

## THE DOCKET

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#### Fall 2023

## ATTENTION CHAPTER ADVISORS

At its September 2023 annual meeting, the Executive Council voted unanimously to raise fees in the following categories: (1) collegiate membership fees, (2) faculty membership fees; (3) honorary membership fees; and (4) annual chapter dues. Executive Council members considered several factors in making this decision, including increases in membership supplies and postage, current and future operational expenses, and annual conference costs. Combined, and in a post-pandemic environment where virtually all costs have significantly increased, this decision ensures the future success of Alpha Phi Sigma. Please note that while the Executive Council increased fees, it did so at the lowest possible price point increase, with the understanding that our collegiate members—the backbone of Alpha Phi Sigma—have seen increases in other fees associated with their own institutions of higher learning. Fee increases of any kind are never a popular decision, but in the case of the current adjustment to some of our fees, it was simply a necessity.

We appreciate your understanding as we roll out these increases as of <u>August 1, 2024</u>.

—The Alpha Phi Sigma Council

#### **New Fee Schedule**

Collegiate membership fee \$85

Online only students—membership (shipped directly to the students) \$95

Faculty & Honorary membership fees \$85

Annual chapter dues \$85



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### 2023-24 Available Scholarships, Awards & Grants

All Scholarships, Awards, and Grants are now available with one simple click on the links found on our website. Select the Scholarship, Chapter Award, or Grant you and/or your chapter wish to apply for and follow the specific directions.

#### All materials must be submitted online through the link on our website.

The 2024 Conference Advisor Grants link will be activated from January 1—March 4, 2024.

Link: https://alphaphisigma.org/scholarships

Deadline for Scholarships, Awards & Chapter Grants is FEBRUARY 11, 2024

#### **Individual Scholarships Available**

- V.A. Leonard Scholarship
- Regina B. Shearn Scholarship
- Nay-Latocki Military Veteran Scholarship
- Best Paper Scholarship
- Student Member of the Year Scholarship
- Student Member Achievement Award

#### **Grants Available**

- » Chapter Grants
- » Advisor Grants (Opens January 1-March 4, 2024)
- » Advocacy Grants

#### **Chapter Awards Available**

- » Theme of the Year Awards: Wrongful Conviction
- » Outstanding Chapter Goal Awards
- » Outstanding Yearbook Award
- » Chapter Website Award
- » Star Chapter Award
- » Advisor of the Year Award

#### **Alumni Awards Available**

- Distinguished Golden Alumni Lifetime Membership Award
- Alumni Achievement Award

## Scholarships, Awards & Competitions at the 2024 Conference

- \* Criminal Justice Knowledge Test Scholarship
- \* College Bowl Competition
- \* Final Chapter T-Shirt Competition
- \* Crime Scene Investigation Competition (must register online via link-Deadline March 14, 2024)
- \* Attendance Scholarships
- Advisors Attendance Raffle
- \* Advisors Meeting Raffle

#### 2023-24 Theme of the Year



## Chapters, start Planning for the Alpha Phi Sigma Annual 2024 Conference



Alpha Phi Sigma (APS) is inviting all our members to attend the conference in Chicago, IL., March 22-24, 2024. We have a great conference planned around our Theme of the Year, Wrongful Conviction.

There is no registration needed to attend the APS conference, but students wanting to attend ACJS events and luncheon, must register with ACJS.

Chapters should make their hotel reservations as soon as possible.

Chapters may also start planning their Theme Project, Goals, and other presentations and awards to be presented at the conference. Make sure to look at our website to see which scholarships, awards, grants, and "at the conference scholarships" are available and/or may need pre-registration.

Hope to see you in Chicago!!

#### HOTEL RESERVATIONS AND TRAVEL

The Annual Meeting host hotel is the Hilton Chicago. The ACJS hotel group rate is \$195 per night (single/double/quad occupancy), plus applicable taxes and fees. The hotel rate is independent of ACJS registration fees. The hotel cut-off date is Monday, February 26, 2024, or until sold out.

Guest Room Reservation Link: https://book.passkey.com/go/ACJS2024AnnualMeeting



Hotel Address: Hilton Chicago 720 South Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60605 Phone: 312-922-4400 Check-in: 4:00 pm Check-out: 11:00 am Smoke Free Property

Parking: Self Parking: \$69 daily \* Valet: \$80 daily

#### AIR and GROUND TRANSPORTATION

#### Closest airport to the hotel:

Chicago Midway International Airport (MDW) Approximate distance from hotel: 35 - 45 minutes The hotel does not provide shuttle service from the airport.

