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SAVE THE DATE 2026 APS Annual Conference in

Philadelphia, PA

MARCH 4-6, 2026



APS Theme of the Year



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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 2026 Conference Advisor Grants link will be activated from January 1 to February 15, 2026.

Deadline for Scholarships, Awards is JANUARY 25, 2026

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

Chapter Awards Available

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

Grants Available

- » Chapter Grants
- » Advisor Grants (Opens January 1– February 15, 2026)
- » Advocacy Grants

Alumni Awards Available

- Distinguished Golden Alumni Lifetime Membership Award
- Alumni Achievement Award

Scholarships, Awards & Competitions at the 2026 Conference

- * Criminal Justice Knowledge Test Scholarship
- * College Bowl Competition
- * Instagram Reels Challenge
- * Crime Scene Investigation Competition (must register online via link - Deadline February 25, 2026)
- * Attendance Scholarships
- * Advisors Attendance Raffle
- * Advisors Meeting Raffle

2025-26 Theme of the Year



Chapters, start planning for the Alpha Phi Sigma Annual 2026 Conference



Alpha Phi Sigma (APS) is inviting all our members to attend the conference in Philadelphia, PA., March 4-6, 2026. We have a great conference planned around our Theme of the Year, Trafficking.

There is no registration needed to attend the APS conference, but students wanting to attend the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS) events and luncheon, must register with ACJS.

Chapters may also start planning their Theme Project, Goals, and other presentations and awards to be presented at the conference. Make sure to peruse 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 Philadelphia!!

HOTEL RESERVATIONS AND TRAVEL

The Annual Meeting host hotel is the Philadelphia Marriott Downtown Hotel, 1201 Market St., Philadelphia, PA 19107. Additional hotel information is available on our website at alphaphisigma.org

TRANSPORTATION

Closest airport to the hotel:
Philadelphia (PHL) Airport
Approximate distance to hotel is 7.2 miles



ACADEMY OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SCIENCES Registration

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

A special discount on the Early Bird registration fee is available to ACJS Members through February 6, 2026. If your membership is not current, please sign into the ACJS Info Hub to securely renew your membership **BEFORE you attempt to register**. If you have difficulty logging into your profile, contact the National Office at manager@acjs.org.

NOT A MEMBER OF ACJS? You can **SAVE** on your registration fee [by joining](#) before registering. The difference in registration fees **EXCEEDS the cost of a full year of membership; and by joining, you reap all the [member benefits](#)**. Don't waste this opportunity. Get a significant price break by becoming an ACJS member **BEFORE** you register!

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2026 Chapter Annual Dues Notice

This serves as the 2026 annual chapter dues renewal notice. The chapter dues of \$85 are due on January 1, 2026. A \$10 late fee will be assessed after March 1, 2026.

Types of payments accepted are: Credit or Debit card (email HQ for electronic invoice at headquarters@alphaphisigma.org), University or Chapter checks or direct deposit.

Chapters that pay their dues by January 31, 2026 will have their University name placed on the "2026 Commemorative T-shirt" which will be available for purchase on our website and at the annual conference. Advisors of chapters in good standing and who submit payment by the due date may request a complementary t-shirt from HQ.

If you previously submitted the chapter dues, please disregard this notice.

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

- **FINANCIAL REPORT:** Submission of report based on a (previous) Calendar Year. Link to report is listed below.
- **ACTIVITY REPORT:** Submission of report based on a (previous) Calendar Year. Link to report is listed below.
- **CHAPTER DUES:** Chapter dues are to be received by Headquarters by January 1st of each year. A late fee will be assessed after March 1. Please email HQ for electronic invoice at Headquarters@alphaphisigma.org
- **CHAPTER BYLAWS ON FILE WITH HEADQUARTERS:** Each chapter must have submitted or submit their chapter by-laws to Headquarters. You can find the current bylaws template on our website at www.alphaphisigma.org/chapters

[Click here for ACTIVITY REPORT on Google](#)

[Click here for FINANCIAL REPORT on Google](#)

Chapters applying for Scholarships, Awards & Grants must be in Good Standing and the 2025 Financial & Activity reports must be filed with HQ prior to scholarship deadline of February 1, 2026.



