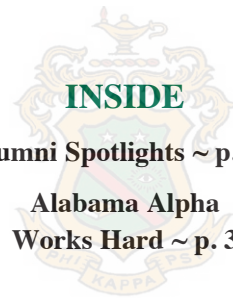


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SPRING 2013

BOARD APPLAUDS UNDERGRADUATE SUCCESSES AND PLANS FOR FUTURE CHAPTER NEEDS

As we navigate through a successful spring semester, I am pleased to reconnect with each of you through this newsletter to provide an update on the state of our Chapter and recent happenings at Alabama Alpha. I hope you take some time to read through our undergraduates' report on their work this semester as well as the features on two of our alumni as they reflect on their own Phi Psi experiences. Perhaps this will bring a few memories of your own to mind from your collegiate days.

CHAPTER INCREASES MEMBERSHIP

Over the last several years, our undergraduates have worked to develop a more effective summer recruitment strategy that has helped to increase their membership numbers. Last fall, the number of Phi Psi members rose into the low 80s.

While the number of members is important, we continue to focus on recruiting men of a high caliber that will help Phi Psi succeed for the long term at the University of Alabama. We are grateful for any recommendations that you can provide as we move toward the summer. Please send along the names of any quality young men headed through recruitment at Alabama who you think would be a positive fit in our Chapter.

PREPARING FOR OUR FUTURE

These membership levels that our undergraduates have achieved will be maintained until we are able to move to a larger, more

competitive facility. A change in location will allow us to increase membership numbers even further.

As a House Corporation, we continue to work with the University to ensure our move and further development plans. We will continue to keep you up to date as plans progress.

RECONNECTING AT ALUMNI EVENTS

We hope that you can join us in person sometime soon to see Phi Psi's progress firsthand. In the meantime, get a glimpse into this year's Founders' Day event below. The event was a great success with undergraduate and alumni brothers from Alabama Alpha and Alabama Beta enjoying beautiful weather and a great meal prepared at the Chapter House by our housemother, Linda Campbell, and her staff. We heard reports of the accomplishments of both Chapters and also raised funds for our national philanthropy project to support the Boys & Girls Club of Manatee County, Florida.

We look forward to celebrating the 50th anniversary of Alabama Alpha's chartering next year. A date for the anniversary will be announced this summer, so stay tuned.



Amici, In the Bond,
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ALABAMA ALPHA EXPERIENCES GREAT TURNOUT AT MEMORABLE FOUNDERS' DAY EVENT

The Alabama Alpha Founders' Day celebration for 2013 was a memorable occasion. Because of plans to move to a new Chapter House, sentiment was very strong to hold the event at our home of nearly 50 years instead of the more usual Birmingham location.



The plan was well received, as clearly evidenced by the crowded, elbow-to-elbow setup for dinner. The dining room and living room were completely filled—I mean completely—with tables to accommodate the alumni, actives, and pledge members in attendance. Spouses were seated at a special table in the Ramsey Room. If there had
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Phi Psis of all ages gather at the Alabama Alpha Chapter House to celebrate Founders' Day 2013.



ALABAMA ALPHA EXPERIENCES GREAT TURNOUT

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been one more person, they would have had to sit on the patio! Fortunately, it was a gloriously beautiful day in T-Town, so the crowd could socialize on the patio and front porch before and after the meal.

We were especially pleased to have **Gordon Carter '75**, Alabama Beta Chapter advisor, and five actives from that Chapter with us. Alabama Beta, because of its proximity to Birmingham and Atlanta, traditionally participates in Founders' Day events in both cities. The Alabama Beta brothers enjoyed the event and we chose not to pick on them too much.

Shannon Price '88, who serves as national secretary (SWAG), was the symposiarch of the event. With the assistance of the Alabama Alpha and Alabama Beta GPs, he conducted the lighting of the candles ceremony honoring our founders, Letterman and Moore, our deceased brothers, and our brothers who could not be with us.

Dinner was prepared by Housemother Linda Campbell and her amazing team. We enjoyed a salad bar, dessert bar, steak, and baked potatoes with all the trimmings. No Founders' Day anywhere could have been fed nearly so well.

