

# PHI KAPPA PHI

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## Debate Series Continues: Security Needs vs. Concerns for Civil Liberties

Since it was initiated under the leadership of former chapter president Thomas Feldbush in academic year 1999-2000, the debate series sponsored by the ECU Chapter of Phi Kappa Phi has tackled a number of interesting and controversial topics. That tradition continued with the April 25th debate on the need for increased security vs. the potential for erosion of basic civil liberties.

al government, argued the concern for infringements upon basic liberties. Since receiving his PhD at the University of Alabama in 1967, he has been

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In the wake of September 11, Congress passed and President Bush signed the USA Patriot Act, designed to provide new tools to track down terrorists and to prevent terrorist attacks. The law and its broader implications were the focus of a debate between two of ECU's most eminent faculty members: Dr. Tinsley Yarbrough, Distinguished Professor of Arts and Sciences and Distinguished Research Professor of Political Science and Dr. Michael A. Palmer, Chair and Professor of History.

Professor Yarbrough, a highly respected scholar in the fields of constitutional and administrative law, judicial and legislative politics in the United States, and American nation-

a faculty member at East Carolina University. He has authored seven books, including a series on prominent justices of the supreme court, and has edited another on the Reagan administration. He has also published over 50 articles, book chapters, and encyclopedia entries. Along the way during his illustrious career at ECU, Yarbrough has managed to find time to chair the Department of Political Science for three years and to serve two years as Interim Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs.

Professor Palmer, who earned his Ph.D. from Temple University in 1981, argued the need for increased security. From 1983-1991, Palmer worked at the Naval Historical Center in Washington, DC, serving first as assistant editor

of the Center's The Naval War of 1812: A Documentary History series and then helping to produce the monograph—Origins of the Maritime Strategy: American Naval Strategy in the First Postwar Decade. In 1988 Palmer worked as a field historian for the Center in the Persian Gulf, where he focused on the operations of Special Forces and in 1990, during Operation Desert Shield, he worked in the Office of the

Chief of Naval Operations' Strategic Concepts Group in the Pentagon. The author of eight books and over 20 articles, Palmer has chaired the History Department since 1999. A recognized expert in naval history, he has received the Department of the Navy's Meritorious Civilian Service Medal, the Samuel Eliot Morison Award for Naval Literature from the Naval Order of the United States, and the Moncado Prize from the Society for Military History.

These two scholars enjoyed a vigorous exchange of ideas, providing those in attendance with much food for thought on both sides of this complex issue. ☒

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# WALL OF HONOR

## PROJECT A SUCCESS

The concept of a permanent installation to recognize East Carolina University's honor societies originated with James Beraden, director of the university's BB&T Center for Leadership development. During the early 1990s, Jim represented Beta Gamma Sigma (Business) as a council member on the Association of College Honor Societies. He also chaired the Association's Committee on Standards and Definitions. As an outgrowth of these involvements, he became aware of another campus's project to promote honor societies, and this led him to suggest that ECU develop a similar tribute to these important components of the university community.

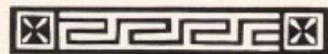
In January of 1996, the ECU Chapter of Phi Kappa Phi, under the leadership of chapter president W. Keats Sparrow (Dean of the college of Arts and Sciences) undertook the task of developing the "Wall of Honor." Chapter executive committee members Donald Boldt, Archie Smith, and Helen Grove formed the project committee which planned for a wall-mounted display of bronze plaques, one for each of the honor societies on campus.

Tinsley Yarbrough, then Interim vice chancellor for Academic Affairs, supported the concept, and the committee identified organizations that qualified for inclusion. The nationally recognized standard for an academic honor society is "an association of primarily collegiate members whose purposes are to encourage and recognize superior scholarship and/or leadership in either a broad field of education or in a discipline-based field at either the undergraduate or the graduate level." The project committee conducted a systematic, campus-wide search, results of which were cross-checked against records of the Association of College Honor Societies.

The next step brought Carol Hime (Facilities Architect with Campus Planning and Design) into the project. Himes designed a wall that called for plaques cast in bronze be arranged chronologically, with the first honor society established on campus occupying the first position. The imposing display would measure approximately sixteen feet wide by nearly nine feet high and contain 4-inch by 12-inch plaques, each bearing the name of an organization and the year in which the campus chapter was established.

Two important questions remained. Where would the wall be located and how would its construction be funded? The site selected was the General Classroom Building (now renamed in honor of Harold H. Bate), and after administrative review by the Chancellor, the project moved into the implementation stage.