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- **ALL** Honor Regalia order forms **MUST** 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 and shipped.
- Honor Regalia orders are shipped 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.
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Alpha Phi Sigma Chapter Advocacy Grants \$250

There are many organizations that work within or with the Criminal Justice System to help individuals.

When a Chapter engages with an organization in their community that provides a service or services within the Criminal Justice System helping adults or juveniles, Alpha Phi Sigma will donate \$250 to the organization.

GUIDELINES

1. Locate an agency in your area that provides a service within the Criminal Justice System: Adult or Juvenile.
2. The Chapter must engage in an activity with the agency.
3. Visit our website and click on the link for the advocacy grant, located under the scholarships tab. You will be directed to the online application where you will submit a brief write-up about the organization, full name and address of the organization, name of a contact person, and a photograph of Chapter members engaging in an activity with the organization.
4. Once the information is approved, the Chapter Advisor will receive from Headquarters an Alpha Phi Sigma check for \$250 payable to the Advocacy Organization.
5. Alpha Phi Sigma members must return to the organization and present the check on behalf of Alpha Phi Sigma through their Chapter.
6. The original story and photographs of the activity along with the photograph of the funds presentation submitted to Headquarters will be featured in the Docket.
7. Only one check per Chapter will be issued per calendar year. Chapters petitioning for a second advocacy grant the following year must choose a different advocacy group from the previous year.

Should you have questions, please contact Headquarters via email Headquarters@alphaphisigma.org

♦ The Advocacy Grant is NOT the same as a Chapter Grant.

♦ The Advocacy Grant cannot be used as the Theme of the Year or a Chapter Goal.

Alpha Phi Sigma National Executive Board Meeting

Ft. Lauderdale, Florida | September 19–20, 2025

The Alpha Phi Sigma National Executive Board held its annual meeting in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, on September 19–20, 2025.

On Friday, the Board conducted its regular business, including the review of bylaws, scholarships, budgeting, and accreditation. The meeting also included the induction of newly elected Executive Officers.

Saturday was devoted to conference planning. Alpha Phi Sigma will host its annual conference on **March 4–6, 2026, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania**. The Board enthusiastically began drafting the conference program, which will be finalized by the end of this year. It was all hands on deck as members collaborated to ensure a lineup of engaging speakers, meaningful discussions, and exciting events to celebrate our 84th year.

We even took a glimpse into the future—planning ahead for our 85th anniversary celebration in 2027, which will take place in Orlando, Florida. For now, however, our focus remains on making the 2026 conference an unforgettable event.

The meeting concluded with a celebratory dinner. Although Florida's sunny weather gave way to wind and rain, the spirit of camaraderie prevailed. The Board enjoyed productive discussions, strategic planning, and the opportunity to welcome our new members.

We look forward to seeing many of you in Philadelphia! The theme for 2026 is *Trafficking*, and all chapters are encouraged to participate in the a Theme of the Year Project, which can be presented for an award at the conference.

The final program will be available in January 2026, and we encourage all members to visit the scholarships page on our website. Be sure to apply and mark your calendars—the scholarship application deadline is January 25, 2026.



From right: Presidential Slate: Miami Dade College Chapter Advisor, Dr. Nancy Alleyne, Secretary Sourichant Phommavongsa, President Sharnika Williams, and Treasurer, Emilia Guerrero.

Vice Presidential Slate: University of Maryland, Eastern Shore, Vice President Afiya Dede and Chapter Advisor, Dr. Janese Weathers-Titus.

Seated, Alpha Phi Sigma Executive Director, Dr. Regina B. Shearn.



