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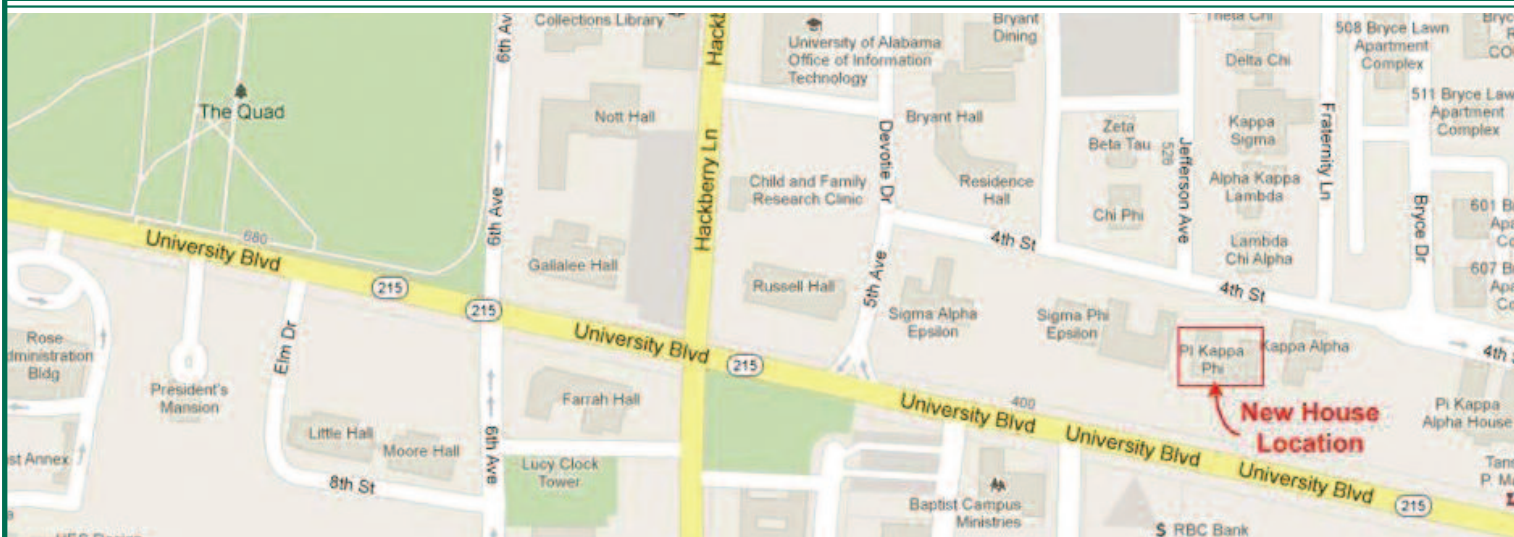
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HOUSING PLANS CHANGE FOR ALABAMA ALPHA

Chapter Set to Move into Pi Kappa Phi House in Spring 2014

Since our last newsletter, new developments were made in our plan to move houses. Alabama Alpha is now planning to relocate to the Pi Kappa Phi house on University Boulevard in the spring of 2014.

You may recall that nearly two years ago the University informed us that we would not be permitted to stay at our current location. They approved our new location at the Alpha Tau Omega house near the end of Jefferson Avenue (New Fraternity Row), which we were scheduled to move into this fall.

Since then, Alpha Tau Omega built a new house on the old Rotary House location between the Sigma Phi Epsilon and Pi Kappa Phi houses. Pi Kappa Alpha also built a new house on University Boulevard to the west of Kappa Alpha. In addition, Phi Delta Theta, Sigma Chi, and Theta Chi began construction on new homes on University Boulevard, and Pi Kappa Phi will begin construction soon. For those of you who have not visited campus lately, all of these houses are being built on the north side of University Boulevard, toward McFarland Boulevard. University Boulevard is quickly becoming the new, New Fraternity Row.

When Pi Kappa Phi announced in October that their house would become available, **Fred Clay '67** immediately began discussions with their house corporation president. In just a few days, we arranged a tour of their property and had a meeting with the University. Fred, **Jay Masingill '68**, and I met with University President Robert Witt and Athletic Director Mal Moore and asked that they approve our request to move to the Pi Kappa Phi house rather than the Alpha Tau Omega house. They approved our move and agreed that we could stay at our current location until the Pi

Kappa Phi house became available. We now expect that we will not move until the spring of 2014.

Our move to this location will put us in the heart of Fraternity Row, providing more visibility than the ATΩ location on Jefferson Avenue. Our undergraduate Chapter is extremely excited about this opportunity and believes it will position us for many years of future success.

As a House Corporation Board, we feel that this is the best opportunity for Phi Psi to thrive at the University of Alabama, but we are still working out the details. As we weigh and assess the options that we have, we value your feedback and will seek out the opinion of alumni in this matter.

This change in plans does mean that we have one more year to maintain our current house. Last winter break, we had to replace the roof over the kitchen and at the top of the house. We also had to replace the flooring in the basement study room with new tile. We hope to limit future maintenance items in the coming months to necessary repairs and maintenance as we anticipate the move into our new home.

