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*The Star and Crescent
shall not be worn by
every man...*

*but only by him
who is worthy
to wear it.*

Revamping Our Alumni Relations Program

Last spring, the members of the chapter realized that when it came to our Alumni Relations, we weren't fulfilling our obligation to make sure that our alumni always felt like a part of the Alpha-Pi chapter. With the new house and our 115th anniversary coming up, the actives believe it is our obligation to strengthen our ties with the alumni.

Although an enormous amount of time and effort has already gone into our new Alumni Relations program, we are still a long ways from where the brothers in the house want to be. Fortunately, we believe the house is heading in the right direction as he hear from more and more about the Dedication Ceremony and the 115th Anniversary.

Our next big step to get alumni involved in the house is the Dedication Ceremony. If you have any questions about this event, please contact Jonathan Torrez at (956) 792-1914.

We are always looking for ways to improve our methods of contacting and involving alumni, so please, contact us with any questions or advice you might have.

New House Finished

The new home for Alpha-Pi is completed. It has been a long wait but the new Kappa Sigma house has been officially opened. The Sophomore Class just completed work week to create a better atmosphere for the new house as well as to move in old and new furniture.

The house comes complete with new furniture in the living room, dining room and library. Each living space comes equipped with a desk, a bed and closet for each brother and pledge. The new capacity of the house is 52 individuals. Wireless internet and cable were recently installed.

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House GPA Third Highest on Campus

Kappa Sigma Fraternity ranked 3rd overall amongst fraternities for highest GPA. For the Spring Semester, Kappa obtained a 3.09 GPA. The last year's Freshman Class received a 3.22, one of the highest GPA's from any living unit. The average GPA for fraternities was 2.99. The average GPA for the dorms were 2.98.



President's Corner

Greetings, brothers! It has been too long. You probably haven't heard from us in a while, but we're hoping to change this.

In the spring semester of 2009, I was given the opportunity to serve Alpha Pi as its Grand Master. I have also been given this opportunity again, and will be starting my second term in the fall semester of 2009. For those of you who may be unaware, our chapter has been going through somewhat of a crisis recently. We have been investigated by nationals for many supposed actions in violation of the Code of Conduct, and have been put under trusteeship for a period of 18 months. We have lost some brothers in the process, and others still have been put on suspension for the remainder of their undergraduate studies. Brother Robert Sorenson, our trustee, has shown that he is more than willing to work with us to resolve these issues, and we are grateful that he will be guiding us through this difficult period.

However, as with any situation, there are two sides to the coin. Though we are going through a troublesome time now, we must look to the future for new opportunities. Our brothers are looking forward to rushing new pledges into our house this year, as well as looking forward to living in our new chapter house (please contact us if you have not received information on the dedication ceremony in September). We are also looking forward to engaging you, the alumni, during this time and establishing a firm base of support for future members of Alpha Pi to rely on. Our current Alumni Adviser, Brother Charlie Lopez, and his team of AAAs have already started this process, and we are delighted with their involvement.

During my term as Grand Master, I hope to help the house get through this process, as well as pursue these new opportunities. With our brothers and the help of our alumni, I know we can build an Alpha Pi that is stronger and smarter than it has ever been.

In conclusion, I look forward to working with you over the course of the next year. Also, I'd like to thank Jon Torrez for his hard work not only on this newsletter, but also in planning the house dedication ceremony.

A.E.K.D.B. Aaron W. K. Bonar



Actives Enjoy the New House of Alpha-Pi

(Continued from page 1) The brothers of the house would like to thank the Alumni for their donations and support for the new house, as well as the college for ensuring the continued growth of Alpha-Pi. We would like to thank the few alumni for their part on fundraising to keep the dream of a new Kappa Sigma house a realistic one, especially Mark Maddox. Campus Services, especially Charlie McCormick, and IT Services have also been a tremendous help in ensuring no problems have come about for the upcoming year.

The brothers and alumni will host a Dedication Ceremony on the 25th of September during the Football Homecoming Game (please continue with the newsletter for more information). All alumni are welcome to attend.

If you can not attend the ceremony, you are welcome to drop by the house. Please notify Grand Master Aaron Bonar, bonara@wabash.edu, about your arrival. If you need a room for the night, we would just need prior notification.