Your National Executive Vice President

My name is **Afiya Dede**, and I currently serve as the Executive (National) Vice President of Alpha Phi Sigma. I attend the University of Maryland Eastern Shore where I am a junior majoring in Criminal Justice. Originally from Johannesburg, South Africa, I take great pride in representing our honor society and hope to continue serving Alpha Phi Sigma with dedication while learning and perfecting my role as Vice President.

Alpha Phi Sigma Around the World

Florida International University

Sigma Phi Alpha Chapter

Sigma Phi Alpha Chapter President, Brandon Williams, got an early start at the Alpha Phi Sigma recruitment table during the FIU Commencement Fair. While representing the organization, he was approached by an FIU faculty member attending the event with her son. She asked several detailed questions about Alpha Phi Sigma and the chapter's activities.

Brandon remained calm, confident, and professional—answering each question with impressive knowledge and enthusiasm. As the conversation continued, he began to realize that he recognized the faculty member. When she finally asked if he knew who she was, Brandon smiled and replied, “Yes, you’re the APS Director.”

The faculty member, Adriana Jansen, and her son both laughed, and Brandon—ever the good sport—shook their hands. Shortly after, he texted his chapter advisor, Dr. Ellen Cohn, to proudly share that he had passed the “test” with flying colors.

His outstanding performance earned him an Alpha Phi Sigma t-shirt—and served as yet another example of his dedication and professionalism. Notably, Brandon was also the Graduate Scholarship First Place Winner at the Denver Conference.



Showcase your chapter in *The Docket*

Alpha Phi Sigma Around the World

THANK YOU...CONTRIBUTING CHAPTERS.

It's always exciting to see what's happening across the globe with **Alpha Phi Sigma** chapters, members, advisors, and alumni. Sharing articles and stories from chapters in *The Docket* helps readers stay connected with the organization and its members.

If you've written an article or have news to share about your local chapter, we invite you to contribute! Your story could be featured in *The Docket* for all members to enjoy.

Please email your stories, news, and photos to Headquarters@alphaphisigma.org with “Docket” in the subject line.

Note: Only active chapters may submit content. All articles and stories are subject to approval.

California State University, Fullerton

Gamma Rho Chapter



Alpha Phi Sigma spirit filled the air at the California State University, Fullerton campus! The Gamma Rho Chapter went all out, showcasing their enthusiasm and pride with an impressive display — signs, banners, table throws, regalia, brochures, coins, shirts, QR codes for joining, a chapter handbook, and most importantly... candy!

Headquarters should get ready for an influx of new members!



Troy University

Tau Sigma Upsilon Chapter

The Troy University Tau Sigma Upsilon Chapter of Alpha Phi Sigma presented an Advocacy grant check of \$250 to **Dare to Hope, Inc.**, who provides services to victims of human trafficking and other crimes involving sexual exploitation.



Fort Valley State University

Pi Zeta Phi Chapter

On Tuesday, October 23rd, 2025, The Department of Criminal Justice proudly hosted the Induction Ceremony for the Pi Zeta Phi Chapter of Alpha Phi Sigma, the premier honor society for criminal justice. The event celebrated the induction of ten exemplary students, recognizing their outstanding academic achievements, commitment to criminal justice, and dedication to leadership and service.



Ceremony highlights included a welcome and opening remarks by Dr. Anita McMurtry, faculty advisor, who shared the mission of Alpha Phi Sigma to promote academic excellence, leadership, and service in the field of criminal justice. The audience was introduced to the history and values of Alpha Phi Sigma, emphasizing its role in preparing students to be leaders in criminal justice professions. The honor society boasts a tradition of recognizing students who demonstrate integrity, academic success, and civic responsibility.

Each of the ten inductees was honored with a certificate of membership and a lapel pin, symbolizing academic distinction. Dr. Ava Thorpe, faculty advisor, commended the inductees for their hard work, perseverance, and academic success.

Inductees:: Aaniyah Allen, Djenabou Balde, Joshua Caldwell, Bryan Hall, Jayden Jackson, Nakeyvian Lyons, Eric Miley, Jada Peterson, Ashari Ruff, Zykerria Smith, and Kentashia Weldon.



