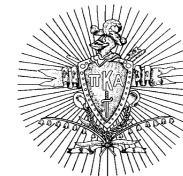


ALPHA PHI ALUMNI NEWS



Mission Statement: Our fraternity is where we gather.
Serving over 1,000 Alpha Phi alumni of the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity

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100 Men as Alpha Phi Nears 100 Years

100 Years of Alpha Phi

Our chapter was chartered on February 17, 1913. We need to plan to mark our 100th Anniversary, and plans are being made to do that. Nothing is firm, but Veishea Weekend (April 19 and 20) 2013 looks like a good time to observe our centennial.

There will be more details as plans are made, but tentatively mark that on your calendar. If you want to help with the event, guys are needed who are willing to help promote it to the brothers that they keep in contact with. Communication will be a key to the success of our celebration. Let's do this big. We won't do it again for another century!

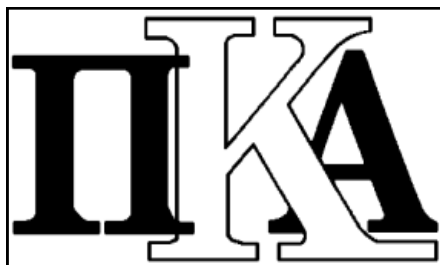
A Pi Kappa Alpha Thanksgiving

Area alums were invited to Thanksgiving dinner with the chapter on November 14. Roger Volker ('54), Roger's wife Carol, Chuck Benson ('54), Chuck Drake ('69), John Lee ('67), Dana Bentzinger ('74), and Jerry McClelland ('73) enjoyed an early Thanksgiving with the undergraduate chapter.

Lauren DeKovick-Fennimore (Momma D) performed her magic in preparing the traditional turkey, gravy, stuffing, cranberries and desert. The Pike dining room had white table cloths, candles on the table, and seasonal decorations.

Luren and her husband, Marty dined with the group. Eighty Pikes shared Thanksgiving that evening. It felt like home, and it felt like family.

Thanks to Lauren for organizing an outstanding brotherhood event.



House Corporation Board

Mark Zirkelbach '67 President
Jerry McClelland '73 Vice President
Roger Volker '54 Secretary
Chris Zimmerman '01 Treasurer
Cliff Mann '67
Ben Boeding '99
John Bartello '69
Alex Olson '04
Allen Foster '05

Alternates

Ben Boden '01
Alex Burge '99

Next Meeting :

January 28, 2012 At the Chapter House
Time To Be Determined
Every alum is welcome to attend.

Alumni Association Leadership

The leadership committee is made up of:

- John Lee (67) Treasurer
- Jerry McClelland (73)
- Matt Swim (05)
- Dana Bentzinger ('74) Event Coordinator

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Alumni Association Events

Your Alumni Association has been very busy this year. We've celebrated the growth of the chapter to a 100 man chapter, and planned these upcoming events:

Cyclone Bowl Party – Coach Paul Rhoads and the Cyclones have become bowl eligible by surprising the nation against Oklahoma State. We plan a bowl watch party in the Des Moines area. We don't know which bowl, or when it will be, but who cares? Let Dana Bentzinger, Matt Swim, John Lee or Jerry McClelland know if you want to attend. We will have details soon..

ISU versus Kansas Men's Basketball Game – We've been having a pre or post game function at the house for the last few years of this game. This year the game is Saturday January 28 at 1:00, so we'll have a post game party for a couple of hours. There is a lot of excitement around the Cyclone Basketball Team this year, and tickets will go fast. We plan to order by December 20. Contact Jerry McClelland if you want tickets. If you have tickets, or can't make the game, come to the house around 3:00 for the post game. The house corporation board will meet that Saturday morning.

Pike Pig Roast – Your Alumni Association has hosted and served this event as part of Greek Getaway for the last few years. Greek Getaway is the start of spring recruiting. High school seniors are allowed to begin accepting bids that weekend. Our pig roast is a premier event, and a big draw to recruits. The alums pay for the pig and serve the undergrads, their recruits, and the sorority that is paired with the chapter. We need alumni volunteers to serve food and clean tables. It's a fun time, and may involve a post meal trip to the Tip Top for the crew. Let Jerry, John or Matt know if you're interested.

100 Man Celebration at 2112 Lincoln Way

Alpha Phi has had two years of very successful recruiting. We pledged 41 men in 2010, and 43 men in 2011. A lot of work went into those results, but success breeds success. The chapter achieved these numbers while pledging quality guys. The chapter became a 100 man chapter this fall. In fact, the 101 st member pledged in September. As you might guess, the house is completely full.

All this was cause for a celebration. Your alumni association and the parents' club hosted that celebration on September 10 after the Cyclones defeated the Iowa Hawkeyes. We celebrated by having a cookout and a band in the back yard. The event was put together in a short period of time, but the word was spread as far as possible with email. Thirty five alums and guests attended the 100 man celebration in our back yard.

