



HOLE IN THE WALL CLASSIC A HUGE SUCCESS

First I would like to extend my thanks to all of the brothers, family and friends that came out to The 3rd Annual Hole in the Wall Classic on Aug. 4th. The event was a tremendous success and just the start of first class events to come in the future! We had 113 golfers and raised \$5600 for Hole in the Wall! Thanks to our sponsors we gave away tons of merchandise, gift certificates, and prizes. I am very proud of the work the Grad Council did to put this on. Also a special thanks to all of the volunteers. If you missed out this year, trust me, you do not want to be left out of next year's outing! More pictures from the outing can be seen on our website, http://www.akronphitau.com/hitwc_golf.html.



Additionally, we are very excited to announce that OHIO, yes OHIO, is getting a Hole In The Wall Camp! The new camp, called [Flying Horse Farms](#), is to be located in Mount Gilead just north of Columbus and is slated to open in the Fall of 2009. Patrick Smith, Executive Director, and Nicholas Miesen, Director of Development and a fellow Φ KT brother, from the Flying Horse Farms camp have agreed to come to this year's Founders Day to give a short presentation and to receive the check from the golf outing. We are looking forward to forming tight ties with the new Ohio HITWC and doing all we can to ensure the camps' success.

A MESSAGE FROM THE GRAD COUNCIL

We apologize for the tardiness of the Fall Phi Tauker but we've been busy! Starting back in May, the HITWC Golf Outing kept us more than busy the entire summer up thru mid August. The patio project was immediately initiated and consumed the remainder of the fall season culminating with the Dedication BBQ in mid-Oct. We are working hard to keep things rolling and plans are currently being laid for both Founder's Day and a Reverse Raffle.

The Akron Phi Tau website is back! Bob Pairan is currently constructing our new website and it is looking very nice! Check it out at <http://www.akronphitau.com>. The site is under construction and new things are being added weekly. Check back frequently! We hope to organize and add more structure shortly so bear with us.

As I have stated before, it is our goal as the Graduate Council to reconnect and STAY connected with our alumni. We do our best to weed out bad addresses and track down lost alumni. But we need your help. As always please, please update your information with us anytime it changes. **Email address are greatly appreciated and make communication much easier and cheaper. Please provide your Email address if you have one and keep all your contact information up to date. Shortly hard copies will not be mailed unless you specifically request them.**

Lastly I just wanted to comment on the progress the Graduate/Alumni Council has made in about a year and a half. We have made huge strides and have only just begun putting on first class events for you, our esteemed alumni. I want to thank Eric Gorham, Ryan Haddox, Bob Pairan, Spanky Raymond, Mike Rizzo, Matt Siciliano, Chris Vovak, and most recently John Underation for all of their hard work and dedication. I am very excited about the alumni events in the future; starting with the Reverse Raffle on Saturday, January 12th, as well as the 70th anniversary of our Alpha Phi chapter's Founder's Day celebration on **Saturday, Feb. 16, 2008!** You will not want to miss this Founder's Day. So mark those calendars now! More details to come on those events in January. Things are looking up for the Alpha Phi chapter. So come along for the ride!

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BRICK PATIO DEDICATION BBQ

Phase 1 of the brick program is complete! Phase one included a bi-level brick patio, a retaining wall to the right side rear steps, a retaining wall for the short side of basketball court, and new steps to the court. Additionally the back yard was re-grated with drainage installed to remove the standing water from the basketball court and new sod was laid. Thank you to all of the volunteers we have had with the construction thus far. We are very proud of it and hope you are too. We had a very nice patio dedication on October 13th and had quite a few alumni and guests in attendance. A great time was had by all. Photos from the dedication can be viewed at <http://www.akronphitau.com/patio.html>

The grand new patio did not come cheap however. Total cost was over \$5,000 roughly \$2,000 over-budget. Several of the Graduate Council members lent their own money to get the patio completed. The Council currently has roughly \$1000 in outstanding debt to repay. Phase 2 will plan to include two more retaining walls: one on the left side of the steps (opposite of the patio), leading into the house. The other will be the longer wall along the basketball court. Phase II will also include engraving of the lime stone in the patio and some minor concrete work. This phase will hopefully be complete sometime next year. **Brick orders are still being ACCEPTED!** The form can be downloaded from the patio link above or contact Mike Wyne or Chris Vovak.



ALUMNI NEWS & EVENTS

- Giuseppe ('93) and Heather DiIulio are expecting their first child on Dec 23.
- Matt Simunich, '02, and girlfriend Ashley are expecting their first child next spring.
- Chris Vovak '99 took the plunge and is now engaged to his girlfriend Heather. Congrats to everyone!