A special keynote address was delivered by Mr. Ray Moore, Retired Special Agent in Charge (SAIC) Atlanta Field Office of the United States Secret Service, an esteemed figure in the criminal justice field. The speech highlighted the importance of integrity and lifelong learning in criminal justice careers, encouraging inductees to serve their communities with distinction.

The new members recited the Alpha Phi Sigma pledge, affirming their commitment to academic excellence, service, and ethical leadership.

A reception followed, giving attendees the chance to celebrate the milestone.

Congratulations to the new members for their dedication and commitment to the ideals of Alpha Phi Sigma!

University of North Florida

Pi Omega Chapter



The Alpha Phi Sigma–Pi Omega Chapter at the University of North Florida collaborated with their university's Career Services to host a panel discussion with representatives from various criminal justice agencies, which included: Clay County Sheriff's Office, Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), Hubbard House, Jacksonville Sheriff's Office (JSO), and the Public Defender's Office.

The panel provided an opportunity for students to hear, learn, and engage with experienced criminal justice professionals. The panelists shared perspectives from across the justice system and discussed the trajectory of their careers in the criminal justice field. One key purpose of this event was to provide students with career guidance on pursuing a position in the criminal justice field, and

therefore, panelists had an open conversation with students about the tools and tips for the hiring process, overcoming shortcomings, interviewing, and other qualifications needed for positions in the field. The Pi Omega chapter was delighted and honored to have an APS alumni and former Chapter President, Emily Decker, as a panelist participant for the event.

JUSTICE IN ACTION:

Exploring Criminal Justice Career Paths

The Criminal Justice Honor Society and Career Services present a panel discussion with representatives from the following agencies:

- Clay County Sheriff's Office
- Federal Bureau of Investigation FBI
- Hubbard House
- Jacksonville Sheriff's Office JSO
- Public Defender's Office

DATE:
April 8, 2025

Location:
Adam W. Herbert University Center
Room 1090

TIME:
4:00 PM - 5:15 PM

UNF Career Services



University of Tennessee Southern

Pi Eta Gamma Chapter



University of Tennessee Southern had an "Involvement Fair" where all the student organizations set up tables to on campus and meet with students promote their organizations.

Our Chapter "Pi Eta Gamma" set up a table and in the photo Chapter President Bibi Crane (Center-wearing glasses), Treasurer Avery Keenon (far right-wearing hat) and APS member Matti Dunavant (2nd from right-white and orange shirt) participated in handling out flyers and informing students about the program. Attached is a photo of them meeting with perspective students (twin females to left) to promote the program.

We are signing up six new APS candidates because of their dedication.

University of Tennessee Southern

Pi Eta Gamma Chapter

Alpha Phi Sigma Faculty Member, Sergeant Anthony Mottola, Shares his Experience of 9-11 with Tennessee School Kids

Article and photos from the Nashville Tennessean
Story by Brad Schmitt

Former NYPD detective sergeant Anthony 'Tony' Mottola makes presentations on the terrorism attacks every year as his way to honor the victims — and to process his own grief

Fear crept in as soon as they walked into the kitchen and saw the sliding glass window was open. Walking into the living room, they discovered the family stereo, a clock radio and other electronics items missing.

It was Easter Day 1976 in Staten Island, the smallest of New York City's five boroughs. The thief had stolen what had had been Christmas presents months before and eaten the decorated Easter eggs. Cracked, painted shells littered the kitchen table. The worst part for 10-year-old Anthony "Tony" Mottola was seeing his mom cry. "It was heartwrenching," Mottola said. "It fired up something inside me. I knew I wanted to make a change. I wanted to make a difference in that community."

Turns out, he added, "There was a lot going on in that neighborhood." Motorcycle gangs. Shootings. Drug deals. Spouses beating each other. As a boy, Mottola once had a serrated kitchen knife held to his neck as an older neighborhood kid demanded cash. A shop owner was shot to death on the family's front porch.

