

Hello from the Heartland;

It's hard to express the feelings I have being elected the Grand Regent of Kappa Psi. I have been a member since December, 1967 and held a number of positions in Kappa Psi. Among them were Supervisor of Provinces I and III, Satrap of Province III and VII, Regent of the South Carolina and Southwestern Graduate Chapters, Grand Vice Regent twice, Convention Chair for two GCCs, and a member of numerous committees, but I am truly humbled to hold this high office.

I would guess, that some of your more fonder memories of Pharmacy school involved your involvement with Kappa Psi and your brothers, I know mine did. This is one of the reasons that I have stayed involved with Kappa Psi for so many years. I really enjoy going to the Province meetings and talking with the brothers, and at the Grand Council Conventions, it gives me a chance to renew old acquaintances.

During the next two years, your Executive Committee will accomplish a number of goals. All of these will need the assistance of you, the brothers. Our major goal is updating The Central Office, making it more efficient and easier for the chapters and brothers to edit their information on-line, which will then integrate with our database, to integrate billing and dues transactions directly into QuickBooks and to reduce the time it takes to have certificates printed and mailed. We are currently in contact with several companies that should be able to do this for us. Unfortunately, this will not come cheap and as a result, we will be starting a capital campaign to raise money to cover this expense. Our goal will be to raise \$25,000 for the remaking of the Central Office.

Please consider making a donation to aid in this endeavor. Any amount would be greatly appreciated and when you donate, you will know where your money is going to be used.

Fraternally,

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Grand Regent 2009-2011