The formal proceedings concluded with the singing of "Amici" and a rousing "High! High! High!," followed by a group photo on the front steps.

Next year will mark the 50th anniversary of our chartering on February 29, 1964. I urge all of you to plan to be in Tuscaloosa for what should be a very memorable event: a celebration of 50 memorable

years as a Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi.

Fraternally,
Tryon Hubbard '64



Brother Keeps in Touch From Afar

Spotlight on John A. Carey '71

John A. Carey '71 vividly recalls the summer of 1970 when he became a pledge member of Phi Kappa Psi after **Sam Harris '66**, **Walter Williams '67**, and others convinced him to begin his lifelong affiliation with the fraternity. **Fred Clay '67**, **Guy Gunter '67**, **Larry Harper '69**, **Jay Masingill '68**, and others quickly became his mentors and lifelong friends.



John has fond memories of band parties at the fraternity house, football games, social events at Lake Lurleen, get-togethers at Snow's Farm, and numerous Founders' Day events. He was unable to attend football games for 15 years (1992-2007) but has managed to attend all three recent national championship games in Pasadena (2010), New Orleans (2012), and Miami (2013). During the 2012 football season, he attended Crimson Tide games in Dallas, Baton Rouge, Tuscaloosa, and Miami. "After all of those years removed from Crimson Tide football, the recent games have made me feel like a college student again!" he said.

John received his undergraduate degree in political science in 1974 and his law degree from the University of Alabama in 1979. After law school, he held legal positions in Tuscaloosa, Jackson, Mississippi, and Mobile. He left his position as a partner at Johnstone, Adams, Bailey, Gordon and Harris in Mobile to move to Albuquerque, New Mexico, in 1989.

Since then, John has stayed in touch with the fraternity primarily through his long friendship with Jay Masingill. "Jay has kept me informed about the lives and careers of fraternity members as well as the various moves of the fraternity house. Jay and I were roommates when I was an undergraduate and we have remained close friends since then," he said.

From 1996 to 2008, John served as president and CEO of the Association of Commerce and Industry of New Mexico (ACI). ACI is the statewide business advocate and New Mexico affiliate of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and the National Association of Manufacturers. ACI is comprised of businesses of all sizes throughout the state. During his tenure at ACI, John delivered hundreds of speeches and frequently appeared on radio and television.

In 2008, John took a position as president and CEO of the New Mexico Society of CPAs, a statewide professional association that advocates for the CPA profession on regulatory and legislative matters at the state and federal level.

John has served on numerous boards and commissions and has been a leader in many civic, philanthropic, educational, business, and community organizations. From 2004 to 2007, he served a three-year term as chairman of the National Industrial Council, comprised of 50 state business organizations like ACI, with 150,000 member businesses that employ over 30 million American workers. He was the first New Mexican to lead this organization in its 100-year history. In addition, John has served on the board of the New Mexico Finance Authority, AAA New Mexico, Irwin Union Bank, ACCION New Mexico-Arizona-Colorado (chairman, 2007-09), New Mexico Society of Association Executives (chairman, 2001-02), Educate New Mexico (chairman, 2010-12), Tourism Association of New Mexico, New Mexico Business Roundtable, and the City of Albuquerque Citizens Independent Salary Commission (chairman, 2010-present).

John has three children: Ryan (35), Melissa (32), and Stuart (25). He also has four grandchildren, ages 6, 4, 3, and 1. He looks forward to seeing his fraternity brothers at games this fall. John can be reached at jaccarey@comcast.net.



ALUMNUS REMINISCES ABOUT HIS UNDERGRADUATE YEARS

Q&A with Brad Gray '83

Q: What motivated you to join Phi Kappa Psi?

A: "I was looking for a way to make friends in a place where I didn't know anyone. It turned out that **Richard Johnson '82** and I had met in high school while competing in the Scholar's Bowl for different schools."

Q: What are some of your favorite memories from your undergraduate years?

A: "Football games, the New Orleans formal, having the top floor end room, spending way too much time at The Booth...too many to name them all! I made some lifelong friends and had a blast at the theme parties."

Q: Do you stay in touch with any of your fraternity brothers?

A: "I stay in touch with quite a few of my brothers by phone, e-mail, and text. During football season you can always find me at the Chapter House for a game or two."