Kappa Sigma in Sports

Kappa Sigma have continued excellence in many endeavors, including sports. We have as many as 7 brothers in varsity sports and three pledges in the football program this year.

The Brother of the Year in Sports was Seth Einterz, who competed in the National Cross Country Meet. He finished 136th out of 278 competitors in the NCAA Division III Men's Cross Country National Championship. He is the first Wabash runner to qualify for nationals since 2001.

We had two freshmen that contributed to team efforts in tennis and basketball. Aaron Zinnerman averaged five minutes of play per game and played well for the team as a strong reserve. He scored 5 points for Wabash as it knocked off nationally ranked Wooster College. Peter Gunderman was 9-7 in number 4 singles, 5-2 in tournament singles, and 14-14 overall. He was a solid contributor to Wabash while the team reached its highest finish of third place in conference play.

Bryan Hugo, a senior wrestler for the Little Giants, was 21-19 for the season. He competed in two weight classes (174 and 184 lbs.). He finished 5th in the 184 weight class at the NCAA Division III Men's Regional Competition held on February 14th that took place at Angola, Indiana.

Pledges Devan Young, Devan Taylor and Raynor Mendoza are all currently participating in the postseason warm-ups with the football team as it prepares for its first game on September 12 against conference rival Denison here at home.

Kappa Sigma also did well in IM last year. Highlights include a 2nd place team finish in Swimming, 3rd place team finish in Ultimate Frisbee, 4th place team finish in Cross Country and 2nd place team finish in the Canoe race (with brothers Nathan Rutz and Seth Einterz with a 1st place finish). Kappa Sigma ranked 10th place amongst all living units. This is the highest finish Kappa Sig has had in years.





Fall 2009 Pledge Class

TOP ROW, LEFT: Evan Tyler Lane, Zachary K. Thompson, Ian Raymond Leonard, Edward Evans, Jim Martin “Vortang”, Paul “R.I.C.” Hudak, Arjun Kumar, Raynor Paul Mendoza. BOTTOM ROW, LEFT: Devan Taylor, Garrett “Thriller” aka “Grandpa” Wilson, Devan Young, Julian Cernuda.



Brotherhood Involvement on Campus

- Aaron Bonar – Glee Club, APO
- Kyle Frederick – Woodwind Ensemble, UPS
- Cody Grady – Scarlet Masque, French Club, Dork Club, Pep Band
- Bryan Hugo – Wrestling
- Victor Nava – UPS, Parliamentary Union, College Mentor for Kids
- Jonathan Torrez – Wabash OUT Club
- Clay Zook – Wabash Theater
- Seth Einterz – The Wabash Commentary, Cross Country, Track
- Lucian Lupinski – Society of Physics Students
- Michael Richmond – Fiction Writers of Wabash, Students for Sustainability, Cross Country
- Cody Schroeder – Cigar and Pipe Club, APO, Habitat for Humanity, Psychological Society
- Cory Tiedeman – Wabash Christian Men, Chemistry Club, APO
- Jorge Rostro - UPS, Pre-Med Society
- Kelvin Burzon – Glee Club, Wamadan, Chamber Orchestra, UPS, Concert Ensemble, College Mentor for Kids
- Tarriq Kanan – UPS, College Mentor for Kids
- Brian Kested – Parliamentary Union, College Republican, College Mentors for Kids, Pre-Law Society, National Inquiry for Student Research, Student Mac User Group
- Will McDonough – Fencing Club
- Jake Nettnay – Wabash Conservative Union
- Craig O’Connor – Glee Club
- Jordan Plohr – Student Mac User Group, Glee Club, Wabash Theater
- Terry Sullivan – Golf, Sailing Club, Cigar and Pipe Club
- Michael Trevino – Glee Club, Jazz Band, German Club



Brother Profile

Jake Nettnay, a current sophomore, is majoring in Economics, but don’t hold that against him. He is from Batesville, IN. After the extra-lengthy pledgship of 2008-2009 he was glad to be initiated.

At Wabash, Jake did not get that involved his Freshman year, however, he did join the Wabash Conservative Union. But, when time allowed, he attended an extracurricular talk nearly every week (and not just for the free pizza). Jake was on the Pledgship Committee where he helped to design a pledgship that combines old Moid traditions with the requirements demanded by Trusteeship. In this coming year he aspires to earn Ritual Proficiency and run for GMC.