#### **Secondary airport:**

Chicago O'Hare International Airport (ORD) Approximate distance from hotel: 60 minutes The hotel <u>does not</u> provide shuttle service from the airport.

#### ACADEMY OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SCIENCES Registration

All Alpha Phi Sigma members wishing to attend any ACJS event or APS co sponsored student luncheon <u>MUST</u> register with ACJS.

Registration for the ACJS 61st Annual Meeting is OPEN! Visit <a href="https://www.acjs.org/page/ACJSAnnualReg2024">https://www.acjs.org/page/ACJSAnnualReg2024</a> for detailed information and pricing details. All attendees to the ACJS conference must pay a registration fee.

The Annual Meeting registration deadline is Friday, February 9, 2024. After February 9, all registrations payments will be received on-site only. If you choose the "Invoice" option at checkout, payment must be received by the deadline of February 9, 2024, to be considered registered for the meeting.

Registration fees for ACJS

Members	Non-Members
General \$180	General \$305
Student \$70	Student \$110



#### **MAILINGS TO HQ**

Advisors, when sending mail to APS HQ, please note:

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But please, **DO NOT send certified or express mail to the post office box.** It delays the process. Unfortunately we cannot retrieve certified mail on a regular basis because our staff must go to the post office and stand in a long line to retrieve the certified mail. This keeps our staff away from the office and away from processing applications and honor regalia orders.

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JOB OPENINGS

## **Employment Opportunities in LAW ENFORCEMENT**

See Openings in Local, State, and Federal Governments and Resources Available on our website at:

www.alphaphisigma.org

#### Alpha Phi Sigma Chapter T-Shirt Sales Event



APS now offers special pricing for chapters when they purchase a minimum of 5 Signature T-shirts, long sleeve T-shirts, and/or crew neck sweatshirts. See our website for different colors.

Emails us for pricing <a href="mailto:headquarters@alphaphisigma.org">headquarters@alphaphisigma.org</a>



### **HONOR REGALIA ORDERS**

MUST BE ORDERED BY ADVISOR ONLY!!

- <u>ALL</u> Honor Regalia order forms <u>MUST</u> be signed by the chapter Advisor.
- The order form MUST include the Member's full name and year initiated (full name and year listed on the certificate).
- Please allow 3-4 weeks for orders to be processed, shipped, and received by the Advisor.
- There will be **NO expedited shipping.**
- Honor Regalia orders are sent to the Advisor **ONLY**. Alpha Phi Sigma is not responsible for Honor Regalia not reaching student on time for graduation. Please order promptly; don't delay.
- Advisors may request direct shipping to members who take classes online only. Additional shipping & handling fee applies.
- No exchanges or returns of Honor Regalia.



#### A Word from the National Executive Student Officers

Welcome back to classes! We hope you all had a great and relaxing summer and have settled in nicely for the new semester. There will be plenty of opportunities to learn something new and meet some new people, so be sure to take advantage of them!

Speaking of learning something new and meeting new people, we hope you will join us in Chicago in March for our annual conference, with this year's theme is "Wrongful Convictions". Those of you who have attended a conference in the past know just how much fun our conference is, and if you have never been, then this is the year to change that! We will have guest speakers who are experts on the issue of wrongful convictions, competitions where you can win scholarship money, as well as a mock crime scene that you and your chapters can solve! In late September, the Executive Student Officers met to discuss our game plan for conference, and we are excited to get to work for you all on this.

We wish you all the best this semester! Enjoy the moments and opportunities that come your way. Do your best in everything you do, both for your Alpha Phi Sigma Chapter and your University, and be the best version of you that you can be!

Before we know it, we'll all be back for conference in Chicago, but until then, the Executive Student Officers are always open to talk and check in with you all. Our emails will be included here so that if you would like to chat, our lines are open!

All the best

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#### NATIONAL BYLAWS

Chapter Advisors, Please Vote for the new additions to the Alpha Phi Sigma national bylaws.

Link: https://docs.google.com/forms/Vote

#### **CHAPTER BYLAWS**

All chapters must file Chapter Bylaws with Headquarters. Chapter Bylaws need to be submitted in order to keep the chapter in good standing. If your chapter has not submitted bylaws, please do so as soon as possible. Template: <a href="https://alphaphisigma.org/chapters">https://alphaphisigma.org/chapters</a>

Please email us with any questions you may have or to check if we have your chapter's bylaws on file.