We look forward to seeing what the future holds for Alabama Alpha. We encourage you to stop by and visit anytime. Our undergraduates would love to meet you.



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ALABAMA ALPHA DONATES MORE THAN 1,000 HOURS OF COMMUNITY SERVICE

Members Strive for Greatness, Look Forward to the Future

Alabama Alpha Adds 20 Members

Alabama Alpha grew significantly last semester. We initiated 20 quality men into our brotherhood who achieved a pledge class G.P.A. of 2.9. As a Chapter, we accumulated more than 1,000 hours of community service and helped the community after the devastating tornado on April 27, 2011. To further our philanthropic efforts, we hosted a shipwreck party for the residents of a local retirement home with the women of Alpha Omicron Pi and a carnival for the Boys and Girls Club of Tuscaloosa with the women of Chi



Matthew Allen '10 volunteers during Alabama Alpha's carnival for the Boys and Girls Club of Tuscaloosa.

Omega. In recognition of our hard work, we rewarded ourselves with a well-deserved trip to New Orleans for formal.

Chapter Sets Philanthropy Goals

While we consider philanthropy our expertise, there is always room for improvement. We are committed to consistently donating 1,000 hours of community service each semester to honor the Phi Psi creed, the Great Joy of Serving Others. We plan to work with the Boys and Girls Club and other organizations in the future to achieve our goal.

Brothers Commit to Recruitment Efforts

While we recognize that we have come a long way, each active brother knows there is still much work to do. As we begin our recruitment efforts this spring, we keep in mind our goal of recruiting 40 quality freshmen who can make an impact on our brotherhood. We realize this is a hard task, but we are committed to making our dream a reality. We hope to have 90 men in the Chapter House by this time next year. We will continue to work toward and, hopefully, surpass this goal.

Members Thank Loyal Alumni

We would like to thank everyone who has supported Alabama Alpha in recent years. With your help, we will continue to improve as a Chapter. We will host a crawfish boil this semester and



Richard Rabello '10 helps a group of children throw darts during the carnival.

encourage you to attend. There will also be an alumni golf tournament on April 13, which is something new that we are very excited about. Please feel free to contact me or stop by the Chapter House at any time. We look forward to meeting you.

Fraternally,
Eli Landow '09
 Chapter President
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Welcome, Fall 2011 New Members

Austin Backus
Springfield, Va.

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(Uncle **Scott Batey '90**)

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an error has been made in recording the amount of your gift(s), we sincerely apologize. Please send corrections to the Alabama Alpha House Corporation, P.O. Box 19144, Birmingham, AL 35219. Thank you, again, for giving back to the Chapter—it truly makes a difference!

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Join Us!

Phi Psi Golf Tournament

Make plans now to join us for the inaugural Phi Psi Golf Tournament on Friday, April 13, at Woodland Forest Country Club in Tuscaloosa. There will be a shotgun start at noon. Cost is \$75 per person and includes a round of golf, refreshments, and door prizes. Proceeds will benefit the Boys and Girls Club of West Alabama. We also have hole sponsorship opportunities available for \$200. For more information, contact **Robert Rudolph '10** at rjrudolph@crimson.ua.edu.

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ALUMNUS LEARNED INVALUABLE SKILLS AS A PHI PSI

Q&A with Gary L. Ely '77

Q: What did your Phi Psi experience mean to you?

A: Phi Psi was important to me because I transferred to Alabama mid-year of my sophomore year knowing no one. I will always be grateful to **Philip Whiteman '76**, who corralled me as I exited recruitment orientation and brought me to the house. The brothers and little sisters there instantly provided me with a group of friends, including many who are still my friends today.



Q: What important lessons did you learn as a Phi Psi?

A: Phi Psi further instilled in me the importance of being someone others can depend on. Students are focused primarily on themselves and preparing for upcoming activities. Being a member of a larger group provides the opportunity to assume responsibilities that impact more people than just yourself. The organization and

management skills learned as a fraternity member are invaluable in the early part of someone's professional career.

Q: Where do you work now?

A: Since 1994, I have worked as an independent financial consultant in Huntsville, Alabama. I'm responsible for all facets of my business operation, which includes helping clients provide sufficient income in retirement, passing assets to succeeding generations, and providing for education of children and grandchildren.

Q: Can you tell me about your family?

A: My wife, Stephanie, and I have been married for 27 years. We are the proud parents of three children: Taryn, Ryan, and Paige. Taryn received her bachelor's degree from Alabama in 2008 and graduated from law school in 2011. She is a clerk for a federal magistrate in Brunswick, Georgia, and lives on St. Simons Island. Ryan

graduated from Alabama in 2011 and is an information technology recruiter in Nashville. Paige is a freshman at Bama. We are close to completing our 12th "student year" at The Capstone.

Q: What do you like to do in your free time?

A: My primary hobby is watching SEC football—especially Alabama football. I have had football season tickets for many years and attend most home games and occasionally an away game. My wife has been very generous in adopting Bama as her home team after growing up in Louisiana and pulling for LSU during the early part of her life.

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