During his first summer away from Wabash, he spent his summer hanging out with friends and chasing wild women. The women were faster, however, and he couldn’t catch any. He especially enjoyed staying up late finishing books in the mug-giness of Southern Indiana. He tried to find work, but was unable. Jake is excited to get back for Work Week and Wabash College.

Jake’s future plans still vary wildly, but after Wabash he is pretty sure that he will attend graduate school in Economics somewhere. He hasn’t really decided what he wants to do after that, but he hopes that the current economic slowdown is not affecting the job market when he enters the workforce.



115th Anniversary of
Kappa Sigma at Wabash
College

This year not only marks the founding of a new house for Alpha-Pi, but the 115th anniversary of Alpha-Pi at Wabash College. We will be celebrating this event on Saturday, January 31st and Founder's Day, Monday, February 1st. The Brothers, Parents and Alumni will be greeted with a day long festival of celebration of Kappa Sigma history as we reveal a video of Kappa Sigma history, long forgotten photos, and much more.

If you wish to attend this event and would like more information on the festivities, please do not hesitate to contact Alumni Relations Chairman Jonathan James Torrez '10 at (956) 792-1914 or Grand Master Aaron Bonar '10 at bonara@wabash.edu.

Dedication Ceremony Review

Events for this dedication will include: the infamous hog roast, house tours beginning Friday, an alumni lunch provided by Wabash College, an invitation to the 2009 homecoming football game, an informal dinner program on Saturday evening, and much more!

We hope that you can join us for this momentous occasion in Alpha-Pi's history.

We tried to accomodate all the alumni who RSVPed during this passt week. We want to thank everyone who took part in planning and set-up of the event. For a quick reminder, here are the following evnets:

1. Hog Roast (Friday, September 25 starting at 6:00PM)
2. Breakfast (Saturday, September 26, 8:30AM to 9:45PM)
3. Dedication (Saturday, September 26, 9:50AM to 10:30AM)
4. Lunch (Saturday, September 26, 12:00PM to 1:00PM)
4. Informal Dinner (Saturday, September 26, 5:00PM to 8:00PM)

If you have any questions, you may contact Dedications Committee Chairmen Jonathan Torrez at 956-792-1914.

Calender for 2009 Fall Semester

- September 25-26 – Dedication Ceremony of New House
- September 26 – Homecoming Concert
- October 10-13 – Bacchae November 10-11 – Studio One Acts
- August 29 – Taste of Montgomery County
- September 18 – Free Friday to Indianapolis
- October 10 – Family Day Concert
- October 15-18 – Midsemester Break
- November 7 – National Act
- November 10-11 – Studio One Acts
- November 12 – Monon Bell Chapel
- November 14 - 116th Monon Bell Classic at DePauw
- November 21-29 – Thanksgiving Break
- December 14-18 – Final Exams
- December 20-January 17 – Christmas Break



Graduate Update

Timothy “Fievel” Closson - After four great years here at Wabash, Tim will be returning home to Thornton in the Denver Area after graduation. He has a job waiting for him as a light, sound and camera technician. He will be trying to find a place to live, as he will also be getting married on August 1, 2009 to his high school sweetheart, Jenna Rae Wilson of Northglenn, Colorado. He hopes to move into the movie and television industry and would like to start a company trains consultants with using media respectfully and tastefully in worship services.

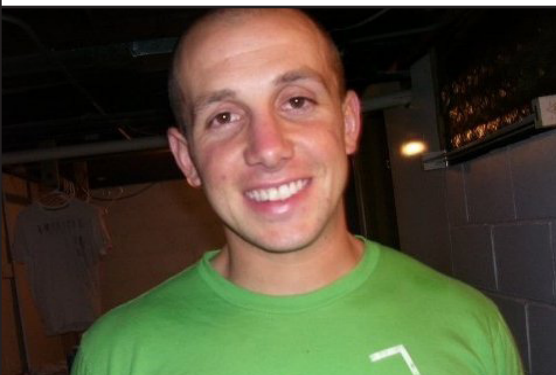


Nathan “Gizmo” Rutz – Nathan will be working as a canvass field manager for Ohio Citizen Action in Cincinnati organizing canvassing crews working to stop mountaintop removal. Intermittently working for Membrane Specialists LLC installing drinking water purification systems in remote locations across North America.