#### **CHAPTER DUES**

Advisors, the 2024 chapter dues notice will be sent out on November 1, 2023. Chapter dues in the amount of \$50 are due by January 1, 2024. After March 1, 2024 a \$10 late fee will be assessed.

#### **CHAPTER IN "GOOD STANDING"**

Chapters are in GOOD STANDING only if the following requirements are met:

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Submission of 2023 reports based on a Calendar Year. Due January 31, 2024 https://docs.google.com/forms/u/0/

**ACTIVITY REPORT:** Submission of 2023 reports based on a Calendar Year. Due January 31, 2024 https://docs.google.com/forms/u/0/

**CHAPTER DUES:** Due January 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. Please email HQ for an electronic invoice. Headquarters@alphaphisigma.org

**CHAPTER BYLAWS:** Bylaws must be submitted to Headquarters upon chartering a chapter. If chapter bylaws are amended, an amended copy MUST be submitted to Headquarters.

#### **Chapter Advocacy Grants Available**

\$250 will be awarded to the advocacy center chosen by the chapter. Rules apply.

https://alphaphisigma.org/scholarships

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- Substance Abuse

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- Organizational Leadership

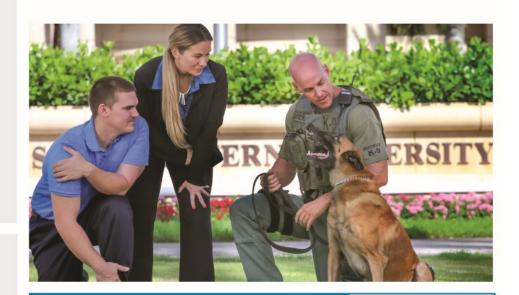
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- Advocating for the Special Needs Child's Education
- Child Protection and Juvenile Justice
- Conflict and Crisis Management for the Child Protective Case Worker
- Emergency Preparedness for Vulnerable Populations
- Family Systems and Support
- Legal Perspectives of Child Protective Services
- Psychological Foundations in Child Advocacy
- Public Health and Child Protection

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#### **New Chapters**

Bethany College, Pi Zeta Lambda Chapter—Bethany, WV South Florida State College, Pi Zeta Mu Chapter—Avon Park, FL Lewis-Clark State College, Pi Zeta Nu Chapter—Lewiston, ID

#### **Reactivated Chapters**

<u>St. Francis College</u>, Iota Mu Chapter—Brooklyn, NY <u>Alabama State University</u>, Epsilon Eta Mu Chapter—Mont., AL <u>Texas College</u>, Mu Upsilon Chapter—Tyler, TX

#### **Honorary Members**

Angela Silletti Murolo, Ph.D., St. Francis College, Iota Mu Chapter
Shawn Michael Foles, Greenville University, Pi Delta Rho Chapter
Melissa LaTesha Downs, Ph.D., Meredith College, Pi Zeta Zeta Chapter
Name Confidential, Bethany College, Pi Zeta Lambda Chapter
Deno Emili, J.D., Bethany College, Pi Zeta Lambda Chapter
R. Darryl Ponton, J.D., Bethany College, Pi Zeta Lambda Chapter
Roy Garvin Taylor, Ph.D., Meredith College, Pi Zeta Zeta Chapter
LaVonda Carol Fowler, Ph.D., Meredith College, Pi Zeta Zeta Chapter
Hillary Michaud, J.D., Stevenson University, Mu Psi Chapter
David Ross Fontenot, Ph.D., Metropolitan State University of Denver, Delta Gamma Xi Chapter
Katrice Crawford, Ph.D., Alabama State University, Epsilon Eta Mu Chapter
Caroline V. Comerford, Ph.D., Sacred Heart University, Gamma Omega Delta Chapter
Charlotte Ann Santana, Columbus State University, Omega Kappa Chapter

