 Cody Carpenter #1509
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 Jacob #1524 and Lauren Brey
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 Eric Lardinois #1556
 Tyler Triezenberg #1559
 Gary #1634 and Barbara Vorpahl
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Dairy Dash a Success

This past spring, the 4th annual Dairy Dash was held in memory of brother John Klossner, who passed away after sustaining a head injury at the Wisconsin State Fair. Even though the weather was anything but ideal we had great turnout with 108 participants. Between runner registration and very generous donors, we raised over \$6000 for the Brain Injury Association of America. This year we hope to make the 5th annual Dairy Dash the most successful one yet in both participation numbers and sponsor donations. To make this possible we would love to see more alumni participants and donations to this wonderful cause. Lastly we would like to thank all participants and donors.

Officer Updates

Caleb Wendhausen, VNR Finance

Hi, my name is Caleb Wendhausen, and I'm the finance chair here at the Iota chapter. Last Spring, I set a couple of goals for my term in office. They were to continue the financial stability of the chapter and collect on past debts. There are also few things I want to accomplish this semester and they are updating our billing service and balance the new school year budget.



Tanner Wears, VNR Scholarship

Alpha Gamma Rho – Iota chapter was very pleased to have 13 active members earn our chapter's President's Club honor for outstanding academic excellence in the spring of 2017. To be a member of President's Club, a brother must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or higher. For their outstanding work ethic and being excellent role models in the chapter, the brother's in President's Club each semester are treated to an excellent dinner courtesy of the Education Foundation. The chapter would like to commend brothers Jordan Gaal, Mitchell Glodowski, Logan Gutenberger, Ryan Gutenberger, Caid Menzel, Micheal Moede, David Pintens, Zachary Shulfer, Izak Walker, Tanner Wears, Connor Willems, Nathan Coulthurst, and Charles Jaskolski. Our annual fall scholarship banquet will take place on Monday October 23rd after the active chapter meeting. A high GPA scholarship and a high House Points scholarship will be awarded to a brother in each class. Alpha Gamma Rho – Iota scholarship goal for the fall of 2017 is to have a house GPA above the all – Greek average.



Zach Lensmire, VNR Planning

My past spring semester goals were to plan a great Parent's Day and keep the chapter informed and up to date on the latest happening within the organization. I think I was able to accomplish those goals, as Parent's Day was a great way for parents to come and visit their son's college home here at AGR. I have also



been active at keeping everyone informed and working with the executive team to ensure AGR stays running smoothly. For this fall I expect to continue my contributions to the officer team by working closely with the other officers to have a successful recruitment period and overall, a great semester.

Logan Voigts, VNR-Management and Operation

In April of 2017 a well needed update to the house security occurred. Over recent years, burglary and theft has been on the rise in our neighborhood, and we have felt the rise as some window screens were cut on our house. Because of this, for the past three years, the number one thing the National AGR chapter consultant suggested for the house was a security system.



To improve the security of the brothers and the house itself the corporation board approved to install electronic locks and two cameras in the house to bring us up to speed. All undergraduate brothers now have key fobs roughly the size of a credit card that they hold up to a receiver to grant them access into the house

This system has proven to be very easy to manage from an administrative standpoint as it is internet based, thus access can be granted or revoked from anywhere.

At the same time, we also installed two security cameras. The first camera is installed in the ceiling of the alcove outside of the kitchen door facing the parking lot. The second camera is mounted on the back patio above the basement door looking toward the lake. This system is also internet based and is relatively easy to use. ADT was the company we used to install all the systems, and their work and problem solving adapting to the old but renovated house was quite impressive.

This is a great improvement to the house and I know it will benefit the house greatly in the long run!

Ian Fox, VNR Alumni Relations

Last spring I set myself a goal to improve communication between alumni and current undergrads. That has been challenge; we've updated many current and alumni members' contact info and continue to work hard on having zero, "lost brothers." I'm working toward my goal this semester by hosting an alumni-networking dinner.

I have really enjoyed publishing the Crescents, and look forward to doing one more in December. I hope you enjoy what is planned for homecoming; it has been a pleasure being on the officer team. Surveys and Competitions:

Best Room Competition

Congratulations to brother Izak Walker and Phil Geiger for being voted best room by the undergraduate chapter! At the house we strive to have clean, creative, and fun rooms, their room won by a landslide. Room 205 is a suite featuring a great place to watch the game, relics from hunting season, and is peaceful when exams creep up on Izak and Phil.



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Calendar of Events

October

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| 21 | Homecoming |
| 23 | Scholarship Banquet |

November

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| 9 | Alumni Dinner |
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House Survey

Although Alpha Gamma Rho is focused on making better men and bettering agriculture, we certainly come from varying backgrounds and have different hobbies. To evaluate our diversity I asked the brothers what they were most excited for this semester, and where they work around campus.



Brothers work all around campus, some as tutors, others as University representatives, but most in research. This is not surprising considering UW's history. The research brothers participate varies greatly from soil, to animal, to meat science.

When asked what they most looked forward to, about half of all brothers selected, “football Saturdays.” Improving their GPA, and participating in Student Orgs came in second. The most anticipated AGR event (behind socials) was Han's cooking. I 100% agree with my brothers on that choice; Han's keeps us well fed and has variety in his menu!

Fall 2017 is sure to be a great semester for the entire house, no matter what they're looking forward to or where each brother spends most of his time.