The official unveiling and dedication of the ECU Wall of Honor took place as part of the university's October 9, 1998, Founder's Day celebration. Because of its

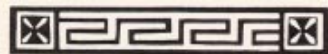


leadership role in the project, the ECU Chapter of Phi Kappa Phi retains a permanent standing committee for oversight of the Wall of Honor. Quite appropriately, given their personal leadership in bringing this to fruition, Don Boldt and Keats Sparrow have chaired this committee. ☒

# W A L L O F H O N O R

Society	Year founded at ECU	Field
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Phi Sigma Pi	1937	All academic fields
Pi Omega Pi	1944	Business Education
Kappa Delta Pi	1953	Education
Gamma Theta Upsilon	1955	Geography
Sigma Tau Delta	1961	English
Epsilon Pi Tau	1963	Technology
Phi Upsilon Omicron	1963	Human Environmental Science
Pi Kappa Lambda	1964	Music
Alpha Kappa Delta	1966	Sociology
Phi Alpha Theta	1966	History
Psi Chi	1966	Psychology
Beta Gamma Sigma	1968	Business
Phi Sigma Tau	1968	Philosophy
Pi Mu Epsilon	1968	Mathematics
Omicron Delta Epsilon	1969	Economics
Phi Sigma Iota	1969	Foreign Languages
Pi Sigma Alpha	1969	Political Science
Phi Kappa Phi	1970	All academic fields
Sigma Pi Sigma	1972	Physics
Sigma Theta Tau	1974	Nursing
Sigma Xi	1974	Scientific research
Phi Eta Sigma	1975	Freshman Scholarship
Alpha Epsilon Delta	1976	Pre-Medicine
Lambda Alpha	1976	Anthropology
Alpha Mu Alpha	1980	Marketing
Eta Sigma Gamma	1980	Health Education
Epsilon Nu Eta	1983	Environmental Health
Sigma Iota Epsilon	1984	Management
Sigma Gamma Epsilon	1985	Geology
Pi Alpha Alpha	1986	Public Administration
Sigma Lambda Chi	1986	Construction Management
Alpha Iota Delta	1987	Decision Sciences
Sigma Tau Chi	1987	Technical and Professional Communication
Chi Sigma Iota	1988	Counseling
Alpha Omega Alpha	1990	Medicine
Omicron Delta Kappa	1990	Leadership
Alpha Phi Sigma	1991	Criminal Justice
Delta Pi Epsilon	1991	Business Education
Beta Beta Beta	1993	Biology
Phi Alpha	1993	Social Work
Phi Beta Delta	1995	International scholarship
Pinnacle	1997	Non-traditional student
Beta Alpha Psi	1998	Accounting



## Foushee Selected for PKP Study Abroad Award

Jennifer Paige Foushee, a sociology major, is completing her junior year at East Carolina University and has been selected for a Brody School of Medicine Early Assurance Scholarship. One of Phi Kappa Phi's first study abroad scholarship recipients, this semester Foushee is experiencing life and education "Down Under." A student at Queensland University of Technology in Brisbane, Australia, Foushee commented, "With each passing day, I find that I am learning so much, not only about the Australian culture and lifestyle, but also about myself and future aspirations."

Located in Australia's third largest city, the 30,000 student "uni" provides a strong educational environment in the context of a vibrant city offering an array of cultural activities. Foushee stated that she would encourage anyone to take advantage of this sort of wonderful opportunity. "It takes a lot of courage, time, and planning to get prepared, but study abroad is definitely a worthwhile experience."

When Foushee returns to ECU in the fall, she plans on doing an honors thesis in sociology and continuing her community service as a member of the Chi Omega sorority.

The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi has helped to provide the resources that lead to educational and cultural opportunities such as Foushee's. Her spring 2002 email greeting to readers of this newsletter attests to Foushee's own cultural interchange: "G'day from the wonderful land of Oz!" ☒



## Spring 2002 Initiates

### Juniors

Nancy Leann Auman  
Rima Balla-Kolleh  
Aleeze Arthur Banks  
Joshua Elliott Blakely  
Kimberly A. Bond  
Sheila A. Brown  
Melissa Jean Cherry  
Cheryl L. Elmstrom  
Justin K. Gibbons  
Jamie Alexis Groppuso  
Katherine V. Hill  
Richard Anthony Hourigan  
Thil D. Hurley  
Lindsey Catherine Jeffords  
Cynthia Ruth Johns  
Joyce Ann King  
Sara Eve King  
Ashley Brooke Medlin  
Bethanie Jane Miller  
Cheryl C. Mills  
Eva-Marie Franke Morrow  
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Michelle Jean Parkhurst  
Kerry L. Partis  
Linda Faye Petteway  
Gant G. Saturley  
Gary Michael Shickora  
Stephanie Lynn Short  
Mary Ellen Smith  
Adam James Tyson  
Mary Beth Warner  
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Nathan Mitchell Wood  
Nathan P. Wood  
Regina Ann Wyman  
Amanda S. Zimmer

### Seniors

Christina Joy Abadir

April Sue Bass  
Robin Parker Batts  
Sybil Elizabeth Bender  
Kathryn A. Brown  
Sonja Patricia Brown  
Claudia J. Brunk  
Sandra S. Carawan  
Patrick Joseph Charland  
Paige Davis Clark  
Benjamin O'neal Cole  
Bridget Elise Cox  
Samantha Lea Cox  
Ashley Moore Cullipher  
Courtney Laine Foster  
Joanna K. Frye  
Jacob Bryan Fugal  
Kenneth N. Gregory  
Steven Richard Hale  
Dee Dobson Harper  
Jenny Elizabeth Haskett  
Mildred Eastwood Hatcher  
Brian Jack Henry  
Joyce Louise Hess  
Ingrid Leigh Higgins  
Jennifer Buchanan Hinton  
Betsy De'Shannon Hopkins  
Julia Rachel Hunt  
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Tate Maddox  
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Donelda A. Mullen  
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Allison Catherine Needham  
Roy Earl Parker, Jr.  
Amanda J. Renner  
Jennifer Midgette Scott  
Anna R. Smith  
Jon Travis Snyder  
Sherry Windley Stotesbury  
Angela Dove Sutton  
Angela Marie Vaughn-Styons  
Kristine Louise Young