#### **New Faculty Members**

Keith L. Ray, Ph.D., Alabama State University, AL—Epsilon Eta Mu Chapter Myunghoon Roh, Ph.D., Salve Regina University, RI—Gamma Lambda Chapter Melanee Wigton Sinclair, Bethany College, WV—Pi Zeta Lambda Chapter Kimberly Jo Lawless, Bethany College, WV—Pi Zeta Lambda Chapter Charles Andrew Lieberman, Ph.D., Mercy University, NY—Epsilon Eta Chapter Lisa L. Holleran, Ph.D., St. Edward's University, TX—Zeta Chi Chapter Emily Restivo, Ph.D., Keiser University, Graduate School, NY—Pi Delta Kappa Chapter **Elizabeth Estelle Brault, Ph.D.,** Merrimack College, MA—Pi Beta Chapter Airron Lashun Nichols, Texas College, TX—Mu Upsilon Chapter Stacy Darlene, Vernier, Texas College, TX—Mu Upsilon Chapter Robert Bradford Lehmann, Ph.D., Virginia Commonwealth University, VA—Omega Mu Chapter Damon M. Petrich, Ph.D., Loyola University, Chicago, IL—Beta Omicron Chapter Jenell Paris, Ph.D., Messiah University, PA—Mu Phi Chapter Zachary V. Loftus, Ph.D., Indiana University, Indianapolis, IN—Sigma Alpha Chapter Logan Patrick Kennedy, Ph.D., East Carolina University, NC—Omega Alpha Chapter Michaela Reed Flippin, Ph.D., East Carolina University, NC—Omega Alpha Chapter Angela Renee Wartel, Lewis-Clark State College, ID—Pi Zeta Nu Chapter

**Active Alumni** 

Raina Roettger, National University Upsilon Gamma Chapter, Lakeland, FL

# Chapters Around the World

#### Indiana University of Pennsylvania

#### Alpha Eta Chapter



Students in the IUP chapter of the National Criminal Justice Honor's Society (Alpha Phi Sigma--APS) hosted two events for Criminology students during the Spring 2023 semester. For the first event, the IUP APS Chapter was awarded a \$250 chapter grant from the National APS organization to host a Career and Academic Picnic. Representatives from the Pennsylvania State Police, Allegheny County Juvenile Probation, Allegheny County Corrections, the IUP Criminal Justice Training Center, IUP Career Services, IUP internships, IUP prelaw, and IUP M.A. in criminology met with criminology students to talk about career planning. With the grant money, APS was able to provide pizza and raffle prizes for the event.

For the second event, the APS students partnered with the IUP Criminal Justice Training Center to spon-

sor a Firearm Training Simulator fundraising competition. For the event Criminology majors and minors formed teams of two and were coached by current Cadets at the Academy during simulated shooting incidents. This event raises awareness about the complexities of decision making and use of de-escalation techniques in these high stress situations. Proceeds from the event benefit Cadets at the Criminal Justice Training Center.



#### **Baker College**

#### Pi Zeta Epsilon Chapter



The virtual Pi Zeta Epsilon **Honor Society** met in person on Sept. 23rd outside of Rockford, MI to cleanup the M-44 roadway in alignment with the "Broken Windows" theory of crime.

The virtual Pi Zeta Epsilon chapter at Baker College of Alpha Phi Sigma met in person outside of Rockford, Michigan on September 23, 2023 to clean up our adopted segment of the M-44 highway in alignment with the "Broken Windows" theory of crime. Members traveled from 40 minutes up to from three hours away to attend this gathering to improve our communities. We are also working on adopting another segment of roadway in Wayne county on the east side of the state.







#### **Fairmont State University**

#### **Epsilon Iota Chapter**

The Fairmont State APS chapter, Epsilon Iota, participated in a number of activities at the end of the Spring term. Chapter members really hit the ground running after the conference in the Spring! But they did not have long until the semester was over. They are carrying this momentum into the new term!



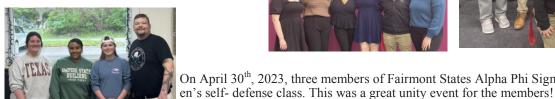
On April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023, members of the Epsilon Iota Chapter helped with a reentry simulation for the Fairmont State Police Academy. The Police Academy Cadets went through the reentry simulator as part of their training in order to better understand the difficulties individuals can face when reintegrating back into society. Alpha Phi Sigma members assisted with the simulation by running a number of stations during the simulator. The training was a great success, and the APS members were a great help! This was a great leader-

ship and service activity for the chapter!



On April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023, APS held a "Pie your Professor" at Fairmont State University. Professors from the College of Liberal Arts Department donated their time to help the chapter raise money. It served as a great unity event for the members and allowed them to get to know some of the professors better and served as a recruiting tool.