Q: What degree did you earn?

A: "I graduated in 1986 with a bachelor's degree in industrial engineering. I went to

work for General Motors as a methods engineer but resigned to pursue an MBA at Samford University. I subsequently earned a master's degree in industrial engineering from Auburn."

Q: Where do you work now?

A: "I recently celebrated my 25th anniversary with AT&T. My job is to analyze and report on our international mobility operations."

Q: What advice can you share with undergraduates?

A: "College should be about getting an education, not just a vocation. Study hard, play hard, and enjoy the greatest time of your life!"

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

A: "I enjoy reading, films, and travel. I've made it to five continents so far."

Brad resides in Atlanta, Georgia, and can be reached at bgray52@bellsouth.net.



Bryant-Denny Stadium, University of Alabama

ALABAMA ALPHA WORKS HARD TO BOOST CHAPTER NUMBERS AND SCHOLARSHIP

Recruitment Strategies

The Alabama Alpha Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi is going through some very exciting changes. We are growing at a phenomenal pace. Our Chapter size for the last three years has increased and we are confident that we will continue to see growth. We have an organized committee that is excited to work hard and expand our Chapter. They have personally invited several potential new members to our spring social events and plan to keep in touch with these men over the summer. We are confident that if we can increase communication between the committee and the potential new members, they will be more excited to pledge Phi Kappa Psi.

Improving Our GPA

Mark Hoppes '11 is in charge of our scholarship committee and has made significant steps to increase our chapter GPA. This is an area where we have struggled in the past. However, I am very confident in the measures that Mark has taken. He has made it mandatory for every freshman to turn their syllabus in to the scholarship committee and have their progress monitored throughout the semester. If a brother is on academic watch, he must report his test results to the committee. Any brother who does not achieve the required 2.5 GPA must attend study hours at the library for a minimum of three hours each week. Huge steps have been made to improve our academics and we are excited to see the results this May.

Mark is a competent leader and doing an extraordinary job running his committee.

Supporting the Community

Philanthropy Chairman **Jorge de la Hoz '12** has taken our philanthropy committee and turned it into a well-oiled machine. He and **Richard Rabello '10**, former philanthropy chairman, have done a wonderful job increasing the Chapter's involvement in the community. We continue to be one of the top fraternities in philanthropy at the University of Alabama and are very fortunate to have brothers who are willing to help no matter the cause. Jorge always has a group of brothers going to the animal clinic or the Boys & Girls Club to volunteer. In April, the philanthropy committee participated in the Best Buddies event at a local park and hosted a carnival on our front lawn with the Boys & Girls Club.

These are exciting times for Alabama Alpha and our future is bright. I want to thank all of our alumni for the support they've shown us. Please drop by the house if you're ever in Tuscaloosa!



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50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Watch for more details on our special event during the early spring of 2014 to celebrate Alabama Alpha.



September 28 vs. Ole Miss*
Tuscaloosa, Ala., TBA

October 5 vs. Georgia State
Tuscaloosa, Ala., TBA

October 19 vs. Arkansas*
Tuscaloosa, Ala., TBA

October 26 vs. Tennessee*
Tuscaloosa, Ala., TBA

November 9 vs. LSU*
Tuscaloosa, Ala., TBA

November 23 vs. Chattanooga
Tuscaloosa, Ala., TBA

*Conference Game

ATTENTION: This newsletter is intended for alumni and parents. If your son is still attending The University of Alabama, he will receive a copy at the Chapter House. If he has graduated, please send us his permanent address to update our records. Thank you.

Recruitment Recommendations

Alumni, we value your input in membership selection.
Please send your recruitment recommendations to:

Chapter President • **Grayson Parker '12** • gsparker@crimson.ua.edu

Or, fill out the form below and mail it to: Phi Kappa Psi,
Alabama Alpha Chapter, P.O. Box 19144, Birmingham, AL 35219

Your name: _____

Your e-mail: _____

Your phone #: _____

Name of person you're recommending: _____

Their e-mail: _____

Their phone #: _____

Are they a legacy? Y N

Why do you think they'll be a good fit for Phi Kappa Psi?