Robert “Dusil” Bloss - This September he will start a nine month program in Washington DC called the Fellows Initiative. He will work at a church, taking theology classes, and working three days a week in a paid internship in law and government. It is designed to prepare him for law school and his future as a Christian in our ever changing world. You can find out more information about the program on www.capitalfellowsmclean.org

Royce “Olive Oyl” Gregerson - In August he will enroll at the Pontifical College Josephinum at Columbus, Ohio as a Pre-Theologian, studying as a seminarian for the Diocese of Fort Wayne - South Bend. He will spend two years earning a second BA in philosophy as a preparation for theological studies. Then he will be able to spend the four following years earning an M.Div., M.A., and an S.T.B. (Bachelor’s of Sacred Theology -- actually a graduate-level degree).



Clayton “The Sauce” Gambetti - Clay is a mathematics major from Pekin, IL and on his way to an inspiring career in real estate. Between his sophomore and junior year he did an internship through Wabash with Partners in Housing Development, an affordable housing provider in Indianapolis. This internship sparked his interest in real estate development. He recently obtained his real estate licence, and will be taking further classes to obtain his broker’s license. Clay will also begin an MBA program at Bradley University in the fall. At Wabash Clay was a member of the baseball team, APO, and business club.

Kappa Sigma Summer Activities

Aaron Bonar

This summer, through Cassel Grant funding from the Wabash College Political Science Department, I had the opportunity to travel to Florence, Italy and take part in Georgetown University's International Law and Security Program. From May 25 to June 15, 2009, 11 other students and I were given a crash course in international law, and then we had to role play in a simulation for our final exam. I received the role of the Director of National Intelligence, which required me to coordinate information and the efforts of the various international and domestic intelligence agencies. This means that the CIA, sections of the NSA, the Defense Intelligence Agency and others were all under my watch, and I had to use their resources to respond to four crises: the buildup to the war in Iraq (2002), the decision of whether to house combatants in Guantanamo Bay (2002), Iran's quest for an atomic weapon (2009), and North Korea's nuclear tests and missile launches (2009). It was some of the most intellectually focused fun I've ever had.

The whole point of the program, so the professors said, was to "train tomorrow's leaders today." After experiencing the program, I have no doubt they will succeed in their mission.

Cody Grady and Clay Zook

Brothers Grady '10 and Zook '10 recently accepted Know Indiana Internships to work at the Phoenix Theatre in Indianapolis. Brother Grady is a Fine Arts Fellow, has worked in the scene shop at Wabash College for the past three years, and has held various tech positions for Wabash productions, the most recent being assistant director for *The Importance of Being Earnest*. He will be working as a production intern. Brother Zook has worked in the costume shop and scene shop for several years, he has also been extremely helpful to Wabash productions on both the technical and acting side and recently stage managed the debut of *Most Eligible Bachelor*. He will be serving as the theatre's administrative intern.

The two theatre majors invite all brothers in the area to the Phoenix to enjoy their summer season.

Jonathan James Torrez

I spent the whole summer – from May 8 to August 12 – in Washington, D.C. going to school and completing an internship. Through the Dill Grant I obtained through Wabash College, I attended American University where I completed the Campaign Management Institute, a rigorous two week course where I learned how to properly run national, state and local campaign. I, along with 4 others, completed a campaign plan of 200 pages on how to run Creigh Deeds' (Virginia's Democratic nominee) gubernatorial campaign. I also, with the help of the Coons Public Affairs Internship Grant from the Political Science Department, had the opportunity to intern at the Stonewall Democracy Fund, a (c)(3) nonprofit, nonpartisan, educational foundation concerning LGBT issues. I have signal-handily conducted a national survey of the major state parties and obtained never-before-conducted report on state parties and their stances on LGBT issues. This report will greatly help me conducted my senior seminar paper for Political Science. I will continue to work for the SDF until my project is complete on October 15. Through these opportunities, I have met extraordinary people in Washington, D.C. and old friends who might help my endeavors in finding a job next year when I graduate.





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