On April 28th, 2023, members of Alpha Phi Sigma attended Fairmont State Universities College of Liberal Arts banquet, where we were recognized as an organiza-



On April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023, three members of Fairmont States Alpha Phi Sigma got together to take a wom-

The chapter went shopping for donations for HOPE on May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023. They bought items such as shampoo, body wash, toilet paper, children's clothes, diapers, bottles, gardening supplies, cooking supplies, personal hygiene supplies, and feminine products. These products were donated to HOPE. Which is a local domestic violence shelter. This was a good service event for the students and al-

#### **Loras College**

lowed them to build connections in the field of victims services.

#### Pi Epsilon Pi Chapter

Dr. Kenny Loui is an Alpha Phi Sigma alumni and graduate of San Francisco State University and Nova Southeastern University. He is an associate professor of Criminal Justice at Loras College, where he chartered the Pi Epsilon Pi Chapter. Dr. Loui attended his first conference as an Advisor this past March in National Harbor, MD., and is excited about the chapter growing and becoming more involved in APS events.

Dr. Loui, a lifelong lover of Japanese anime and manga, recently published his first two graphic novels. Take a look at the Alumni Around the World for more information about Dr. Loui and his books.



Dr. Kenny Loui with APS Assistant Director, Adriana Jansen

#### **Bethany College**

#### Pi Zeta Lambda Chapter



The Pi Zeta Lambda Chapter at Bethany College was chartered on June 13, 2023 by a beloved Golden Alumni, Dr. Jeff Bryson. Dr. Bryson brings with him a long history of support of Alpha Phi Sigma members as chapter advisor.

The Chapter held its inaugural Induction Ceremony on October 18, 2023 in the Philips Hall Lounge at Bethany College.

Alongside Dr. Bryson, the chapter is blessed with two more advisors, Professor Sinclair and Professor Lawless. The students sworn in are: Shelby Barnett, Kyle D'Angela, Ja'Niya Gilner, Aubry Davis, and Hailee Vizyak. Also inducted were Honorary member Deno Emili, J.D., Daryl Ponton, and a name confidential Honorary member.





From left: Advisors Professor Melanie Sinclair, Professor Kimberly Lawless, and, Shelby Barnett; student members, Shelby Barnett, Kyle D'Angela, and Hailee Vizyak; Chapter Advisor and Golden Alumnus Dr. Jeff Bryson; and Honorary Member Deno Emili, J.D.

#### **Eastern Kentucky University**

#### **Epsilon Chapter**



Tatiana Gargac, an Alpha Phi Sigma member, Chapter President, and senior in the School of Justice Studies at Eastern Kentucky University (EKU), has been awarded the 2023 Kentucky Women's Law Enforcement Network's Student Achievement Award. The Award recognizes a student, who through focused areas of study, has demonstrated a commitment to law enforcement or public safety. Tatiana has been recognized for her hard work, dedication to her community, and overall positive impact she has made on those around her. She will receive her award at the Kentucky Women's Law Enforcement Network Conference awards luncheon in November.

Tatiana is from Brighton, IL and came to EKU in Fall 2021. She is double majoring in Criminal Justice and Police Studies with a minor in Psychology. She is presently the Chapter President of the Alpha Phi Sigma Honor Society.

Tatiana has already been accepted into the Masters' Program in Safety, Security, and Emergency Management in the College of Justice, Safety and Military Science at EKU, and will start in the Spring of 2024.

Tatiana intends to pursue a career in law enforcement and hopes to attend the Police Academy to become a police officer.

#### Showcase your chapter in *The Docket*

## Alpha Phi Sigma Around the World

**THANK YOU...CONTRIBUTING CHAPTERS**. It is great to know what is happening around the world with Alpha Phi Sigma chapters, members, advisors, and alumni. Featuring information such as articles and stories from chapters in *The Docket* allows the readers to remain in touch with the organization and its members.

If you have an article you wrote or news about your local chapter, you may share it with all members by having the article/story appear in *The Docket*. Please email your stories, news, and photos to <a href="mailto:Headquarters@alphaphisigma.org">Headquarters@alphaphisigma.org</a> and write "Docket" in the subject field.

Must be an active chapter to contribute. Article/story subject to approval.

#### **Missouri State University**

#### Sigma Mu Sigma Chapter



The Sigma Mu Sigma Chapter held its membership recruitment drive.

Pictured are Joshua Wolfington, Chapter President and National Student President, and Chapter Advisor and National Council Member, Ivy Yarckow-Brown.