In his neighborhood, many kids grew up to be either criminals or cops. Mottola became the latter. After four years in the Air Force, Mottola joined the New York City Police Department in 1993. Saw deadly traffic accidents. Responded to homicides. But nothing like 9/11. Mottola and his squad spent several days digging through rubble at Ground Zero in lower Manhattan to look for human remains. They found hundreds.

Mottola, though, had seen those before. What proved to be most disturbing was seeing families holding up pictures of missing loved ones, staring at walls of pictures of missing people at the nearby church where first responders took breaks. "That's when you start realizing, at your core, each body part is a person."



Mottola, now a college professor teaching criminal justice in Middle Tennessee, honors those victims each year by making presentations to school kids about the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11, 2001.

Mottola has found, though, that the presentations also have helped him process his own grief. "It's my opportunity to let it out," he said. "It doesn't build up anymore; I let it out every year."

'We're under attack!'

That morning, Mottola, a sergeant in Staten Island, near lower Manhattan, heard a civilian employee in the police annex say, "Hey, a plane just hit the World Trade Center." About 17 minutes later, the same employee screamed as the second plane started heading toward the second tower. Everyone in the room looked out the window and saw the crash.

"It was a puff of smoke," Mottola said. "And everybody started saying, 'We're under attack!'" About 15 minutes later, Mottola was on a bus with 20 or so other officers, trying to wind through congested traffic to get to lower Manhattan.

They heard snatches of transmissions on the radio, about injuries, evacuations, estimates of how many were dead and injured, what police commanders were missing. Between transmissions, Mottola said, there was an "eerie quiet" on the bus. That's when they first heard about the jumpers.

"People are jumping out the windows? How bad is it that people are jumping?" he said. "Everybody's screaming, 'Go! We gotta get there!' at the bus driver." The bus arrived near the scene around the time the second tower came down. All they saw were billows of smoke and ash — and some papers floating through the air. "I saw this check floating, on fire, half burned, that said 'One World Trade Center' on it.

I folded it and put it in my pocket," he said. "I said, there'll never be another World Trade Center."

Mottola and his squad started evacuating people from nearby buildings, telling them transit was down, encouraging them to get away from Ground Zero.

When it started getting dark, he and his colleagues got redeployed to the World

Trade Center, starting a three-day stint of digging through rubble, looking at first for anyone alive and trapped, then looking for bodies, then looking for any remains or personal items — jewelry, wallets, IDs — that would help identify victims. Human remains were put in buckets and carried to refrigerated trucks serving as morgues.

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The two things Mottola found most troubling: a woman's torso — and a woman's driver's license. "That ID, it was full of dust, and I couldn't see the woman's name because it was so badly damaged," he said. "I think it bothered me because I could see her picture. And if this is here, well, most women would grab their purse before they run out of a building. So this woman probably didn't make it."

After a few days, Mottola got assigned to providing security at the site and coordinating arriving fire and rescue squads.

'Are they gonna take my gun away?'

