

Enjoy this third edition of Alpha Sigma Nu's e-newsletter, all about the core tenet of SERVICE.



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As one of Alpha Sigma Nu's tenets and a core principle of Jesuit education, **SERVICE** is a concept that defines the Jesuit university experience and remains a beacon for Jesuit-educated alumni. *"Men and women for and with others,"* a slogan well-known on Jesuit campuses, calls students to imagine and put into action a life of service. From daily acts of kindness toward family, neighbors, and those in your community, to dedicated years of service as a Jesuit Volunteer making a difference at the margins, the expectation of a life of service is an essential calling for the Jesuit-educated.

Alpha Sigma Nu seeks to provide its members with resources to stay connected to this core tenet. Visit the [website](#) often for updated events and opportunities in your area. Join a team of fellow alumni during the [National Jesuit Service Days](#), sign up for an ASN Alumni Club service event near you, or browse the [Resources](#) page for Jesuit service organizations such as the Ignatian Volunteer Corps, Jesuit Volunteer Corps, JV Northwest, Companions in Ignatian Service and Spirituality and more!



LUNCH & LEARN WEBINAR SERIES

Member-exclusive Resource

Alpha Sigma Nu is happy to promote the second webinar in our new lunchtime webinar series exclusively for ASN alumni. We look forward to hosting speakers on topics of importance to Jesuit-educated alumni, and we are very pleased to welcome Tim Shriver as our speaker this spring. This webinar series is part of ASN's ongoing mission to keep members rooted in the traditions of their Jesuit education.

Thursday, March 30th

12:00 pm CT

Featured Speaker: Tim Shriver, President, Jesuit Volunteer Corps

Topic: Young Leaders and Ignatian Spirituality Today

Register Online

Space is limited. Register early to reserve your spot.

After 60 years of Jesuit Volunteers venturing across the United States and the world to live and serve within marginalized communities, the demands of JVC's four values – Spirituality, Community, Simple Living, and Social Justice – are as urgent and challenging as ever. Join JVC's President, Tim Shriver, for a conversation on how these values are lived out by Jesuit Volunteers today, and in particular, the ways in which Ignatian Spirituality continues to shape the work of the organization and the formation of young leaders committed to faith in action.



Tim has led the Jesuit Volunteer Corps since October 2015, having previously acted as the Chief Dream Director at the Future Project in San Francisco. Tim co-founded the "Spread the Word to End the Word" campaign while a student at Yale University, and his path has been defined by a firm belief in faith that does justice. As President of the Jesuit Volunteer Corps, Tim continues to cultivate his passions for youth leadership, faith-driven community, and social justice.

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ALPHA SIGMA NU MEMBERS WHO ARE CURRENT JESUIT VOLUNTEERS

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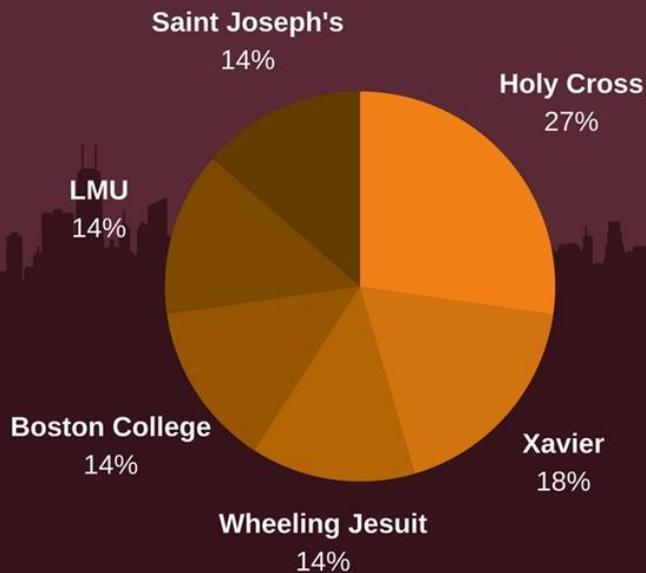
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MEMBERS CURRENTLY
SERVING IN THE JV
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MEMBERS SERVING
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TOP JESUIT SCHOOLS REPRESENTED



ALUMNI VOICES

Hear from Alpha Sigma Nu members who are currently serving as Jesuit volunteers



Ryan Knott (Marquette '14)

This is an abridged interview from JV Stories. Find the full interview at www.jesuitvolunteers.org/jv-profiles/.

What drew you to JVC?

JVC is a formational experience with spirituality and community at its core. I was drawn to this because other programs offer the opportunity to volunteer without these aspects. From my experience, these qualities in service and life make for a better, but often harder, experience that is much more rewarding and life-giving.



Matilda Rudolph (Loyola Marymount '15)

*This is abridged from the **JV Stories Blog**. Read the full version and find other inspiring stories at www.jesuitvolunteers.org/living-with-contradiction/.*

Living With Contradiction

"Find what centers you so that you can live with contradiction."

– Fr. Jim Casciotti, SJ

I stopped abruptly. It was my first day in Baltimore, and I had just turned into the living room of the Clare Furay House when my eye caught the above quote written on a

What is most rewarding about your JVC position?