#### Florida International University Sigma Phi Alpha Chapter



On October 9th, 2023, the Florida International University Police Department hosted the National Faith & Blue event alongside Alpha Phi Sigma's chapter.

The National Faith & Blue event is a combination of efforts from the law enforcement sector to bridge the gap between citizens and law enforcement. This event is a way to improve community relations and create interpersonal connections with the local community.

The event held a panel of law enforcement professionals, state attor-

neys, mental health professionals, students, and representatives from local churches that discussed a variety of topics, including domestic violence, stalking, and other contemporary issues that university students face. Students were able to anonymously speak on their struggles and questions and gain insight on the issue by the panelists.



#### IN MEMORIAM



**Rethabile Tlou** was an Alpha Phi Sigma member whose journey through life was marked by determination, resilience, and a passion for learning, taking her on adventures across continents and leaving an indelible mark on all who knew her.

Retha's educational journey began in Zimbabwe, where she excelled in primary and secondary school. She studied the German language, which would later prove invaluable for her participation in an Au Pair program in Germany, as well as a social year in Dusseldorf and Hamburg, further broadening her horizons.

Retha's global adventures didn't stop there. In 2014, she embarked on a new chapter by moving to the United States on a student visa. Always resourceful and hardworking, Retha took on multiple jobs to support herself and fund her education. Her journey eventually led her to the field of law, and in 2022, she proudly graduated with an Associate's degree in Administration of Justice. In the Fall of 2022, Retha matriculated as a full-time student at West Chester University with plans to complete a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice. She is a member of the Nu Beta Chapter.

While Retha's dedication to her studies was evident, she also knew how to embrace life to the fullest. She enjoyed annual getaways with friends and being involved in the Worship Team at Christ First Church in Downingtown, PA. She leaves behind an indomitable spirit, smile, and sound that touched everyone around her.

# Alumni Around the World

#### Dr. Kenny Loui

Dr. Kenny Loui became an Alpha Phi Sigma member on March 16, 2004, at San Francisco State University. He went on to graduate school and earned his Doctorate degree from Nova Southeastern University. After graduation, Dr. Loui joined the academic world once again, this time as an assistant professor at Loras College. But Alpha Phi Sigma was always close to his heart and last year he chartered the Pi Epsilon Pi Chapter.

Here is a little more about this multi-faceted student, alumni, professor, and volunteer in his own words.

"In my younger days, I was set to graduate Air Force Officer Training School, but a training accident put a snag in those plans, so I ended up disenrolling. After a bit (a lot?) of soul searching, life took me in a different direction. A mentor of mine, who was in the Army at the time, recommended Civil Air Patrol (CAP) as it would still give me a way of serving my community. So, I joined back in 2010 as a cadet programs officer, then as a public affairs officer in a local squadron in San Francisco. I was expecting only to stick around for only a few years, but now it's been 13!

I'm currently assigned to CAP NHQ as the National Assistant School Program Coordinator. It's like my "second job," except without a paycheck attached to it (all CAP officers are volunteers, even our two-star national commander)."

Actually, not many people know about us. CAP members often joke that "we're America's best kept secret." Find out more at: https://www.gocivilairpatrol.com/about/who-we-are

Kenny Loui is a doctor (of philosophy), college professor, and life-long otaku. His hobbies include writing, doodling, stargazing, and binge-watching anime on Crunchyroll. He is the author of "Life Lessons from a UFO Catcher: An Autobiographical Manga," a webtoon/graphic novel series based on his experiences "rescuing" cute and cuddly plushies trapped inside arcade claw machines in South Korea, while capturing important life lessons along the way.

## Loras professor to debut 2 graphic novels this summer

Telegraph Herald

Professor Kenny Loui, associate professor of criminal justice at Loras College, will debut two graphic novels this summer.

"There is No Shrimp ... And Other Lies My Mother Told Me" and "Life Lessons from a UFO Catcher" have both received Mom's Choice Awards ahead of their summer 2023 release.

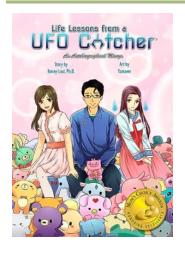
A lifelong lover of comics and Japanese anime and manga, Loui's "Life Lessons from a UFO Catcher" is an autobiographical story of Loui's experiences playing arcade UFO games while capturing important lessons along the way.