Other Events '07/'08:

- Wed, Nov 21:** Thanksgiving Dinner, Chapter House, 6pm
Sat, Jan 12: Reverse Raffle, Sokul Center
Sat, Feb 16: 70th Anniversary Founder's Day,
Location TBA @ University of Akron

ACTIVE CHAPTER REPORT

The men of the Alpha Phi chapter have made serious positive strides in all aspects of the Fraternity life in the fall 2007 semester. We worked extremely hard at building the chapter's size this past semester and will continue to grow as we have done in the past. Our recruitment schedule was one of the best organized and planned schedules that have been associated with the chapter in recent years. While our goals have not been completely met, I am confident that the new men we have invited to be apart of our chapter are extremely quality individuals. We are still working very diligently to gain new members and will continue to do so for the rest of the semester.

In recent months we have been able to gain volunteer hours working at such

events as the Akron Marathon and Make A Difference Day. One of the more exciting things that have happened to the chapter this semester was coming in 2nd place in Greek Week. All members worked very hard during Greek Week doing various activities to accumulate points and we just fell short of our goal of 1st place.

We are planning a bowl-a-thon to raise money for the Hole in the Wall. This event will take place the last week of November. The chapter will again host the annual Thanksgiving dinner at the fraternity house on November 21st at 6pm. Keep an eye out for personal invitations that will be sent out in the mail in the next few weeks.

I want to personally acknowledge the

work and effort the Graduate Council put into the brick patio project and thank them for making such a great contribution to the fraternity. Along with the patio being finished, the back yard was given a makeover with fresh sod laid in all dirt areas that appeared because of the construction. I want to personally invite any and all alumni to the house to see the new patio and visit with the current chapter's members. It is an exciting time within the Alpha Phi chapter, and we are growing and achieving goals at a steady pace and will continue to for years to come.

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A MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

As always, the active chapter is accomplishing great things on campus. I had the pleasure of meeting the Assistant Director for Greek Life Programs, Thad Doyle. He was pleased to inform me the progress of Phi Kappa Tau. We went over several issues. The majority of the discussion was concentrated on recruitment in Greek Life. Currently the chapter is slowly progressing with recruits. I believe they are obtaining quality men. The Board is very proud of their recent second place finish during Greek Week. Overall the Board of Governors will be working hard with the chapter as they approach elections at the end of this semester. We will be striving for a very positive next year. The Board currently has several positions open. Most urgent would be the Chapter Advisor role. Also the positions of Scholarship Advisor and Alumni Relations Advisor are open. Please contact me if you are interested in filling one of these. You would be doing the chapter a great service! As the holidays are rapidly approaching, I want to wish everyone a safe and joyful time. Hopefully I will see a few of you during the Annual Thanksgiving dinner at the Phi Kappa Tau House.

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HOME HOLDING REPORT

There are 10 brothers living in the house in the fall and spring semester for the first time in many years. We have about \$2,800 in the checking accounts, all bills are current and we are expecting another \$1,500 in fall rent. Our projected expenses for the remainder of the fall are about \$2,000. Our biggest expenses come in during the spring semester because of property taxes, our annual insurance premium, our winter gas bills and a five month semester. However, once all rents are collected, we will be able to stay current on all bills.

Our current mortgage balance is \$38,864.09. The back taxes that were once over \$5,000 will be paid off in the next 60 days.

We have improved our financial standing substantially over the past 3 years, but there is a long way to go. Everything starts with continued aggressive recruitment of new members to add to our strong core of men. The continued support from our alumni is greatly appreciated. We hope to have a stronger Founder's Day turnout this year, so please make plans to be there.

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ALPHA PHI ALUMNI DUES

As was decided at Founder's Day '07, alumni dues will be due annually on September 1st. These dues are essential for the Graduate Council to continue to function in keeping alumni informed, performing house improvements, organizing & hosting events, and other endeavors such as the current website development. One of the Councils' largest ongoing expenses is the publication and mailing of the Phi Tauker. Each quarterly publication of the Phi Tauker newsletter costs over \$300 to print and distribute. Postage alone exceeds \$250 per mailing. We are making concerted efforts to grow our email database to help reduce this cost, but we currently lack valid email addresses for over 80% of our alumni. Alumni dues also assist with house improvements like the new retaining walls to the rear steps and the brick patio which went vastly over budget. In fact the council is over \$1,000 in debt to various alumni who lent money to complete the patio project. Beyond the newsletter and house improvement, dues will be used to put on events for our beloved alumni such as the recent Patio Dedication BBQ. We hope to reach a point where we can host a couple first class alumni events each year. We want to give you the best experience possible and keep strong our ties. Hopefully you have a better idea of what these dues go towards, and we hope you will be more willing to participate in this plan and the activities to come. Thank you brothers, because it is our esteemed alumni that makes being a Phi Tau such a special honor!

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2007 ALPHA PHI ALUMNI DUES

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Request Mailed Hard Copy Check if new Address

Updated Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Issued	Due	Description	Amount	Balance
09/01/07	11/30/07	Alumni Dues	\$25.00	\$25.00
Additional Contribution				\$
			Total Enclosed	\$

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