Becoming part of a place and peoples' lives. We JVs have the unique opportunity to integrate into the community and feel at home here in Dodoma. Just as rewarding is being shaped by my new home and friends with ideas and experiences I'll always carry with me.

What do you wish other people knew about JVC?

The life of a volunteer isn't only hard work and sacrifice—however important that may be—it's also a lot of fun! Sharing life with new people in a new culture is remarkably difficult but it also lends itself for the chance to share remarkable joy.

What is the most inspiring experience you had in college and how did it lead you to JVC?

My service-learning semester in Cape Town, South Africa inspired and challenged me to look beyond myself and to work and learn for and with others. I sought to deepen my experience of culture and life with JVC's international program and I'm grateful for the chance to have returned to the African continent to walk with and learn from people in a new way.

Photo from jesuitvolunteers.org

whiteboard. I read it once, read it again, and then a third time. With these words, my new home seemed to embrace me and my working obsession of contradiction with open arms. And for some reason, this surprised me.

The week before I left for Baltimore, I was trying to write a piece on how I felt about moving across the country— about how it felt that my choice to commit a year of service with the Jesuit Volunteer Corps seemed to revolve around me. As if it was solely about my desire to challenge my relationship with the world outside of Southern California. To see a place rise from magazine and book pages I've read to become reality before me. To open my ears to the unique beat of a city, to breathe in a conglomeration of smells a native nose knows too well, to be selfishly touched by people I do not yet know. To be swallowed by the unknown, but with the promise of future familiarity.

I sat uncomfortably with the thought that being in Baltimore was about me. Logic was pushing me to think that moving to Baltimore as a Jesuit Volunteer should not be something for *me*. Shouldn't *I* be for *Baltimore*?

I was confronted with my inability to live with this contradiction when I turned the corner in my new house. Reading Fr. Casciotti's thought challenged the way I thought about living with contradiction. I realized that if I knew exactly what centered me, I would be comfortable with this contradiction.

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{ Write for ASN }

We want to hear your voice. What's your story?

Interested in sharing your story with your Jesuit honor society? We're looking for alumni to guest write a blog or article, to simply share your journey since induction, or to quote for future newsletters. [Contact us!](#)

Alpha Sigma Nu fundraising MADNESS



Round 1 starts TODAY!

This is a tourney-style competition between Jesuit colleges and universities. Students and alumni compete to advance their school/alma mater by donating online during each "round" of competition. **Donations accepted online only.** Donations must be received by 11:59 p.m. on the last date of each round. The school with the most donors (*not dollars*) advances. The school who wins the tournament will receive **\$200** toward programming for the Student Chapter.

Round 1: 32 schools March 16-19th

Round 2: Sweet 16 March 20-23rd

Round 3: Elite 8 March 24-26th

Round 4: Final 4 March 27-30th

Final: March 31-April 3rd

Winner announced April 4th

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The winners of each round will be announced via email, on the [ASN website](#), and via social media. Read more about it [here](#) and download your bracket [here](#).

Advance Your School



National Jesuit Alumni Service Days

The [Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities](#) (AJCU) organizes an annual event to promote an ongoing adherence to the Jesuit mission of being "men and women for and with others" among alumni of Jesuit colleges and universities in the U.S. [National Jesuit Service Days](#) include service events throughout the spring, organized around each college. Alumni are invited to register for an event near you, whether you are near your alma mater or a different Jesuit school. All alumni are welcome!

Find a full listing of the 2017 events [online](#). The list will be updated frequently as new service events are added, and you can find the registration links for each event online as well. Alpha

Sigma Nu encourages its members to participate in the Service Days to reconnect with that core tenet of the Jesuit honor society and Jesuit education in general.

You can always find resources to stay connected to your Jesuit roots through the Alpha Sigma Nu [News](#) and [Events](#) pages on the new website and by filtering through the [Resources](#) page!



{ ASN New York City Alumni Club }

Hosted 5th Annual Career Night

On February 16th, The New York City ASN Alumni Club hosted their 5th annual Career Night. A partnership with Fordham University, the event brings alumni and students from three Jesuit schools together. A panel of ASN Alumni from a variety of disciplines including Education, Finance, Law, Medicine, Not for Profits, Travel and Writing shared their career experiences, including how the ASN values have helped in their careers. Everyone had the opportunity to ask questions one-on-one with each of the panelists after the panel presentations. It is a wonderful event providing networking opportunities for student members. The event has been so successful that Alumni Clubs in other cities have hosted similar events.



"ASN is an incredible network."

Bob Kennedy (Canisius '84), The ASN NYC Alumni Club President, says "It is still amazing to me that, regardless of the industry each of us has chosen, there is the core of ASN of scholarship, loyalty and service which stands out. All of us in ASN stand out, whether in the office, operating floor or operating room. ASN is an incredible network."

"Invaluable networking opportunity..."

Fordham ASN Chapter President, **Nazifa Nasim** (Fordham '16), attended the event. "The ASN Career Night was a fantastic event that brought together current and alumni ASN members. The event allowed ASN members in college to have an invaluable networking opportunity and also a chance to see how the Alpha Sigma Nu organization has influenced the lives of members in their career paths beyond the classroom setting after graduation."

Find Alumni Club events near you on the Alpha Sigma Nu website's [Events](#) page!



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