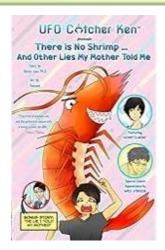
Why are shrimp so terrifying? How are babies really made? What is the secret to superhuman flight? Discover the answers in "There is No Shrimp ... And Other Lies My Mother Told Me," a compilation of "alternative facts" that Loui's loving mother told her son.

The books are available for pre-order from local bookstores.



Picture of the wedding ceremony (postponed several times due to the Covid pandemic) that was held this summer in South Korea. Pictured are the bride, groom, and their parents.





## **APS Military Veterans News**

#### Lieutenant Commander Melissa Avidano

Alpha Phi Sigma Golden Alumni



Alpha Phi Sigma Golden Alumni, LCDR Melissa Avidano, has been deployed to the USS Philippine Sea, which is part of the Strike Group traveling to the Mediterranean Sea with the USS Eisenhower.

USS Dwight D. Eisenhower and its carrier strike group have been deployed, bringing a second carrier group into the region amid the war between Israel and Hamas. The USS Dwight D. Eisenhower (CVN 69), guided-missile cruiser USS Philippine Sea (CG 58), and guided-missile destroyer USS Gravely (DDG 107) left from Naval Station Norfolk and the USS Mason (DDG 87) departed from Naval Station Mayport, Florida, the Navy says. The strike group includes more than 5,000 sailors, including squadrons with Carrier Air Wing (CVW) 3.



#### POW/MIAs by Bill Nay



We always keep POW/MIAs in our thoughts and acknowledge them in many events, including POW/MIA day in September. Most of the time, these mortal souls are remembered as faceless heroes. We are always amazed as the number is still over 81,000.

To put a name and a story to this sacred day, my wife Karen and I decided to learn the story about her cousin PVT Ernest P. Jeske. Karen's grandmother was Martha Jeske, Ernest Jeske's Aunt.



PVT Jeske entered the Army in Michigan and was assigned to the 88th Infantry "Blue Devils".

He was only 19 when he paid the ultimate sacrifice on Mount Battaglia, along with about half of his unit. Many of the soldiers of the 88th Division are part of that 81,000 still MIA. Here is a snapshot of what they went through.

"The 88th Infantry Division began an assault on the Gothic Line, a German defensive line in Italy that included the high ground of Mount Battaglia. Soldiers with the 760th Tank Battalion and elements of the 88th Infantry Division pushed back the enemy, initially meeting little resistance. However, German forces eventually retaliated. On September 27, they launched a fierce six-day assault on Allied forces on Mount Battaglia. The 350th Infantry Regiment used every available soldier to repel this attack, including Headquarters administrative personnel but suffered heavy casualties. Despite these losses, the 88th Infantry Division continued its campaign through the North Apennines of Italy, eventually taking Mount Grande and Farnetto on 20 and 22 October, respectively. After 44 days of fighting on the front lines of Italy"



Thank you to PVT Ernest P. Jeske and his many 88th Division Soldiers for helping to Free Italy and the rest of the world. For POW/MIA Day we traveled to Mount Battaglia to see the Memorial to the 88th Division. It was very humbling to be where many soldiers remains and souls

are held for eternity. May they rest in peace.

#### FLANDERS FIELDS AMERICAN CEMETARY Antwerp, Belgium

While in Antwerp, Belgium, Bill and Karen Nay visited the Flanders Field American Cemetery.

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing,
fly Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.



In 1915, John McCrae wrote his now famous poem, In Flanders Fields, after seeing poppies growing in battle-scarred fields. The poem inspired the use of the poppy as a symbol of Remembrance.

## Our Dedicated Golden Alumni

#### Golden Alumni William "Bill" Nay

Alpha Phi Sigma National Alumni and Veterans Coordinator

Bill travels with lots of Alpha Phi Sigma Commemorative Coins and in his travels he and his lovely wife Karen make sure that law enforcement officers all over the world receive an APS coin and a little bit of background on our organization. Here are some of his latest encounters while in Italy.



After Bill and Karen's arrival in Florence, Italy and on the way to the hotel, they stopped at a Service Area on the freeway where they met four Italy Polizia. Bill gave each of them an Alpha Phi Sigma Coin and one of the officers took the patch off his shirt and gave it to Bill. They were kind enough to pay for Bill's coffee and Karen's lemonade.:)





During their 14000 step tour of Florence, they encountered a Florence Polizia and gave him an Alpha Phi Sigma coin.



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