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Heather Leigh Cain  
Karen Olline Catoe  
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William James Dewan  
Colena M. Gardner  
Jill Ann Chartier Harrison  
Melissa Lewis Hendrickson  
Jonathon Woodard Hooks  
Igor Ivanovych Ivanov  
Honor Keane  
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Mia Shea Leggett  
Charles Lindbergh Lowe, Jr.  
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Kevin Harold Nichols  
Nancy Lynne Pierson  
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Kelly Marie Simpson  
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Lisa Elizabeth Tyndall  
Lynn M. Vogel  
Mindi R. Walker  
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Scott M. Whitesides  
Stephen Michael Workman

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Charles Emmanuel Fantazzi  
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Chia-yu Li  
Ron Mitchelson  
Walter Emerson Pofahl II, MD  
Elmer C. Poe

### Distinguished Alumni

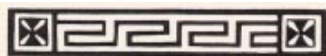
Charles R. Franklin, Jr.  
James R. Talton, Jr.

### Special Honorees

Louise H. McNamee  
Lisa Johnson Overman  
Margaret A. Pio

### *Outstanding Students Recognized*

Outstanding Freshman - Amit Aravapalli  
Outstanding Senior - Jessica Tipscord  
Outstanding Graduate Student - Tracy Miller





## Chapter Spotlight: Dianna Beaman Lowe

Since 1987, Dianna Beaman Lowe has served as the East Carolina University Chapter of the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi's Executive Director. A continuing appointment, the executive directorship provides important continuity on the chapter's Board of Directors.

Born and reared in nearby Snow Hill, Lowe stated that "East Carolina University was [her] first and only choice for college" because she had seen throughout her life the service that ECU renders to the region. Lowe's commitment to East Carolina is matched by her commitment to Phi Kappa Phi as an organization that both promotes collegiality among the professional staff and demonstrates strong concern for students.

As Executive Director, Lowe is involved in a wide range of chapter responsibilities: developing agendas and schedules, meeting deadlines, coordinating paperwork, and assisting with arrangements for chapter initiations.

Lowe's deep involvement with PKP dates to her ECU undergraduate days. Originally initiated in 1972 as a double major in psychology and sociology, Lowe completed her master's degree in sociology the following year. Since then, Lowe has completed all but the comprehensive examination for a Master's in Public Administration.

After completing her first master's degree, Lowe joined the university staff in Institutional Research where she worked for ten years as associate director. In September of 1983 she was tapped for her current position as the Academic Affairs Assistant Vice-Chancellor for Personnel.

Lowe noted a high point for her at the chapter's thirtieth anniversary celebration. The event brought together all of the former presidents of the ECU chapter of Phi Kappa Phi—an inspiring and energizing reunion. Reflecting on her years of service, Lowe affirmed, "I feel strongly that Phi Kappa Phi is the interdisciplinary honor society for East Carolina University. The society's high standards provide the opportunity for faculty and staff to support the academic excellence of our students." ☒

## Bransford Addresses Pivotal Environmental Issues

On March 20, East Carolina University's Chapter of Phi Kappa Phi was among the co-sponsors of a lecture by Dr. Kent J. Bransford entitled "Degrees of Danger – How Smarter Energy Choices Can Improve Our Health, Climate and Security in North Carolina". Other co-sponsoring organizations included The League of Women Voters of Pitt County, The Cypress Group of the Sierra Club, The Pamlico-Tar River Foundation, and ECU's College of Arts and Sciences, Environmental Conservation Organization, and Physicians for Social Responsibility.

Dr. Bransford is a board-certified specialist in medical oncology and hematology, having completed his undergraduate training in biochemistry at the University of California, Berkeley, and attended medical school at Columbia University's College of Physicians and Surgeons. After subspecialty training at the Norris Cancer Center, University of Southern California, he practiced in a community cancer center and served part-time on the clinical faculty at the University of California, Irvine. While on sabbatical, he served as medical director at a remote clinic in Nepal, and now volunteers his time as a consultant in free clinics in California and Mexico.

Bransford is a member of the National Board of Directors for Physicians for Social Responsibility, working with the national office in Washington D.C. He currently serves in the Environment and Health Division, speaking on the health impacts of energy usage and global climate change. His presentation focused on why we are experiencing climate change and increased air pollution, the resulting implications for public health and the environment, and how we can begin to reverse these changes through smarter, profitable energy choices. His no-nonsense approach integrated environmental responsibility with profitability and economic feasibility. A standing room only crowd appreciated his candid approach, keeping him occupied with a barrage of questions that lasted longer than his presentation. ☒

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