We had a shine and show car show on the front lawn as part of our event. Larry Crabb ('67). Dsna Bentzinger ('74), Jay Hinkhouse ('78), Roger Volker ('54) and Chuck Drake ('67) provided vehicles for the event. There were seven cars and two of Jay's automotive curiosities on our lawn.. While the crowd was enjoying this exhibit, the Ames police showed up. All the vehicles received tickets for being parked on a lawn. Who would have guessed we needed a permit? John Lee ('67) used his charm and powers of persuasion to convince the authorities to dismiss the tickets.

We're pretty sure we had the best post game party in Ames that day. Can you think of a better day then beating the Hawks and celebrating Pike successes?

Lest you think the chapter is resting on its laurels, it's time to start recruiting next year's Freshman class. Let Dana Bentzinger know if you know a young man who would make a good member of that pledge class.

House Corp Finances

October 20,2011

Assets:

Cash	52,577
Furniture	42,129
Chapter House	1,415,300
Total Assets	\$1,510,006

Liabilities:

Rm &Brd Reserve	7,600
Mortgage	548,245
Line of Credit	38,293

Net Worth \$915,868

Net Worth & Liab. \$1,510,006

Alumni Association:

Assets:

Cash	\$ 2,475
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Endowments:

ISU Endowment	\$ 47,888
AΦ Endowment	\$ 26,744

Alumni Association Dues

The Alumni Association is able to sponsor the activities you've read about because of the support of dues paying members. We are able to help the chapter because of your help. As you read this newsletter, you'll see how well things are going. Involved alums who support the Alumni Association make it possible to have a strong organization.

We operate to help strengthen the chapter and foster alumni brotherhood. This newsletter is able to be produced because of funds from dues.

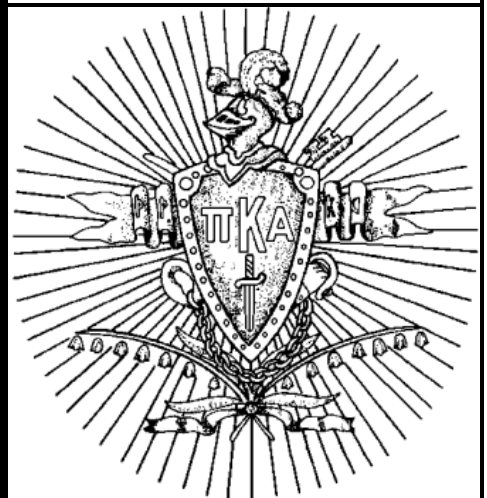
There is a form on page four for dues payment. Please make a payment to ensure these activities can continue.

New House Director

Alex Burge ('99) decided it was time to move on after serving for many years as our house director. This left a big hole to fill at 2112 Lincoln Way. Alex did a very good job of mentoring the chapter, helping with repairs, and generally keeping an eye on things that needed to be repaired. Alex has dealt with the issues that came up in a house full of young men.

Lauren DeKovick Fenimore (Momma D) has taken on the responsibilities of house director in addition to preparing the great meals that have been enjoyed by the chapter for eight years. Momma D has been very close to the guys since day one. She's heard their problems and their accomplishments. She's offered advice. There's a bond between the guys and Momma D.

As we looked for a house director, we saw that Lauren was already doing a lot of the things a house director does. She's assumed responsibility for monitoring the maintenance needs of the house, and meeting the repairmen. She's also responsible to work with the house manager on house cleaning needs. We all can agree that a woman's touch can improve the cleanliness of our beloved home. She has a way of being firm while being gentle. We've found the right person to manage our property, and she still makes great meals.



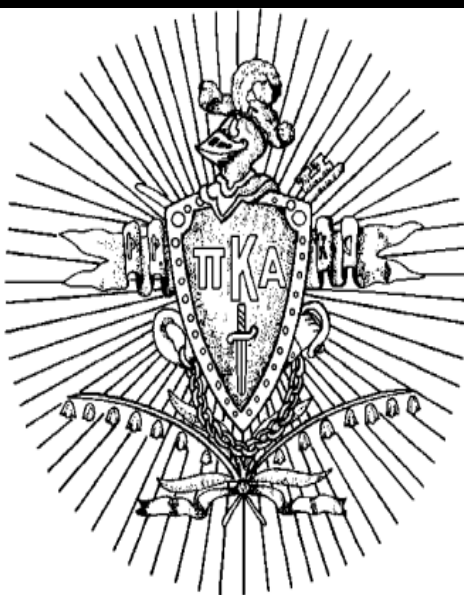
Chris Zimmerman Appointed as Midwest Regional President

The Supreme Council, the national governing body of Pi Kappa Alpha, appointed Chris Zimmerman ('01) as Midwest Regional President effective October 24. Chris will be charged with recruiting and supporting alumni volunteers. This includes chapter advisors, advisory boards, house corporation officers and alumni association leaders.

Chris was SMC at Alpha Phi, and has been a very active alum. He is currently the treasurer of our house corporation board, and advises the Alpha Phi Treasurer. He has consulted the chapter at Wisconsin-Madison for the last few years. He helped develop the curriculum for alumni volunteers at Pike U. It would seem that Chris had a very full plate before taking this new position.

The house corporation board members know Chris as a tireless worker. He checks every bill before paying it, and is quick to question errors.