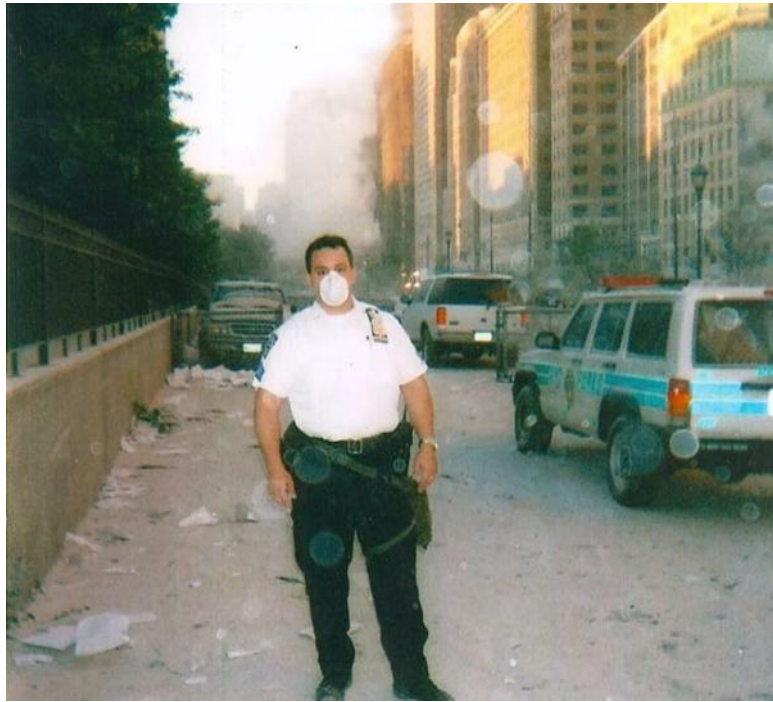
The most disturbing part of the weeks after the 9-11 attacks for Mottola: driving over the Verrazzano-Narrows Bridge from Staten Island to Brooklyn, looking toward lower Manhattan and not seeing the twin towers he'd grown up with. "You're going to work on a van, and we all looked to the left, and we'd all say it: 'I can't believe they're not there.'" City leaders offered mental health services for all first responders, but Mottola declined. First, there was a stigma that therapy means weakness. Second, some officers were afraid if they got counseling, it might label them as unable to perform police duties safely.

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"A lot of officers wonder, will it be held against me? Are they going to take my gun away? Will it show up in a future court case, like is this guy stable?" he said. "Because police officers love serving."



About two years later, Mottola said he remembers watching a documentary about 9/11 on his sofa in his Staten Island apartment. He started crying. Crying for the girl he went to high school with who died in the towers. Crying for the people whose remains he found. Crying for all the families holding pictures of loved ones at Ground Zero. Crying for the first responders who died that day and died from complications of injuries or lung infections afterward. Crying for the loss of the towers he visited since he was a boy. "I thought I had it under control until that day," he said. "I just broke down and let it all out."

Mottola worked for NYPD for 15 more years. That included stints as dignity protection for VIPs — including Presidents George W. Bush and Barack Obama and Pope Francis, a meaningful moment for a lifelong Catholic — who visited Ground Zero and the 9/11 memorial that opened in 2011.

He decided to become a college professor to teach criminal justice and moved to Tennessee after he and his wife, Rosemary, fell in love with the Smoky Mountains. Mottola got a master's degree and a doctorate and moved to the Franklin area after he accepted a job with University of Tennessee Southern. The couple now has two children, Angelina, 4, and Santino, 2.

The annual 9/11 visits to school students started in 2019. "I want people to appreciate the historical side of it, to never forget," he said. Those presentations also help him deliver a message to himself.

"I'm alive, I'm blessed to tell the story, and I'm blessed to tell their story."



A student inspects the detective shield of Tony Mottola after the 9-11 presentation.

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Alumni Around the World

Golden Alumnus William “Bill” Nay & Honorary Member Karen Nay

There is no denying that Bill and Karen Nay are among Alpha Phi Sigma’s greatest supporters. For over 43 years, as an APS member and Golden Member, Bill has been a steadfast advocate for our organization. In his role as APS Alumni and Veteran Representative, he has elevated the society to new heights. Bill established and sponsors the Nay-Latocki Veteran Scholarship, awarded to APS veteran members to help them further their educational pursuits. He also generously sponsors numerous conference events and provides swag items for the conference registration bags.

Karen Nay, his wonderful lifelong partner and wife, is an honorary member of Alpha Phi Sigma and proudly wears and showcases our merchandise wherever she goes. Between the Nay-Latocki family, they practically own every piece of APS gear ever made!

Their support is immeasurable, and their friendship priceless.
Thank you, Bill and Karen, for your unwavering dedication to Alpha Phi Sigma.
Semper Fi, Bill — Always Faithful!