No one is more deserving of this honor than Chris. All Alpha Phi alums should be proud of Chris. Big congratulations are in order.



Chapter News

This has been a very good year for the Alpha Phi Chapter. It has won awards, grown, and been very active on campus. Last fall the chapter leadership attended the Pike Leadership Academy in Memphis, and came back with hardware. The chapter won a Chapter Excellence Award. They also were received an award for recruiting success.

Our chapter recruited 41 men during 2010. They followed by recruiting 43 men during 2012. The result was a chapter of 101 men as the school year began. 36 men were activated in mid-November. The house is full to capacity with some men living in the residence halls until there is room at the Pike House.

The Pikes decided that Homecoming Lawn Displays were a thing of the past this year. ISU has imposed a number of restrictions that complicated building a display. The university required special insurance coverage to protect ISU that was expensive and difficult to buy. The front yard is much healthier as a by product of that decision. The Pikes emphasized other things to participate in ISU's Homecoming Events. We won Yell Like Hell. We took first place in community service. The community service events involved the traditional events of blood drive participation, a 5K run participation, and collecting returnable beverage containers. The Pikes chose to participate in working on a Habitat for Humanity House as part of the community service competition. The guys who liked to build lawn displays found an outlet for their need to build.

The chapter prepared and served their annual Thanksgiving meal for the Boys and Girls Club of Ames on November 17. The guys played games with the children they served when the meal was done.

We can be very proud of the accomplishments of our chapter. The future looks very bright.

Pike U Leadership Forum

Thirty four chapter members attended the Pike U forum in Kansas City in early November. Jay Hinkhouse ('78) and Mark Zirkelbach ('67) attended the concurrent alumni volunteer forum. This is the largest group that Alpha Phi has ever sent to a Pike U Forum.

The group included undergrads of all ages. These forums have leadership training sessions, and allow our men to get ideas from other chapters. The guys came back with a broader vision of what it is to be a Pike and some new enthusiasm for being a Pike. Alpha Phi routinely has a group attend Pike U, but this was by far the largest participation we have had.

Ben Boden ('01) and Chris Zimmerman ('01) had very large roles in developing the content of the Leadership Forums. We all owe Ben and Chris big thanks for the jobs they have done.

Chapter Officers

The chapter has elected new officers to lead it for the next calendar year.

President - Wade Lange- Junior -Civil Engineering

External VP - Alex Krist - Sophomore - Civil Engineering

Treasurer - Ian Jun - Sophomore - Mechanical Engineering

New Member Education - Derek Olson - Junior - Business

They will be filling positions for committee chairs and recruiting coordinators in the near future.

House Corporation News

The house corporation continues to be very active in upgrading and refurbishing the house. The carpet on all of second floor was replaced. The wear and tear of daily traffic caught up with the old carpet. The hallway and all the rooms are now carpeted with commercial grade carpet tiles, like you see in most office settings. We believe using a higher grade of carpet will make it last longer. The tiles can be replaced where necessary without a total replacement. The house corporation board has grappled with the carpet wear issue, and we think we've found the answer.

Speaking of flooring, the entryway and library will have a totally different look when you come to the house next time. The old black slate has served us well for many years, but it's time to replace it. The floor's main issue is the amount of settling that has occurred in the floor joist. We're having a contractor in over winter break to do some serious renovation. The subfloor will be removed, and adjustments will be made to the floor joists to provide an

even plane for a new floor. We've chosen a very nice brown porcelain tile to replace the slate.

The closets between the front and back doors are being renovated with new wood trim to compliment the library's trim, and new base boards are being installed. This should brighten one of the focal points of our house, and improve to appearance of our entire main floor.

It's time for election of board members, and a referendum card is included with this newsletter. The terms of Roger Volker ('54), Cliff Mann ('67) and Jerry McClelland ('73) are expiring. All of them want to serve another three year term. Alex Koth ('07) has been selected as an alternate. Alex was very involved in the house in his undergrad days, and will be a very good addition to the board. Please complete and return your referendum card.

How About Getting Involved?

Alpha Phi operates with the efforts of volunteers. We're always looking for other alums to volunteer. How about you? Do you have a little time to help? It can be a single project or an ongoing commitment. The choice is yours. Here are a few ideas.

- Help serve and bus tables at the Pike Pig Roast
- Be part of the 100th anniversary committee
- Write articles for the newsletter
- Help with the summer Pike Road Rally
- Assist the chapter with scholarship efforts
- Host a recruiting cook out for recruits in your area with the recruiting coordinator
- Use your maintenance skills to help with small repair projects
- Sign up for and attend work day in the spring
- Help with work week in the fall
- Provide legal help to the House Corporation Board or the Chapter
- Something else that you see needs to be done

Our fraternity's success depends on alumni involvement.

Alumni Association Dues

Annual Dues \$21.12 _____

\$21.12 Club (\$21.12 per Month) (Voided Check enclosed)

Help with Rush \$10/\$20/\$50 _____

Total: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

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Visa/MC# _____ Exp. Date _____

Signature: _____

Make checks payable to:
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 C/O John Lee
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Your dues makes Alumni Association activities possible. Please help.