Celebrating the Upcoming 250th Birthday of the United States Marine Corps



General J.C. Breckinridge, San Francisco, Detachment 010 Commandant Bill Nay, and Honorary Member Karen Nay attended the National Marine Corps League Convention, hosted by the Marine Corps League Department of Texas in Dallas. The convention celebrated the upcoming 250th birthday of the United States Marine Corps.

General Breckinridge, San Francisco, and Commandant Nay presented an impressive information display and were both invited to speak at the event. The General's address highlighted the 250th anniversary of the U.S. Marine Corps, focusing on the origins of the Continental Marines.

During the convention, Bill Nay presented National Marine Corps League Commandant T.J. Morgan with the first three coins from the *Decades in the American Revolution* collection, on behalf of the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR). Commandant Morgan has served as a dedicated leader of the MCL since 2003.



Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR)

Golden Alumni Bill Nay received a prestigious medal from the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR). This honor is presented to a member in good standing of the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) or the Sons of the Revolution (S.R.) for their unselfish devotion, tireless efforts, and dedicated assistance to the DAR.



No one embodies these qualities more than Bill, who has generously given his time, energy, talents, and resources in support of the organization's mission.

Alpha Phi Sigma proudly commends Bill on this tremendous achievement.



Alpha Phi Sigma is always present on Bill and Karen Nay's vacations!

Bill and Karen Nay coined a US Custom and Border Protection Officer in Juneau, Alaska.



Alpha Phi Sigma Alumnus, Dr. Kenny Loui, Continues to be Awarded!!



Dr. Kenny Loui was recognized at this year's Readers' Favorite Book Awards on September 1st, taking home the gold medal for Best Graphic Novel for his latest manga memoir, *Dad vs. The World*. The fourth book in Loui's *Life Lessons from a UFO Catcher* series of autobiographical comics, *Dad vs. The World* recounts the author's childhood memories with his father, while growing up in San Francisco and his young adult experiences in South Korea.



On June 26th, *Dad vs. The World* also won the silver medal in the Young Adult Multicultural Non-fiction category and *Life Lessons from a UFO Catcher* was awarded the bronze medal in the Nonfiction Book Series category in the 29th annual Independent Publisher Book Awards. Loui's debut graphic novel series, published between 2023 and 2025, comprises *Life Lessons from a UFO Catcher*, volumes 1 and 2, *There is No Shrimp... And Other Lies My Mother Told Me*, and *Dad vs. The World*. The graphic memoirs are published by UFO Comics, written by Loui and illustrated by Yamawe.

APS Alumnus and Professor at Loras College Honored for Voiceover Acting



Dr. Kenny Loui was honored for his voiceover acting work in this year's One Voice Awards and Telly Awards.

Dr. Loui was among ten nominees for the OVA's Voiceover Newcomer of the Year Award, recognized as one of the top new U.S. and Canada-based voice actors who debuted in the last year, at the OVA awards gala in Dallas, Texas, on Aug. 23. One of Loui's projects, "Fashion Police V," also won the bronze award for Best Action & Adventure Film in the 46th Annual Telly Awards on May 20.

Loui voiced the villainous D.D., the antagonist of "Fashion Police V," an animated short film from Dexta Studios. His next project will be "StarBreaker," an animated sci-fi series produced by What-A-Toon.



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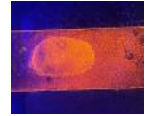
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Alpha Phi Sigma Alumna, Kaila Vinarcik-Morales

My name is Kaila, I've been a member of Alpha Phi Sigma (Psi Chapter) since 2022. I am currently getting my Master's Degree in Crime Scene Investigations at The George Washington University in Washington D.C. I am hoping to graduate in May of 2026 from GWU. My ideal career is to become a crime scene technician but I would love to be able to start & become certified as a latent print examiner after graduation. Below are some cool photographs during my time in graduate school!



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